

CITY OF LA PINE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 14, 2018

5:30 pm Regular Budget Committee Meeting

La Pine City Hall 16345 Sixth Street, La Pine, Oregon 97739

Regular Meeting - 5:30 pm

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Establish Quorum

Present: Mayor Scott, Councilor Briese, Councilor Martinez, Councilor Greiner, Councilor Heaton, Kitty Shields, Mike Harper, John Cameron, and Brian Earls

Frank Schultz arrived at 5:31 p.m.

Staff Present: City Manager Cory Misley, Public Works Manager Jake Obrist, Accounting Clerk Ashley Williams, Administrative Assistant Holly Smith and Planning Manager Melissa Bethel

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Scott

4. Election of Chairperson

Kitty Shields made a motion to elect Brian Earls as Budget Chairperson. Councilor Martinez seconded. No objections. Unanimously approved.

5. Community Sponsorship Presentations

Cory Misley explained that these funds come from the Tourism Fund in the City budget. The City receives transient room tax and a portion of that received by the City can go back to tourism related events. There is also an amount for unrestricted funds, which go to non-tourism related events (i.e. Veterans Day Parade).

Kay Nelson spoke on behalf of the Band of Brothers and Band of Sisters for the **Veterans Day Parade** and **Chili Feed**. They are requesting \$500.00. This is an annual event and serves approximately 350

veterans. There will be an 11/11/11 ceremony at the cemetery at 11 a.m., a parade at noon and the chili feed at the La Pine Event Center.

Bea Hatler spoke on behalf of La Pine Park and Recreation District for the **Music in the Park** event. They are requesting \$2,500.00 for summer 2019. The event itself will be free to the community. Funds will go mostly to the cost of the bands. Band of Brothers has volunteered to do security. Boy Scouts have volunteered to help with parking. She stated that the community has been amazing in their excitement and support and that several different organizations have come together to be involved, such as Shine on La Pine, Lion's Club and Parks and Rec. All of the money is flowing through the Parks and Rec Department. This will be a family-friendly event with a family area, including face painting and cotton candy. There will also be vendors and food trucks. They have already received funding from other businesses, including Pahlisch Homes and Mid Oregon Community Credit Union.

Gene Bowman spoke on behalf of **KNCP FM 107.3**. They are requesting a one-time request for \$10,000.00 for re-structuring, new equipment, added watt power and other misc. expenses. Ann Gawith explained the history behind KNCP and its relationship to its sister station KITC. She explained that KITC and KNCP are separating and that up until now, they have shared equipment. In order to run KNCP by itself, they will need funds in order to purchase its own equipment. KNCP has grown and is heavily involved with the schools in La Pine, particularly broadcasting high school sports games. The station is run solely by volunteers. In the long run, KNCP desires to incorporate Sunriver, which is why they want to increase their wattage. Ann also stated that the radio station is online for out of area listeners.

Tammy Murphy spoke on behalf of **High Lakes Car Club** and their annual car show event. They are requesting \$2,000.00. Last year, there were over 115 cars in the show and approximately half of them were entrants outside La Pine. The club also has other major sponsors, which all donate \$250 each. This promotes tourism from all over Oregon, including Salem, Klamath, and The Dalles. This event will take place on June 30th and it will be located at the Senior Center again.

Melvin spoke on behalf of the La Pine Rodeo Association and Ann Gawith spoke on behalf of Frontier Days. They are requesting \$12,000.00 for an advertising campaign. Ann stated that she likes the idea of doing an advertising campaign for both events and using television and radio and marketing out of the area, such as Portland, Salem and Eugene. Ann estimates approximately 10,000 people attend the parade and Melvin estimates approximately 9,000 for the rodeo event.

6. Budget Message

Cory Misley stated that he is merging the Budget Message and Review into one item. He explained that the City has tried to make the budget more transparent and clear for the public's sake, as well as the Committee over the last couple of years. He reviewed the budget fund by fund and highlighted key changes that have changed from last year's budget. There was discussion about how franchise fees are set. There was discussion on personnel services, including changes to health insurance and payroll. There will be a new public works employee and a COLA increase of 2.75%. There will not be any staff

raises except for Ashley Williams, who is taking on additional responsibilities as Staff Accountant verses Accounting Clerk. There was discussion on the new Transit/City Center property and project. There was discussion regarding the cemetery and the City possible taking over running it, including opening and closing. There was discussion on the streets fund, including equipment purchases for water/sewer/streets. There was discussion on the tourism fund and the Chamber of Commerce. There was discussion on economic development, including land sales, business sponsorships and traded sector incentives. There was discussion on the importance of putting money aside for new roads. Finally, there was discussion on the water and sewer funds.

7. <u>FY 2018-2019 Budget Review</u>

See above.

8. Public Comments and Questions

None

9. Adjourn

Frank Schultz made a motion to adjourn. Connie Briese seconded. No objections. Meeting adjourned.

Dennis Scott, Mayor

Attest

Cory Misley, City Recorder