

MINUTES  
MUNCIE COMMON COUNCIL  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
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MUNCIE, INDIANA 47305

**MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2019**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING:** 5:30 P.M., 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CITY HALL AUDITORIUM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Councilperson Powell.

Councilperson Polk is taking the place of President Marshall (who stepped down today). This evening, the committee will be receiving information from the department heads. Because of the nature of this meeting, there is no public comment because this ordinance has not been filed yet. Public comment, at this time, would be premature. There will be opportunities for the public to comment both at the Public Hearing and at the meetings where the budget is introduced and subsequent meeting when it is adopted.

<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Nora Powell	X	
Denise Moore	X	
Brad Polk	X	

Powell explains they will go line by line by category in discussion of the purposed amounts.

**MUNCIE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Muncie Fire Chief, Eddie Bell, addresses the committee. In the category Salaries and Wages, Powell refers to the line items for Chief 101-21-411111, Deputy Chief 101-21-411112, Chief Inspector 101-21-411116 and Captains 101-21-411117 and if those increase reflect the 2% raise. Bell confirms, they do. Powell moves on to Battalion Chief line item 101-21-411113, if that will be reduced. Bell states at the time, the department is continuing to keep that filled. Powell states all the increases for employees just reflect the 2% raises. Bell answers yes. Powell moves on to Comp Time 101-21-411163 and asks about it being a new line item. Bell answers it is a line item that wasn't being currently used. The department had a line for that but it wasn't used and they are wanting to break that out so people can see exactly what is being used for overtime and minimum staffing, which there has been some questions about. The department wants to make absolutely sure that people can see everything. Powell continues to the next category of Other Supplies and specifically the next three-line items, OJC (Out Job Classification) 101-21-411169, Employee Uniforms 101-21-413036 and Cert/Merit Rank 101-21-xxxxxx which

are all new line items and asks where those totals were being paid out of from before. Bell states the certification is something that is new from 2019. The department has had to draw from different things to make that work. It is something the council agreed to contractually for 2019, something that has just started, Article 20.02 in the contract book. Basically, what that is that it lists out of 55 members out of 101 Fund, 5 members out of LOIT. Basically the 60 members would be \$82,500 and same explanation for the LOIT, out of \$23,568 for 9 men. Out of the 101 fund, \$21,211.74 for a grand total of master firefighters equals \$44,780.34. Powell asks that line item is for the new master firefighters that was put in this year. Bell confirms and explains if you were to add that in to the other thing they have added in there which is Certification Pay, Article 20.03, which the council agreed to contractually to start this year. Bell believes there were a ceiling on that of \$50,000. Powell confirms. Bell continues that total of all three of those equals \$184,780. Powell states that because those are new items, she wants to know where those funds were being paid out of before. Bell answers they were being drafted from several different things. Powell continues and moves on to the next line item which is Lieutenants 101-21-411120, which actually went down. Bell believes that is because of something that is in LOIT Fund 105. Powell then discusses the increases in Social Security 101-21-413011, Medicare 101-21-413015, City's Share PERF 101-21-413017 and Health Insurance 101-21-413025 will all be reflective. Bell confirms the common multiples. There was a mistake, last year, with PERF and Clothing 101-21-413035 and the council is free to do whatever they want with it. The total amount of the PERF for this year that was put into the General Fund 101, is \$997.024. Powell refers to the Life Insurance 101-21-413026 going up \$735. Bell explains yes, they added in 5%. Powell asks Kevin Nemyer, City Controller, what the price per employee for life insurance. Nemyer answers it is about \$100 and doesn't vary too much. Powell asks both Councilperson Moore and Councilperson Polk if they have any questions in which they do not, at this time. Powell continues regarding Office Supplies 101-21-421011 going up \$5,000. Bell answers yes. Powell asks if there is a reason for that. Bell states there is a need for different types of office supplies. Bell believes what was previously there was a rather low number and there are other things they need to get within the office that they have not been able to get on a regular basis. Powell states at mid-year they had only spent 39% of the Office Supplies appropriation of \$10,000. Bell states that is correct and they order at the end of the year, usually in October, and make a pretty good order to take them through to the end of the year. Powell states the entire amount spent last year was only \$10,000. Bell replies okay, that was the max and was what they had to use. Powell goes on to the line item Tires 101-21-422023 with the department spending 13% mid-year and asks if that is something that happens also at the end of the year. Bell states generally, at the end of the year, they will check tires and go through the whole department to use what they have left. Powell asks if he perceives the department using the remainder of that line item. Bell answers absolutely. Powell refers to Fire Prevention Supplies 101-21-42218 and the spending of \$4,000 last year, budgeted \$10,000 for this year and as of June, had only spent 11%. Bell explains that is what the secretary orders out all of the kid items, late in the year. Those go out to the schools and everything else. Powell asks if Polk or Moore has any questions regarding the category of Other Supplies, in which,

