

TUESDAY, 7:00 P.M.

Date May 16, 2006

BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES

FIRE STATION 21

NEWBERG, OREGON

Members Present:

Mike Boyes
Lon Wall
Robert Soppe
Jack Reardon

Bob Larson
Ernie Amundson
Bob Andrews
Roger Currier

Bart Rierson
Dawn Nelson
Sally Dallas
Darlyn Adams

Absent: Bob Stewart, Mayor

Others Present:

Jim Bennett, City Manager
Kathy Tri, City Finance Director
Dave Brooks, IT Director
Terry Mahr, City Attorney
Dan Danicic, Public Works Director
Howard Hamilton, Operations Div

Brian Casey, Deputy Chief of Police
Janelle Nordyke, Ass't Finance Director
Leah Griffith, Librarian
Barton Brierley, Planning Director
Al Blodgett, Division Chief

Absent: Robert Tardiff, Police Chief

1. Call to Order

Chairman Sally Dallas called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

2. Roll Call

Roll call was noted by Kathy Tri.

3. Approval of the May 2, 2006 Minutes

Motion: It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes as presented.
Ayes 11; Abstained 1 (Mr. Soppe). Motion passed

4. 2006-07 Budget Questions Memorandum dated May 10, 2006

Memorandum was provided to the committee members and is available for public review.

Questions:

- **Bus System:**

Ms. Griffith provided the following cost per person for bus services in Newberg.

Services	Cost Per Person
Dial a Ride	\$1.50
Link	\$1.50 +
Town Flyer	Up to \$5.00
Taxi Services	\$2.00 pickup \$2.50 per mile

Ms. Griffith stated that the Town Flyer would incorporate a diversion route to pickup senior and disabled citizens from their home. She noted that approximately 62% of the riders are not seniors or disabled citizens.

It was asked if retail establishments donated funds to support these services. Ms. Griffith stated that they did, however the majority of the donations are from senior citizens with limited income.

Mr. Rierson understood the shortfalls in the budget. He believed the City should subsidize for the bus services and stated that they do make a difference in the quality of citizen's lives.

- **Your Community Mediators of Yamhill County:**

It was verified that the Municipal Judge would implement the \$1.00 assessment fee with council's approval. Mr. Mahr stated by adding the \$1.00 assessment fee it would remain under the traffic ticket cap per the state statute.

Members and staff continued discussion regarding clarification of budget figures within departmental funds.

MOTION: Mr. Larson moved to increase the bus transit budget fund to \$12,000 and to include the \$1.00 assessment for Your Community Mediators of Yamhill County. (YCMYC)

Discussion was held regarding the actual recommended budget for the bus services and then asked how many mediation cases have been handled in Newberg. Ms. Bertram stated that 38 cases at an average of \$18.00 per hourly rate.

Mr. Rierson reminded members that a motion was on the floor and recommended the additional verbiage "up to \$5,000 for YCMYC" be included in the motion. Mr. Larson agreed to the addition. Seconded by Mr. Rierson.

Continued discussion regarding the \$1.00 assessment was held among members and the services YCMYC provides.

Mr. Wall called for question.

Clarification of motion is as follows: It was moved and seconded to increase the bus system funding from \$10,000 to \$12,000 and to support Your Community Mediators of Yamhill County by adding a \$1.00 assessment to the traffic citation revenue and that it not to exceed \$5,000.

Ayes: Adams, Larson, Rierison, Nelson, Nelson, Dallas and Reardon.

Nays: Currier, Soppe, Boyes and Amundson.

Abstained: Wall.

Motion passed.

Discussion was held regarding the finding of the long-range projections. Ms. Tri stated the projections were very close to what will actually take place. She noted that staff does not over extend their approved budget and only spends what is needed to get them through the year.

5. Budget Approval

Ms. Tri read the "Request for Budget Committee Action-2006/07 Property Taxes and Budget Approval" message into record. (Memorandum #2)

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to reference Memorandum #2 into the budget records. Ayes: 11; Abstained 1 (Mr. Andrews). Motion passed.

The following amended levying property taxes was read into record:

- Operating Tax Rate \$4.3827 per \$1,000 assessed value
- Debt Service Levy \$483,516; and

approve the 2006-07 budget of \$65,799,685 for Council approval.

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to approve the property tax as amended and to approve the new budget total. Ayes ; 11; Nays ; 1 (Mr. Soppe). Motion passed

5. Adjourn

MOTION: It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 PM. Passed unanimously.