



**City of Derby
Board of Apportionment & Taxation
Joan Williamson Aldermanic Chambers
MINUTES
MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014**

James Butler –Chairman
Christopher Carloni
Jason Cronk
Richard Dziekan
Edwin Fiallos

Carlo Malerba, Jr.
Sabatino Pollastro, Jr.
Daniel Sexton
Judith Szewczyk
James Watson

Chairman James Butler opened the meeting at 7:02 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present were: James Butler, Jason Cronk, Richard Dziekan, Carlo Malerba, Jr., Daniel Sexton, Judith Szewczyk and James Watson.

Absent were: Christopher Carloni, Edwin Fiallos and Sabatino Pollastro, Jr.

Additions, Deletions and Corrections to the Agenda

Mr. Butler asked to add to the agenda the approval of the minutes from the Special Meeting held on July 1, 2014. Mr. Watson made the motion and Mr. Dzieken seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Public Portion

Mayor Dugatto spoke on the settlement for O'Sullivan's Island. She wanted it on the public record that the money to pay this settlement was already put aside, She wanted

the public to know that there will be no additional monies needed by the city for the clean-up. She is being asked over and over again if the taxpayers are going to be hit for additional money to pay for this and she wanted it on record that the Auditor recognized that this had to be paid and that \$750,000 has been reserved for this payment. It is expected that this will be paid by December 31st, 2014.

Approval of minutes of, May 19th, June 16, 2014 and July 1st.2014.

A Motion was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Watson to approve the minutes of May 19, 2014. **Motion Carried.**

A motion was made by Mr. Sexton to table the approval the minutes of June 16th, as not all members present were at that meeting. **Motion tabled.**

A Motion was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Watson to approve the minutes of July 1st. **Motion Carried.**

Treasurer's Report

We will be going to the bond market in September for the roof projects. Bradley and Irving Schools have already been started and are well on their way, the High School was started last week. Both are slated to be complete by the time school starts. We are expected to come in below costs to the tune of about \$60,000. We are closing out the fiscal year, and Henry, Tom and myself are working on the self-insurance,. Starting the new fiscal year, we have some unexpected expenses coming and we should put this on our radar. Lastly, if we are going to put the WPCA and the Parking garage on the ballot in November, we need to get some real tangible numbers in order for this to work. We need this information at least 60 days prior to the election. If we are going to act, we need some qualified numbers, not numbers that keep floating around, We need the hard facts, and then both boards have to act.

Lastly, I see the bid waiver is on the agenda for tonight for the elevator. I am a proponent for bidding using competitive market maximizing the tax payers dollars. We are in an economy where competition is a good and fair thing. However, with the elevator, it is a single source award. The company that does the elevator, will manufactures this part , so putting it in the newspaper, waiting 5 or 10 days, you will get the same company coming back. We don't want a third party making this part, because, it nullifies the previous warranty on the elevator. We have issues here with handicap people unable to use the stairs and people having trouble walking having difficulty climbing the stairs. So it is really not worth spending \$800 or \$900 putting the request in the newspaper. I know that there is some problem with who should approve the bid waiver first. I don't think there is anything in the charter that says who goes first. Ms. Szewczyk said she thought

we were being spoken to regarding a project and when I was chairman of the tax board, we both had to approve it, and it didn't matter who went first. Mr. Butler agreed and said we would take care of it when we get to it.

Building Department (6100) Transfer \$18,664

- **From Account (001-6100-470-0470-0000) Uniform Relocation Act (\$1,000)**
- **To Account (001-6100-310-0310-0000) Supplies (#1,000)**
- **From Account (001-6100-110-0116-0000) Temp Building Inspector (\$1,599.17)**
- **To Account (001-8400-390-0390-0000) Working Balance (\$1,599.17)**
- **To Account (001-1700-470-0477) Upgrades New Equipment (\$1,599.17)**

A motion was made by Mr. Sexton and seconded by Mr. Cronk. Mr. Malerba asked what the new equipment was, and Mr. Thompson answered that it is stated in his letter it is for racks to store plans and maps. **Motion Carried.**

