

The City Council had a **work session** on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at City Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bruce Higley, Councilmembers Buddy Sadler, Brett Ferrin, Natalie Hale and Brad Searle

Excused: Councilmember Mike McKean

Staff: Diane Hirschi, Steve Davis, Jeremy Crowton and Bren Edwards

The purpose of the work meeting was to begin the budget process. Steve Davis explained the budget process for the past couple of years. What needs to happen is to have the department heads get with the Mayor about upcoming budget needs and the Mayor will get with Steve and Steve will present it to the city council. The Mayor reported that he would like to do this a little differently this year. He would like to hold a budget retreat with the City Council and Steve. All the department heads would get with the councilmember over their department prior to the retreat. Diane asked for clarification about whether the department heads would be invited to the retreat. The Mayor noted that they would not.

Steve went over the January financials with the city council and answered questions. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July budget was addressed. It was noted that it did go over this past year. Anything spent for the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> will be put in the new budget.

The capital projects fund was discussed. There is just over \$500,000 in that account. The Mayor reported that he would like to use that money towards a new shop. It was noted that the council needs to prioritize the city's needs for the use of those funds. Bren noted that the storm water permit is pushing the need for a new shop. Steve reminded the council that this account does not have a source of funding. It has been being built up for years.

The sewer fund was briefly discussed.

The work meeting adjourned at approximately 6:52 p.m.

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City Recorder

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Mayor

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Date approved