

January 24, 2017

The Ely City Council met in special session on 01/24/17 in Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members Teri Billick, Elizabeth Rohner and Judy Wery. Absent: Kay Hale and Stephanie Mehmen. Mayor Eldy Miller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Sarah Sellon, Library Director, presented the library budget for fiscal year 2017/2018. Sellon highlighted stats and salary comparisons based on program offerings. She estimated revenues increasing by \$2000 and expenses increasing \$29,589. Total tax investment from the city would be \$156,816.

Connor Fisher, Director of Recreation, presented the budget for the Park Board. Fisher estimates revenues to remain static, and expenses to increase by \$51,309. The tax investment for Park and Recreation would be \$130,429.

Ron Stark, Public Works Director, requested council consider investing in some additional equipment for the city. This would include a second pickup and tool box, a zero turn mower for the parks, a bucket for the small tractor, some hand tools, and parts for repairing water lines. Stark then presented information on purchasing a lift. While this would be a major investment for the city it could be used in all areas of public works including the sewer plant, maintenance on buildings, putting up Christmas lights, etc. Council took the recommendation under consideration.

City Administrator Hoy asked council where they wanted to be regarding wage increases. Council agreed that they would set the maximum amount at 3% but would make the final decision at a later date.

A budget workshop with the finance committee was scheduled for Feb 8th at 6 PM.

Council member Billick moved, second by Rohner, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. Ayes: 3.

Eldrew Miller, Mayor

Denise L. Hoy, Clerk/Administrator