

Oversight Committee Meeting

MAY 18, 2017

Minutes

Committee Members Present: Joe Edwards, Cindy Spoljaric, Jim Ake, John Rogers

Others Present: Tammy Havard/Financial Strategist, Cindy Gossard/Clerk Treasurer, Kerri Gagnon/Chief Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Micha Farrar/Deputy Clerk Treasurer

Meeting Open: 1:35pm

Open Meeting to the Public. None present.

Discussed OpenGov. Joe Edwards would like more transparency of financial condition of the city. He would like a tool to show the financial information. The Clerk Treasurer would like the financial information as well. Joe would like the City Council especially to have the information since they are charged with it. It is the public's money and they should have the right to see the information. By statute, Mayor should give an annual update on the financial condition of the city to City Council. Joe believes that OpenGov is the right tool to present the financial data for Westfield. Examples of financial information that would be beneficial to see are budget to actual reports, TIF reports, and how the money is coming and going.

OpenGov also does non-financial reporting as well. OpenGov can be used for reporting Police and Fire runs. It can be on a map similar to CrimeReports.

There may also need to be wording changes or explanations on the information presented in OpenGov so the information is understandable to the public.

Information in OpenGov will be updated monthly after the previous month is closed.

The Clerk Treasurer mentioned that she is working with SBOA and Legal to discuss internal controls in relation to affiliated 501(c)3s.

The next meeting is set for June 20th at 1:30pm in the Main Level Media Room. Meeting will be to train the Oversight Committee Members and the Clerk's Office on OpenGov.

Meeting Close: 2:20pm