

October 12th, 2022 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

5:00 pm Council Chamber. Members Present: J. Pohlman III, M. Platteter, J. West

Others Present: A. Christianson II, Robert Grotzinger, M. Reynolds, T. Devine, Chief Julien

Call to Order: Committee Chair Platteter called the meeting to order at 5:00pm and presided.

Roll Call: Mr. Devine took roll. A quorum was present.

Discussion and Recommendation on Proposed 2023 Budget:

Discussion started with a proposed increase to the per diem payments for meetings. It was noted that per diems have been held at \$25 per meeting since the 1980s, and \$50 per meeting is in line with the Rusk County's rates. It was additionally noted that sitting council members cannot vote themselves a raise, so the increase would be in effect for the newly elected council members in April of 2023, and in April of 2024 for the balance of the council members. Motion to recommend to Council increasing the per diems to \$50 per meeting starting with the newly elected and appointed officials after the 2023 spring election by J. Pohlman, seconded by J. West. Motion carries by a 2-1 voice vote.

Mr. Devine explained some final changes to the proposed 2023 budget. This included a 0% increase in health insurance, and a reduction in the State Transportation Aid of \$2,659. Motion to recommend the 2023 general budget to the Common Council by J. West, seconded by J. Pohlman. Motion carries by unanimous voice vote.

Motion to adjourn by M. Platteter, seconded by J. Pohlman

Meeting Adjourned at 5:49pm