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**ELK RIDGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 23, 2011**

TIME & PLACE
OF MEETING

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6:00 PM –

PUBLIC HEARING – AMENDED BUDGET FOR THE 2011/2012 FISCAL YEAR

Public Hearing/To consider a proposed amendment to the 2011/2012 Fiscal Year Budget, for the operation of Elk Ridge City.

ROLL

Mayor: Ed Christensen; *City Council:* Sean Roylance, Julie Haskell, James Mayfield & Weston Youd (Absent from Public Hearing: Erin Clawson); *Public Works:* Corbett Stephens; *Sheriff:* Deputy Butters; *Public:* Jamie Towse, Deborah Squires, Lucretia Thayne, Dennis A. Dunn, Neil & Ilene Dykstra, Tricia Gunnerson, Ray Brown, Hal Shuler, Hal Shelley, Gladys Coomes, Brian Burke, Joann Bigler, Alvin L. Harward, Scout Dallin McCarthy, Sean McCarthy, Nancy Wall, McCall Heaton, Stephanie Pozernick, Dave Simmons, Dane Kimber, Joseph Ashton, Scout Jayman Davis, Sandee Davis, Elizabeth Weeks, Sam Weeks, Rebecca Jones; and the *City Recorder:* Janice H. Davis

Mayor Christensen opened the Public Hearing at 6:00 PM.

The City Recorder reviewed the Budget figures with the Council and those present. Most of the amended figures simply bring the budget into alignment with the actual amount spent; however, there are specific areas to be considered in this proposed amendment:

The areas to look at are as follows (Memo from Recorder to Council):

Mayor:

General Fund:

Revenue:

A. *Sale of Property (Acct. 10-36-200): This is a section of the lot that the Oak Lane Well House sits on; based on past sales, the property would go for about \$15,000...the buyers have agreed to this.*

This should help offset some of the planned expenditures from the General Fund.

B. *Sundry Revenue (Acct 10-36-300): Natural Gas Rebate: \$4,200*

C. *Reserved Class "C" Road Funds (Acct 10-39-500): This was increased by \$12,040 due to the Core Drill being received in this current fiscal year, which increased the Fund Balance from last year. It is being reserved for the purchase also being placed in this year. (Cancels out between Revenues and Expenditures)*

Expenditures:

A. *"Contribution" from General Fund to Storm Drain Fund (Acct 10-44-855): as we have discussed, the Storm Drain Fund is not in a position to purchase the sumps necessary to fix the issues on S. Canyon View Drive and on Escalante Drive.*

Based on the estimates provided by Corbett (included); if the City went with the largest sumps quoted (25'X25'X18') the contribution would be about \$40,000, with extras quoted.

(\$40,000 would purchase 2 over-sized sumps + extras listed on the estimate: Drain rock, sump components, excavation.)

B. *Salaries & Wages (Acct 10-44-110): Approved already - Jan Davis add 11,440 + about \$4,900 for all other raises of \$1.00/hour = \$16,340 +*

C. *Public Works Building (Acct 10-57-390): \$70,000 (an example of a Site Plan of the City Center area was provided by the Mayor; drawn up in the past by Shawn Eliot.) The favored location is the area on Gooseneck Dr; this area would allow for a large parking lot.*

Mayor: The building is a bit over 4,000 square feet; the drawing has been modified to have "live-load" storage in the attic, eliminating the wings on the sides. They still plan on a 60X60 building; with parking for around \$70,000. They do not plan to have a concrete slab (interior) so that future improvements can be made more easily. The building will be conventional frame on foundations; with stick frame and composite roof.

Questions/Comments:

Lucretia Thayne: She asked where the money is coming from.

(An explanation of "Fund Balance" for the General Fund was given by the City Recorder.)

Mrs. Thayne also asked about other capital improvements planned for the City.

(Expand the Fire Dept. parking areas, purchasing a new brush truck...that all requires space and that will be facilitated by moving the public works out to another building.)

Mrs. Thayne complimented the Council on being in a position to fund some capital improvements without the City having to go into debt.

