CITY OF NEWBERG BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES MAY 6, 2014, 7:00 PM PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING TRAINING ROOM (401 EAST THIRD STREET)

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Lon Wall called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Lon Wall, Chair

Mayor Bob Andrews

Denise Bacon

Ryan Howard Stephen McKinney Patrick Johnson Anthony Pete Beth Koschman Jack Reardon

Bart Rierson

Lesley Woodruff

Members Absent:

Mike Corey (Excused)

Helen Brown (Unexcused)

Megan Morrison (Excused)

Staff Present:

Lee Elliot, city manager pro-tem

Janelle Nordyke, finance director

Mandy Dillman, minutes recorder

Caleb Lippard, assistant finance director

Jay Harris, interim public works director

Dawn Wilson, human resources manager

Steve Olson, interim planning and building director

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Wall opened and closed public comment as there was no one to testify.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review attached graphs

Chair Wall asked for any questions regarding graphs and none appeared.

2. Revenue Sharing Public Hearing

Chair Wall introduced the administrative hearing and called for any conflicts of interest or abstentions; none appeared.

MOTION: Rierson/Bacon accepting state revenues at regular rate and splitting the amount between fire and police. Motion carried (12 Yes/0 No/3 Absent [Corey/Brown/Morrison]).

- 3. Staff Presentations
 - Public Works

Mr. Jay Harris, interim public works director, presented the staff report accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation (see official meeting packet for full report).

Councilor Bart Rierson wondered if the original plan to use the property adjacent to the old animal shelter for the public works maintenance shop was still in place. Mr. Harris explained a concrete factory has requested to relocate to that area in the future.

Councilor Stephen McKinney asked if the current reuse structure could handle double the capacity. Mr. Harris answered yes, it currently does one million gallons a day and could be easily upgraded to add another million with additional osmosis filters, but to expand beyond that capacity, the city would need a reservoir. Councilor McKinney asked if it is a revenue-generating source. Mr. Harris responded because of the initial investment in the reverse osmosis filters it creates negative revenue. He further explained the water is ideal for industrial and manufacturing use due to it turning wastewater into water with almost all impurities removed. With more users, it has the potential of generating revenue.

Mr. Patrick Johnson questioned the repairs occurring this year on Springbrook Road north of highway 99. Mr. Harris said they have to tear up pavement to replace pipes under the road when the bypass is finished, so they are only repairing the road now and will plan to re-do it in the future.

Chair Wall opened and closed public testimony as there was no one to testify.

Police

Mr. Brian Casey, chief of police, presented the staff report accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation (see official meeting packet for full report).

Discussion commenced on what the revenue generated by the public safety fee increase would go toward and the unfunded, but mandated, federal security costs the city has. Additionally, discussion was held on animal control fees stating revenue comes from licensing, which only covers a portion of the expenditures. Chief Casey reported staff is working with Newberg Animal Shelter Friends for future operation of the shelter.

Planning/Building

Mr. Steve Olson, interim planning and building director, presented the staff report accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation (see official meeting packet for full report).

Discussion commenced on business licensing fees and the complicated strategies of grant money.

Administration

Ms. Dawn Wilson, human resources manager, presented the staff report accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation (see official meeting packet for full report).

Discussion commenced on how some cuts from administration are very small in compared to the overall budget; however, they are important for morale of city employees and should be added back into the budget. Additionally they discussed the costs of additional administration personnel.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.

Approved by the Newberg Budget Committee this 14th day of April 2015.

Sue Ryan, City Recorder

For former Minutes Recorder

Mandy Dillman

Lon Wall

Budget Committee Chair