

City of Elko)
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State of Nevada)

SS May 20, 2014

The City Council of the City of Elko, State of Nevada met for a special meeting beginning at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 20, 2014.

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Chris Johnson.

NOTE: The order of the Agenda has been changed to reflect the order business was conducted.

Mayor Present: Chris J. Johnson

Council Present: Councilman John Rice
Councilwoman Mandy Simons
Councilman Robert Schmidlein
Councilman Reece Keener

City Staff Present: Curtis Calder, City Manager
Delmo Andreozzi, Assistant City Manager
Dawn Stout, Administrative Services Director
Ryan Limberg, Utilities Director
Vince Smith, Water Superintendent
Dennis Strickland, Public Works Director
Mike Hess, Landfill Superintendent
Scott Wilkinson, Development Manager
Mark Gibbs, Airport Director
Matt Griego, Fire Chief
James Wiley, Parks and Recreation Director
Brian Michels, Golf Course Superintendent
Nikki Johnson, Aquatics Manager
Doug Gailey, Human Resources Manager
Ted Schnoor, Building Official
Ben Reed Jr., Police Chief
Lorraine Martinez, Accounting Supervisor
Rick Magness, City Planner
Karen Walther, Animal Shelter Manager
Jeremy Draper, Civil Engineer
Diann Byington, Recording Secretary

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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There were no public comments.

I. BUDGET WORKSHOP

- A. Pursuant to NRS 354.596, review, discussion, and approval of the Final Budget for the City of Elko for Fiscal Year 2014/2015, inclusive of all funds, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Dawn Stout, Administrative Services Director, gave a presentation. (Included in the Agenda Packet) Health insurance went up about 17% and that was worked into the various budgets. Liability insurance did not go up so the funds were adjusted for that.

General Fund Summary

Property Tax Abatement – Total City Assessed Valuation

FY 2014/2015 Rollup Costs

Salaries are up about \$100,000. Benefits are going down because of the cost allocation to the airport of about 10%. The General Fund is down 0.26% from the previous year.

Projected General Fund Revenues – 2014/2015

Projected General Fund Expenditures – 2014/2015

Community Service Donation Requests

We have been making an annual \$10,000 payment to the Senior Citizen Center and this year they let us know that their liability insurance is being paid by the county and they wish to use the funds for other expenses. All other donations remain the same.

Recreation Fund

This fund has not changed from the previous presentations.

Recreation Fund Projects List

This is a bit more than we have in the fund by just over \$100,000. We have the tennis courts we will bid out again. The sports complex and the golf irrigation projects are place holders for when the projects actually come to fruition to make sure we have sufficient revenues to pay for those projects.

Capital Equipment Replacement Fund

This has not changed other than she added \$100,000 in for furniture and furnishings at the new Police Station.

Youth Recreation Fund

She added in insurance benefits and lowered ending balance.

Municipal Court Assessment Fund

This has not changed.

Revenue Stabilization Fund

This has not changed.

Redevelopment Agency Fund

This has not changed

Capital Construction Fund

This has not changed. There will be a lot of activity in this fund in the next year.

Councilwoman Simons asked about land sale expense. That is not tied to any particular property?

Ms. Stout answered it is not. We budget that every year anticipating that we could have somebody request a land sale from the City of Elko. Typically if we have those they run about \$15,000 in costs. We typically get revenues back to help offset those but you have to log the revenues and expenditures separately. If we don't use the funds they roll over to the following year.

Public Improvement Development Fund

This has not changed.

Ad Valorem Capital Fund

This fund is where she put the Idaho Street enhancement grants into. They are 5% matches. Other grants are in this fund too.

Facility Fund

This fund will build the Police Department.

Debt Service Fund

She broke the revenues out as they relate to the various bonds that are paid out of this fund.

Water Fund

She worked in the insurance changes into this fund.

Sewer Fund

She worked in the insurance changes and an addition to the capital expenditures.

Landfill Fund

She worked in the insurance changes.

Airport Fund

This has not changed other than working in the air service development grant opportunities discussed at the last council meeting.

Golf Fund

The only change was the insurance costs. They also worked in more golf carts at council's request.

Health Insurance Fund

This fund changed to reflect the insurance increase.

Councilman Keener asked regarding property tax abatement, what does the tax abatement represent.

Ms. Stout answered back in 2005/2006 the legislature put in a property tax abatement saying that people's individual property taxes cannot go up more than 3% per year. If your assessed valuation went up 10% your bill could only go up 3%. Assessed valuation is a little bit tricky to estimate what your revenues will be because of that property tax

abatement. It is 3% on personal property and 5-8% on commercial properties. It is actually taking away from the city's availability of those tax revenues.

Mayor Johnson asked if there was any public comment and did not receive a response.

**** A motion was made by Councilman Rice, seconded by Councilman Keener, to approve the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2014/2015 inclusive of all funds as presented this afternoon.**

The motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

After the motion and before the vote, Councilwoman Simons asked about the stoplight fund. When do we need to return those funds?

Ms. Stout answered it is a surcharge that the city had put on certain developments when they were developing a certain area to help fund traffic signals and other traffic control devices. Within seven years you have to return those monies. We need to look into that. Properties have changed hands and they have to research who they need to refund. They have refunded some of those funds in the past.

Councilman Schmidlein asked regarding the Facility Fund; you are showing it at \$6.5 million. The actual bond proceeds are at \$3 million. You are showing the worst case scenario because that can all drop off at the top end?

Ms. Stout answered that she has to show the worst case scenario so we make sure we budget appropriately. If it comes in lower that is great but if it comes in higher then we can't go there.

Council voted on the motion.

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There being no further business, Mayor Chris Johnson adjourned the meeting.

Mayor Chris Johnson

Shanell Owen, City Clerk