

**CITY OF BUENA VISTA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 18, 2019**

The City Council for the City of Buena Vista met for a Regular Council Meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in Council Chambers (2039 Sycamore Avenue).

Council Members Present:	Mayor Bill Fitzgerald
Vice-Mayor Tyson Cooper	Lisa Clark
Stanley Coffey	Melvin Henson
Danny Staton	Steve Baldrige(Arrived at 6:15)

Members Absent: None

ADG#1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER: Mayor Fitzgerald opened the meeting by requesting that everyone stand and repeat the Pledge of Allegiance. Vice-Mayor Cooper delivered the opening prayer.

ADG#2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Vice-Mayor Cooper to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on March 21, 2019, seconded by Councilman Henson, carried by Council.

ADG#3 RECOGNITION/COMMUNICATION FROM VISITORS:

Citizens who desire to speak on matters not listed on the agenda below will be heard at this time. Citizens who desire to speak on a specific item listed on the agenda, open for public comment, will be heard when that item is considered.

Mr. Jesse Lineberry, 2525 Racey Acres Drive was the only person to speak. Mr. Lineberry stated that he is a lifelong member of the community and that he and his wife purchased their first home in Buena Vista in 2015. He advised that the same storm that flooded a portion of the City last Saturday also caused a good

sized tree to fall on their home in the middle of the night. Mr. Lineberry said that his father helped him get the tree off of his house. Out of two good sized oak trees (he has photos) he only wanted the City to pick up a small portion of the brush. He stated he is aware of the City policy concerning brush and to the best of his ability this pile of brush meets those standards. He went to Public Works on Tuesday and requested to speak with a supervisor. None were available so he left his name and phone number for a supervisor to call him. As of today, he has not been contacted by a supervisor from Public Works. He opined that Public Works does not show compassion to the citizens.

After looking at the photos, Councilman Coffey asked Mr. Lineberry if the brush pile in the photo was the only pile of brush he has. He wanted to know if the brush was a dump truck load.

Mr. Lineberry said it is the only brush he has and it is not a dump truck load.

Councilman Coffey stated that he understands about the policy concerning brush. However, sometimes he feels that is not possible to do.

Councilman Henson said we do have a policy on brush pickup but storm damage is entirely different.

Mayor Fitzgerald asked Mr. Scudder if he would go with him on Friday to look at the brush pile.

ADG#4 REPORTS:

Mayor:

None.

City Manager:

Mr. Scudder stated that he would like to congratulate the City on the improvements that have been made at Glen Maury Park.

Mayor Fitzgerald agreed that the park looks good.

Mr. Scudder said we have been fortunate that we have been able to do some paving. Some was donated by Adams Paving and the other was done with grant money.

CITY ATTORNEY:

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Henson started his report by saying that we had a severe storm on Sunday that caused a lot of damage to the City including west 10th Street, east 12th Street and Long Hollow Road which was blocked because of flooding. With Long Hollow Road being flooded it blocked access to Hill Side Drive, Sunset Ridge, Reid's Hill and Crestview Trailer Park. He then said that Glen Maury Park will be opened on April 28 through May 4 for the annual Guy Carawan Bluegrass Festival. The State wide Rescue Squad camp out will also be at the park that week. He opined the park looks good except for the caboose and the view from the double decker.

Councilman Coffey opined the caboose needs to be painted.

Mr. Scudder stated that over the years he has given Council several professional bids to have the caboose painted and fixed up. He said the last quote was approximately \$10,000.00.

Council Member Clark opined that the discretionary funds that Mr. Scudder can spend without Council's approval is \$25,000.00 so she feels the decision should be left up to Mr. Scudder as to what to do about the caboose.

Mr. Scudder said he will take care of the caboose.

Councilman Henson then said he had asked for a report on the complaints that have been received in the City Manager's office. He said that about 90 percent of the complaints that have come through the City Manager's office have been taken care of and the other 10 percent have not been taken care of due to lack of funds or manpower.

Councilman Coffey then addressed the noise ordinance. He said he has been told that a dog has to bark for 30 continuous minutes before the police can do anything about the barking dog. It is his understanding if the dog stops barking for a couple of seconds; you have to start over again with the 30 minute timing.

