

Unapproved Minutes
Council Special Budget Session
August 11, 2015
Tuesday 5:15 p.m.

The special budget session of the City Council, City of Vermillion, South Dakota was called to order on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 5:15 p.m. at the City Hall large conference room.

1. Roll Call

Present: Collier-Wise, Erickson, Holland, Clarene Meins, Holly Meins, Price, Ward, Willson, Mayor Powell

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adoption of Agenda

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Alderman Price moved approval of the agenda. Alderman Collier-Wise seconded the motion. Motion carried 9 to 0. Mayor Powell declared the motion adopted.

4. Budget Workshop

John Prescott, City Manager, provided an overview of the budget noting that the budget presented should serve as the starting point for the process of developing the 2016 budget. John reported that for the property tax revenues the State caps the increase to 1.5% but the budget as presented includes only 1%. John stated that the sales tax was budgeted to increase 3% for 2016 and that utility rate increases of 2% were included for electric, water and wastewater. John stated that curbside collection fee is proposed to increase from \$3.30 per month to \$3.50 as the rate has remained the same since the program started in 2008. John stated that the wages were increased 2.5% based upon negotiations with the AFSME union. John stated that the expenditures for street chip seal has been moved from the general fund to second penny sales tax and increased to \$93,000 for 2016. John noted that one of the larger projects for 2016 will be the swimming pool as final design costs are not available yet. John stated that estimates were included for design costs for 2015 and project costs for 2016 that will need to be amended once engineer's estimates are available. John noted that the County will be updating the aerial photos of the county and the City cost to access will be \$4,600. John stated that he has included the outside agencies in the general fund and BBB sales tax fund but two other items the City Council might want to consider for 2016 would be a Housing Study and metal banners for the Cherry Street

light poles. John reviewed some of the items revised in the 2015 budget based on information available now.

The Council started the review of the 2015 proposed budget, as well as revisions to the 2014 budget, by reviewing the following sections of the budget with the City Manager and department heads: Public Safety and Security: Police Administration and Investigation, Police Patrol ; Emergency: Communications - 911 Fund; Human Development and Leisure: Public Library, Library Fund; Utility Fund: Joint Powers Landfill, Joint Powers Recycling, Curbside Recycling, Water, Wastewater, Electric; Equipment Replacement Fund; Policy and Administration: Engineering, Old Library Maintenance, Old Landfill Maintenance, Airport, Storm Water Collection; Capital Projects Fund: Special Assessment, Airport Improvement, West Main, Bliss Pointe, Bike Path, Prentis Park; Maintenance and Transportation: Service Center, Mechanic's Garage, Street Department, Snow Removal, Sweeping and Mowing, Carpentry; Outside Organization Requests: General Fund - Community Services, BBB Fund and Wrap-up of Budget Items. Discussion followed on the outside agency requests noting that the budget hearings will continue on August 14th.

5. Adjourn

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Alderman Ward moved to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:26 p.m. Alderman Price seconded the motion. Motion carried 9 to 0. Mayor Powell declared the motion adopted.

Dated at Vermillion, South Dakota this 11th day of August, 2015.

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BY _____

John E. (Jack) Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:

BY _____

Michael D. Carlson, Finance Officer

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