

CITY OF MUSCATINE
IN-DEPTH CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Council Chambers – 7:00 p.m. – July 13, 2017

Mayor Diana Broderson called the City Council In-Depth meeting for Thursday, July 13, 2017, to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rehwaldt, Fitzgerald, Saucedo, Bynum, Harvey, and Spread.

The first item on the agenda was a presentation on sidewalk poetry.

City Engineer Jim Edgmond gave a brief history on the sidewalk poetry program and explained the new process for installing the poems on the sidewalks. He then talked about the proposed installation of the poems at five locations in the downtown area. He stated this item will be placed on the July 20, 2017 City Council agenda for action by City Council.

There were questions and comments from City Council that were addressed by Mr. Edgmond.

The final item on the agenda was an OpenGov presentation which was given by Finance Director Nancy Lueck. Also present to assist Ms. Lueck were Accounting Supervisor LeAnna McCullough, Accountant Matt Wendt, and IT Manager John Kreuzenstein. Also at the meeting was Communications Manager Kevin Jenison.

Ms. Lueck walked City Council through accessing OpenGov on the city's website as well as how to navigate through it. She stated that financial reports for the city are currently on the site. She then gave an overview of the following four reports:

1. Annual Financial Report: Operating Funds (excluding Capital Projects)
2. Monthly Report – All Operating Funds (excluding Capital Projects)
3. Capital Projects (including transfers)
4. Open Checkbook – Multi-Year

Ms. Lueck stated that questions should be directed to LeAnna McCullough and Matt Wendt in the Finance Department.

There were questions and comments from City Council that were addressed by Ms. Lueck, Ms. McCullough, and City Administrator Gregg Mandsager.

Under comments, Councilmember Spread asked about the property at 5th Street and Mulberry Avenue.

City Administrator Mandsager stated an update on this property will take place at the July 20, 2017 City Council meeting. He stated there are three parties interested in rehabilitating the property. He stated that it has been posted and barricaded.

Councilmember Rehwaldt asked about progress on the Mississippi Drive Corridor Project.

City Engineer Jim Edgmond stated the goal is to have sanitary sewer installed to and up Chestnut Street by the end of next week. He stated installation of the sanitary sewer is a huge hurdle. He also stated that installation of the water main on Chestnut Street is done.

Mr. Edgmond stated the estimated project completion date is October 13, 2017.

Councilmember Spread moved the meeting be adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Gregg Mandsager, City Administrator