(Another explanation of allowable fund balance according to State percentages was given.)

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These projects can be done without incurring more actual debt; with the use of Fund Balance.

D. Parks Dept: Mower (Acct 10-64-740): About \$5,000

E. Transfer to Capital Projects/Future Improvements (Acct 10-44-850) \$72,285 was the amount transferred out of the General Fund with the Original Budget to balance the General Fund to "0". This amount is zeroed out to determine what it will take to balance the Amended Budget. That decreased the overall Expenditures; necessitating only \$41,768 being transferred into the General Fund to balance it to "0".

(See Acct 10-39-201)

Perspective: The total we had in the "Capital Projects Fund / Future Improvements" as of 7-12-11 was around \$765,969 (including year end June 30, 2011)...with about 241,000 + 12,040 (Core Drill) = 253,040 Fund Balance just from last fiscal year. If we just consider the use of last year's Fund Balance; leaving a good amount for a cushion in the General Fund of about \$500,000; then even with the amendments, including the Transfer back into the Gen. Fund of the \$41,768, we would still well over \$700,000 (Actual: 724,201) in that Capital Projects Fund for "future improvements". That indicates that we are in a good position if there were unexpected costs for the Public Works building.

Sewer Fund:

A. Upgrade to Jet Trailer: (\$3,300 already approved) It will come in less due to the ability to rebuild the pump rather than purchasing a new one...The Mayor proposed upgrading the vac trailer as well (only around \$500); it will all come in under the approved amount of \$3,300.

Tools: (This is not an extra expense) The Mayor mentioned getting tools for the Public Works Dept. The money is already budgeted for these types of supplies and tools in 5 different Accounts. The total from the various applicable accounts = \$19,500. The Mayor may approve up to \$500 for any purchase; the tools will be a 5-way split between: Supplies in the Shop area (Town Hall/Fire Station), Roads, Parks, Water & Sewer.)

The Mayor purchased 3 bags for tools for each of the utility pick-ups; as well as the hand tools to go in them (under \$500).

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Mayor Christensen:

After the \$1.00/hr raise was approved for the employees; certain Council Members as well as citizens approached the Mayor regarding the possibility of a raise for Corbett Stephens; they felt he had been neglected. The Mayor reviewed a contract between the City and Mr. Stephens; it basically states that whenever the other employees get a raise, that he is also entitled to a raise. The Mayor recommended a 3% raise (about \$1,900/year)...that would be besides the COLA already granted to the employees.

Questions:

Hal Shelley: Where would the water/sewer come from, if needed for the Public Works Building?

Corbett Stephens: Water would be pulled from Gooseneck Water System; or wait until municipal water is extended as development occurs. Hal Shelley asked if there would be an advantage to bringing the water/sewer in now as opposed to later.) Mr. Stephens would prefer to have someone else pay for it; it will happen with development. There would not be a financial advantage to install water/sewer now, as opposed to later. Power is close by; there is conduit from the salt shed to the Elk Ridge sign.

The building should be completed by the end of this fall. It is anticipated that the salt spreaders will be stored in the new building.

Mayor: The plan is to stub-in al utilities now to get them outside the foundation walls; the actual connection should be done with minimal extra work.

He asked for any other comments: Council Member Haskell inquired about the proposed raise for Mr. Stephens: if the 3% would be in addition to the COLA...the Mayor responded in the affirmative.

Mayor Christensen closed the Public Hearing for the Amended Budget at 6:25 PM.

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6:305 PM -

CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AGENDA:

ROLL

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MEET THE CANDIDATES

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There were three that declared candidacy for the two-year term of Office of Mayor: Erin Clawson, Alvin Harward & Hal Shelley. With 3 running, there is a need for a Primary Election for the Mayor's position (a Primary is not needed for those running for City Council). Each Candidate for Mayor was given an opportunity to address the current Mayor, Council & public and to answer questions.

(Council Member Clawson was not present, as she had an emergency at the ER at the Hospital; she arrived later in the meeting. Jan Davis read a statement prepared by her.)

