

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING, AUGUST 26, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 a.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Aldermen present: Mike Kuhle, Scott Nelson, Ron Wood, Mike Woll. Aldermen absent: Lyle Ten Haken and Honorary Council Person Carol “Zuby” Jansen (excused).

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Brian Kolander, Finance Director; Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk.

**2012 BUDGET DISCUSSIONS**

Council met to review the Community/Economic Development, Economic Development Authority and Engineering 2012 proposed budgets.

Brad Chapulis, Director of Community/Economic Development, noted the department’s primary source of revenue is building permits and applications for zoning approval, and although the number of permits is up for the year the total valuation is down. Two large projects that were scheduled for this year are not yet moving forward. A requested Planner Position was eliminated from the proposed budget. The City has not yet received proposed budgets yet from Worthington Regional Economic Development Corporation or from the Housing and Redevelopment Authority. The ERS includes a budgeted amount for a new copier to be replaced in 2013, and a new vehicle for the Building Official has been pushed out to 2013 also. Mr. Chapulis also reminded Council of \$500,000 in the budget from decertification of TIF #7, intended to be used for a workforce housing program to offset housing infrastructure costs. The program was never used so the money remains. If the City returned the money for distribution we would receive only about 40% of it back. Mr. Chapulis noted there is no sunset date for use as long as we complete annual reports. Council agreed they would rather keep the funds for use with housing projects.

Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, explained that his budget included additional amounts for computer related items regarding their CAD system and upgrades to the GRS. He also noted that he is down a person which results in him doing office paperwork that the Techs don’t have time to complete. They do utilize a couple of part-time temporary help in the summertime. The CIP includes a large amount for contract maintenance - preservation work that includes seal coating and joint sealing - and includes overlays. Mr. Haffield said we typically don’t do structural overlays but rather based on rideability - if there was something that had to be cut it would be this, and it can be done without structural loss, but it is also the area where we get the most complaints. They will also be looking for a van replacement, which was moved from 2012 to 2013.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The motion was made by Alderman Kuhle, seconded by Alderman Wood and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 a.m.

Janice Oberloh, CMCM  
City Clerk