

TONOPAH TOWN BOARD

BUDGET HEARING MINUTES

MAY 16, 2014

Town Board Chairman Horace called the Budget Hearing to order at 9:05 a.m. Also present were Duane Downing, Ron Kipp, Janet Hatch and Tom Seley. Two others were in attendance. Chairman led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Board recessed to the Library Board at 9:06 a.m. and reconvened as the Town Board at 9:16 a.m.

1. **Public Comment**

None.

2. **Public Hearing, discussion, deliberation on tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2014/2015 and possible decision to adopt, amend and adopt, or reject the Final Budget for the Fiscal Year 2014/2015**

General Government

Highway & Streets

Pool

Ball Fields

Convention Center

Capital Projects

Special Capital Projects

Fire Department

Parks

Fairgrounds

Mining Park

State Room Tax – Tonopah

Tonopah Public Utilities

Mural Fund

Chris Mulkerns explained she would go through the changes from the tentative budget that had taken place. The addition of the four seasonal employees increased the full time equivalent number on page 4 by half from 15.5 to 16.

On capital projects she stated the Board had decided they were going to stop spending from that fund this year. The remainder of the \$650,000.00 that had been transferred for the year that we are in will be moved to FY 14/15. She stated James Eason had been looking at purchasing an aerator and a trailer for the Town maintenance this year and the money would come out of the equipment portion of that fund. She explained those purchases would probably be made in this fiscal year prior to the new budget. So the transfer in for next year will just be \$290,000.00. That brought the beginning fund balance in that fund up from the tentative budget numbers.

On the expense side a seasonal employee was added to the to the Convention Center budget so that brought up the salaries and wages and employee benefits about \$10,000.00 for the Convention Center wages and about \$3,000.00 on the benefit side.

Mrs. Mulkerns explained on page 7, expenditure fund they always show spending everything, although they never do, they could if they wanted to. On page 8 nothing had changed from the tentative budget on the water and sewer side, that all stayed the same. The ending fund balance from page 10 of the budget went from \$765,362.00 to \$1,055,362.00, due to the change in spending this year for capital projects.

The transfer out on page 14 of the budget the estimated column changed from \$650,000.00 down to \$360,000.00 so the difference they would transfer into FY 14/15 is the \$290,000.00.

On the different capital projects or special revenue funds there were no changes until you get to the actual capital project fund on page 17 which changed the estimated year they are in down to \$360,000.00 which changes the ending fund balance that carries forward to the transferring in of the \$290,000.00 in the final column. The only other changes in the budget documents, were adding the reconciliation pages for the actual transfer.

Mrs. Mulkerns stated they would, at a future Board Meeting before August 1, 2014 have an agenda item to do the five year capital improvements plan. Then they would do the indebtedness plan at the same time.

Horace Carlyle inquired about the codification of the traffic fines or traffic revisions in which they would receive revenue. Duane Downing stated it has not been codified yet. Mr. Carlyle wanted to know if they could put it on the agenda to pursue it. He wanted to see if they could pay to have it codified so it would get done as it could bring in substantial revenue. Chris Mulkerns stated she would make some phone calls to find out where it's at in the process.

Duane Downing motioned to adopt the final budget for fiscal year 2014/2015 as presented. Ron Kipp seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

3. **Public Comment**

Horace Carlyle wanted to comment on some comments that were made at the Nye County BOCC Meeting based on the OHV's and NDOT. He wants to submit to NDOT and he didn't know if it would have to be done through the County to change the recommended crossings and get it signed so it could move forward. Chris Mulkerns said it is her understanding that they have done that and it's in their hands now as far as submitting the recommendations for crossings. Chairman Carlyle thought NDOT could move a little quicker on the project. Duane Downing thought someone should make a few phone calls to see where it's at, as it has been approved.

4. **Adjourn**

Workshop was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

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Approved:

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Arlene Neiderman




Horace Carlyle, Chairman




Duane Downing, Vice Chairman

Ron Kipp, Clerk



Janet Hatch, Member



Tom Seley, Member