



The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday, August 17, 2015, immediately following the regular City Commission Meeting, to discuss the 2016 Budget. Those present were Rich Mattern, Mark Simmons, Mike Thorstad and Mark Wentz. Absent was Duane Hanson. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

Representative Ben Hanson appeared before the Commission on a proposed 2017 Bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state water commission to provide a grant for a water treatment plan project and to provide legislative intent. The Commission also mentioned that he should research State Insurance Funds that are redirected to the communities with volunteer Fire Departments. Police Chief Michael Reitan also appeared before the Commission.

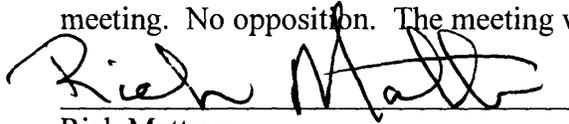
Commissioner Mattern advised that Jim Gartin of the Greater Fargo-Moorhead Economic Development Corporation requested a \$25,000 investment in their organization and advised that he has recommended \$15,000 which was added to the 2016 budget.

Finance Director Tina Fisk reviewed the Sewer and Water Operating Budget.

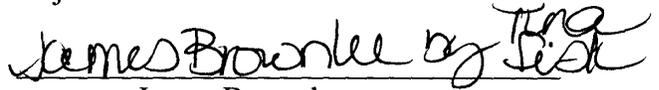
Finance Director Tina Fisk reviewed the Health & Sanitation Budget. Public Works Director Chris Brungardt and Sanitation Manager Tom Clark appeared before the Commission to review the Sanitation Residential Automation proposal. Public Works Director Chris Brungardt reviewed the four options and recommended Option 4: Purchase 3 trucks and 9000 cans to service entire city. Cost: \$840,000 for 3 trucks, \$441,000 for 9000 cans. Savings: 3 Full Time Employees at a first year savings of \$165,000 and no increase in number of FTE's for future residential build out. After discussion, the Commission agreed to wait until the next meeting to discuss the proposal and options.

Finance Director Tina Fisk advised that approval of the Preliminary 2016 Budget will be on the September 8, 2015 City Commission Agenda and the Public Hearing set for the 2016 Budget.

Commissioner Simmons moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. The meeting was adjourned.



Rich Mattern
President of the Board



James Brownlee
City Auditor