

CITY OF POLSON COMMISSION CONTINUANCE PRELIMINARY BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING MEETING

Commission Chambers

September 21, 2015

6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Heather Knutson, Commissioners Donovan, Erickson, Siler, and Southerland
City Manager Mark Shrives, City Clerk Cora Pritt

ABSENT: Commissioners Campbell and Turner

OTHERS PRESENT (who voluntarily signed in): Peter Daniels, Bonnie Manicke, and Lee Manicke

CALL TO ORDER: (00:01) Mayor Knutson called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA (00:47) - Commissioner Southerland motion to approve the proposed agenda. Commissioner Siler second. City Commission discussion: none
Public comment: none **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON SIGNIFICANT MATTERS TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA (01:16)-Peter Daniels- commented on the Polson Landing affordable housing project. Mr. Daniels stated that we don't need is a group of investors inspired by profits. City Hall is searching for revenue so why give away potential revenue. This project is a mistake to consider. If such a project were to be built in Mission Bay or Skyline, it would drop the property values in the immediate areas.

Mayor Knutson re-opened the Public Hearing. (04:38)

City Manager Shrives asked City Finance Officer Cindy Dooley to present the updated changes to the Fiscal Year 2016 Preliminary Budget. Kalispell Regional Medical Center was added to the taxable value. This changed the newly taxable. Red Lion and Walgreens were both excluded. City Finance Officer Cindy Dooley reported on the following updated changes: The mills went from 139.51 down to 139.04 due to the changes in the newly taxable value. Existing tax payers will pay a little bit less. The fund balance is now over 16.67 due to the new taxable value and the decrease in the salary reserve. The Cash Reserve is at 16.78% for the General Fund. COLA (Cost of Living Allowance) has now been put into the budget. The Revenue Budget Report increased \$8,049.00 for General Fund. Page 3: Permissive Levy Fund was decrease to \$96,000.00. Page 4: change in taxes allowed an increase in the Police Municipal Service Levy \$1,742.00. Page 8: TIF District was too high. There was a decrease of \$43,000.00. Page 9: An additional \$913.00 was added to the Permissive Medical taxes. Interest revenue was added to the Drug Forfeiture Fund. Page 14: added interest earnings for the Police Donation Fund, \$10.00. Page 18: Streetscape Debt Service Bond Principal \$70,000.00 added penalty and interest estimated at \$500.00. A total change amount of \$33,536.00. Expenditure Budget: page 7: Salary Reserve deducted \$11,702.00. Page 18: Fund 3542 principle payment \$50,000.00 interest \$21,000.00 for a total of \$71,000.00. Page 24: GIS (Geographical Information System) an increase of \$1,000.00 for GIS certification classes for Forrest Neimeyer in Water and also in Sewer (page 27) for a total of \$2,000.00. Printed amounts result in the amount of \$ -9,618.00, plus the \$71,000.00. Net Increase Total is \$61,382.00 The Final Budget will be presented during the regular Commission meeting later this evening.

Public Comment: **Bonnie Manicke**, Ward II, commented that she presumed the budget remains the same as the previous budget submitted for administration charges from the Enterprise Funds. The Water/Sewer administrative charges seen to be excessive in comparison to the Golf Fund. Mayor Knutson commented that yes, the charges are the same. Bonnie also commented about the Golf Fund contribution of \$30,000.00 annually. This amount needs to be the same as the Water/Sewer.

Mayor Knutson closed the Public Hearing (24:50)

Adjourn. (24:54) Commissioner Donovan motion to adjourn. Commissioner Erickson second.
Commission discussion: none Public Comment: none **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried.**

ADJOURN: 6:55 p.m.

Heather Knutson, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Cora E. Pritt, City Clerk