- City of Tipton Common Council Workshop was held on October 13, 2025, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.
- Members: Mayor Schmicker, Clerk-Treasurer Clark, Councilmen Vautaw, VanBibber, Richards, Kring, and Rippy.
- Others: Mike Bollman, Rob Cochrane III, Bob Edinger, Elsa Smith, Riley Harden, Steve Unger with Bose, McKinney & Evans, Matt Quigley, Justin Chang with Reedy Financial, and Abby Ripberger.
- Mayor Schmicker stated we adjusted the Salary Ordinance and added Ride Out Pay for the Medics at \$75/shift. The EMT's get \$25/shift for Ride Out Pay and we are wanting to encourage the FF/EMT's to pursue getting Medic certification. If you ride on the ambulance with the FT Medic, you receive this compensation. Councilman Richards asked if this was in the 2026 budget. Mayor Schmicker stated the money will need to be shifted from training and/or part-time wages for this compensation. Councilman Vautaw stated this comes out of Ambulance Fund. Mayor Schmicker stated yes. There was a brief discussion regarding drawing up an agreement if you enroll in paramedic school and the City pays for it. A few other items discussed were Civilian Medic get overtime after 80 hours bi-weekly and when does the contract with the County end. Mayor Schmicker stated 2027.
- Mayor Schmicker commented our current CDs are not earning a lot of interest. Some of the CD's were just transferring some of the cash balance to gain more interest. There were two CD's that are recorded in Keystone as investments, and they renewed automatically. We are going to migrate these CDs into the operating account to gain more interest, it is a higher interest rate. Clerk-Treasurer Clark stated this is not additional money, it is already figured in the fund report you get monthly. The two CD's show under investments in the General Fund, and the other CDs are in your General Fund Cash balance, both are in your grand total at the end of month.
- Mayor Schmicker stated the net assessed value (AV) has risen higher than anticipated which has drawn down the rates. Bond #3 will be two different bonds, one for the RDC and the other for the Park Board. The RDC bond is for infrastructure of a road in the Industrial Park which will extend the road. We have a prospect, but before doing the road we will have them sign an agreement. The Park Board bond is for different projects such as making the parking lots ADA compliant in the Park, along with some other items discussed in the Five-Year Master Plan.

Councilman Vautaw asked if we are not doing Jefferson Street in 2028. Mayor Schmicker stated it will be let in 2027, and doing the project in 2028. He also stated Structure Point has been backing this current information up.

Mayor Schmicker closed the Council workshop.

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.

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