

CITY OF LEADVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
Tuesday, December 08, 2015

<p>City Council Members <u>Present:</u> Jaime Stuever, Mayor      Greg Labbe Mike Canty                      Jake Mohrmann Max Duarte                      Gwen Shepherd Absent: Luke Finken</p>	<p><u>Staff Present:</u> Joseph Swyers, City Clerk Roy McGinnis, Finance Director Mike Leake, Police Chief Jim Schneider, Street Supervisor Sarah Dallas, Planning Official, and Administrative Services Manager (ASM)</p>	<p><u>Others present:</u></p>
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City Council met in a regular public session in the Council Chambers of City Hall.  
Mayor Stuever called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Roll Call was taken.

(5:30 PM) Public comments on items not on the agenda: None.

(5:30 PM) Agenda Revisions:

Mayor Stuever moved to add discussion over the CIRSA insurance changes. Councilmember Labbe seconded.  
Roll call: unanimous yes.

(5:32 PM) CIRSA insurance changes.

Finance Director McGinnis explained the increase of \$15,000 for insurance on the fire department side.

(5:35 PM) 2015 street department expenditures.

Points or comments made by councilmembers or staff included (with attributions as relevant).

- Councilmember Shepherd asked Council to look at the 2015 and 2016 tools requests to see if we can get some now.
- We increased the tools line item for 2016 by \$6000, may be able to get some deals or breaks on the purchase of some of this equipment to reduce the extra \$6000 by \$3000 for a total of \$9,500 (Labbe)
- Buy some of this equipment in 2015 since we will need the \$6000 next year for other equipment. (Shepherd)
- Street Supervisor Schneider explained purchases already made this year which resulted \$3100 more than budgeted.
- Last week we discussed using some of the \$50,000 of the extra \$350,000 because we are so far behind in the police department and street department. We need to spend some of that to catch up. (Shepherd)
- We should not nickel and dime such expenditures when most of our money goes into personnel. (Shepherd)
- Councilmember Labbe agreed with Councilmember Shepherd and suggested spending \$50,000 for capital investments.
- We spent \$26,000 of the \$50,000 for the snow conveyer and talked about using \$11,000 for sidewalk repair which leaves about \$13,000. (Labbe)
- Street Department needs \$12,000 for tools which employees personally own but the city needs to buy. (Shepherd)
- The \$12,000 can be reduced to \$9000 with some deals; we've expanded 2016 budget for tools by \$6000 and thus could agree to \$3000 in 2015 with another \$6000 in 2016.
- Councilmember Shepherd asked if we budgeted in 2016 for the roof, and \$7200 for the windows and shop heaters.
- Extra \$6000 in 2016 was for small tools. Roof, windows and heaters would be out of building maintenance. (McGinnis)
- Councilmember Shepherd explained that most complaints are about street repairs and they need this stuff to do that.
- Mayor Stuever explained that we need the city hall roof repaired for \$30,000 and sidewalk repaired (for \$11,000).
- We have a lot of wants and needs but don't know how to do it and still take care of the employees. (Stuever)
- Clerk Swyers referred council to the most recent 2015 needs list which totals \$137,271 but subtract \$66,000 for the asphalt roller and \$29,000 employee for next year which leaves \$42,271 for this year.
- Mayor Stuever explained that we could possibly use one of the county's asphalt rollers.
- Selling the Chestnut Street property could help us with big capital purchases. (Stuever)
- Need departments to develop capital needs budget to spend out of reserves, not out of operational fund. (McGinnis)
- We should take out the sidewalk repairs. (Mohrmann)
- Councilmembers and Supervisor Schneider discussed costs of boots and buying at ShopKo versus at True Value.
- Councilmembers discussed reducing the contingency line item from \$2000 to \$1000.
- Councilmembers and Chief Leake discussed needing patrol car laptops and software for wireless connection to the district attorney (DA).

(6:05 PM) 2016 street department expenditure budget.

Points or comments made by councilmembers or staff included (with attributions as relevant).

- Council and Supervisor Schneider discussed allowance for boots, gloves, safety vests, and clothing allowance.
- Mayor Stuever stated that if the city does not require a specified uniform, then it would not pay a uniform allowance.
- Winter jackets can be regarded as safety equipment. (Schneider)
- Supervisor Schneider described the safety equipment required.
- Councilmember Labbe could support a \$3000 line item for uniform allowance.

