

## Budget Meeting

February 23, 2022

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order with the following Council Members attending: Vice Mayor Bruce Stoneberger, Councilman Duane Layman, Councilman Joseph Mauck, Councilman Jeremiah Knight, and Councilman Douglas Purdham. Also in attendance: Town Manager Terry Pettit, Treasurer Leon Stout, Police Chief Ryan Dean, Parks Director Teri Beers, Adam Pettit President of the Stanley Little League, and Randy Arrington with Page Valley News.

Mayor Knight asked for a motion to appoint Parks Director Teri Beers, Temporary Clerk, to take minutes for this meeting. Motion was made by Councilman Purdham and seconded by Councilman Layman.

Stanley Little League President Adam Pettit briefed the Council on upcoming projects and where they stand on construction of the new field. Adam Pettit stated the total cost of the new field without lights or bleachers would be around \$50,000, Lights would cost around \$250,000. There was a brief discussion on what would be done and timeline to get the project complete. Adam also stated last year there were about 130 kids signed up and he hopes to see those numbers continue to grow each year. Adam thanked the Council for their time and stated the Little League would appreciate anything the town choose to donate. Adam left the meeting at 7:40 PM.

### **Other Business**

Treasurer Leon Stout stated someone had counterfeited one of the checks and due to that we needed to create a new bank account and get everything switched over. The New checks are one signer because the bank does not monitor the checks for 2 signatures like they did in the past.

Town Manager Terry Pettit stated we need to look at our time off policy to address Quarantines of employees due to covid and maybe add something into our policy. Mr. Pettit stated we need to decide whether we should separate quarantine time and sick time or leave it together? There was brief discussion on the topic and a decision will be made at the next meeting.

Mr. Pettit stated we need to look at whether we are going to renew our contract for mowing or look to hiring another employee part time to do all the mowing. There was some brief discussion on the topic and the council decided we should send the contract mowing out for rebid. the bids should be divided up into pricing for each park.

### **Proclamation**

Mr. Pettit briefed the council on the event coming up in Honor of Nick Winum this Saturday February 26<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. He stated that we need a proclamation that badge number 202 will be retired and would like to have a proclamation to declare February 26<sup>th</sup> Nick Winum Day.

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There was brief discussion on increases with worker's comp, health insurance, police cell phones and salaries increase.

There was discussion on raises Real Estate tax rate by 3 cents per hundred and the water rates for inside and outside residential water by 10 cents per hundred.

There was discussion on the trash rates for additional cans. Mr. Stout stated right now the town is losing money approximately 8.62 for each can on people who have additional cans. After a short discussion the decision was made to adjust the price of additional cans to \$10.00 per can for inside and \$12.00 per can for outside.

Meeting was called to adjourn at 8:38 PM with a motion made by Councilman Doug Purdham and a second by Councilman Jeremiah Knight.

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Michael Knight, Mayor

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Teri Beers, Temporary Clerk