

April 18, 2016

A special meeting of the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia, was held on April 18, 2016, in Council Chambers, Municipal Building, at 6:30PM, to conduct a budget worksession with Mayor Turner presiding. Council Members present included: Mayor Turner, Vice Mayor Jennifer Bowles, Council Member Gene Teague, Council Member Sharon Brooks Hodge, and Council Member Mark Stroud. Staff present included: City Manager Leon Towarnicki, Clerk of Council Karen Roberts, Assistant City Manager Wayne Knox, City Attorney Eric Monday, Finance Director Linda Conover, and Utilities Director Durwin Joyce.

Mayor Turner and acting school board chairman Craig Dietrich opened the meeting.

Discussion with Martinsville City Schools/School Board regarding the proposed FY17 Budget, and School budget request: City Manager Leon Towarnicki summarized the budget planning to date, detailing the proposed budget cuts affecting the school board. Dietrich and school Superintendent Pamela Heath summarized a handout provided to those in attendance.

Review of Electric Department Budget and Proposed Rate Increase: City Manager Towarnicki and Utilities Director Durwin Joyce detailed the budget proposal related to budget cuts and rate increase. City Attorney Monday explained the research done on AMP Ohio contracts and what would be required for the City to get out of those contracts.

Electric Budget and Capital: Towarnicki and Joyce summarized a handout provided to Council Members.

Towarnicki explained the agenda for the next two work sessions and asked if Council Members had any suggestions or preferences to let him know.

There being no further business, Council Member Hodge made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Council Member Stroud seconded the motion with all Council Members in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:57pm.

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Karen Roberts, Clerk of Council

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Danny Turner, Mayor