



CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Workshop Session
Meeting Location: Council Chambers, City Hall
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, December 5, 2012**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Weeden led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Trefethen, Deputy Mayor Carrier, Councilor Cheney, Councilor Crago, Councilor Garrison, Councilor Hooper, Councilor Weeden, and Councilor Weston.

Absent: Councilor Spuler

Also Present: City Manager Joyal, General Legal Counselor Krans, and City Clerk Lavertu.

5. DISCUSSIONS

A. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

City Manager Joyal said there would be no specific presentation on the CIP projects, but several department heads to present to answer questions from the Council. He explained the handout which reflected the estimated property tax rate and water/sewer rate change. Councilor Weston asked what the outcome would be if they did everything on the CIP. City Manager Joyal said for the City it would be a \$0.49 rate increase, which means \$111.00 for the average taxpayer.

Deputy Mayor Carrier asked for the waste water treatment plant project.

City Manager Joyal explained that this was to cover the new nitrogen reduction requirements, which would involve a complete overhaul of the waste water treatment plant. Councilor Cheney asked about other increases to the budget besides the CIP.

City Manager Joyal said they are expecting an increase on the City side of \$188,000 to insurance costs, an increase of \$463,000 for the City and \$538,000 for the School for retirement.

Council discussed the \$1.8 million amount for Streets and Sidewalks.

City Manager Joyal said the CIP is a plan and it shouldn't be short changed, because it also used when the City in working with developers. He said he will adjust the amount if he needs to when presenting his budget.

Councilor Cheney started a discussion on water/sewer rate increases and high impact fees to developers.

Councilor Weston asked for an explanation from Chief Driscoll on the new Fire Truck and its high priority status in the CIP.

City Manager Joyal explained the equipment replacement program.

Chief Driscoll explained the equipment.

Mayor Trefethen said the CIP will be voted on next week and amendments can be made at that time.



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6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Citizens are invited to speak on the subject matter of the Workshop. Statements shall be limited to five minutes.

Deborah Thibodeaux, 335 Middle Road: She spoke about the impracticality of doing piecemeal work on the infrastructure and equipment.

Human, 55 Union Street: He spoke against the CIP project for a new police station.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Carrier moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Weston.
Vote: 8/0.