Mr. Scudder said he will speak with the Sheriff's Department and the Police Department about the ordinance.

Vice-Mayor Cooper said that SVU will hold their graduation on May 2nd at 10:00 a.m. and invited Council and community members to attend.

Councilman Baldrige also announced that the Knight run and luau is also coming up on Saturday.

CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

OB #1 RESOLUTION RENAMING THE 10TH STREET BRIDGE TO THE "VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE":

Ms. Wheeler read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION TO NAME THE 10TH STREET BRIDGE THE " VETERANS MEMORIAL BRIDGE" R19-05

WHEREAS, the men and women of the City of Buena Vista (the "City") and surrounding area have a long and illustrious history of serving in the armed forces for the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, many have paid the ultimate price in defending the liberties so dear to all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the veterans who are currently or have been residents of the City and surrounding area have enhanced and enriched the lives of the citizens in countless ways through their charitable pursuits, hard work and strength of character; and

WHEREAS, the City and surrounding area would like to honor all of its veterans and acknowledge that their contributions are invaluable not only to the City and surrounding area but to the region, the state and the country.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 10th Street bridge shall henceforth be named the "Veterans Memorial Bridge" in honor of all of the citizens of the City and surrounding area who have served in the armed forces for the United States of America and those who do so in the future.

THIS RESOLUTION shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

WILLIAM H. FITZGERALD, MAYOR

Attest:

Clerk of the Council

Date of Adoption

Motion was made by Councilman Baldrige to approve the above Resolution, seconded by Council Member Clark, carried by Council.

NEW BUSINESS:

NB #1 HUNTER YOUNG TO GIVE A REPORT ON A SEWER UPGRADE:

Mr. Hunter Young gave the following report of I/I:

Information Sheet - Buena Vista's Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) Situation

1. Inflow and Infiltration (aka I&I or I/I) occur when stormwater enters the sanitary sewer collection system.
2. This can overwhelm the receiving pipes and the wastewater treatment plant, causing overflows and backups.
3. I/I only gets worse with time.
4. Buena Vista has had I/I problems for many decades, largely attributable to the combination of terra-cotta pipe and brick/block manholes, exacerbated by tree roots and pipes along low areas prone to flooding.
5. 2018 was a record-setting year for rain.
 - a. Sewage flows at Buena Vista's wastewater treatment plant exceeded 95% of the plant's rated capacity.
 - b. This caused DEQ to issue the "95% Capacity Reopener" and to require that the City implement an I/I reduction plan.
6. For last couple of years prior to that, City has used contractor to rehabilitate several manholes in worst areas.



Same Manhole Before and After Rehabilitation

7. Based on Re-opener, City has committed to
 - a. Spend \$75,000 in FY20 for I/I related work
 - b. Purchase at least one flow meter
 - c. Spend \$50,000 per FY thereafter

8. Overall approach to reducing I/I
 - a. Delineate sewer drainage sheds in City.
 - b. Install approximately 10 rented flow monitoring devices in various sewer sheds in fall 2019. Expand monitoring in the future as needed.
 - c. Analyze sewage flow data and correlate flow increases with rainfall data to find worst areas.
 - d. Field reconnaissance for manholes
 - i. Use GPS units to map manhole locations
 - ii. Open manholes, take photos, measure down to pipes, record pipe sizes, materials, condition, obvious sources of I/I, etc.
 - iii. Add all data to City GIS system to create accurate maps and a database of all information.
 - e. Field reconnaissance for sewer pipes
 - i. Examine with closed circuit tv (CCTV) for breaks, roots, sources of I/I etc.
 - ii. Smoke testing to find sump pumps, roof drain connections, other sources
 - iii. Add data to GIS database.
 - f. Delineate on map the areas where sewer overflows and backups are known to occur.
 - g. Create hydraulic capacity models in areas prone to overflows to determine bottlenecks and how to cost-effectively eliminate them.
 - h. Continue with manhole rehabilitation program.
 - i. Replace or Reline sewer pipes that are significant I/I sources and which do not have adequate capacity for areas where growth is occurring.

Councilman Baldrige wanted to know when DEQ is expecting us to have analysis and what they are expecting from us. He also wanted to know when DEQ would be expecting a report from us.