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1. Erin Clawson: (Memo read by Ms. Davis)

Her memo summarized the past several months, including the “strife” that had existed on the Council and throughout the City. After the resignation of former Mayor Lutes, she debated whether or not to submit her name for appointment for mayor. She recognized that the position of Mayor comes with “substantial responsibility” and is ultimately held responsible for the welfare of the City and its citizens”. There are many challenges and tough decisions to consider that “can be divisive”. She stated that the “City needs a leader that is knowledgeable about the issues and is able to work with others in a positive and professional manner to find solutions, even when opinions differ”. She felt she would be the “logical choice for the Mayor’s position for several reasons:”...

- Experience: she has been very involved with many and varied activities in the City having to do with the Loafer Well, sewer system, security of water supply and working with staff in day-to-day city business.
- As Mayor Pro-tempore, she had attended several meetings in place of former Mayor Lutes; she has also represented the City on 2 boards and has assisted in building positive relationships with other city officials. She headed up various volunteer projects in the City (City Hall remodeling, cleaning up and beautifying the City Park and organizing the Youth City Council).
- She feels she has proven she can work well with the Council and the City staff for the success of the City. She is committed to moving forward in a positive & respectful way.

Ms. Davis added that Council Member Clawson was also appointed by the Council as the Interim Mayor Pro-tempore during the time after Mayor Lutes resigned and Mayor Christensen was appointed for the remaining two years.

Mayor Christensen: He asked both candidates why they are running for office.

2. Hal Shelley: (Resident for 11 years)

He has wanted to be involved with city government; but due to various circumstances in his life, he has not been able to do so. While living in Mapleton, there was an opportunity for an appointment to the Council...he considered it; then ended up moving to Elk Ridge.

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Though he does not understand government as well as he would like, he would like to be a part of solutions to issues. He is impressed with the experience of the other two candidates, but he has the time and would spend the time. He is “willing to do what it takes” to get the necessary information from various resources. He will be out meeting residents and handing out information throughout the city; he wants to get a feel of the City and the citizens’ concerns.

- He feels he has the ability to work with people...that has been what he has done for 35 year...he was a seminary teacher with the LDS Church; he retired two years ago. He learned a great deal about people during that time period. He feels he can see all sides to an issue before making a decision.
- Mr. Shelley grew up in a very small community and has also lived in Mapleton where he served with emergency services; so he understands the needs of small city government.
- He is confident of his ability to bring people together on issues and represent multiple views...while recognizing that not everyone will be “happy”. He hopes to be able to bring understanding to various issues that come up in the City.
- He would love to work with the City Council. He wants to get to know who they are (personally and professionally) and why they are serving the City.
- Should he make it past the Primary Election, he would be focused on better understanding the role of “Mayor”.

3. Alvin Harward: (Moved to Elk Ridge in 1990)

Service to the City:

- He has served on the Planning Commission; as a member and as the Chairperson.
- He served as a Council Member.
- He likes to be involved with the City; he lives here and likes to know what is going on.
- Being retired, he feels he could do a good job...he has the time to serve effectively.
- Mr. Harward is acquainted with the City employees and feels he could work well with them.

He concluded by saying he would appreciate support in the campaign for office.

Mayor Christensen: (Directed to Mr. Shelley) He said he had heard comments that he is a “super nice guy”; He wanted to know if Mr. Shelley felt he could be “tough enough” to be Mayor.

Mr. Shelley: “Being a tough guy is not my strong suit”; but he also understands that one does not go into the position of Mayor to “win friends”. He would try to be compassionate and respectful; but others should be respectful, too. There have been times when he has had to “take a stand”. He does not like getting “backed into a corner”; but when that has occurred, people involved soon discover that he can be what the situation calls for. He feels that being nice garners more respect than someone “demanding” that others respect him/her...earning respect is preferable than demanding it”.

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(Council Member Clawson arrived.)

Lucretia Thayne: (Directed to all 3 candidates) What is their view of how much city government should “be involved”?

