

CITY OF SHELLEY  
BUDGET HEARING  
MINUTES

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SEPTEMBER 04, 2007

PRESENT: Mayor Eric Christensen  
Council Members: Lorin Croft, Steve Cederberg, John Lent, Charlotte  
Fredrickson  
Police Chief: Alan Dial (absent)  
Public Wks Dir: Rick Anderson  
Recreation Dir.: Dawn Lloyd  
City Clerk: Sandy Gaydusek

PLEDGE: Charlotte Fredrickson  
PRAYER: Charlotte Fredrickson

Mayor Christensen called the budget hearing for fiscal year 2007-2008 to order at 7:30 p.m., and turned the time over to Sandy.

Sandy presented a narrative and graphs outlining the condition of each fund. (copies attached)  
The budget for fiscal year 2007 – 2008 totaled \$6,425,614. She said the Fire District increased by more than 3% this year due to the city's growth and increase in valuation. The total increase for this expense is approximately \$6000. Sandy said each fund's contingency is increasing slightly each year to pay for major upgrades with the exception of the General Fund and the Recreation Fund. She asked if there were any questions or comments.

Dee and Alice Mansfield, 242 North Park Avenue stated they were concerned over the increase in property tax and other fees. Mr. Mansfield said he felt there was fat in the budget that could be trimmed. Sandy explained how the taxes have increased over the past two years, and that the city's valuation decreased this year due to loss of valuation for Basic American Foods in the amount of 3 million dollars. She said last year the property taxes for a valuation of \$100,000 increased about \$12 per year, however this year the increase will be approximately \$47 per year. Mrs. Mansfield feels there are too many police officers for the size of our city. She felt the increase to rates have to stop somewhere. Mrs. Mansfield said a lot of people are on a fixed income and cannot afford the higher rates. She said they have a renter that cannot afford more expense either. Mrs. Mansfield expressed her concern over the increase for city employee medical insurance. She said her son works for the City of Idaho Falls and they recently changed their policy, and now require employees to pay for a portion of their premium. Mrs. Mansfield said maybe that would be a way to trim the fat, and have employees begin paying for some of their own premiums. John felt the city has a lot of excellent employees at this time, and a way to help keep good employees is to provide good benefits. However, he said the city may have to look at partial employee payment for insurance premiums in the future. Mayor Christensen thanked the Mansfield's for their comments and concerns.

Steve moved, Charlotte seconded to adopt the budget for fiscal year 2007 – 2008 in the amount of \$6,425,614 as presented by Sandy. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented the appropriation ordinance #511 for fiscal year 2007 – 2008. John moved, Steve seconded to suspend the reading of ordinance #511 on three different days and read the title of ordinance #511 once. Approved unanimously. Sandy read the title of Ordinance #511 in full.

Steve moved, Lorin seconded to adopt Ordinance #511 appropriating \$6,425,614 to defray expenses and liabilities of the city for 2007 – 2008 fiscal year. Approved unanimously. Sandy will publish the ordinance and send a copy to the Attorney General's Office.

Sandy presented resolution 07-04 regarding the increase in sanitation services in the amount of \$.25 per flat residential rate and a percentage reflecting the same for other associated sanitation services. John moved, Steve seconded to adopt Resolution 07-04 concerning sanitation service rates. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-05 regarding the increase in water services in the amount of \$.25 per flat residential rate and a percentage reflecting the same for other associated water services. Lorin moved, John seconded to adopt Resolution 07-05 concerning water service rates. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-06 regarding the increase in sewer services in the amount of \$5.00 per flat residential rate and a percentage reflecting the same for other associated sanitation services. Charlotte moved, Lorin seconded to adopt Resolution 07-06 concerning sewer service rates. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-07 regarding the increase in park registration fees in the amount of \$5.00 per person for use of park facilities in non-city recreation programs. John moved, Steve seconded to adopt Resolution 07-07 concerning park registration fees. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-08 regarding the increase in swimming admission fees in the amount of \$.50 per admission or a percentage thereof for pool passes. Lorin moved, Charlotte seconded to adopt Resolution 07-08 concerning pool admission fees. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-09 regarding the implementation of notarization fees in the amount of \$2 per notarization. Charlotte moved, John seconded to adopt Resolution 07-09 implementing notarization fees. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-10 regarding the increase of sewer connection fees in the amount \$1300 making the total fee to be collected \$2600. Steve moved, John seconded to adopt Resolution 07-10 regarding sewer connection fees. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented resolution 07-11 regarding the increase of recreation program fees for participants residing outside of city limits to \$10 per player. Charlotte moved, Lorin seconded to adopt Resolution 07-11 regarding recreation program fees for outside city limits residents. Approved unanimously.

Sandy presented the budget for the Urban Renewal District in the amount of \$434,958. John moved, Steve seconded to approve the Urban Renewal District budget in the amount of \$434,958. Approved unanimously.

Kathleen Lewis, SICOG discussed the new boundaries for the Urban Renewal District. She said the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Urban Renewal Board met on August 30, 2007 to discuss the new boundaries. The Urban Renewal Board held their meeting first and forwarded the boundary changes to the P&Z Board with recommendation to accept. The Planning and Zoning Board held their meeting next and recommended to forward the changes to the city council to accept and hold the appropriate hearing. Kathleen said the council needs to consider the recommendations forwarded by the P&Z Board tonight and direct the staff to prepare a resolution and ordinance to change the boundaries to be considered at the public hearing. John moved, Charlotte seconded to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to amend the boundaries of the Urban Renewal District and call for a public hearing to consider an ordinance and resolution regarding such boundaries changes. Approved unanimously. John moved, Steve seconded to call for a public hearing regarding this matter on October 23, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. Approved unanimously.

Adjourned 8:40 p.m.

ATTEST: Sandy Gajdosik APPROVE: Eric R. Christen