

FRANKENMUTH CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 13, 2018
9:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Ackerman, Cramer, Grossi, Reindel, Rupprecht, Schmitzer & Schoenow.

ABSENT: NONE.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Smith, City Treasurer Deterding, City Clerk Kerns, DDA Director Stamiris, DPW Superintendent Braeutigam, Parks & Recreation Director Kaschinske, Police Chief Mawer, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent McKendree, Assistant WWTP Superintendent Schluckebier and Water Superintendent O'Brien.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by the Mayor in the Public Safety Training Room. He opened with the pledge of allegiance.

This special meeting was scheduled to review the proposed 2018-2019 City Budget.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Discussion took place on the sign package being installed on the Palmer Arch, that the recent community newsletter content was good and the next one will be published in early August, and that discussion on the budget is meant to be objective and constructive.

There being no further comments, the Mayor proceeded with the budget review.

PROPOSED 2018-2019 CITY BUDGET

City Manager Smith reviewed last year's discussions and accomplishments and the desire for some change and resiliency coming from necessity. The average age of staff is 53 and that transition planning under the Department of Public Works umbrella will help ease projected staffing retirements and pass knowledge on to the successors. The Personnel Committee has reviewed a plan for such change and the proposed budget includes the addition of a management staff person to help foster that change in the DPW.

Discussion took place on working smart and use of a part-time intern or fellowship for part-time staffing for administration assistance.

Treasurer Deterding reviewed a five year projection of revenues and expenditures in a spreadsheet document that he constructed.

The proposed 2018-2019 City Budget was presented. The general fund budget would increase by 3.72% compared to the current year's estimated expenditures. As introduced, the proposed budget

will increase millage by .25 mills or a total of 9.25 mills over last year's 9.0 millage rate. The fund balance will remain at approximately 3.3 months of expenditures.

The City Manager, department heads and staff reviewed specific information as to their respective department requests and the Council received the individual department budget requests.

Discussion took place on requests from the Council during the meeting, planned follow-up by the City Manager, being briefed on the on-going condition of the budget and unexpected expenditures that arise during the course of the budget year.

The City Council will hold a public hearing on the proposed 2018-2019 City Budget at their 7:00 P.M. regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, in the Meeting Chambers. The budget documents will be available on the website.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Phillip W. Kerns
City Clerk