Fire Marshall Department (3400) \$100

- **From Account (001-3400-160-0160-0000) Convention Expenses (\$100)**
- **To Account (001-3400-240-0240-0000) Clothing (\$100)**

A motion was made by Mr. Watson and seconded by Mr. Dziekan. Mr. Thompson pointed out that the account was budgeted incorrectly. **Motion Carried.**

Library Dept. (5500) Transfer (\$7,000)

- **To Account (001-8400-390-0390-0000) Working Balance (\$7,000)**
- **From Account (001-5500-360-0360-0000) Grants (\$7,000)**

A motion was made by Mr. Sexton and seconded by Mr. Cronk. Mr. Dziekan asked why this was not included in the budget workshops. Mr. Butler explained that these are grants. Mr. Thompson said this money is not in the budget. This money is grant funding that they have, which they apply for. The money goes in to the working balance. **Motion Carried.**

Library Dept. (5500) Transfer (\$7,000) to 6/30/15

- **From Account (001-6000-690-6918-0000) Appropriate From Fund Balance (\$7,000)**

- **To Account (001-5500-360-0360-0000) Grants (\$7,000)**

A motion was made by Mr. Watson and seconded by Mr. Malerba. **Motion Carried.**

Mayor's Dept. (1100) (\$2,307.67)

- **From Account (001-8400-390-0391-0000) Special Working Balance (\$2,307.67)**
- **To Account (001-1100-110-0113-0000) Chief Admin Assistant (\$2,307.67)**

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Cronk. Mr. Dziekan did not understand, wanted to know if this amount was a raise, and did the Board of Alderman approve this. Mr. Thompson said this was not a raise. This money was the remaining balance of what was paid to Ms. O'Malley when she left, but there was not enough money left to pay Mr. Domurad. Mr. McLiverty added that this money is moved so the line item will balance the budget.

Ms. Szewczyk added that she thought the confusion was that the agenda does not say these are from last year's budget.

Mr. Dziekan asked, what if the Board of Alderman do not approve his contract, and Mr. Malerba added that whether they approve the contract or not, he has already been paid and we can't take the money back. Mr. Butler added that they are just trying to balance the budget.

Mr. Thompson pointed out that Ms. O'Malley was paid out of two accounts. When one account was exhausted, then they took the money from the second account. The budget cannot close with a negative balance.

Mr. Butler asked for a roll call. Mr. Butler-Yes, Mr. Cronk- Yes, Mr. Dziekan- No,, Mr. Malerba-Yes, Mr. Sexton- No, Ms. Szewczyk- Yes and Mr. Watson-Yes. The vote was 5 to 2 and the motion did not carry.

Mr. McLiverty asked Mr. Dziekan if there was anything they could answer for him that would make him understand. Mr. McLiverty went on to explain that Mr. Thompson had to pay, otherwise we would be in trouble with the labor department. Mr. McLiverty went on to explain that this should have been pro-rated. Mr. Thompson added we should never pay anyone out of two accounts. Mr. McLiverty re-iterated that there was no raise here.

Mr. McLiverty then asked Mr. Sexton if he was on board now, and he said he was with Mr. Dziekan and he wished the alderman would just approve the contract.

A motion was made by Mr. Dziekan and seconded by Mr. Sexton to table this until next month, and Mr. McLiverty asked that the board please complete this by September 30th.

Mr. Butler asked if everyone was in favor of tabling this until next month, all were in favor except Mr. Malerba. Mr. Butler then asked for a roll call.

Mr. Butler-Yes, Mr. Cronk- Yes, Mr. Dziekan-Yes,, Mr. Malerba- No, Mr. Sexton- Yes, Ms. Szewczyk- Yes and Mr. Watson- Yes. Vote was 6 to 1.

The question was tabled until next month.

Bid Waiver – Elevator

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Dziekan to approve the Bid waiver. Mr. Garofalo will contact the absent members of the board for their approval.

Motion Carried.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Malerba and seconded by Mr. Dziekan. **Motion Carred.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Louise Pitney

Recording Secretary

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