

Public Hearing
2010 Tax Levy
Monday, October 26, 2009-7:00 p.m.

Mayor Plinski opened the public hearing for the 2010 budget tax levy at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Plinski, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Fisher, Councilmember Kolterman, Councilmember Ramm, Councilmember Kramer, Clerk-Treasurer Burghard, Town Marshal Wren, Frank White and Terrie Crosby.

Information regarding the 2010 tax levy was provided for the public. Mayor Plinski explained the 2010 tax levy revenue, a \$941.00, a 1% increase from the 2009 tax levy and asked for questions and comments from the public. The Council reviewed and discussed the 2010 tax levy, encouraging public input. Questions offered by the public were answered.

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Plinski called the meeting to order immediately following the public hearing. Present were Mayor Plinski, Councilmember Schmidt, Councilmember Fisher, Councilmember Kolterman, Councilmember Ramm, Councilmember Kramer, Clerk-Treasurer Burghard, Town Marshal Wren, Frank White and Terrie Crosby.

APPROVAL COUNCIL MINUTES-APPROVAL OCTOBER BILLS

- The Council minutes of October 12, 2009 were approved and carried, with corrections, upon a motion by Councilmember Kramer, seconded by Councilmember Kolterman.
- Claims Clearing Warrants No. 13562 thru 13578, totaling \$18,397.11, were approved and carried upon a motion by Councilmember Ramm, seconded by Councilmember Kolterman.

PUBLIC INPUT

The public offered no input.

COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORT

It was reported that the Odessa PDA has been awarded the Governor's Award for Excellence.

RESOLUTION 2009-10

Resolution 2009-10, a resolution setting the 2010 tax levy increase was reviewed; approved and carried upon a motion by Councilmember Kolterman, seconded by Councilmember Kramer.

ORDINANCE NO. 631

Ordinance No. 631, an ordinance setting the 2010 tax levy was read for the first reading, with the ordinance explained to the public. Ordinance No. 631 was read for the second reading; approved and carried upon a motion by Councilmember Fisher, seconded by Councilmember Kolterman.

PUBLIC WORKS' REPORT

It was reported that demolition of the unfit dwellings had been completed, with ground fill and leveling yet to be completed. The project filled sixteen roll off boxes with 120 tons of debris removed. The invoice for hauling and disposal of materials is estimated at \$8,500.00.

The PWD building re-roof project is near completion, with the warehouse re-roof to follow.

It was reported that the daycare on Alder St. has closed and that the water lines will be drained after the cleaning is completed.

POLICE REPORT

Town Marshal Wren reported on departmental activities.

Marshal Wren reported on the meeting that was held with Eric of the WA State Gambling Commission, regarding information and potential income from a gambling tax. He reported that the Town could receive approximately \$500.00 to \$600.00 per year, which is 5% of net proceeds. It was the Council's decision not to proceed further concerning initiating a gambling tax.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Plinski provided the Council and public an update on the airport project.

Mayor Plinski reported that he had received a letter of interest concerning the purchasing of Town property near the airport. Discussion was held concerning the declaring of the property surplus for future sale. No decision was made.

It was the Council's decision to publicize a proposal for budgetary software for the Clerk's office, with proposals accepted until 1:00 p.m., November 9, 2009.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Plinski called for a fifteen-minute executive session at 7:50 p.m., for the discussion and evaluation of a complaint received against an employee. Discussion was also held to evaluate a letter of interest received for the upcoming vacant council position

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Mayor Plinski called the meeting back to order 8:05 p.m., with decisions to be made from the executive session.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

A budget workshop, for the year 2010, was held. Discussion was held concerning wages and revenue forecasts. Town Marshal Wren addressed the Council concerning his budgetary requests for 2010.

ADJOURN

With no further matters to discuss, Mayor Plinski adjourned the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

Douglas Plinski, Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda Burghard, Clerk-Treasurer