

Proceedings of the Ironwood City Commission Special Meeting and Work Session

A Special Meeting of the Ironwood City Commission was held on May 24, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. followed by a Work Session in the Women's Club Room, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood, Michigan.

The purpose of this Special Meeting was to discuss and consider approval of the Rural Development Funding Application for Phase III Water and Sewer Improvements and following the Special Meeting the City Commission conducted a Budget Work Session on the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget.

1. Mayor Corcoran called the Special Meeting to Order at 5:00 P.M.
Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Commissioner Cayer, Shackelford, Tauer, and Mayor Corcoran.

ABSENT: Commissioner Semo (excused)

Motion was made by Shackelford, and seconded by Tauer and carried to excuse City Commissioner Semo from the meeting.

2. Discuss and consider approval of Rural Development Funding Application for Phase III Water and Sewer Improvements.

City Manager Erickson addressed the City Commission stating that Rural Development has requested the City of Ironwood make a decision regarding the Rural Development Funding Application for Phase III Water and Sewer Improvements along US2.

Water Utilities Supervisor Tervonen addressed the City Commission regarding the aging infrastructure and noted the City of Ironwood has been very successful in the past in receiving over eight (8) million dollars in grant funding. He noted the infrastructure along US2 is probably 50 years old and would need to be replaced sooner or later.

Jeff Sjoquist from Coleman Engineering was present and reviewed with the City Commission rates with different scenarios. He noted water would need to increase approximately \$3.11 and sewer approximately .94¢ over the next three (3) years. Further discussion of this matter took place.

Motion was made by Corcoran, seconded by Tauer to approve the Rural Development Funding Application for all loan funding for Phase III Water and Sewer Improvements along US2. Unanimously passed by roll call vote.

3. Citizens wishing to address the City Commission on items on the agenda (3 minute limit).

James Albert of 23 Aurora Street questioned if the City of Ironwood raised their rates similar to other communities would they qualify for grant funds. City staff informed him there is a big difference between rates.

4. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Tauer, seconded by Cayer and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 P.M.

Kim Corcoran, Mayor

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk

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PRESENT: Commissioner Cayer, Shackleford, Tauer, and Mayor
Corcoran.

ABSENT: Commissioner Semo (excused)

Also present: City Manager Erickson, City Clerk Gullan, Finance Director Linn, City Assessor/Building Inspector Hewitt, DPW Supervisor Richards, Water Utilities Manager Tervonen, Public Safety Director DiGiorgio, and Jeff Sjoquist and Mike Foley, from Coleman Engineering.

*The City Commission Work Session followed the Special City Commission Meeting at 5:30 p.m. and Finance Director Linn addressed the City Commission regarding the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year's Budget giving them a balanced budget using the General Fund and leaving a fund balance of just a little over \$500,000. Further discussion of the budget took place.

The Work Session adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk