

North Powder Special City Council Budget Meeting
June 7, 2021
6:30PM Wolf Creek Grange

Attendance: Mayor Mike Wisdom, Councilors "Big Mike" Morse, Vicki Townsend, Joyce Lawyer and Jeff Grende, City Recorder Beth Wendt, Budget Committee members Roger Townsend, David "Shorty" Schwehr, Casey Townsend, Budget Officer Jason Bingham, & Lindsey Thompson. Councilors Logan McCrae and Justin Wright were absent.

Mayor Mike called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mayor Mike asked for comments or amendments to the minutes from the May 24th Budget Meeting. Joyce apologized for missing it. Big Mike made a motion to accept the minutes. Vicki seconded. Motion carried with Big Mike and Vicki in favor. Jeff and Joyce abstained as they were not at the May 24th meeting. Budget committee members Roger Townsend, Shorty Schwehr & Casey Townsend were in favor of the motion.

As Chairman of the Budget Committee, Shorty Schwehr presented the Budget to the Council for adoption. The Committee approved the 2021-2022 budget for a total of \$5,830,182. It is a balanced budget with the use of carry-over cash. The City proposed to overspend by about \$9800. Last year we proposed to overspend by about \$9000, but predict we will actually underspend by about \$3800. A 2% wage increase has been allowed in the approved budget. The Street Fund has \$85,000 in Capital Outlay that can be spent on street repairs. The budget proposes a \$2 per month increase on sewer rates and a 3% increase in the Fire Fund, if needed.

Mayor Mike asked for public comments or questions. Jeff asked if Jason felt there was anything that was unexpected in the budget. Jason commented that the main things were there is a lot of room to accept and spend grant funds and it includes a sewer rate increase. There were no further questions or comments.

Mayor Mike read Resolution #2021-R3, a resolution to adopt the budget, making appropriations and levying property taxes for 2021-2022. The budget approved by the Budget Committee was for a collective total of \$5,830,182. Property taxes were levied at a rate of \$4.3114 per \$1000 value. The Resolution passed with a unanimous vote of the 4 Councilors present in favor. Councilors Logan McCrae & Justin Wright were absent.

Mayor Mike read Resolution #2021-R4, a Resolution declaring the City's election to receive State Revenues, Pursuant to ORS 221.770. Jeff made a motion to accept Resolution 2021-R4. Vicki seconded. Resolution passed by unanimous vote of the 4 Councilors present.

There were no further comments

Meeting adjourned at 6:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest:

Beth Wendt
City Recorder