

City of Lodi
Finance & Human Resources Committee
Minutes of September 15, 2020

1. Call to Order.

Chair Stevenson called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson, Eric Hansen, Steven Clemens(virtual), Suzanne Miller (virtual), Nick Strasser and Peter Tonn

Staff Present: Julie Ostrander, Sandy Bloechl, Terry Weter, Russ Schafer (EMS - virtual)

Others: Mayor Groves Lloyd

2. Virtual Etiquette Announcement. Stevenson reviewed virtual etiquette for the meeting.

3. Public Input. None

4. 2021 Budget Discussion

- 4.a. EMS – Russ
Schafer gave a PowerPoint presentation with a 2019 snapshot in review. COVID has caused a reduction in the amount of people who want to join the EMS team and has hurt fund raising efforts. 12% overall budget increase for 2021, 8% of the increase is covered with internal revenue. Stressed that Lodi EMS needs to remain competitive with pay to attract and keep staff. City of Lodi 7% increase (\$4,758.82), Town of Lodi 3% increase and Town of West Point -1% increase. Tonn asked what the hourly on-premise rate is and Schafer stated \$10/hr, Worst case scenario would be \$70,000 for health coverage. Strasser requested background detail for the large increase in natural gas. Schafer also reviewed capital expenses list. EMS building was built in 1993-1994.
- 4.b. General Fund Benchmarking Information – Alder Clemens
Ran out of time so Clemens said that if anyone wanted to discuss this with him he would talk with people individually. This does not need to be added to future agendas.
- 4.c. Parks: Capital Improvement Plan/Asset Lifecycle Management – Alder Clemens
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- 4.d. 2021 Budget Timeline
Will be changing

5. Next Meeting Date. Stevenson stated the next meeting is a special budget meeting Tuesday, September 22 at 5:00 p.m. Next Public Safety meeting add item to discuss EMS becoming a department of the City

6. Adjourn. MOTION (Strasser/Hansen) to adjourn at 6:01 p.m.
Motion passed.

Minutes by Sandy Bloechl, Accounting Manager/Treasurer