Mr. Young advised that DEQ is expecting us to start in the fall. They have been told that by this fall we will start doing flow monitoring. DEQ will be expecting to receive a report from us sometime in the year 2020. He opined if we demonstrate progressive approaches we should be ok.

Mr. Scudder said we have done some of them. We have drafted a letter to Dominion Virginia Power about sub stations. We are asking Dominion to upgrade their transformer. There was another time when we had a sufficient rain event and no alarm was sent out. We have made a staff change that when we anticipate a sufficient rain event, the staff at the WWTP is to take care of the issues to prevent an overflow.

Councilman Coffey said they were lucky during this event. He said regardless of what kind of plant you have it will happen sometimes. He opined the staff did an excellent job this past weekend and did not bypass.

Mr. Scudder said we are going to have to take steps because of the 95% and we will have to spend some money in taking those steps.

Councilman Coffey stated that it would be of great benefit if there was a generator at the WWTP.

Mr. Young said we will be using 10 flow monitors for 4 months. They will try to cover a large area during the course of a rain fall event

Councilman Henson stated we have had a lot of rain in the past year and we can see a difference in problem areas already.

NB #2 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE VIRGINIA WATER AND WASTEWATER AGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT:

Mr. Scudder said that when we were going through some transitions with administration at water and wastewater, he reached out to different organizations to see if there was any help out there if we needed it. This Resolution is simply a mutual aid agreement saying if we need help they will help us and if they need help we will help them. This agreement will not cost the City anything.

Ms. Wheeler read the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE
VIRGINIA WATER AND WASTEWATER AGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK
MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the National Infrastructure Protection Plan and in particular the Sector Specific Plan for the Water Sector developed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency identifies the development of a Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network in each State as an important means of helping to ensure resilient water and wastewater infrastructure in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of such national Water Sector plan, Virginia's longstanding, nationally-recognized professional associations known as the Virginia Section of the American Water Works Association ("VA AWWA") and the Virginia Water Environment Association ("VWEA") have jointly formed the Virginia Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network ("VA WARN") Committee to develop the EPA-recommended network and associated procedures for implementation in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the VA WARN Committee has developed the attached form of a VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement for use by public and private Water Sector utilities for purposes of requesting assistance and responding to such requests as well as a related form of an Event Agreement for providing assistance of a defined scope on defined terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, this VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement is intended to supplement and integrate with the Statewide Mutual Aid Program administered by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, with the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, and with other mutual aid agreements of local, intrastate and interstate scope; and

WHEREAS, the City of Buena Vista owns or operates water and wastewater facilities, is responsible for public water supply or wastewater management in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and is therefore eligible to participate in VA WARN and the VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City of Buena Vista Council, that the City Manager, Jay Scudder is hereby authorized to execute the VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement, which is hereby approved.

Adopted by the City of Buena Vista Council this 18th day of April, 2019.

William H. Fitzgerald, Mayor

Mr. Kearney pointed out that there was nothing attached to the Resolution so before Council can approve the Resolution they must read the agreement.

Mayor Fitzgerald asked that Ms. Wheeler send a copy of the agreement for Council to read. This item will be carried over to the next Council meeting.

NB #3 CHARLES CLEMMER, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO PRESENT A QUARTERLY FINANCE REPORT:

Mr. Charles Clemmer, Director of Finance presented the following quarterly Finance report:

