

CITY COUNCIL WORKING SESSION

AUGUST 28, 2017  
203 Broadway Ave N

PRESENT:

Tom McCauley	Mayor	Elizabeth Barker	Treasurer
Michael Higbee	Council President	Karen Drown	Clerk
Pam McClain	Council Member	Kent Atkin	JUB Engineering
Kyle Hauser	Council Member	Michelle Olsen	Chamber of Commerce Director
Sue Gabardi	Council Member	Concerned Citizens	
Andrew Wright	City Attorney		

PUBLIC HEARING opened at 6:00 PM.

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

Mayor McCauley explained the hearing was to hear testimony on the budget for the fiscal period October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

He asked if there was any testimony for the proposed budget; there was none. He asked if there was any testimony against the proposed budget; there was none.

The hearing was closed at 6:03 PM

WORKING SESSION called to order at 6:04 PM.

CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:

Karen Drown confirmed a quorum.

OLD BUSINESS:

- ... Minutes of August 14, 2017: Pam McClain moved to approve the minutes; Kyle Hauser seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Bi-Monthly Claims for Payment: Kyle Hauser moved to approve the monthly claims for payment; Sue Gabardi seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.
- ... Clerk/Treasurer Report: Pam McClain moved to approve the clerk/treasurer report; Sue Gabardi seconded the motion. There was no discussion and the motion passed.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration and Approval of Airport Engineering Firm: Karen explained that in the last board minutes the airport board had recommended the approval of JUB as the new engineering firm for the airport. Michael moved to approve JUB as the engineering firm. Pam seconded the motion. Kent Atkin with JUB was present to explain the plans for the future which included upgrades that will benefit the pilots that currently use the airport. He hopes to reach out to the state and Council to develop a capital improvement plan. He explained currently on funding of a project the Federal government will pay 90%, the state matches 5% and the city would match 5%. There was no further discussion and the motion passed.

Consideration of Chamber of Commerce Harvest Festival Beer & Wine Garden: Michelle presented to Council her proposal to close two blocks of Main Street during the Harvest Festival so that the Beer and Wine Garden could extend from the Senior Citizen parking lot across the street to encompass El Vaquero. If this were approved, El Vaquero and Trout's would get the required permits. She stated that Magic Valley Brewing will be providing micro-brews and the other business would sell domestic beers. She said this was a way to try to involve other businesses in the festival. Kyle stated that he felt the whole idea of a beer garden was to contain the sale of alcohol to a specific area and that this proposal contradicted this intent. Michelle said that she had spoken with Pat Hamilton regarding the Main Street closure and he did not see a problem for the bank with that. Pam moved to approve the closure of Main Street for one block on each side of Broadway during the Harvest Festival and to approve the Beer and Wine Garden at Legacy Corner only. Kyle seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Consideration of Buhl Housing Authority Board Member: Michael Higbee moved that Jim Welch be approved as the new Buhl Housing Authority Board Member. Sue Gabardi seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Consideration of 2017 Records Destruction Resolution: Michael Higbee moved that Resolution #392 approving records destruction of certain 2010-2011 records be approved. Kyle Hauser seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Review and Consideration of Public Testimony on FY 2017-2018 Budget: Elizabeth noted that she had just received the most recent market value information from the County. This information has no affect on the total dollar amount for the budget. However because the city is allowed to levy up to 10% of market value for the property tax allocation for the library, it does make a difference as to how much of the library revenue is shown as coming from property tax and how much is shown as an additional general fund contribution to the library. Elizabeth will make that small change on the Library budget worksheet and the Admin budget worksheet. If the budget is approved at this meeting, she will bring an Appropriations Ordinance to the

September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval. Michael moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget; Kyle seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

COUNCIL CONCERNS – Kyle stated that he had been in touch with some service groups regarding a fall work day to provide help to elderly citizens with yard work. He is trying to get this arranged for mid-October. Regie asked that he be advised of the date as soon as possible so that he could make city trucks available. Jeremy commented that perhaps Juvenile Probation and Parole could assist and Tom mentioned that there were school clubs that could help.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Kyle Hauser moved that the meeting be adjourned; Michael Higbee seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 PM.

Minutes prepared by Karen Drown, City Clerk