

Tyler City Council  
Friday August 7, 2015  
Tyler Fire Hall  
7:00 pm (Pending)

Present, Mayor Peterson, Council Members Sanderson, Raschke, Petersen, Harper, City Administrator Wolfington, Clerk Powell, Mark Wilmes, John Thomsen

Mayor Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Approve Agenda:** Motion made by Petersen, seconded by Sanderson and passed unanimously to accept the agenda.

**Public Express:** Mayor Peterson had received an email about the pool and what a good experience her and her grandkids had. He also received a note from the Swim Team captain expressing appreciation and what a good year that they had at the pool this year.

**Fire Truck/USDA Grant:** Administrator Wolfington stated Megan Gernentz who is the Community Program Specialist from Rural Development had directed a letter to the council as she could not be at the meeting. Megan stated that she is applying for a loan for a fire truck for the city of Tyler in the amount of \$115,000 for 15 years at 3.625% with an annual payment of \$10,964 the applicant would contribute \$100,000 and there would be an RD Grant for \$35,000. Tonight's meeting is held to meet the public notification requirements. The council is required to discuss the project and allow the public to comment. If funding is awarded the council will be required to have another public meeting. The city will be notified by the end of August if there will be funds awarded to them. If the city does not get awarded the funds, within the state there will be state allocation for FY2016 as soon as Congress sets the budget. It should be noted that Rural Development has never not been funded for a project. Councilman Sanderson stated that he has one concern, the amount of interest that would be paid over the 15 years would be about what the grant would be. Mr. Thomsen stated that he had figured that and the Fire Department would have to be on a tight budget and get the loan paid off as soon as they could to make the loan pay off. Mr. Thomsen also stated that he had learned that the new truck could be ordered and nothing need to be paid until the truck arrived which would give the Fire Department more time to do some fund raising. The Rural Development loan can be paid off early with no penalties. Motion by Harper seconded by Petersen and passed unanimously to proceed with the USDA grant funding.

Mediacom Internet/Telephone proposal: Administrator Wolfington presented a proposal from Mediacom to transfer all phones and internet from Frontier to Mediacom. The Mediacom Proposal stated they would provide City Hall internet and three phone lines with internet at 20M/2M for three years at \$159.85. The Utility plant would be Primary line at \$39.95 for phone line and each additional line at \$29.95 which the utility plant has 2 phone lines. The city also has a police phone, senior center phone, water tower phone, and gas building phone all of which would be \$39.95 each. Each option

included all long distance and features. Installation fee of \$99.95 and approximate tax of 8%. The city know uses Frontier for their phone lines all except for the substation which is Mediacom. Frontier gave a proposal for City Hall of three phone lines for \$74.99 and internet for \$159.99 for a bundled total of \$149.96. With Frontier each phone line for the other lines would be \$49.95. Councilman Harper asked if there was a modem to be attached to each of the buildings for Mediacom. That is not known. After some discussion Councilman Petersen asked if exact quotes from both Frontier and Mediacom could be brought to the next council meeting so the council would know if equipment needs to be rented also.

Motion by Raschke seconded by Petersen and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

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Approved: Mervyn Peterson, Mayor

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Attested: Barb Powell, City Clerk