there are no questions. Powell moves on to the category Other Services and Charges and refers to Postage 101-21-432011 mis a mid-year expenditure of 4%. Bell comments that could change from year to year so it all just depends. Powell continues to discuss the increase in Electricity 101-21-435011 and asks if those are set by him or Board of Works. Bell replies MFD pays those bills and they went up \$5,000 because of the addition of a new facility, the Training Center. Powell asks if that facility was in operation last year. Bell confirms but informs that they ran out of money and had to get transfers. Powell moves on to Repair and Maintenance 101-21-436011 going up \$25,000. Bell explains the set \$100,000 is not enough to stay on top of all the mechanics and problems they have with vehicles on a day-to-day basis. If the word "fire truck" is in front of something, the cost of it would be much more than it is for a regular automobile. That is just not enough to do the job. Powell comments that Subscription & Dues 101-21-439092 has a zero expenditure. Bell states that is something they don't really deal with and stems from years ago. Powell continues to Furniture and Fixtures 101-21-444011 and spending 3% as of June and the amount stayed the same at \$15,000. Bell states they have spent another \$8,000 on new mattresses for every bed within the city and all seven fire stations. There are other things the department is planning on dealing with before the end of the year. That was almost \$8,000 just on the mattresses. Powell asks More and Polk if they have any questions regarding the line items in the Other Services and Charges category, in which they do not. Powell moves on to the final category, Improvements Other Than Building and the first line item, Improvements 101-21-444026, in which MFD has spent 13%. Last year, they spent \$9,000 and they budgeted \$80,000 for this year and Powell wants him to elaborate. Bell states that right now they are going through every fire station and just accepted another bid for approximately \$8,000 on flooring. They have went through three fire stations and before the end of the year will have gone through all of them. That money will be used up and is money they are using on a regular basis. Powell refers to Capital Equipment 101-21-444058 and as of June, the spending 4%. Bell does not know what the new total is but they have used it since June. Powell mentions she uses June because it is halfway through the year and that way it is easier to see if things fall below 25%. Powell asks if Polk or More has any questions, in which they do not. Powell moves on to the Local Income Tax and specifically Medicare 101-21-413015 went up about \$6,000 and asks if they are transferring that expense into the LOIT side or if they expect the new Medicare to go up to that amount. Bell states the multiplier he was given, equals the number that came up to from the Controller's office. Powell then asks about the decision to move City-Shared PERF back into the General Fund. Bell confirms absolutely because it was in both places last year due to the mistake of going back and forth. It was in Public Safety LOIT then it was in the General Fund. For clarity, it is in the General Fund and the council can move it wherever they want, as long as the amount stays the same. Powell asks Nemyer how much LOIT is available as estimated in 2020. Nemyer answers the total for police and fire is \$2.9 million. Powell confirms half would be about \$1.45 million. Powell then asks Bell if he budgeted \$900,000 of that \$1.4 million. Bell states this is the same amount that was budgeted last year. They have the same manpower levels and have not changed anything. Powell states by not budgeted that LOIT money into play, they would take a larger portion of

the General Fund. Bell states that he does not know. His question would be if this is a DLGF fund. Nemyer confirms, it is not a DLGF fund. Bell states that would be something that would be controlled elsewhere but again, this is something that he has not touched. They have kept the same manpower levels, officers, and everything in this that was in it before. Powell explains her comment was just the fact that by pushing a portion of that to be utilized, in essence, they are using more money out of the General Fund, which can not be utilized in other departments. Bell supposes if Powell wants to see it that way, she can. Powell moves on to Center Township Fund #104 and asks if that was broken down into line items. Bell does not control the budget on that. It is something that is set aside and they had already put in place, as far as how it is broken up. Not just the revenue, just the equipment and everything else, as far as that goes. They have not broken it down into line items. Powell decides to ask Nemyer, of the \$400,000 that will be receipted into that Fund #104 Other Services and Charges and wants to know what it would be used for. Bell states obviously, the BLS units that they had started. Powell refers to the current staffing level being 110. Bell confirms, 110 total that they are asking to be approved. Powell asks if that includes the EMS Director. Bell answers 110, they are at 109 right now. Powell asks if Polk or More has anything to add, in which they do not. Powell concludes the findings and states the General Fund budget for 2019 was \$8,849,619. The purposed General Fund budget for 2020 is \$10,347,448 with \$1.45 million in LOIT and \$400,000 in Fund #104.

