

MINUTES OF THE MARYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL GOAL SETTING SESSION  
HELD ON MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019 AT 6:02 P.M. IN THE JOSEPH S. JOHNS COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS, 1111 DELAWARE AVE., MARYSVILLE, MICHIGAN 48040

ROLL CALL:      **PRESENT:** Mayor Damman, Mayor Pro-Tem Hayman (attended via conference phone),  
Council Members Barber, Badley, Hendricks, Shirkey and Wessel  
**ABSENT:** None  
**VISITORS:** J. Cramer  
**ADMIN:** R. Fernandez, T. Konik, R. Buckmaster, B. Kreiner, S. Schneider, B. Lents, B.  
Wrubel, A. Ratliff, and R. Warnke

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. City Manager Randy Fernandez gave opening remarks.
2. The FY2019 roads that were completed and slated for the current fiscal year were discussed. The Huron Blvd. Phase 1 & 2 Reconstruction project was completed; St. Lawrence, Greenwood and Sandpiper were milled and filled; and the lower Marysville Park parking lot area is scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2019.

The FY2020 local roads presented to be reconstructed are 4<sup>th</sup> Street with a total cost of \$560,000 and Constitution Ave with a total cost of \$615,000 less a \$250,000 TEDF Grant. The local road fund will need approximately \$600,000 from the general fund to cover the cost of these two road projects.

The FY2020 major road projects are Ravenswood resurfacing from Range to Carolina for \$177,000 less a \$120,000 TIP Grant; 6<sup>th</sup> Street from New Hampshire to Michigan for a cost of \$217,000; and 6<sup>th</sup> Street from Range to Montana for a cost of \$217,000. These projects would be completed using the major road fund balance leaving approximately \$109,000 after completion.

FY2021 and FY2022 road projects were discussed with the question of how to pay for these projects due to the fact that the road funds would not have sufficient funds for them. Ideas presented were increasing the millage rate, putting a road millage on the ballot or charging residents the full cost of trash removal which would free up money for road projects. There was no consensus on any of these. Mayor Damman asked for a five year look back on the general fund, local roads, major roads and the motor pool and a future projection on these funds to be presented at the Budget Meeting scheduled for April 15.

3. The funded ratio of the retiree healthcare fund and the two pension funds was discussed. The state requires pension funds to be 60% funded and retiree healthcare to be 40% funded. The P&F Pension Fund is only 52% funded and therefore a state approved corrective action plan (CAP) is in place. Extra money is being transferred to this fund as part of the CAP and also into the City General Pension Plan to help boost the funded ratio. This money is being diverted from the retiree healthcare fund since it is well above the 40% funded ratio requirement. It was discussed whether this should continue and what can be done with bargaining agreements expiring June 30, 2019 and possible changes to the new agreements to help with the funding of the plans.

4. The renewal of the Emterra Contract was presented with a two year freeze on the current price and a 3.5% increase for each year for the third, fourth and fifth years. Recycling would be reduced to only #1-8 plastic, tin and aluminum cans and cardboard cut to 2' x 2' pieces and bundled. To accept more items would increase the cost. Council Member Barber would like to see a cost comparison if recycling was completely eliminated. Council Member Shirkey would like to investigate the possibility of having large recycling containers available for residents who want to recycle.
5. The FY2020 Utility Rates were presented with a 3.9% increase as was advised by Municipal Analytics consultant John Kaczor. This amounts to an annual increase of \$28.92 per household.

8:00 p.m., meeting adjourned.

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Renaë Warnke, City Clerk