Q3 REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2018 Q3</u>	<u>FY2019 Q3</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2019 TOTAL</u>
	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
<u>General Revenue</u>	<u>\$2,583,196</u>	<u>\$2,684,325</u>	<u>\$8,555,851</u>	<u>\$12,900,235</u>
<u>General Expenses</u>	<u>\$2,448,941</u>	<u>\$3,133,150</u>	<u>\$8,758,462</u>	<u>\$12,945,435</u>
<u>Park Revenue</u>	<u>\$ 9,305</u>	<u>\$ 8,205</u>	<u>\$ 107,880</u>	<u>\$ 143,500</u>
<u>Park Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 85,952</u>	<u>\$ 85,072</u>	<u>\$ 338,303</u>	<u>\$ 375,812</u>
<u>Golf Revenue</u>	<u>\$ 41,824</u>	<u>\$ 43,293</u>	<u>\$ 174,209</u>	<u>\$ 402,074</u>
<u>Golf Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 101,024</u>	<u>\$ 106,933</u>	<u>\$ 369,478</u>	<u>\$ 402,074</u>
<u>W/S Revenue</u>	<u>\$ 491,755</u>	<u>\$ 367,088</u>	<u>\$1,122,384</u>	<u>\$2,234,545</u>
<u>W/S Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 490,561</u>	<u>\$ 549,884</u>	<u>\$ 1,607,346</u>	<u>\$2,234,545</u>
<u>Social Services</u>	<u>\$ 522,589</u>	<u>\$1,032,789</u>	<u>\$ 1,970,533</u>	<u>\$1,800,000</u>

SUMMARY OF KEY EXPENSES

	<u>FY 2018 TOTAL</u>	<u>FY 2019 BUDGETED</u>	<u>CURRENT YEAR ACTUAL</u>
Social Services	\$2,370,439	\$1,800,000	\$1,970,533
Library	\$ 158,893	\$ 162,457	\$ 166,101
Jail	\$ 436,928	\$ 380,000	\$ 318,915
911 Center	\$ 326,121	\$ 313,409	\$ 299,578
Refuse	\$ 248,490	\$ 250,000	\$ 137,303

Mr. Clemmer advised Council that he would provide a more in depth break down and that he wanted to give them the finance quarterly report from January thru March 2019. He explained that we have spent about a half million dollars more from the general fund than we have done in the past. He said that from last year to this year Social Services have gone from \$500,000.00 to over a million dollars. We are already over our amount for the current fiscal year and we still have 3 months to go. He opined we will go way beyond what we have budgeted for Social Services this fiscal year.

Vice-Mayor Cooper said we will be reimbursed $\frac{3}{4}$'s of that money.

Mr. Clemmer stated that the City will get 75% of those funds returned but we are responsible for 25%.

Council Member Clark wanted to know if that was our actual cost for Social Services.

Mr. Clemmer said it is the actual cost, not counting the amount of reimbursement. He advised the estimate were the total expenses not including the reimbursement. He said these are key expenses that we do not have much control over.

Council Member Clark pointed out that the 911 Center is less and wanted to know if it is because we still have 3 months left in the fiscal year.

Mr. Clemmer stated it is because we still have 3 months left in the fiscal year.

#4 JOHN COLE TO PRESENT NEW PRICING FOR CURB AND GUTTERING:

Council Member Clark thanked Mr. Cole for all the work that has been done at Kling Elementary School.

Mr. Johnny Cole presented the following for curb and guttering:

Actual Cost:

100 FEET CURB AND GUTTER INSTALLATION

<u>Concrete (6 yards)</u>	<u>\$ 738.00</u>
<u>Labor (222 man hours total)</u>	<u>6156.00</u>
<u>Equipment hours</u>	<u>1900.00</u>
<u>Gravel (Average 6 ton)</u>	<u>120.00</u>
<u>Fill Dirt (2 loads average)</u>	<u>0.00</u>
<u>Asphalt (16.42 Tons)</u>	<u>1076.00</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$9990.00</u>

Current Fee \$12.00 per foot

Charged to resident \$1200.00

Mr. Cole also presented several cities costs and compared them to our costs. It was agreed we are way under what other cities are charging for curb and guttering. They are proposing that the citizen pay \$24.00 per foot plus a \$500.00 up front fee. This new cost will take care of most of the material and a little bit more.

Councilman Henson said on the 2374 Sycamore Avenue job; 225 feet of curbing costs \$2700.00; material cost was \$4683.00; we lost \$1938.00 which does not include labor or equipment. We also had a 20 foot radius which we do not charge for which cost \$676.90.

Councilman Coffey wanted to know if there are any perspective customers for curbing and guttering.

Mr. Cole said there are around 7 or 8 perspective customers at this time. He opined if the increase is approved it will have to be effective immediately to avoid having a rush of customers before the price is increased.

Councilman Coffey wanted to know if we could possibly stop doing curbing and guttering.

Council Member Clark opined we cannot continue to do business and lose money.