## **PERSONNEL**

Personnel Director, Sarah Beach addresses the committee. Powell states the two salary positions in the Personnel office actually went down. Beach is not showing that they did. She is showing the amount for 2019 was \$53,833 for her position and the amount for 2020 is \$54,932. Powell is seeing \$52,983. Nemyer states he changed that so it would reflect the salary ordinance he thinks they must have had incorrect figures last year. Beach is going off of what she has. Nemyer will double-check it. Beach suggests the same. Powell asks for the numbers Beach has represented. Beach states the Personnel Director 101-13-411024 has a purposed amount of \$54,932 and the Personnel Specialist 101-13-411030 has a purposed amount of \$40,246. Those both reflect the 2% raise. Beach continues to state the next line item Part Time 101-21-411046 which remains the same. Powell asks if that Part Time, according to the income statement, has not had any spent as of yet. Beach states she is not sure what month Powell was looking have but the Personnel office has used some Part Time. They held-off and tried to be a little fiscally responsible so they didn't run out of the money on that. The same thing occurred with the Mayor's office, also. Those positions have been hired and are being spent out of right now. Powell reiterates that she pulled figures at the end of June to get a half-way, where they are at, idea. Beach states when she leaves, she will obtain the most recent copy. Powell states she has it, she just likes to see where they are at during the mid-point of the year. Beach states a lot of expenses do not come in until the later part of the year. Powell confirms they see that from some of the other departments as well, like the Street Department and Parks Department. Powell moves on to the increases in Social Security 101-13-413011, Medicare 101-13-413015

and PERF 101-13-413017 being most likely because of that contractual increase. Beach confirms. Powell states Health Insurance 101-13-413025 went up. Beach believes she looked at last year and where the department came in on that at the end of the year and she just raised it a little to be sure they did not fall short in that line item. Powell continues on to Unemployment 101-13-413065 going up. Beach confirms and states it should probably go up in every department at this point in time as there will be an administrative change next year and she is sure there will be a lot of people out of jobs so there will be unemployment expenses. Powell wanted to ask about the Employee Assistance Program 101-13-413081 and how the new initiative was going. Beach state that was started last year and her records indicate it was budgeted for \$25,000 for 2019 and she believes the council cut that in the budget process. She is not sure why it is still reflecting that high. Beach is taking that down to \$2,000 because with this being the first year, she was unsure of what the expenses would be on it. She does not see it exceeding the \$2,000 unless there is some major issue going on. It has been useful and she appreciates it being added to the budget. Powell thinks that was one of those situations where Beach came before council and initially thought \$25,000 and that she didn't think they would need quite that much so it was amended down to \$5,000. Powell is glad it has helped. Beach is not sure if this is the appropriate time to bring this up but because that is in the Personnel budget and it will not be used and revert back to the General Fund if nothing is done with it, but she suggests to the council that they transfer money to the Animal Shelter for the remainder of the year. The shelter is consistently underfunded and seriously struggling desperately right now. Powell states that is something they can take, as a council, into consideration. Powell moves on to Training, Fees and Instructions 101-13-413085 being decreased. Beach states yes, due to being unsure of what will happen next year, that is the amount she came into office with so she just put it back to what it was when she came in. Currently, Beach has used none of that, at this point but depending on what the next few months are like here in City Hall, there is some training she would like to take in October but is hesitant to pay for until she knows exactly if she will still be here when the time comes. Powell continues on to Improvements 101-13-444026 being reduced by \$25,000. Beach states of what they had in there last year, the \$30,000 was to pay for a software upgrade that she is very, very grateful for the council approving. However, right now, none of that has been spent and she is waiting on IT to do whatever they do. She does know IT is looking at additional upgrades on it and she believes there will be a yearly stipend or something needed to pay to the computer software company. That is why she took it down to \$5,000. Powell asks if that is the same as Computer & Printer 101-13-444072 which Beach states that a new computer and printer was just purchased for the new employee. Beach does not believe there will need to be another expense that high but she would like for (whoever) the new administration is to have some money there in case they need to make any different improvements. Powell goes on to Subscriptions and Dues 101-13-439092. Beach explains next month, she will re-up her dues on a couple of different organizations so there will be some money spent out of that. Powell asks Moore and Polk if they have any questions for the Personnel department. Moore agrees with transferring funds to the Animal Shelter. Beach realizes it is difficult but there is at least \$20,000 here that could

