

MINUTES
Finance Committee
City of Niagara
Wednesday, August 5, 2021
5:00 P.M.
Niagara City Hall
1029 Roosevelt Road
Niagara, WI 54151

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Joe Johnston. Present: Mayor Johnston; Alderpersons Dan Decker (Committee Chairperson), Mike Darne, Glenn Lantagne, Lisa Mattia; Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Audrey Fredrick; Public Works Coordinator JJ Coppens; Treatment Plant Operator Dave Dunlap; Fire Chief Shawn Brown; Public Works employee Jim Stachowicz. Attending via Zoom format: Police Chief Angie Moreau

Administrator Fredrick stated that a quorum of City Council members are present, however no action will be taken at this meeting.

Mayor Johnston noted the purpose of the meeting is to plan for major capital expenditures needed during the next ten years.

Fire Chief Shawn Brown: The existing tanker is old but functional. The 1988 "#2" pumper is the top priority for replacement. The "#1" pumper is a 1997 model. A basic replacement truck will be approximately \$250,000.00. Grants and a replacement of a used model in good condition will be investigated. The panel truck and pump truck are in fair condition. A portable drop tank is recommended; the estimated cost of this is \$5,000.00. The equipment passed the pump test.

Treatment Plant Operator Dave Dunlap: Both water towers need repair and repainting. Three generators are over 50 years old. The City has funds in a designated account. The oldest generator could be replaced immediately and the other generator replacements spread out over the next two years. The estimated replacement cost per generator is \$11,000.00 - \$15,000.00 plus installation expenses. The secondary clarifier needs repainting. This could be extended to another year. The approximate cost is \$10,000.00. There are a total of six lift stations. The electronics need upgrading in one station within the next five years. The estimated cost is \$10,000.00.

Police Chief Angie Moreau: Her priority item is upgrading the evidence room at an approximate cost of \$10,000.00. This is necessary for processing evidence, upgrading safety and protecting the integrity of the chain-of-custody. She also noted the training budgets need to be increased as well as the ammunition budget.

Public Works Coordinator JJ Coppens and Lead Person Jim Stachowicz: The top priority for heavy equipment replacement is the 1983 International 530 loader. If this replacement is available through a grant, then the priority item for purchase would be to replace the 1997 Case 590 backhoe. This piece of equipment needs considerable work, but there may be some resale value. Other equipment to be replaced, in order of priority is 1993 John Deere 970 mower (replacement parts for deck no longer available), 1993 Mack plow truck, 1976 street sweeper (parts no longer available, no potential resale value), 1996 Serco jetter, 1978 Joy 150 air compressor, and 1968 Lincor portable welder. The other plow trucks are 1999, 2003 and 2008 model years. A mower for the cemetery and a used pickup for the summer crew are also needed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderperson Darne and seconded by Alderperson Mattia to adjourn at 6:08 p.m. Motion carried.