

CITY OF BRODHEAD BUDGET WORKING SESSION MINUTES
Monday, October 9, 2017

Present: Mayor Pinnow, Alderman Nyman, Huffman, Anderson, Fox and City Clerk Withee.

Absent: Alderman Peach and Huntington

Mayor Pinnow called meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Roll call vote shows all aldermen present except Peach and Huntington.

Final Budget hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 6:30 pm. Motion by Anderson to approve date set for budget hearing. Second by Huffman. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Parks Director Boegli presented the Park & Rec Budget with no increase over the 2017 budget. Heater and installation will be \$5,000 carryover and the remainder paid for by a donation from the Brodhead Area Foundation.

Linda Faessler presented the court budget with a decrease from 2017. Judge will receive a \$1,000 raise for the year.

Angela Noel presented the library budget and discussed the projected income for the new council members and how the funding works from the outlying counties. Director Noel described the budget expense line items and reviewed her proposal. Staff, material and programming are the three key things that bring people to the library. They are asking to add another position to the library.

Police Chief Hughes presented the 2018 police department budget proposal. Request is not complete due to CBA and personnel costs. Requesting any wage increase to CBA be extended to non-represented members of the department. Police contract has a step wage increase and would like to see the step increase for other department staff. Chief Hughes is requesting to hire another full time officer due to increasing difficulty in hiring part time officers and the cost associated with the hiring process. The goal will be to phase out the part time positions and replace them with the full time position. Mayor asked how many part time positions would be eliminated. Chief Hughes stated it is hard to say but the department is averaging three. Historically they have had between four and five. Requesting \$40,000 toward capital outlay and feels the city should look at an annual capital outlay fund to address the costs that don't need a borrowing package. Two capital outlay requests for next year; one is sharing a server with city hall and replacing the departments voice recording system.

Director Vogel presented the 2018 budget request for the public works department. Included is a \$9,000 increase to garbage/recycling due to rising cost, added extra to street maintenance and extra for wage increases. Maintenance cost has been increasing due to age of equipment. Has moved money around in the budget to accommodate the added expenses to keep his budget as close to last year as possible. Several of the street maintenance bills have not come in yet. Extra moved from the savings on the end loader to street maintenance. Storm Water utility have been spending what they are bringing in for revenue. 2018 will only do repair work as necessary to build the funds back up. Fox asked about the phosphorus projects Vogel stated that the majority of those project expenses have been accounted for in the borrowing package.

Clerk Withee presented the City Hall and Clerk budget with no wage increase included the budget should remain the same as the 2017 budget.

Alderman Anderson stated the fire district is requesting a 3.3% budget increase for 2018.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Anderson. Second by Fox. Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Douglas A. Pinnow, Mayor Approved this 17th day of October 2017.
Teresa Withee, City Clerk