

The Board of Commissioners held a special meeting Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at the Town Hall. Commissioners present were Diana Parham, Heidi Hogan, Terry Newsom, Jimmy Kearney and Clara Debnam.

Mayor Willis called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm and explained the purpose of the meeting was to hold a public hearing on the proposed FY 2012-13 Budget and opened the public hearing.

Sylvia Alston asked if there would be any cuts to Keith Hamm and Sheila Taylor's hours. Mayor Willis advised there had been discussion and went on to say she didn't know about 3% raises, no one was passing out raises and discussion followed including lower interest rates reducing investment revenues, the source of revenues, having two full time officers or three with no part time, and the level of police protection, and continuing with 2 full time and Chief Suggs 19 hours per week.

Alton "Buzzy" Parker asked how many police cars the town had and in discussion was told three when one was sold. Ms. Alston expressed concern that the recodification of ordinances was removed from the budget and Mayor Willis advised that was not something that needed to be done now.

Further discussion included doing away with \$800.00 in Administration Office Equipment and moving \$1,350.00 from the clerk's salary back to travel and training.

Commissioner Kearney advised with the current budget he figured there was only about 4 hours per day not covered, but considering vacation and sick time and extras, he suggested taking \$3,000 from Revenue over Expenses and adding it to the Police Budget. In further discussion, Commissioner Newsom stated he didn't think raises were appropriate except for Josh Langley moving into Bolton's pay scale and Mayor Willis stated there was some fund balance but couldn't afford to pull out all its money.

The Board discussed recessing the meeting until Monday to make changes to the Budget Ordinance.

Commissioner Kearney made a motion seconded by Commissioner Bobbitt, to move \$3,000.00 from Revenue over Expenses to the Police Department Budget. The motion was voted and carried.

Commissioner Newsom made a motion seconded by Commissioner Hogan, to move 13,500.00 back into Administration Travel & Training. The motion was voted and carried.

The 3% raise included in the budget was discussed and Commissioner Kearney made a motion seconded by Commissioner Hogan, to give employees a 1.5 % raise and move the balance saved into the General Fund. The motion was voted and carried with Commissioners Kearney, Hogan and Debnam approving the motion and Commissioners Bobbitt and Newsom opposing.

The consensus of the Board was to recess the meeting and reconvene on Monday, June 25, at 3:30 pm.

Following discussion on the Mack Gay Associates bill for work done preparing for the grant, Commissioner Bobbitt made a motion seconded by Commissioner Kearney, to pay Mack Gay Associates \$16,218.00 for engineering, design and specifications for the Rural Center 2009- 364 Grant project. The motion was voted and carried with Commissioners Bobbitt, Debnam and Kearney voting in favor and Commissioners Hogan and Newsom opposing.

At 1:53 pm Mayor Willis recessed the meeting until Monday, June 25, at 3:30 pm.

Mayor Willis reconvened the meeting Monday, June 25, 2012, at 3:30 pm and advised the Public Hearing portion of the meeting had already been closed out and the meeting had been reconvened to vote on the 2011-12FY Budget Ordinance.

Following brief discussion, Commissioner Kearney made a motion seconded by Commissioner Hogan to adopt the **BUDGET ORDINANCE FY 2012-13 (O-12-001)**. The motion was voted and carried with Commissioners Kearney, Hogan and Debnam in favor and Commissioners Bobbitt and Newsom opposing. A copy is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 pm.

Clerk