

MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BUDGET HEARING 2019
MILLARD COUNTY THE 3rd DAY OF DECEMBER 2019
AT THE COURTHOUSE, FILLMORE, UTAH

PRESENT: Dean Draper..... Chairperson
Wayne Jackson..... Commissioner
Evelyn Warnick..... Commissioner

Pat Finlinson..... County Attorney
Marki Rowley..... County Clerk

EXCUSED: Jamie Hair..... Deputy County Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Bonnie Gehre, Vickie Bennett & Lynette Madsen..... Auditor's Office
Richard Jacobson and Robert Clark..... Sheriff's Office
Adam Richins..... County Planner
Jim Warnick..... Citizen
Sheri Dearden..... County Treasurer

PURSUANT TO AN AGENDA WHICH HERETOFORE HAD BEEN PROVIDED TO each member of the governing body, posted at the principal office of the Millard County Commission, posted on the Utah Public Notice Website, and provided to the Millard County Chronicle Progress, a newspaper of general circulation within Millard County, Utah, as required by law, the following proceedings were had:

Commissioner Draper welcomed the public. Commissioner Warnick gave invocation. Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Commissioner Draper called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and then turned the time over to Auditor Gehre.

Auditor Gehre covered information relative to the adoption of the 2020 budget. She explained that the 2020 Tentative Budget was adopted by the County Commission on October 14, 2019. Public Notices were run in the Chronicle Progress on October 23, 2019 and October 30, 2019, indicating that the tentative budget had been adopted and that it was available for inspection at both the County Courthouse in Fillmore and the County Offices in Delta; as well as, on the county website. It also indicated that the 2020 public hearing would be held today.

Public notice was also provided and published in the Chronicle Progress, October 30, 2019, November 5, 2019, November 12, 2019 and November 26, 2019 and for budget work meetings on November 5, 2019, November 6, 2019, November 13, 2019 and November 20, 2019. These notices provided additional notice for tonight's meeting, as well as, mandated notice on property tax valuations and billings.

Auditor Gehre handed out a summary of the budget. She said that there are two full detail tentative budgets available for reference, which are summarized by fund. She explained that at this time, a 2% cost of living adjustment (COLA) has been included in the budget and it is anticipated that there will be funding for pay increases in accordance with the County's current step and grade program.

Auditor Gehre said that her office, as well as, the Commissioners have continued to work on the budget since the adoption of the tentative budget. She said that the following budget has ultimately been prepared at their discretion.

Auditor Gehre said that some of the changes that are being considered that are of greater significance are:

1. The 2020 budget year includes 27 payrolls, rather than the normal 26 payrolls, which happens approximately every 10 to 11 years.
2. Special Projects received an \$8,000,000.00 grant for the Brush Wellman Road.

New Capital:

- Greens Mower - Golf Course
- Tractor - trade in West Recreation
- 2 forms of sanitation at the West Pool
- Computer server and remote hosting
- PSB Fire Alarm and Suppression System
- Shared Road/Landfill shed in Fillmore - estimated at \$400,000.00
- \$600,000.00 transfer to the General Fund
- A dining hall at the Millard Care and Rehabilitation Center, if necessary

Capital Projects carryover from prior year:

- \$1,200,000.00 is being considered for a jail remodel
- Door security upgrade
- Records/evidence building completion

2020 New Budgeted Positions:

- Possible shared position (contract or otherwise) Assessor/Attorney's Office
- Full-time Assistant Landfill Manager
- 2 part-time Landfill Truck Drivers
- 2 Full-time Patrol Deputies
- 1 Sheriff's Captain/Chief Deputy
- 1 Part-time Building Inspector
- 1 Part-time Recreation Secretary

Auditor Gehre said that it is anticipated that the telephone costs will be reduced. She said that just this morning she received information that will be on the next agenda that will hopefully reduce those line items prior to final adoption, as well as, a \$13,000.00 pass through for the West Soccer League. She said that it is planned that the Bookmobile Library Contract will be terminated sometime in 2020.

Commissioner Draper explained that the \$8,000,000.00 increase on the number totals of the summary is a pass through grant to rebuild the Brush Wellman Highway.

Sheriff Jacobson said that he, and the Sheriff's Office, appreciates the growth that they have been allowed as projected. He said that he believes that they have duly expressed the needs for growth in the office and he thinks that everyone agrees with them. He then expressed his appreciation to the other offices for the work they do. He said that this is an amazing team of elected officers and offices and he believes credit should be given for that. He congratulated the group as a whole and thanked them for their efforts.

Commissioner Jackson said that it is pretty easy when you work with professionals, as we do here in this County, and he appreciates the comment from the Sheriff.

There were no other comments made.

Commissioner Warnick made a motion to close the budget hearing.

Commissioner Jackson stepped from the chair and SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The budget hearing closed at approximately 6:08 p.m..

WHERE UPON THE MEETING ADJOURNED

Attest: _____

Approved: _____