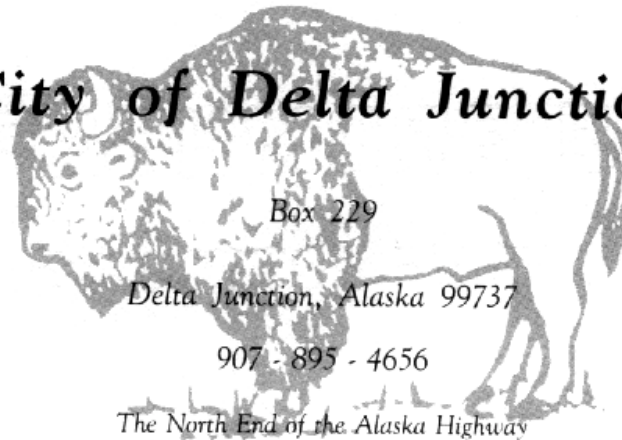


City of Delta Junction



May 14, 2002
City of Delta Junction
Budget Workshop Meeting 4:30pm
City Hall Conference Room

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The workshop was called to order at 4:40pm by Mayor pro-tem Mary Leith-Dowling. Council members Lou Heinbockel, Mark Weller, Susie Kemp, and Henry Summers were present. Mayor Gilbertson and Nat Good were excused. Lynn Harris, Debbie Green and Pete Hallgren were also present.

FY03 Budget

Rescue Squad

Lynn Harris explained the Rescue Squad budget to Council.

- They took funds out of travel since they don't stop for food anymore on runs to Fairbanks.
- The training is lower since its not being used.
- The new equipment and supplies is for the new ambulance.
- The roof may need some repairs at the ambulance garage.

Hallgren said grant funds can be used for some of the repairs. He received the bill for the ambulance and they are scheduled to pick it up June 6 or 7, 2002 and \$96,500.00 is the final cost.

Cemetery

Fertilizer costs for the cemetery aren't in the General Fund budget, but the grant money can be used.

Bob Geise asked Council to consider building a skateboard park for the youth in the community.

Park

Council discussed fertilizing the ball fields and the rest of the park. Only the ball fields should be fertilized this year and the City will pay for a ton of fertilizer to do the job. Council would like to see the funds of the ball associations going for equipment and clinics.

Ellis will talk to Ron Lester about spreading the fertilizer.

Debbie Green asked if we are going to reseed any of the park.

Kemp said we should be able to use some of the impact funds for upgrading park.

Community Center

Council made the following changes:

Wages to \$3500

Taxes to \$400

Repair and maintenance to building \$1,000

Fire Department

Council made the following changes:

Wages to \$4,000

Repair and maintenance building to \$5,000

Summers said the Fire Department needs to have their Scott Packs serviced this year.

E911

OK as is

Library

Leith-Dowling said this budget is based on being open 6 days a week. She doesn't recommend it since it will cost so much.

Hallgren said he is going to recommend a change to the medical plan to reduce the costs.

Heinbockel would like to see the City go with plan two or three, pay all the health insurance costs for the employees and make any needed adjustments in salaries.

Council wants to look closer at the library budget and investigate how we can get insurance for Nancy King. She has worked for the City for many years. It is possible to open longer hours without being open an additional day.

Facility Maintenance

Ok as is

Park

We need to cut trees in the park while the fence is down. The City can put Richard Mc Donald on the payroll and Heinbockel will mark the trees to be cut.

Land Sales

Ok as is

Landfill

OK as is

Streets

Changed wages to \$13,000.

Runway

Ok as is

Hockey

Council said to write a check for the balance of the money Council granted the Skating Association for work at the rink this year.

Council discussed the bids on the park fence and Community Center.

Kemp moved to award the bid for the furnace at the Community Center to B and A Heating and Service in the amount of \$4,720.00; Summers seconded

Roll call vote with motion passing unanimously.

Before awarding the fence contract, Council wants to research if the City has a 5% bid preference in place. Ellis and Hallgren will work on it and report to Council at the next meeting on May 21, 2002.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela R. Ellis
Clerk/Treasurer