1. Erin Clawson: She has long held to the opinion that “government is by the people...for the people. She had tried to listen to citizens; if they can work things out on their own, there should be no involvement from government. Government should be involved only when people come to the government asking for involvement.

2. Alvin Harward: He disagreed slightly in that “when people move to a city and congregate”; laws and ordinances are set up, along with the accompanying responsibilities. Government should enforce those laws for the benefit of the city and the citizens. If people want change, then they come to the government and go through the process; but until that occurs, they should follow the laws and ordinances of the city. People that want to do everything themselves ...any way they want...with their property; should move way out in the County where they have no neighbors...or laws and responsibilities. “In a City, you have those laws”.

Anyone in office takes an oath that they will uphold the law and do what is best for the City and the citizens. He added that, as Mayor, he would have an “open door policy” for the staff and the citizens.

3. Hal Shelley: He does not disagree with either of the candidates. “Government exists for the people...very much so”. Everyone cannot be please due to many and varied views; but laws and ordinances are enacted either by the citizens or the Administration...“those laws need to be properly enforced”. There are times when laws should be reviewed, evaluated and perhaps changed or eliminated. It would be great to live in a society where everyone is “nice” and concerned for their neighbors; then there would not be so many laws; but that is not always the case. We have to live within laws that “fit” the community’s needs.

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Brian Burke: (To all candidates) If the path of the City took a turn contrary to what the majority of the citizens want, how would you handle that?

1. Hal Shelley: He would have to be very committed to whatever his value might be that would be in contrast to what the citizens do want. There would have to be a lot of good reasons to proceed in that direction. If the citizens are not behind the path of the City, they will either come to see what he sees or he would have to back off; since he represents the citizens.

(Mr. Burke clarified with an example: If the citizens wanted to lower taxes and the only way to do this would be to allow construction or a commercial enterprise that may not be in the best interest of the City...how would you handle this if public opinion did not agree with your opinion?)

2. Alvin Harward: There are ordinances and laws in place that guide the path of the City; if those were to change, the process would involve public meetings and input. The City Council evaluates the input from the citizens and votes on the issue. Trust is placed in the City Officials when they are elected.

Personal opinions should be avoided where possible.

3. Erin Clawson: She has learned from experience that the roles of the Mayor and the City Council are different. As a Mayor, she would be a “facilitator” for both citizens and the Council and what they want. The Council should do its “due diligence” in searching out the reasoning behind various points of view. When elected to a public office, at times one must be willing to let go of one’s own opinion and help the best process. One duty of a mayor is to see that things are done in order.

Mayor Christensen: He asked that Council Member Clawson reiterate the gist of the memo read earlier by the City Recorder.

Erin Clawson: She apologized for her late arrival and explained that she had come upon a friend who had been in a car accident; she stopped to assist. She felt that things have changed a bit from the time she originally submitted the memo for consideration as an appointed mayor of the City.

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She would like to “shepherd” the growth of Elk Ridge. She feels it can be done through the guidance of the General Plan; which she believes is a “good plan”.

She decided to submit her name for the mayoral appointment because of some of the past experiences of the last two years. She has seen the Council not be able to work together and that has held up progress. She loves the people and is committed to serving them and to keeping the values we hold dear and working together...even when we don’t agree.

James Mayfield: Balancing the budget is important to him; what are the keys (both in personal and business life) to maintaining a healthy budget.

1. Erin Clawson: Personal life: no debt...no credit cards; City: We have all been able to work successfully with a good staff to manage the City’s budget. Hard decisions come when spending tax-payer’s money.

2. Alvin Harward: He commented that the staff and the City Recorder will not allow the Council to get out of line too far. There are consultants and auditors that keep the City’s finances in a healthy position. There are costs to run a city and one budgets to stay within the budgeted amounts as much as possible.

3. Hal Shelley: He feels the same. He feels more secure in the knowledge that there are trained people to assist him in financial decisions. He also wants to be acquainted with the government financial process and to understand the various funds. He hopes that some day, the water bills can be lowered; if the budget can be kept healthy while still cutting some expenses. He would allow himself to be guided by the experts.

