

City of Monroe  
Finance and Taxation Committee Minutes  
May 2, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Chairperson Stangel called the meeting to order. Present at roll call were Alderpersons Stangel and Koch. Also present were Youth in Government members Abby Yurs & Nate Smith, Admin. Rath, Assistant Admin. Shanks, City Clerk Stamm, and Alderperson Marsh. Alderperson Bauman and Alt. Alderperson Boyce were absent.

B. CORRECTION OF MINUTES

none

C. BUSINESS: OPEN

1. DONATION REQUEST FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

City Clerk Stamm explained. The American Legion sends a donation request each year. They are requesting \$250 to help cover the cost of grave decorations, cleaning of rifles, uniforms, blanks, insurance, and permits for the City. Motion to approve made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Stangel. On voice vote, the motion first carried by the Youth in Government members and then by the Finance & Taxation Committee official members.

2. FUNDING FOR BIKE MAP PROPOSAL

Asst. Admin. Shanks explained. This is a proposal from the Southwest Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission to create an online interactive bike map showing all of the trails in the city, incorporating data from work done previously with UW Platteville students to connect different places of interest and different trails in the community, as well as data from Green County Leaders. Questions and discussion took place. The cost is \$4,800 to create the interactive maps plus PDF maps with an annual maintenance cost of \$500. Assistant Admin Shanks suggested using funds from the contingency fund to pay for this or working it into the budget for 2017. Clerk Stamm commented that the tourism fund could potentially pay for half of the costs. Alder Koch asked if bike shops, Friends of Badger Trail, etc. could financially contribute. Chairperson Stangel suggested paving the bike trails at some point in the future. Chairperson Stangel suggested that Assistant Admin Shanks follow through with looking at funding from different entities to move forward on the project.

3. 30<sup>TH</sup> STREET CORRIDOR TIF FEASIBILITY PROPOSAL

Asst. Admin. Shanks explained. The 30<sup>th</sup> Street extension has been discussed for a number of years. Coming out of the comprehensive plan process, community members identified a potential TIF District along the 30<sup>th</sup> Street corridor. This would be an interesting way to fund a project such as the 30<sup>th</sup> Street extension, signage, needed infrastructure improvements, extension of 13<sup>th</sup> Ave, reconstruction of 14<sup>th</sup> Ave, etc. The comprehensive plan also identified a potential park in the area. Administratively, things included in the TIF would be development incentives set up similar to how TIF 7 is set up and rezoning in the area. There is also a possibility to work with Clarno Township for a co-operative plan. The first step is a feasibility study. The cost for this is \$5,000. The

funds could come from the contingency fund or put in the budget for next year. More questions and discussion ensued. Motion by Chairperson Stangel and seconded by Alder Koch to hire Ehlers to do the feasibility study and allocate the \$5,000 from the contingency fund for the project. On voice vote, the motion was carried first by the Youth in Government members and then by the Finance & Taxation Committee official members.

D. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS

none

E. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Alderperson Koch and seconded by Alderperson Stangel to adjourn. Motion carried.

Carol J. Stamm  
Transcribed by Arianna Meier