

CITY OF KEEGO HARBOR
STUDY SESSION
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2019

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor John Fletcher, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Fletcher, Mayor Pro Tem Rob Kalman, Council Member Brian Lampl, Council Member Karen Meabrod and Council Member Theresa Shimansky

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Jered Ottenwess, Police Chief John Fitzgerald and City Clerk Tammy Bleashka

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one addressed the Council Members, closed Public Comment

Motion to move Veterans Memorial Plaza – Plaque and flag to the first agenda item by Council Member Meabrod, support by Council Member Shimansky.

Ayes: 5 Nays:0 Motion carried

Veterans Memorial Plaza – Plaque and flags

Keego Cass Women’s Club is seeking permission to raise money for a plaque to be made for the Rock and Nautical code flags and a flag pole. Mayor Fletcher request that the rock not be drilled into for the mounting of the plaque. City Council agreed the Keego Cass Women’s Club can move forward with their fundraising efforts.

FY19-20 Budget

City Manager Jered Ottenwess presented a draft budget. This draft budget provides much needed investments in police vehicles, asphalt trailer, city hall office equipment; road reconstruction that includes storm sewer structures; and allows for the Deputy Treasurer position to be filled. Ottenwess strongly encourages the City Council to make contributions into the Michigan Employee Retirement System (MERS) in excess of the minimum monthly payment in future budget years. Two major changes to the draft FY19-20 Budget allow for this balance: An anticipated 40% reduction in health insurance premiums and 2 shifting the cost of operating TIFA street lighting improvements (\$50,400) from the General Fund to the TIFA Fund. Ottenwess will continue working on the FY 19-20 Budget. The Budget hearing will be held May 16, 2019.

Green For Life Solid Waste Collection Services – Contract Extension

City Manager Ottenwess stated that the current contract term is January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2019. Paragraph 7 of the contract states that the Contract may continue for an additional five (5) years term, until December 31, 2024, if written notification is given to the Contractor, prior to December 31, 2019. City Manager asked for direction from City Council and they directed the City Attorney to prepare a letter.

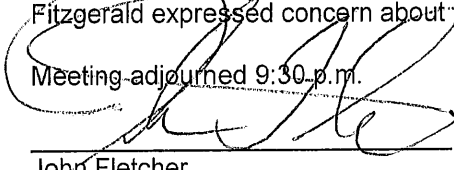
Police Department Vehicle Purchases

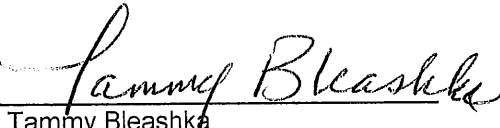
Chief Fitzgerald is requesting the purchase of two new police vehicles to replace two of our oldest vehicles. The request for the replacement process is proposed in two steps: with one vehicle to be purchased in the current fiscal year and the second vehicle replacement purchase to be made after July 1, 2019 in the next fiscal year. The first replacement would be for the 2013 Dodge Charger and the second replacement would be for 2012 Chevrolet Tahoe.

Chief Fitzgerald is requesting to purchase 2019 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD (SUV Explorer) as soon as possible by the end of the 2018/2019 Fiscal year for approximately \$30,311 plus up fitting costs of approximately \$13,000 for a total of \$43,311. The second request would be for 2019/2020 budget replacement for the second vehicle of approximately \$46,851. The pricing given is for a black vehicle. All costs are approximate depending on options added.

~~Council discussion:~~ The vehicles are to be ordered in white, check on financing options rather than cash option. Chief Fitzgerald expressed concern about locating a white vehicle; he will try to locate white.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.


John Fletcher
City of Keego Harbor, its Mayor


Tammy Bleashka
City of Keego Harbor, its City Clerk