

City of Green River

460 East Main Street, Green River, Utah

City Council Minutes
Special Meeting
Monday, June 18, 2012

ATTENDING: Mayor Pat Brady, Council Members Kathy Ryan, Philip Engleman and Gary Riches; Employees Conae Black

CONDUCTING: Mayor Pat Brady, the meeting began at 6:09 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. Budget Work Session

Mayor Brady said there are some 2011/2012 budget amendments that need to be made. Conae Black said the State does not allow a municipality to carry over any more than 18% and must leave in at least 5% of the General Fund balance. She explained the General Fund's revenues and expenditures budget needs to balance. She has printed up the budget balances up to June 18, 2012 and pointed out there was more revenue budgeted than we had in expenditures and stated that fund balance can be transferred into Capital Projects. They went over the revenues and expenditures in the General Fund. There were some departments that were over spent and some that under spent. Conae Black showed the Council and Mayor where she would recommend budgeted money around to balance out the budget.

The Capital Projects fund did not expend all of the money that was budgeted for this fiscal year. Mayor Brady suggested transferring over \$175,000 more from the General Fund into Capital Projects.

Water and Sewer funds are doing well with the new rate increase. There were not any amendments that needed to take place in either fund. Philip Engleman said he would like to look into changing out the sprinkling system at the museum to water from the river instead of with culinary water to save the citizens money. He would also like to hire a company on a regular basis to clean out the sewer lines. This is a good maintenance practice.

The Solid Waste fund is in the negative. You can either raise the fees which will help for next year or transfer over General Fund money to make up the deficit. Neither one of these were decided upon. Conae Black said the auditors will write the city up for over spending in this fund. Philip Engleman suggested looking into buying our own trucks and equipment and not contracting out sanitation services.

The Recreation Fund is money taken from the General fund and separated out from the other departments. From looking at the actual money there was more money taken in than budgeted and more money spent than budgeted. Because this is a department of the general fund this fund balance needs to equal. Conae Black suggested moving budget money around to make this equal.

The Museum Fund is in the negative again. This fund continues to run in the negative and takes from the general fund. Conae Black said she would love to see someone employed at the museum who can write grants. She suggested transferring more general fund money into this fund to help with the deficit. Gary Riches said museums never make money. Philip Engleman said the city shouldn't be putting money into exhibits if we can't afford them. Kathy Ryan agreed. Mayor Brady said that is not going to happen.

The discussion on the 2011/2012 budget ended and the Mayor and Council went into the 2012/2013 budget.

Since the Mayor and Council were already looking at the Museum Fund Conae Black they continued to discuss the new fiscal year budget requests for this fund. The Museum nonprofit has requested \$9,000 from the museum fund to complete the dinosaur exhibit. Conae Black explained the budget requests from Penney Riches. She wanted to buy cameras. Philip Engleman said there is not enough money to make that purchase. The roof needs to be repaired and Conae Black and Kathy Ryan reminded the others that the Council agreed to give the museum fund the \$15,000 from Emery County Travel Bureau to repair the roof. The Council went over all expenses and discussed whether money could be cut from each line item. Because Penney Riches will not be to the meeting that is scheduled for the following day when the Council will adopt the new fiscal year budget it was decided mostly adopt what she had submitted and reopen the budget at another time when she could be present.

Conae Black went over the budget requests from Kent Johnson on the parks. He asked for some money for the parks and the gun range. She also showed the Council and Mayor where the money for a new grounds maintenance employee was budgeted.

Mayor Brady brought up the contract with Mike McCandless and would like the Council to look at the letter that he sent and consider renewing his contract. Gary Riches said he has not met Mike McCandless. He questioned whether Green River City is getting full value from Mike McCandless services. The discussion led to all that Mike McCandless does and the value of his services.

2. Adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Pat Brady, Mayor

Conae Black, City Recorder

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