Mr. Cole said it used to be an incentive to beautify the City but it has turned into a situation where we are losing a pile of money on it. He said he has a 2 man crew on streets now. A 250 foot job is going to take 3 to 3 ½ weeks to complete. He is actually borrowing people from other departments to help them out. We still have to do the paving on this job. He said he is not asking for us to discontinue the service. He opined we need to increase the cost in order to at least cover our materials used when doing a job.

Mr. Scudder asked if Mr. Cole is asking to increase the price to \$24.00 per foot and a \$500.00 upfront fee.

Councilman Henson wanted to know how much the value of the property would increase with the 225 feet of curbing. The City actually lost \$21,529.10 on this project.

Vice-Mayor Cooper wanted to know how much of the City has curbing. He also wanted to know how much curbing do we want in the City.

Mr. Cole advised that most of the curbing is on the avenues, not the streets. He also said we have to install curbing on new construction.

Mr. Scudder opined that Mr. Cole's proposal is a more realistic incentive than we have had on the books for 40 years. Mr. Scudder said that Council should act on this proposal tonight and set the fee based on the recommendation from Mr. Cole. He said the cost has not been changed for 40 years. He opined that staff has done a good job on this presentation and feels it is a sound recommendation.

Council Member Clark wanted to know if we have a code that says it has to be installed on new construction.

Councilman Baldrige said it is required on new construction.

Councilman Coffey motioned that we increase curb and guttering from \$12.00 per foot to \$24.00 per foot plus a \$500.00 up front fee.

Again, Vice-Mayor Cooper asked if we really want curbing.

Councilman Baldrige and Councilman Coffey said we do want curbing and guttering.

Vice-Mayor Cooper suggested that we change the fee to \$24.00 per foot for now and in a year increase it to \$36.00 per foot.

Council Member Clark wanted to know if we could set the rate at \$24.00 a foot and change it a year from now to \$36.00 per foot.

Mr. Kearney replied that Council can set the new rate for a year and then state that it will change to \$36.00 per foot in April, 2019.

Vice-Mayor Cooper said it will be more incentive and will increase property values because of the curb appeal.

Mr. Cole said that last spring they had only 1 curb and gutter. We have had a lot more interested in it this year.

Councilman Coffey motioned to accept Mr. Cole’s plan at \$24.00 per foot plus \$500.00 up front charge and in a year go to \$36.00 per foot plus the \$500.00 up front charge; effective immediately, seconded by Council Member Clark.

Ms. Wheeler polled Council as follows:

	Present	Absent	Yes	No	Abstain
Mayor Fitzgerald	X		X		
Melvin Henson	X		X		
Vice-Mayor Tyson Cooper	X		X		
Steve Baldrige	X		X		
Lisa Clark	X		X		
Daniel Staton	X		X		

NB #5 COREY HENSON TO PRESENT NEW PRICING FOR WATER AND SEWER TAPS:

Mr. Henson started his report by stating that prices have gone up 35% on everything. He said we are charging \$500.00 for a single water connection and materials is \$628.00 alone. He stated that compared to other areas we are way behind. We are charging \$330.00 for a single sewer connection. For a joint connection we charge \$830.00. Mr. Henson said he proposes that the single water fee connection go to \$1800.00; a single sewer connection \$1000.00; a joint connection fee would be \$2100.00. He would like for these increases to in effect on May 1, 2019. He said even with the increases we are still under other localities.

Councilman Baldrige opined that part of our problem as a community is we have not continued to reset fees. We go 40 years before we look a service to see how much the actual cost is. Councilman Baldrige suggested looking at changing fees every 5 years.

Mr. Henson advised there are AWW standards that have to be followed and the costs are going up every year. He also said our infrastructure is falling apart.

Vice-Mayor Cooper said these other localities must be making money.

Mr. Henson said that the Rockbridge County PSA can run lines all the way to Raphine and we could be doing that but the City does not have the money. He said that all he is trying to do is raise the prices to try to cover some of the costs.

Councilman Coffey opined that fees need to be looked at every 2 years. He them made a motion to charge \$2000.00 for a single water connection; \$1500.00 for a single sewer connection; \$2400.00 for a combination.

