



**MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF FRONTENAC  
BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS  
TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2017  
WORKSHOP MEETING**

The May 30, 2017, workshop meeting of the City of Frontenac was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Margot Martin presiding. The Alderpersons present were David Bray, Brian Warner, Dan Kemper, Jamie Griesedieck and Tom O'Brien.

The Ways & Means Committee Members present were: Warren Winer, Mark Kiehl, John O'Connell, Jane Rubin, Ken Crawford, Michelle Bock and Amy Boltzmann.

Also in attendance were City Administrator, Bob Shelton; City Clerk, Leesa Ross; Fire Chief, Jack Trout; Police Chief Tom Becker; Public Works Director Jeff Wappelhorst; Building Commissioner, John Morgan; and Finance Officer, Lea Ann Layden.

All attendees introduced themselves.

**A. PRESENTATION OF THE BUDGET**

Ms. Layden presented the budget, focusing on the revenues and expenses. She reviewed the areas of the deficit and stated, some capital improvement items were cut from the department budgets. She added that legal expenses were increased by \$100,000 due to the lawsuit on the Pulte Project in the quarry; the lawsuit with Brinkman and Pulte at the former Ladue Early Childhood Center property; and an employment issue. She said there is a projected deficit of \$494,000.

**B. DISCUSSION**

Mr. O'Connell presented seven scenarios of the future finances of the City. He said currently we have a policy where the city would like to retain 50% of the general fund budget. He said in the near future, that will dip to 25%, and could be completely eliminated within ten years. He showed different scenarios with different proposed revenue streams from vacant properties, and from the increase of real estate and utility taxes.

Mr. Winer said that the City has informed the residents of the dire financial situation that can arise in the coming years. He said the City needs to continue to do so.

Several department heads addressed the need for the city to keep good employees and equipment, and asked that the retirement benefit level the city has, is looked into.

**2. ADJOURNMENT:** The budget workshop meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.