go to paying for additional help out there. Moore appreciates it. Beach states if the committee would like her to put together an ordinance she can do that for next month, after discussion, she can do so. Polk does not have any questions. Powell concludes the findings of the budget in 2019 was \$230,314. Beach actually reduced the Personnel department budget for 2020 to \$198,888. However, Beach is showing her findings indicate it went from \$230,344 to \$201,688. Powell confirms. Beach gives Powell her notes so she has them.

## **HUMAN RIGHTS**

Human Rights Director, Yvonne Thompson addresses the committee appreciating the opportunity to come before them. Powell states the same. Powell confirms the increases in the salaries reflect the contractual raises. Thompson states that is correct. Powell moves on to the increase of Social Security 101-18-413011, Medicare 101-18-413015 and PERF 101-18-413017 all because of those salary increases. Thompson states again, that is correct. Powell questions Nemyer if he instructed a certain percentage of Health Insurance 101-18-413025 increase. Nemyer states no because council decreased it last year by about 10% so if they submitted the same thing as they originally did last year, it would probably work out just right. Powell moves on to the increase in Unemployment 101-18-413065. Thompson states they do not have that. Nemyer asks if she is eligible to receive it, which Thompson replies back no and it has been like that since she has been here. Nemyer jokingly states she hasn't been unemployed since she has been here. Nemyer explains he put that amount there. Powell believes that was the only increase. Thompson agrees and explains everything else stayed the same. Powell states by looking through the budget, the Office Supplies 101-18-421011 as of mid-year had 10% spent. Powell asks if that is something Thompson sees being more utilized for the end of the year. Thompson answers yes, because they are in the same area as the Building Commissioner's office and use the same printer. They try to help with copy paper and share the office supply expense. Powell continues as the end of June, none of the attorney fees were spent and questions if that is a contractual thing that is paid at a certain time in the year. Thompson explains it is for when they need it, whether it be a Subpoena or anything they would need to use but they do not usually have to. Powell asks if Postage 101-18-432011 is the same, which Thompson states it is. Powell asks Moore and Polk if they have any questions for the Civil Rights department, in which they do not. Powell concludes the findings indicate the budget went down from \$138,843 in 2019 to \$151,663 purposed in 2020. Nemyer explains the difference is the \$10,400. Powell states this is one of the easiest budgets to go over because it stays the same almost every time.

## **PRAIRIE CREEK RESERVOIR**

Harvey Wright and Matt Walker address the committee. Powell begins by stating there were increases in salaries that reflect the 2% increases from the contract for 2020. Wright confirms. Powell states he zeroed out the Assistant Park Superintendent 203-29-411062 for 2020. Wright

