

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING - SPECIAL
AUGUST 19, 2009
TIME: 6:00 P.M.

Present: Mayor Gary Herbert, Helen Gardner, Darrell Poling, Jamie Cain, Bill Wenning and Herb Hunter.

Roll call was taken.

RE: Budget Work Session.

Chief Deputy Darren Lucas of the Sheriff's Dept. gave a presentation on their laptop computers they have in their vehicles.

The Clerk-Treasurer handed out the budget forms that are used in working the budget. She then explained the process and that she did not have a problem sending the budget in a little fat, \$200,000 - \$250,000. That if it was needed, she would use cash balance expenditures to reduce some of the 2009 budget, so it could be applied towards the 2010. This was done to fund the 2009 budget.

She explained the basic process the DLGF uses, take the maxi working levy multiply by the growth factor, counties get state wide, and then that gets divided up among all the levied funds with a tax rate. They use 90% of certified AV's to make sure rates are high enough to get the entire levy. If the miscellaneous income goes down, then there is less spending capacity even if the levy goes up.

A couple of handout ratio surveys on the number of police department, police officers for different cities were given and discussed.

Discussion was held about cutting police and fire hires out of 2009 budget, cutting AED to half, laptops to half, no raises, keeping department head ranges as proposed for 2009, taking New Directions out and pay that from Riverboat, leave clothing allowance increase as submitted and leaving other requests as is for now.

The clerk-treasurer's office will rework the numbers and get them to the Council to look over and see what changes they may decide to make and when they might want to have another meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Presiding Officer: _____

Council Member

ATTEST: _____
Clerk-Treasurer

