

Approved Minutes
Council Budget Session
August 15, 2012
Wednesday - 5:15 p.m.

The special budget session of the City Council, City of Vermillion, South Dakota was called to order on Wednesday, August 15, 2012 at 5:15 p.m. at the City Hall large conference room.

1. Roll Call

Present: Collier-Wise, Davies, Grayson (arrived at 5:19), Meins, Osborne, Ward, Willson, Zimmerman, Mayor Powell

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Adoption of Agenda

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Alderman Davies moved approval of the agenda with the change to include the wastewater utility in tonight's session and move liquor store fund to Thursday evening's session. Alderman Willson seconded the motion. Motion carried 8 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 to develop the 2013 budget. He stated that the budget hearings are to provide the Council with the information about the budget to allow them to make the decisions needed to finalize the budget and also lists proposed changes in the 2012 budget. John reviewed some of the items for the budget noting that a 1% electric rate increase was included based upon reports from our supplemental power supplier that will be confirmed at the regional meetings later this fall, an increase in water rates was already approved by the City Council for the water tower project for which bids were opened yesterday, wastewater has a 2% increase for the debt service requirements and the storm drainage fee is proposed to be increased. John noted that the 2013 general fund budget with no increase in personnel proposed. It is projected that all three TIF Districts will be finalized in 2013, thus the property taxes will increase in the general fund in 2014. John reported that the health insurance renewal was just received with a 4.15% increase for October 1st which has been included in the budget. One item that has not been included in the budget is the swimming pool. The public

input meeting was held August 8th after the budget was presented to the City Council and, as such, direction will be needed from the City Council on the size of the project and when it will start to build it into the budget.

Alderman Grayson arrived at 5:19 p.m.

The Council started the review of the 2013 proposed budget, as well as revisions to the 2012 budget, by reviewing the following sections of the budget with the City Manager and department heads: Safety and Security: Police Administration and Investigation, Police Patrol, Emergency Communications, Fire, Ambulance, Emergency Management; Policy and Administration: Engineering, Old Library Maintenance, Old Landfill Maintenance, Airport, Capital Projects, Storm Water Collection and Maintenance; Human Development and Leisure: Library; Enterprise Fund: Wastewater; Special Funds: BBB sales tax fund, Second Penny sales tax fund, Debt Service Funds, Unemployment Fund, Copy/Fax/Postage Fund, Custodial Fund, City Hall Maintenance. The Outside Agency requests included in the BBB sales tax fund and general fund were reviewed.

5. Adjourn

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Alderman Ward moved to adjourn the Council Meeting at 8:36 p.m. Alderman Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion carried 9 to 0. Mayor Powell declared the motion adopted.

Dated at Vermillion, South Dakota this 15th day of August, 2012.

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BY _____

John E. (Jack) Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:

BY _____
Michael D. Carlson, Finance Officer

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