confirms, as well as for 2019. Powell moves on to the increase of Part Time Lifeguards 203-29-411070. Wright explains next year they will be adding Part Time staff at the new bait house/campground store. Powell confirms the salary would be paid out of that line item. Wright confirms. Powell asks Nemyer is that would be an issue because even with the increases in salaries that were reported, there were no changes as far as the associated costs with Social Security 203-29-413011, Medicare 203-29-413015 and PERF203-29-413017. Nemyer would like to know how many people would be receiving those. Wright states all they would be asking for is the extra for two people. They will be using some of their existing Part Time staff there. It is just additional on part of it, not all. Nemyer questions it would just be for two. Wright confirms because it is already in the budget for the others. Powell continues even though it wasn't increased at all from 2019 to 2020 even with increases in full-time. Nemyer confirms. Powell states she just does not want to underbudget for those line items. Powell goes on to Part Time 203-29-411146 and the spending of 13% by the mid-point of the year. She guesses with the summer hours, the department has been utilizing more of that. Wright confirms. Powell adds Part Time Labor being a factor as well. Wright states what is getting ready to come up in the Part Time Labor is the taking the piers out of the water. That will really eat up the part-time money and they will have to hire a lot of extra help for that. Powell continues to Unemployment 203-29-413065 which has not changed but then mentions Gas & Oil 203-29-422021 going up \$5,000. Wright confirms. Powell states it went up and yet at the mid-point of the year, the department had spent 25% of that line item. Wright explains they have the mowing to do clear up to the first of November/last of October. Also, they have trucks and a new van that was recently donated from the county to Prairie Creek from DCCC. It was used by employees when moving around and putting the piers in. The department also has another pick-up truck that they are bringing from the City Parks department out to Prairie Creek to help Walker and his staff there. Powell moves on to Utilities with Telephone 203-29-432031 going up almost \$1,300. Wright confirms and explains they were having ongoing problems with the internet and had to make a few changes. Powell confirms the Telephone line item includes the Wi-Fi. Wright confirms. Powell states Electricity 203-29-435011 went up \$40,000. Wright states last May when Mr. Walker took over Prairie Creek, they went through the budget and spoke with Nemyer on a few occasions because there were concerns on how the budget was done in the past. Wright dissected the budget really well this year and is getting true figures compared to past. Powell states there was also an increase in Taxes and Storm Water Fees 203-29-439035 of about \$4,000. Wright explains that is the sales and taxes that they pay out. The reason that is going up is because the sales tax is going up because of the addition of the bait house, as well as the campground store. Wright states there is also an increase in a hotel tax because of the cabins. Powell refers to the renovations that are going to happen at the bait house and asks what line items that will be coming out of. Wright explains it will be just like it was this year. With the line items in at Tuhey Pool, which was needed, that they realized they will need a line item for the money that comes in. That money is what they use to keep the park up with. Powell asks he wants to create an additional income line item so that money will come back to the parks at Prairie Creek. Powell asks Moore and Polk is they have questions pertaining to

Prairie Creek, in which they do not. Powell concludes the purposed budget went up by \$55,916 from 2019 to 2020. Polk states his income statement is a little different. It is through August 8<sup>th</sup> and the Mowing/Capital Equipment 203-29-444081 shows that only 1% of the budget has been used. Wright states that is getting ready to change because they have had a couple of mowers at Prairie Creek, as well as the city parks, that has went down with blown engines and busted frames. They can only put so many band-aids on a wound. That definitely will be changing.

## **PARKS DEPARTMENT**

Park Superintendent, Harvey Wright is already at the podium and prepares to discuss the Park budget. Powell begins with the increase in the Foreman position 201-27-411014 of \$9,366. Wright explains last year it was voted in. He brought the proposal in front of council reorganizing the Parks Department where they took the Assistant Parks Superintendent out and kept the working Foreman/Prairie Creek Superintendent. With the working Forman, that was taken out (which was Walker's salary) of City Parks. They done away with the Assistant Superintendent position to save some money in the Parks. Powell refers to the Secretary position 201-27-411023 that reflects the 2% raise. Wright confirms. Powell then states Part Time 201-27-411051 went up \$40,000. Wright explains that last year, they had \$100,000 but used \$139,000. They robbed Peter to pay Paul toward the end of the year by transferring money where they had an employee who passed away. That money was placed in the Part Time line item to get them through. Powell confirms the line item was just adjusted to give a more realistic picture of what they need. Wright agrees. Powell moves on to the increase in Park Superintendent which, again, reflect the changes that were made last year. Powell lists Heavy Equipment Operator 201-27-411057 and Grounds Keeper 201-27-411058 positions and if reflect the 2%. Wright confirms. Powell asks Nemyer, again, with all those substantial salary increases, the Social Security 201-27-413011, Medicare 201-27-413015, and PERF 201-27-413017 were not changed and if that would be an issue. Nemyer confirms no. Powell continues to state there was an increase in Health Insurance 201-27-413025 but Life Insurance 201-27-413026 stayed the same. Unemployment 201-27-413065 went up by \$20,000. Wright states they were told to increase that because of the changes in the administration and not knowing who will be replaced and drawing unemployment. They are just making sure that the next administration is covered. Powell states Programs for Recreation 201-27-411060 stayed the same but just wanted to point out how essential those programs have been. She has received much feedback over the summer and compliments Mr. Wright on that, on as far as getting those programs up and running. She is aware that he piecemealed over the course of the years and asked little by little. Now it is at the point where they can take off and meet the needs of the programming and still be a good steward with that money. She has heard wonderful things about it. Wright takes the time to thank the council. He recalls there being zero dollars in that line item when he came on in 2012. There wasn't any programming like there is now. He appreciates that very much. Powell moves on to Gas & Oil 201-27-422021 going up. Wright was explaining the department has more vehicles. Wright adds that they have two bucket rucks as

