

**Minutes**  
October 5, 2010  
Special Meeting  
Budget

- 1) **The meeting was called to order** at 7:07 p.m. by Mayor Charles Neff.
  - a) Council Members present were Charles Neff/Mayor, Bob Dablow, Burl Ingebretsen, Shelley Poehls, and Mark Hanson.
  - b) Others present were Wendy Otte/Clerk and Norm Nyland.
- 2) **The Pledge Allegiance** was said.
- 3) **2011 Budget**
  - a) General budget – Pay raises for all employees excluding Wendy who will be having a 90 day review were discussed. Talk was for a 5% increase in pay for all employees. Bob declined a pay increase for 2011 and would like to mow the remainder of 2010 without pay if the city can afford the gas for the mower.

**A MOTION** was made by Burl Ingebretsen to increase pay rates by 5% for all employees excluding Wendy who has a review coming up and Bob who declined the raise. It was seconded by Mark Hanson and the motion carried.

- b) Water budget – Charley and Rich went over the job description for the water supervisor and made two changes. Water supervisor will submit monthly usage and testing of eight residents water at each meeting. Technology of \$5,500.00 was added to the water budget to replace the existing water meter reader as it is out of date and will no longer be serviced beginning next year.

**A MOTION** was made by Shelley Poehls to approve the proposed water budget for 2011. It was seconded by Burl Ingebretsen and the motion carried.

- c) Refuse budget – Fuchs sanitation will raise rates by \$54.00 per month beginning January 2011.

**A MOTION** was made by Bob Dablow to approve the proposed refuse budget for 2011. It was seconded by Shelley Poehls and the motion carried.

- d) Health – It was proposed that we will not collect any revenue from residents for health again this year as we still have a reserve.

**A MOTION** was made by Shelley Poehls to approve the proposed health budget for 2011 with zero revenue for 2011. It was seconded by Mark Hanson and the motion carried.

- e) Recycle budget – Has been reduced by \$1,000.00 as of now.

**A MOTION** was made by Burl Ingebetsen to approve the proposed recycle budget for 2011. It was seconded by Bob Dablow and the motion carried.

**d) Waste Water Budget** – Norm Nyland came in to discuss the waster water budget. Norm requested keeping the repair and maintenance supplies the same as last year which was \$12,000.00 as he is looking at repairing some of the manholes. Norm was asked if any changes were expected in 2011 from the 2010 budget, he didn't foresee any. Mileage of \$100.00 needs to be added to the budget, testing needs to got up to \$600.00, postage should be \$160.00, repair/maintenance-contractual should be raised to \$3,000.00 and legal notices and dues & subscriptions should be removed. Charley will type up a new waste water budget for voting by the next meeting. As of now we do not have any reserve in waste water. We are currently just about breaking even on operations, so there was some discussion on raising sewer rates from \$15.00 per month to \$16.00 per month.

**A MOTION** was made by Charles Neff to raise sewer rates by one dollar from \$15.00 per month to \$16.00 per month beginning in January 2011. It was seconded by Bob Dablow, Shelley abstained and the motion carried.

**e) Rescue budget** – will be looked over at the general meeting.

The next budget meeting is set for October 26, 2010.

#### **4) Adjournment**

**A MOTION** was made by Mark Hanson to adjourn. It was seconded by Shelley Poehls and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

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Wendy Otte, City Clerk

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