Mayor Fitzgerald expressed his concern about raising the prices for curb and guttering and water/sewer connections. He recommended that we have only break even prices.

Councilman Coffey said we have to have foresight.

Council Member Clark seconded the motion made by Councilman Coffey.

Mr. Kearney stated that Council cannot increase the water/sewer rates. He said the PSA has to make any changes to water/sewer.

After more discussion Councilman Coffey suggested that the proposal be tabled until the meeting of the PSA on May 2, 2019 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Water and Sewer Tap Connections Fee Comparison

City of Buena Vista - Actual costs - Individually installed

Water		Sewer	
Materials /Parts	628.04	Materials/ Parts	98.15
Labor (Avg 4 hrs)	288.00	Labor (Avg 4 hrs)	288.00
Equipment hrs	500.00	Equipment hrs	500.00
Gravel (Avg 4 ton)	80.00	Gravel (Avg 4 ton)	80.00
Radio Read Meter, installed	259.00		
TOTAL	1755.04	TOTAL	966.15
Optional (Grass seed, straw, asphalt, etc)	75.00	Optional (Grass seed, straw, asphalt, etc)	75.00
Current fee	\$500	Current fee	\$330

City of Buena Vista - Joint Install - new construction

Materials /Parts	726.19
Labor (Avg 4 hrs)	288.00
Equipment hrs	500.00
Gravel (Avg 4 ton)	80.00
TOTAL	1594.19
Optional (Grass seed, straw, asphalt, etc)	75.00
Current fee	\$ 830.00

****No increase in rates for water and sewer tap connections in past 20 years for City.**

Other Area Comparison Rates

City of	Fees	City of	Fees	City of	Fees	Rockbridge	Fees
Waynesboro Water		Staunton Water		Lexington Water		PSA Water	
Facility Fee	2725.00	Facility Fee	3500.00	Facility Fee	2755.00	Install	4000.00
Meter fee	253.00	Connection	2100.00			Meter connection	1205.00
TOTAL	2978.00		5600.00		2755.00	<i>Additional</i>	<i>550.00</i>
Sewer		Sewer		Sewer		Sewer	
Facility Fee	4250.00	Facility Fee	6850.00	Facility Fee	2010.00	Install	4500.00
		Connection	2100.00			Hook-up fee	850.00
TOTAL	4250.00		8950.00		2010.00	<i>Additional</i>	<i>550.00</i>
Combined Install		Combined Install		Combined Install		Combined Install	
Facility	6975.00	Total fee	14550.00	Total Fee	4700.00	Install	8500.00

Fee

**** Each area refers to tap installations by different names, but these are water and sewer tap connections.**

****Additional fees under PSA are if a road cut or open bore is required for that installation.**

NB #7 TOM ROBERTS AND RACHEL MOORE TO DISCUSS FORMING A LIBRARY COMMITTEE TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF FUND RAISING FOR A NEW LIBRARY BUILDING: * THIS ITEM WAS DISCUSSED OUT OF TURN*****

Ms. Rachel Moore started the discussion by advising that she, Tom Roberts, Mayor Fitzgerald, Julie Goyette, a member of the Library Board and Ed Walker have met and discussed forming an exploratory committee to study and determine the feasibility of fund raising for the library. They are going to try to do the library with 100% fund raising. Ms. Moore and Mr. Roberts have also looked into grant funding for the library. They are asking for Council's blessing to go forward with the forming of an exploratory committee.

Mayor Fitzgerald said he has let everyone know that we cannot do what they want. He said if the money can be raised we will do the library; if not, we will not do it.

Ms. Moore said that everyone sees the importance of a library and they want to make sure they do it in a fiscally responsible way.

Councilman Baldrige made the motion to form a library feasibility study committee for fund raising, seconded by Vice-Mayor Cooper, carried by Council.

NB #6 DISCUSS THE NEW LIBRARY AGREEMENT:

Mr. Scudder and Mr. Kearney said that nothing has changed in the new library agreement.

Motion was made by Council Member Clark to approve the new library agreement, seconded by Councilman Coffey, carried by Council.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business Mayor Fitzgerald adjourned the meeting.

William H. Fitzgerald, Mayor

Dawn M. Wheeler, Clerk of Council