well as a few diesel vehicles. They do not just get gas and oil from their distributor. Sometimes, they will have to fill up their mowers as well as their Peterson truck over at the Sanitary District, which the Parks department will have to pay them back, as well as the Street department. The Parks department does not have diesel so they do have to go through the Street department. Powell asks if any of the vehicles are natural gas. Wright answers no, they have looked into it, grant-wise but with their budget, the way it is, the only way they could afford those vehicles is if they have an 80/20 budget. Paying 75% does not do them any good when it is a \$250,000 piece of equipment. Powell understands converting it over would be costlier than what it would be worth. Telephone 201-27-432031 went up about \$1,500 and Powell asks if that reflects the internet as opposed to actual telephone usage. Wright states actually just the telephone usage in general. The Parks department actually pays for some of the phones in the community centers. Their internet is slow but nothing like Prairie Creek and IT has done an amazing job during these last few months with it. Powell states Electricity 201-27-435011 went up \$10,000. Wright confirms and explains they added lights at the Ball Corp. court and they are adding some over off Wheeling Ave. in the Halteman area. Collaboration with the Parks department and the Neighborhood Association took place to work on that park. It will not be a full-blown park and will still need a lot of money to be raised to do the efforts. A full park costs an arm and a leg and this Park department does not have it in their budget to do that. They are doing what they can improving the tennis court and converting the second tennis court into a pickle ball court. They also redone the basketball court, volleyball court and tetherball stand. For the first time in many years, you can actually see from one row over into the next row of houses. A lot of physical work was done out there cleaning up that area. They have come up with some good ideas that Wright hopes the next administration will take and follow-through on. There is a lot of kids in that neighborhood and they definitely need something out there. Powell moves on to the increase in Water 201-27-435031 of more than \$3,500. Wright refers to Tuhey Pool for that increase. Powell asks for an update on the lightning strike/insurance. Wright explains on Memorial Day weekend (also opening weekend) the pool area was struck by lightning. It took out the filtration pump, which ended up costing right around \$8,000 to pay. Basically, they had to open the pool the second time, which was not cheap. Replacement of the water heater was needed, as well as a new electrical panel. This all stems from the lightning strike. They were able to fix the electric panel, in house but Wright believes they will have to put a circuit board on the pool heater. They were able to get the pool up and running and are now going back and forth between the insurance company because of their large deductible and small budget. They did lose revenue with the pool being down. Last year, they had lost \$16,000 within the city pool which was a record low. They are doing everything they can to cover the cost through the insurance. Powell moves on with Trees & Weeds 201-27-436039 going up \$15,000. Wright states that Urban Forestry department (2 people) have done an amazing job taking down unsafe trees. In the last going on eight years, they took down about 600 unhealthy trees. There are a lot of unsafe trees in the city of Muncie, not just in the parks and they need some help. They don't have the equipment to properly get rid of some of the trees being discussed and are going to work on a couple methods to try and get it done. They will need a little bit of extra

money to try and contract those duties out. Wright explains that the trees are not getting any better and the ones that are affected are just getting worse with time. Powell states the Sales Tax 201-27-439035 went up \$3,400. Wright confirms this increase is from the cabins and Tuhey Pool. It is a good thing because it means people are renting the cabins more and also taking in some decent money at Tuhey. Powell ends with Capital Improvement 201-27-444071 going up \$10,000. Wright explains what happened last year was that line item was cut by \$10,000 and he is not sure where that came from but the year before that, it was asked for that to not be cut and it was cut anyways. That is what they spend to get their mowers and other lawn items. It was originally \$40,000 so he took it back up to the original amount, especially since they plan to purchase mowers in the city parks as well. Powell asks Polk or Moore if they have any questions. Polk refers to the income statement and states that the prior year there was \$40,274 spent. This year, they have spent about \$15,500. Wright explains there is another payment coming out at the end of the year for over 2017 trucks that they had bought on the Parks department. Moore does not have any questions. Powell concludes the purposed 2020 Parks department budget went up \$128,364. Wright makes a comment that if the committee remembers right, this is one of the few times since 2016 that the Parks budget has went up at all.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion is made by Moore and seconded by Polk to Adjourn.

A roll call vote showed 3 yeas and 0 nays. MEETING ADJOURNED.



Vice-President Nora Powell  
Finance Chair



Melissa Peckinpaugh,  
Clerk of the Common Council