

Minutes Finance Committee Meeting Tuesday, November 10, 2015

A special meeting of the Finance Committee was held Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 3:30 P.M. in the Raymond Pridgen Auditorium. The following were notified of the time, date, and place of the meeting: Members of the Finance Committee, the City Staff, and the press. Present at the meeting were the following: Chairman George Hardwick, Council Member Carolyn Wilson, City Administrator David Hudspeth.

1. Call Meeting To Order & Welcome: Chairman Hardwick called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

2. Disclosure that local media has been informed of meeting pursuant to South Carolina Freedom of Information Act: Chairman Hardwick stated the local media had been contacted regarding the time, date, and place of the Finance meeting scheduled for November 10, 2015.

3. Re: Travel Policy / Reimbursement of Expenses: Chairman Hardwick recognized City Administrator David Hudspeth. Hudspeth stated many of the Annual Meeting charges were included in last years budget. \$17,000.00 was budgeted for this year. The remaining total is \$10,600.00. The Mayor gets reimbursed around \$350.00 monthly. Hudspeth stated there should be enough money in the budget to cover the rest of the budget year. Hudspeth suggested budgeting for individual travel in the new budget. Hardwick stated nothing was illegal about any other travel that was reimbursed. In order to limit the amount of reimbursements the policy would need to be changed. Hardwick stated this would need to be presented to the other Council Members. Wilson suggested telling Council that the Committee is working with the Administrator to clarify questions that have been asked about travel reimbursements. Hudspeth stated all records are public knowledge.

Hudspeth stated he has asked the County Emergency Preparedness Director to speak at the Council Meeting tonight concerning flood damages.

4. Adjournment: Council Member Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Hardwick seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

**George H. Hardwick
Finance Committee Chairman**

Attest:

**Felicia S. Turner
City Clerk**