

City of Jamestown Finance Committee Minutes

January 23, 2006

Members Present: L. Albert, J. McElrath , K. Ecklund

Members Absent:

Others Present: J. Bellitto, J. Olson, L. Davies, M. Fiore-Nieves, S. Teresi, W. Haase, G. Lindquist

Mrs. Albert called the meeting to order.

The members reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting, December 12, 2005. Motion by K. Ecklund, seconded by J. McElrath, to accept as written. 3-0.

New Business

Senior Citizen Partial Real Property Tax Exemption

Mayor Teresi reviewed the proposed increase in the exemption for 2006 and 2007. This will bring the City of Jamestown in line with the Chautauqua County exemption amounts. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

Fees for Electrical Inspectors

Mr. Olson indicated that the fees for Electrical Inspectors were left off of the listing of fee increases in December. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

Wendell Energy contract

The Public Works Committee joined the Finance committee to listen to Mr. Haase review of the proposed agreement for Wendell Energy. Mr. Haase will provide resolutions for this and the NYPA contracts. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

Time Warner Building

Mr. Lindquist reviewed a memo regarding the waiver of the remaining loan term and discharge of the mortgage in the amount of \$200,000. Improvements will be made to buildings that the Arts Council owns. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

Humane Society Contract 2006

Corporation Counsel Fiore-Nieves reviewed the proposed 2006 contract with the members. The amounts and conditions remain the same as 2005. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

Resolutions

1. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the Fenton Historical Society for Historical services to be rendered to the citizens of Jamestown for the year 2006 in the amount of twenty-seven thousand dollars and no cents (\$27,000.00). The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
2. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the James Prendergast Library Association for library services to be rendered to the citizens of Jamestown for the year 2006 in the amount of three hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$370,000.00). The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
3. Resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Jamestown be and he hereby is authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the Ralph C. Sheldon Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the purpose of funding a portion of the cost of the 2006 Parks, Recreation and Conservation Department Summer Playground Program. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
4. Resolution authorizing the City of Jamestown Board of Public Utilities to submit a grant application with the Village of Lakewood and Town of Busti through the New York State Department of State Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program (SMSI). The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
5. Resolution authorizing the City of Jamestown to submit a grant application with the Jamestown Public School District through the New York State Department of State Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program (SMSI). The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
6. Resolution authorizing Detective Daniel Johnson be and he hereby is authorized to attend the Field Intelligence Officer training program, January 23-26, 2006 at the New York State Police Academy, Albany, New York with expenses paid pursuant to the Operation IMPACT grant from New York State. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
7. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a grant agreement with the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee TraCS-Electronic Ticket and Accident Report Program. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
8. Resolution authorizing the Jamestown City Council to suspend the hiring freeze instituted by resolution number 200201C03 and authorizes the filling of the following positions due to the essential nature of the position.

- Two (2) Police Officers in the Jamestown Police Department- funded in the 2006 General Fund Budget

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

9. Resolution authorizing Jamestown City Council hereby suspends the hiring freeze instituted by resolution number 200201C03 and authorizes the filling of the following position due to their essential nature of the position.
- One (1) Part-time Account Clerk-Typist in the City Clerk's Office (replacement of vacant position funded in the 2006 General Fund Budget)

The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

10. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$10,365.00 for the 2006 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program subject to the Corporation Counsel as to form. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.
11. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a grant agreement with the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee in the amount of \$4,110.00 for the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program subject to the Corporation Counsel as to form. The members agreed that a resolution be prepared for the January 30, 2006 meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

cc: S. Teresi, Mayor
J. Bellitto
J. Olson
M. Fiore-Nieves
D. Patti