



Harrisburg City Council Work Session Minutes February 25, 2015

The Harrisburg City Council met in a work session on this date, at City Hall, located at 120 Smith St., at the hour of 6:30PM. Presiding was Mayor Robert Duncan. Also present were as follows:

- Don Shipley
- Kimberly Downey
- Sarah Puls
- John Loshbaugh
- Youth Advisor Bo Kelson
- City Recorder/Asst. City Administrator Michele Eldridge

Absent this evening were Councilors Robert Boese and Mike Caughey.

Linn County Deputies

Sergeant Brad Kelley was present to inform the Council that they were going through some changes in the sheriff's department. One issue has to do with state regulations, and what information they are allowed to give out. The detail reports that the City receives may not be allowed in the future, although the contract we have with the City may allow it; that is being reviewed. The patrol division was also being changed, to have 4 people on a team, with the 5th person being an administrative lieutenant. For our substation, that person would be the City liaison. It's hard when you are on patrol, to be able to attend meetings, and to be available for administrative issues.

Mayor Duncan asked if he will be one of the lieutenants, and Sergeant Kelley said that he will be applying for the position. They actually have a full shift of 12 people operating each day, which hasn't been the case for a while. They have a number of new deputies that will come out of the academy in March as well.

The matter of a Work Session to Review CIS Elected Official Training with the City's Insurance Agent

Staff Report: Eldridge explained the purpose of the meeting; to acquaint Council with the insurance services that we carry through CIS. She introduced our insurance broker, Jeff Curran, of Tri-County Insurance. By watching a video provided by CIS, and having our insurance broker present, we will earn a 1% reduction in our premiums for liability insurance in the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

Council watched the video, and Curran went over the City's insurance, deductibles and the amount the City has covered through its property, contents, auto, and mobile equipment insurance. Eldridge informed the Council of what liability covers, and what the City does in relation to workman's compensation insurance, that covers volunteers in addition to our regular City staff. Curran added information about tort limits, and what would happen if the City were sued. Eldridge also provided information to Council about the process that occurs when a citizen is injured, and comes to the City in order to file a claim. Council asked questions throughout the discussion, including concerns about the change in marijuana laws.

The Work Session adjourned at the hour of 7:38PM.

Mayor

City Recorder