

**DEXTER CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2016**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:14 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter District Library located at 3255 Alpine Street in Dexter, Michigan.

B. ROLL CALL: Mayor Keough

J. Carson	D. Fisher
J. Knight	Z. Michels
J. Smith	R. Tell

Also attending: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Marie Sherry, Finance Director/Treasurer; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager; and Carol Jones, Interim City Clerk.

C. GENERAL FUND

Ms. Nicholls acknowledged that this is the ninth budget she has assembled and this one was done more in conjunction with the staff and shared a Warren Buffet quote with those attending – *Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.* Ms. Nicholls gave an update on possible areas to make cuts and changes from the proposed 2016-2017 General Fund budget presented at the April 27 meeting. Those in attendance discussed the City's contribution to DAFD, potential funding methods, and community education.

D. MAJOR/LOCAL/MUNICIPAL STREETS

Discussion included cape seal costs being split between this fiscal year and next fiscal year, sidewalk projects, intersection projects to realign handicap ramps, hand-held radios for drivers, and 2017/2018 projects on Central Street, Dan Hoey Road and Baker Road.

E. SEWER FUND

Discussion included tap fees, need for a new van, HVAC is not efficient, lab equipment, and the unknown with the ferric chloride tank.

F. WATER FUND

Discussion included water tower maintenance, and repairs needed to hydrants on Huron River Drive that could cost \$30,000 to \$40,000.

G. ALL OTHER FUNDS

Ms. Nicholls reviewed various funds from the packet.

H. DISCUSSION

Discussion also occurred on the following:

- Fee schedule – what is being charged versus the actual cost
- Hotel Hickman – rental versus sale
- Repairs at Dexter Crossing
- Housing types and the potential for new housing in the City to increase tax revenues.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:31 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Interim Clerk, City of Dexter

Approved for Filing: _____