

**DEXTER CITY COUNCIL  
BUDGET WORK SESSION VIA ZOOM  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2020**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM by Mayor Keough held via an online Zoom conference call permitted by executive order of Michigan Governor Whitmer.

**B. ROLL CALL:** Mayor Keough

S. Bell-AB	P. Cousins
D. Fisher-arr 6:14 PM	J. Knight
Z. Michels	J. Smith

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

**C. REVIEW OF DRAFT BUDGET**

**GENERAL FUND:**

Ms. Nicholls reviewed the Revenue and Expense information. She stated that the budget was prepared knowing that there could be some uncertainties in 2020-2021 fiscal year, and detailed substantial revenue and expenditure changes.

The path project for Mill Creek Trail Phase 2 would have been completed in the current fiscal year, but will now likely go into the next fiscal year due to the delay of the start.

Council Member Cousins reported on the proposed WAVE costs to Dexter at \$68,879.28 which is in line with the 2019-2020 budget amount.

**STREET FUND:**

There were not a lot of changes proposed for 2020-2021. The projects will be Grand/Hudson Streets, design of the Second Street Sidewalk and design of Third Street from Central to Broad streets with these two projects to be completed in 2021-2022. It was noted that the County Road millage is slated to end in 2021-2022, but is on the ballot in August 2020.

**WATER – SEWER FUNDS**

Ms. Nicholls stated that she is currently unsure of the effect of the pandemic on water usage. There most likely will be an impact on revenue, tap fees and usage. On the expense side, the bond payment will go up. The project in 2020-2021 is the Grand Street sewer main. There will be more information at the next meeting.

**OTHER FUNDS:**

Solid Waste may need an increase. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Trees will be planted this year in the fall instead of spring due to the pandemic restrictions.

Also discussed was the Plein Air event and how this event could be handled.

**MILLAGE RATE:**

The rate is proposed to stay the same for 2020-2021.

**FUTURE MEETINGS:**

May 11, 2020, Council Meeting to set a Public Hearing for the Budget on June 8, 2020.

May 13, 2020 will be the next Budget Workshop most likely on Zoom.

Adjourned at 6:56 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer  
City Clerk and Assistant to the City Manager

Approved for Filing: \_\_\_\_\_