Ray Brown: There is currently a push to “re-district” the County; Woodland Hills is very involved in trying to get Utah County to have a bigger voice. There is the on-going project of an access road to I-15 through Salem...Salem feels this would be a detriment to them economically. How do the candidates feel about it?

- Re-districting Utah County
- Access to I-15

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1. Erin Clawson:

- Access to I-15: She was able to attend many of Salem’s City Council meetings and be a part of the I-15 “Corridor”; it is important for all. South Utah County is projected to grow a great deal in the next few years. There must be a better way to access I-15; however the proposed road would impact Salem.
- She is also involved with the State Legislature and participating where she can. Elk Ridge is involved with State laws and to have a voice from South County is important. We should be actively seeking a representative from our area.

2. Alvin Harward: He agreed with Council Member Clawson. The South County Mayors get together monthly and they do have a voice in government; but he also feels it would be good to get a representative from the area, as well.

- He would also like to see a corridor to I-15.

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3. Hal Shelley: Not only would he like to see an access road to I-15 go through; but he also agrees that a South County representative in State Government would benefit the City.

Sean Roylance: He question how any fund balance (perhaps \$200,000) or “extra” money would be spent over the next two years.

1. Alvin Harward: Sewer & Water infrastructure is wearing out; it is time to replace the old systems. He is also in favor of a City Center and for the current City Hall to be turned over to emergency services.

2. Hal Shelley: \$200,000 is not a great deal of money anymore; but it could perhaps be used to assist in upgrading the sewer system...prevention is better than waiting.

3. Erin Clawson: The Council has already begun the project of building a public works building. The Public Works Dept. works hard every day...there is so much wear & tear on this particular Dept. from day-to-day. The storage and supply of tools are inadequate. The Fire Dept. is also short on storage and parking. Safety is at the top of her priority list and she feels providing space for emergency services goes hand-in-hand with getting an alternate building for the Public Works.

Comment:

Alvin Harward added a compliment to the crews that keep Elk Ridge’s roads plowed; our roads are always cleaned better and faster than other places in Utah County. We have a great crew. He felt that any one of the three candidates could be a good Mayor.

Council Member Clawson expressed her gratitude at the interest displayed by the citizens in attendance.

Hal Shelley said he appreciated the chance to run for office.

The Mayor closed the Work Session.

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OPENING REMARKS &
PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE

An invocation was offered by Mayor Christensen and Scout Jayman Davis led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance, for those willing to participate.

AGENDA TIME
FRAME

The Meeting started on time and there were no adjustments to the Agenda.

PUBLIC FORUM

No comments or questions.

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EAGLE PROJECTS

1. *Scout Sam Weeks: (Proposed Project: permanent landscaping around the flagpole by the Ball Field)*
Scout Weeks: He has met with Corbett Stephens for his input. Plans are to move forward soon.

- Install curbing around the area

- Cement donated for curb (Westroc)

- Plans for sprinklers – Mr. Bell assisted with sprinkler plans

- Plants for the area – Mr. Steele assisted with these plans (using the plants that are there already + perennials)

- Barriers around the flagpole for protection

- Treatment of the recipients will be fair.
 - Elk Ridge is on the billboard at the side of the freeway by Benjamin (Corn Maze in Payson)
 - Fund Raising opportunities are available to youth groups by assisting in running the Maze.
- Mayor: It is estimated that 300 to 500 people per night will show up for the Maze; at \$5 per person, with a family discount. There is a potential of multiple scholarships; depending on how much money is made. The Council was invited to ride in Payson's Parade.

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NATIONAL GUARD – SERVICE PROJECTS

Erin Clawson: She had spoken with Lt. Buffington (Guard) and details are being worked out for road grading in the City. The work can get done this fall.

SANITATION CONTRACT

Sean Roylance; He contacted Gordon Raymond (Allied); they are ready and willing to come to a Council Meeting to discuss options with the Council. A decision should be made by the end of September. Did the Council want to try to get a survey out to the resident regarding recycling? Could a survey be handed in at the same time that people come to vote?

