NOTICE OF BUDGETARY WORK SESSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN FOR A BUDGETARY WORK SESSION (REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009) TO BE HELD BY THE WEST BOUNTIFUL CITY COUNCIL ON JUNE 12th, 2008 AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE WEST BOUNTIFUL CITY HALL, 550 NORTH 800 WEST, WEST BOUNTIFUL, UTAH.

Minutes of the Budget Work Session of West Bountiful City held on Thursday June 12,2008 at West Bountiful City Hall, Davis County, Utah

NOTE: Prior to the work session all members had received for study and information purposes, a packet including - Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Proposed Final Budget, Line Item Detail Report,Message and Charts,Debt Service Schedule

Called to Order:

Work Session started at 6pm with a light dinner.
Mayor James Behunin informally called the meeting to order for discussion at 6:20pm

Members Present:

Mayor James Behunin, James Bruhn, Ken Romney, Valerie Shaw, Cheryl Searle, Debbie McKean

Staff Present:

Wendell Wild (City Administrator), Brian Passey (Financial Advisor) Blake Anderson (Public Works Director),Randy Lloyd(Police Chief),Matt Collier (City Engineer), Mike Bicker (Golf Pro), Jami Zigich (Secretary)

Staff Excused:

Beverly Haslam (City Recorder)

Mayor Behunin started the work session with a computer presentation outlaying different larger issues effecting the City budget, topics discussed within the presentation included:

- the need for a clear picture of tax revenues brought in by Lowes and Larry H Miller
- personal property tax issue and changes that may occur in the second half of the year.
- the re- assessment of property taxes county wide
- the budget certified revenue
- property tax information by state statue

- impact of the fee correction to Holly Oil
- infrastructure needs
- water fee increase
- true streets assessment

Discussion was held on the rate of water fees and what the increase would be and how justification information would be distributed to the citizens.

Wendell Wild answered questions about negotiations with Holly Oil regarding the overpayment payback, stating that information was still being gathered from Lynn Kennington, a tentative amount had been discussed of $400,000 to be payed back over a 4 year period. Mr Wild further stated that Rocky Mountain Power had absolved themselves from the situation.

Discussion then ensued among the work meeting attendees, together and in break out groups, topics discussed included but were not limited to:

- Bare Bones Budget - explanation of
- Grants
- Bonding
- Life cycle plans for the water system, roads and streets, infrastructure issues
- Taxes- personal property, property tax, RDA revenues sales and use tax

Mayor Behunin discussed the councils reluctancy to raise taxes or water rates, stating that if this was the solution, a deep evaluation of the budget had to be done evaluating and cutting non-essential items, council was in full agreement.

Mayor Behunin further stated that the possibility of more radical measures might have to be considered, possibilities might include:

- selling the golf course
- selling a portion of the golf course
- a county contract for police services
- a part time detective with the police force instead of full time
- more fuel efficient vehicles

Discussion with Police Chief Randy Lloyd then ensued including topics of;

- 24 hour coverage necessity
- amount of hours spent at RDA
- vehicle usage

- vehicle rotations and buy/lease agreement options
- reserve officers

Ken Romney Council member voiced that a big concern voiced by citizens was - where is the RDA money going? All participants agreed that answers to this question and others needed to be given in writing to the public.

Mayor Behunin presented a computer presentation, showing his suggestion of each departments itemization and description of individual department budgets that would be available to the public via the internet

Members of the work group where in agreement that more detailed information was needed in the budget, and that the format they were using was very hard to understand and digest.

Discussion ensued directed towards City department heads asking if it was feasible to use the format presented for their individual departments. After discussion of time line and detailization,it was agreed the Mayor would finalize the new budget program and make sure City personal and Council members could access the suggested program.

After a lengthy discussion of time line for the budget the following dates were agreed upon:
June 27th - working with assigned Council members each department would have their individual detailed budget complete
July 1st- regular scheduled Council meeting would be brief and conclude with a budget work meeting, for discussion of submitted department details
July 15th - Council meeting would not be held due to the majority of Council members having other commitments
July 29th - brief Council meeting will be held concluding in a work meeting for the final budget
August 5th - Budget to be completed and submitted

The following Council members were assigned to the different City departments for work on the detailed budget:
- Mayor James Behunin- Police
- Ken Romney- golf, public works, streets, engineering
- Debbie McKean- legislative, parks
- Cheryl Searle - administrative, non - departmental
- James Bruhn - planning and zoning, golf course
- Valerie Shaw - courts

Further discussion ensued about the reprocautions and penalties of not submitting the 2008-2009 budget by state mandated deadlines, Mayor Behunin stated that letters would be received, but if completed and submitted by August 5th he felt confident that no tax revenue would be withheld.

Discussion ensued amongst those in attendance as a total group and smaller break out groups regarding but not limited to:

- detail of line items, how detailed
- final infrastructure plan
- Water rates increase and final plan
- Golf Course questions and answers

As the work session was coming to a close Chief Randy Lloyd presented and distributed document: West Bountiful City Police Department General Order - regarding Assigned Vehicle Program. Chief Lloyd urged the council to compare apples to apples regarding a change in City versus County services. Chief Lloyd drew his comments to a close with visual examples, showing that there is far better protection and services being given to the citizens than in past years.

Mayor Behunin drew the work session to a close stating that a lot of work needed to be completed so that all felt confident and knowledgeable about the budget to be approved, so that ultimately information could be distributed to the citizens.

Work Session concluded at 8:41pm

Mayor James Behunin

Beverly Haslam- City Recorder

Jami Zigich - Secretary

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