

August 20, 2019

Public Hearing 2019-2020 Preliminary Budget

Present: Mayor Robert Stump, Councilmen: Mike Walter, Emilie Saylor, Rahn Abbott, Dan Durham, Public Works Director Curtis Green and Clerk Ginger Galiger.

Guests: There was no Public present.

Mayor Robert Stump called the meeting to order at 6:00

Budget 2019-2020

Mayor Robert Stump reviewed the proposed budget in detail with the council. Ginger reviewed this year's calculated mill levy of 106.21 and the actual assessed tax revenue of \$108,725.

The Mayor's wage increase has not been updated in the budget; Ginger will do that.

The Fire Department was given \$22,000. The library was given \$18,000 with \$10,000 of that to be used for hiring second part time employee. Discussion.

We have also budgeted to give the pool \$7000 again this year.

Mayor Stump talked about the need to revise the town's Growth Policy and Capital Improvement Plan per our procurement with Northern Rockies Engineering. We have the opportunity to apply for a CDBG grant to help cover the costs. The grant would match \$3.00 for every \$1.00 of our contributions, up to \$50,000. Mayor Stump would like to budget \$20,000 for a matching. Discussion.

In the water fund, there is \$70,000 under capital expense for the possibility of the need for an Ortho Phosphate System and \$75,000 in capital equipment for additional well rehabilitation.

We are also moving forward with the new well, transmission main and the 2016 PER projects. In the Water Capital Improvement Fund, we are expecting;

TSEP Grant:	\$625,000
USDA/RD Grant:	\$924,755
USDA/RD Loan:	\$400,000
SRF Loan/Principal	\$1,101,000
Forgiveness	

We also have to pay back the bond anticipation note of \$70,000.

The engineer evaluation and relining in the sewer fund under purchase services remains from last year, the project has not been done.

Discussion on the need for park improvements, the library budget and the fire department budget.

Public Hearing adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Town Council Meeting

Final Budget appropriations for 2019-2020

Mayor Stump called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Stump asked if the council has no further questions to entertain a motion for the approval of the 2019-2020 final budget appropriations. Dan Durham moves to accept the budget with the following exceptions; Add \$16,700 for the CDBG contribution to revise the Growth Policy and Capital Improvement Plan. Put \$3,300 into a CIP for the parks and update the Mayor's wages. Rahn Abbott seconded the motions. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council:** The motion carried unanimously.

Rahn Abbott moved to adjourn the meeting. Dan Durham seconded. **Mayor Stump called the question for the council:** The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Approved: Robert Stump, Mayor

Attest: Ginger Galiger, Clerk