Suggestion: To have the Youth Council or a youth group take care of handing out fliers. (He had a sample survey from Salem City. He still had not gotten together with Morgan Sessions; who wanted to assist with a recycling survey for a school project.

Options for recycling:

- Opt in
- Opt out

James Mayfield: The next Council Meeting should have information to discuss and decide upon.

(The City Recorder pointed out that the Primary Election was scheduled for 9/13, which would normally be a night when the City conducts City Council meetings.)

WESTON YOUND MOVED, SECONDED BY JULIE HASKELL, TO CANCEL THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2011; DUE TO THE PRIMARY ELECTION VOTE: YES (5) NO (0)

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James Mayfield: He asked for a show of hands from the audience as to who would prefer recycling: The response was mixed.

Sean Roylance: The City's cost would be about \$5 or \$6 per month that would be paid to Allied Waste; so the cost to residents would be slightly higher to cover administrative costs. For those that have 2 cans, the 2nd can could be a recycle can and could be swapped out.

The Option would be "opt out"...so a resident would have to actively declare he/she does NOT want to participate.

Allied does not have central bins as an option; another company may. He does not recommend this option.

Question:

What types of materials would be recycled?

Plastics (#1-7), cardboard, newspaper, office paper, all mail, aluminum cans, steel, tin cans, cereal boxes, magazines, catalogs & telephone books (no need to sort out).

Lucretia Thayne: The concept of recycling is a good one that "sounds nice"; but if it really cost effective, why the need to pay for it? She is not sure the fact prove out that recycling is really doing all it claims to do for the environment. She is not sure it is worth doing.

Comment: Woodland Hills has a recycle bin for cardboard, plastic #1 & 2 and office paper.

Corbett Stephens: He clarified that Woodland Hills is part of South Utah Valley Solid Waste District; that is where the bins come from. *(Council Member Haskell added that they pay to be part of that organization.)*

Weston Youd: He suggested a Face Book site for the City; which would allow for things like online surveys.

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NON-AGENDA ITEM

Mayor Christensen: Code Enforcement Committee: Council Member Clawson and he had spoken with an individual that could be a chairperson.

One problem they have experienced with getting a committee going is that most of the volunteers are in the same neighborhood; the Mayor does not feel that is a fair representation of the City. The hope is to find a chair for the committee; then find representation from all around the City.

Complaint:

(Unknown) Animals are allowed to run loose at night...she feels this is a real problem.

Mayor: Purchasing Authority for Public Works Director: The Mayor asked if Mr. Stephens could be authorized to purchase within the budget for certain items, as the need arises. The Mayor compared the request to the situation with Chief Seth Waite (Fire Dept.).

Weston Youd: He asked about the code on the purchasing policy. If there is a "head" of the Public Works Dept: then it should be the same as the Fire Dept.

City Recorder: She explained that there really is no specific budget entitled "Public Works"; the costs are spread over various Funds, unlike the single Fire Dept.

(Much talking over)

Weston Youd: He feels there may be a deficiency in the purchasing policy; that management of expenses is not at the level it should be. He suggested structuring the City Code to allow Dept. Heads to operate under a budget...reporting to the Mayor and/or the Council. That Dept. Head would have responsibility and "stewardship" over that budget. *(Typically the "Dept Heads" are the Council Members.)*

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City Recorder: If the budget account were to be exceeded, then that would require Council approval.
Chief Waite is not considered the "Dept Head either...currently it is the Council Member over the Fire Dept...Julie Haskell.
Weston Youd: He would like to free up whomever the Dept Head is to be able to manipulate the budget assigned to him/her.
The Mayor suggested thinking about it and to come up with a solution in the future.

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CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

No minutes available.

EXPENDITURES:

General:
Corbett Stephens got together with Chief Waite regarding concept plans for expansion to the Fire Dept. Bay area. The plan would be to incorporate the back portion of the current Public Works Bay area.
He handed out rough plans showing the ideas discussed with Chief Waite.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:55PM, the Mayor adjourned the Meeting.

City Recorder