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**COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE**  
**Special Meeting, Tuesday, December 4, 2012 – 7:10 p.m.**

PRESENT: Alds. Birschel, Donegan, Dubinski, Ewerdt, Hanson (7:14 p.m.), Tilleson, Organ (7:12 p.m.), Wilson -8

ALSO Mr. Archambo, City Administrator; Mr. Kesner, City Attorney, Fire Chief  
PRESENT: Ugaste, Asst. Chief Case, Mr. Ruggini, Finance Director

**Construction Mitigation Contract with Wisconsin DOT.** Chief Ugaste explained that he is seeking approval to enter into an agreement with the Wisconsin DOT that will provide provides \$200,000 in funding to the city to assist with mitigating emergency incidents during the 2013-2014 Mayfair Road and Watertown Plank Road construction process.

(Ald. Organ present 7:12 p.m.) -7

(Ald. Hanson present 7:14 p.m.) -8

The State's road construction project will result in road closures that will compromise the emergency response time for fire vehicles to the west side of the city. This funding will allow for construction of a pole barn to be used as a temporary (approximately two years) fire station and living quarters at the city yard. The fire department will be able to house two apparatus at this facility; this equipment placement (west of the construction) will reduce the response time.

Truck #3 from Station #3 will be relocated and it is possible another ambulance will also be relocated. The goal is to staff the equipment with a paramedic on board. The funding also covers the cost for a fire department liaison to be present at planning meetings and assist with mitigation of emergency incidents in the construction area. There will be minimal direct fiscal impact to the city as there are no matching funds required. The pole barn will become the property of the city.

In terms of fiscal impact, Mr. Ruggini noted that there will be ongoing maintenance costs to the city going forward by adding this asset. He added that the living quarters will be a separate building (similar to that used at oil well sites) that could be sold once it is no longer needed.

In addition to this plan, the department is also working with area fire departments to assure that adequate coverage is continually available to the city.

It was moved by Ald. Wilson, seconded by Ald. Donegan to recommend approval of the agreement with the WI DOT as outlined. -8

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Carla A. Ledesma, City Clerk