



MINUTES
Budget Workshop
October 20, 2021
5:15 p.m.
(TELECONFERENCE)

THOSE PRESENT

Mayor Bob Poch
Councilmember Kevin Black
Councilmember Merv Schmidt
Councilmember Dale Rey
Councilmember Larry Hall
Councilmember Keith St. Jeor

Clerk/Treasurer Stefani Bowden
Public Works Superintendent Mike Steffens
Police Chief Paul Bowden

Mayor Bob Poch opened the workshop at 5:17 p.m.

Clerk Stefani Bowden presented the estimated budget for the Garbage and Stadium Funds.

The Garbage Fund was prepared based on no increases in rates. Mayor Poch reported that the Regional Board of Mayors is considering a rate increase at the Delano Landfill which could impact the Town's expenses. Once those rates are settled, the Town may need to make an adjustment.

Requests for use of Stadium Funds have been received from the Chamber of Commerce, Ridge Riders and the Okanogan County Chronicle. Several years ago, the town council had decided to only allot tourism dollars to the Chamber of Commerce and let them pass on funds to the Ridge Riders if they saw fit. After the town's own expenses and with retaining 10% of projected revenues, the amount left to award to the Chamber is estimated to be around \$8,000 which is up from last year's \$6,000.

Filling the vacant parks maintenance position was briefly discussed. Dale Rey and Keith St. Jeor are requesting to wait until spring to make a decision and would like to consider filling it as a seasonal position. Merv Schmidt felt that the Superintendent needs to be consulted before a decision is made.

It was requested to start discussing the Police Department at the next workshop.

ADJOURNMENT

The Budget Workshop meeting was adjourned at 5:37p.m.

Mayor

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Clerk

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