



Report of the Finance and Property Committee

Tom Rayome, Chairperson
 Jake Cattnach, Secretary
 Jay Bemke

Date of Meeting: November 16, 2021
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The Finance and Property Committee met at 4:45 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was LIVE on Wisconsin Rapids Community Media (WRCM) Spectrum Channel 985 and Solarus Channel 3, online at www.wr-cm.org or via WRCM's Roku app, and was streamed LIVE on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page.

All members of the Finance and Property Committee were present. Also in attendance were Mayor Blaser, Alderperson Veneman, Alderperson Zacher, Sue Schill, Kyle Kearns and Tim Desorcy. A list of others in attendance is on file in the Clerk's office.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Rayome called the meeting to order at 4:48 p.m.

2. The Committee may vote to go into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which reads: "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session".

In closed session, the Committee may discuss negotiations and strategy regarding Emergency Medical Service/Ambulance Service intergovernmental agreements with area municipalities, including the Town of Port Edwards and the City of Nekoosa.

The Committee will return to open session and may take action on EMS/Ambulance intergovernmental agreements with the Town of Port Edwards, the City of Nekoosa, and other municipalities

It was moved by Bemke, seconded by Rayome to go into closed session. Roll call vote resulted in the affirmative.

The Committee discussed the EMS /Ambulance intergovernmental agreements with the Town of Port Edwards and the City of Nekoosa.

It was moved by Bemke, seconded by Rayome to go back into open session. Roll call vote resulted in the affirmative.

It was moved by Bemke, seconded by Cattnach to approve the agreements with the Town of Port Edwards and the City of Nekoosa as presented, and to propose and approve agreements with the Town of Cranmoor, Ho-Chunk Casino, and Village of Biron at the same per capita as the Town of Port Edwards and City of Nekoosa agreements. In addition, City staff is directed to review the current ambulance rates. Motion carried.

3. Consider the lease of Wisconsin Rapids Community Theatre, INC. within the Centralia Center at 220 Third Avenue South, Parcel ID: 3402596.

In open session, the committee may vote to go into closed session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, which reads: "Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session".

In closed session, the committee may discuss negotiations and strategy regarding the lease of a portion of the above property.

The Committee may adjourn in closed session or may return to open session.

If returning to open session, the Committee may continue to consider the lease of a portion of the building referenced above and may take action thereon.

It was moved by Rayome, seconded by Bemke to go into closed session. Roll call vote resulted in the affirmative.

The Committee discussed the lease options for the Wisconsin Rapids Community Theatre, Inc. and Timothy Young, Executive Director for the Wisconsin Rapids Community Theatre, Inc., addressed the Committee.

4. Adjourn

In closed session it was moved by Bemke, seconded by Cattnach to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.