

**Personnel & Finance Committees**  
**July 17, 2025**  
**9:00AM**

**PRESENT:** Steve Engberg, Bob Griffith, Terry McWilliams, Mayor Steve Brimhal, Brent Schleisman, Lori Davis, Lyle Murray, Drew Schumacher, Gary Shahan, Shelbi Swinscoe

**ABSENT:**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

**Review Second Baptist Church Proposed Construction Project Timeline and Finances**

Brent Schleisman, City Administrator, gave a history of the project to the Committee. Klinger was hired to provide engineering services. At the time they were the service agreement estimated the cost was \$26,000. Since then, that total has increased to \$47,000 (City has already paid \$18,000). The City has received plans and specs to raise the church up, demolish the existing basement, pour a new basement, and lower the church back down. Currently, the Historical Preservation has about \$94,000 in the bank.

Joy Lapp & Jeff Thomas gave a brief history on the building itself. They believe this is the oldest standing building in Mt. Pleasant, and a congregation was established in this building in 1863. The Church will be added to the Network to Freedom registry, a national list of buildings with a verifiable connection to the Underground Railroad.

The Committee approved moving forward with bid letting for the project. This will give the City and the Historical Preservation Commission an idea of the real cost of the project, and if we will be able to proceed with the plan with the current budget. The Committee asked staff to schedule placing the plans & specs on file with the city, setting a public hearing, and setting dates to let bids on the August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, City Council Meeting.

**Special Off Duty Police Department Fees**

Lyle Murray, Police Chief informed the Committee that in 2018, they began charging \$60 per hour for special duty (where the officer would receive \$50 per hour and the City would get \$10 per hour to cover insurance/taxes). Lyle is asking that the Committee bump it to \$70 per hour (where the officer would receive \$60 per hour and the City would get \$10 per hour to cover insurance/taxes). Based on the salary of some of the more senior officers \$50 per hour was not worth it enough to sign up for special duty shifts. Lyle proposed we start this in January 2026, based

on organizations that already utilize the service and already budgeting for the year. The Committee approved the request.

**Funding for the Hangar/Taxi Lane Construction Project**

Brent gave an update on the Hangar/Taxi Lane Construction Project. He presented a spreadsheet with all the funding we have lined up for this project.

**Request to Purchase a Line Painting Machine for Public Works**

Drew Schumacher, Public Works Director, informed the Committee that their current line painting machine is inoperable. He received a quote for a new machine for \$6,200. The Committee approved the request to purchase the machine.

**Open Forum**

Drew Schumacher presented a proposal from the Public Works Department to swap their Veterans Day holiday for the day after Thanksgiving. Currently, City Hall is closed on the day after Thanksgiving, and staff take vacation time or uses a floating holiday. However, traditionally, Public Works operates because they need the day to pick up trash. With the new contracts with Lance & WEMIGA, our Public Works Department no longer picks up trash. The Committee approved the Public Works Department the option to use a floating holiday or vacation time, like City Hall.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM

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