(6:19 PM) 2016 infrastructure expenditure budget.

Points or comments made by councilmembers or staff included (with attributions as relevant).

- Finance Director McGinnis explained capital budget development, but reserve expenditures can be done anytime.
- We do not have a separate fund for capital purchases. (McGinnis)
- Capital is for more vehicles versus infrastructure is for sidewalks and curbs. (Stuever)

(6:23 PM) 2016 capital purchases.

Points or comments made by councilmembers or staff included (with attributions as relevant).

- Is our policy to deal with equipment on a case by case basis? (Mohrman)
- Last year we talked about police cars. (Labbe)
- Wish list for the future, how to pay for it, and prioritize. (Stuever)

(6:35 PM) 2016 department head raises.

Points or comments made by councilmembers or staff included (with attributions as relevant).

- City council to make the decisions, not the department heads. (Shepherd and Stuever)
- Fire management board discussed a \$4000 increase for the fire chief. (Labbe)
- We paid Chief Leake extra out-of-position pay for covering for employees we did not have. (Stuever and Leake)
- Increase police chief pay by \$4000 to \$54,000, increase street supervisor pay by \$4000 to \$49,000. (Labbe)

(6:37 PM) 2016 additional employee positions.

Points or comments made by councilmembers or staff included (with attributions as relevant).

- In 2016 hire another person for the street department and another person for the police department. (Shepherd)
- About \$44,000 per extra employee. (McGinnis)
- Part-time officers are undependable. Rather have a full time officer and pay overtime. (Leake)
- Neighborhood Watch to start at the first of the year. (Leake)
- Ten years ago the police department had nine sworn officers, three admin, and one code enforcement. (Swyers)
- Police department now has eight police officers, one admin person, and one code enforcement. (Leake)
- Would want one more officer to balance out the schedule. Would rather take care of present staff. (Leake)
- Street department is short changed a lot. Uniform allowance is another step in the right direction. (Labbe)
- Do need one more person, but would rather have raises. (Schneiter)
- Both street department and police department need an extra person. Answer is to raise more revenue. (Labbe)

(6:49 PM) Bills.

Councilmember Labbe moved to pay the bills. Councilmember Canty seconded. There was mention of repairs to street lights. We have three new poles. We have about eleven poles ready to fall down. New poles are very expensive. Three poles cost \$7000. Replacements are not in the 2016 budget. Clerk Swyers explained the lower election cost because of larger number of entities splitting the cost. Roll call: unanimous yes.

(6:55 pm) Executive Session.

Mayor Stuever moved to go into executive session under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a) specifically to discuss the purchase, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal, or other property interest regarding the Tabor Opera House; that included in the executive session will be all councilmembers present as well as the Financial Manager; and the executive session be held here in council chambers; and further moved to reconvene the Council meeting at the conclusion of the executive session for the purpose of taking any actions deemed necessary. Councilmember Labbe seconded. Roll call: unanimous yes.

(6:57 pm) Executive session commenced.

(7:45 pm) Executive session concluded.

Mayor Stuever had participants in the executive session speak their names and asked if anyone had concerns about what was discussed. There were no concerns expressed.

(7:46 pm) Any decisions to be made regarding the Tabor Opera House.

(7:46 PM) Councilmember Labbe moved that city council approve the purchase and sale agreement between the City of Leadville and Sharon Furman Bland for the purchase by the City of Leadville of the Tabor Opera House and that some changes as noted by city council, and any changes would be appropriate be made to the document. Mayor Stuever seconded.

City Clerk Swyers asked what changes because changes discussed in the executive session are not public record. Councilmember Labbe explained those changes include that Bill Bland's name removed, that Jaime Stuever's name is misspelled, and that, depending on when the document is signed, it be changed to the new mayor's name, and the closing date is October 18, 2016. Clerk Swyers stated that the purchase and sales agreement is now a public document because it was given to the governing body for discussion and action by the public body at a public meeting and that he is to get a copy of it. Roll call: unanimous yes.

(7:50 PM) Public comments on items not on the agenda: None.

(7:50 PM) Mayor Stuever adjourned the meeting.