

Springerville Town Council
Budget Work Session
June 12, 2019
5:30 p.m.

Council present: Phil Hanson, Jr, Mayor.
Robert MacKenzie, Vice Mayor
Richard Davis, Councilmember
Ruben Llamas, Councilmember
Shelly Reidhead, Councilmember

Staff: Joseph Jarvis, Town Manager
Val Cordova, Town Clerk
Heidi Wink, Finance Director
Timothy Rasmussen, Public Works Director

Mayor Hanson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Council, Manager and Staff Updates:

Councilmember Reidhead reported that the Little Colorado Rural Policy Forum had decided not to hold the parking lot dance. She met with Wink Crigler regarding the pictures of the Range Riders she was going to provide for the banners. The Little Colorado Foundation was awarded the Ready Grant for technical assistance and in the running for two more.

Mayor Hanson, said he and a lot of people attended the RV Clean-up day. He and Vice Mayor MacKenzie and Manager Jarvis had a good meeting with Congressman O'Halleran and he, Councilmember Reidhead and Manager Jarvis met with Navopache Electric CEO and the Board President.

Manager Jarvis reported that there would be a ADOT Board meeting reception on June 20th in Pinetop-Lakeside. This Board reviews and makes policy decisions and adopt the budget for ADOT. There will be a Legislative Road Show presented by the League staff on the new laws, and the Apache and Navajo Counties Mayor's and Council members quarterly meeting will be in Holbrook. He was also appointed to be a member of the NACOG Economic Development committee and TEP has awarded the Town \$13,000 for the fireworks.

4. Public participation: None

5. FY 2019-2020 2nd Budget Work Session:

Manager Jarvis noted that they hoped to have received the updated numbers from the State but would email them if they receive the information. If they haven't received the numbers from the State they will be using the numbers we but anticipate receiving more HURF money. If they receive more money than anticipated they plan to put it in the town's cash balance. In a meeting with Tom Belshe from the League informed he and Heidi that they are working on diligently and would give us the information as soon as they can.

Finance Director Heidi Wink reported that the changes requested were before them. The Council travel and training budget has been increased by \$1,500. She noted that most of the

changes are employee turnovers. She explained that one employee can hit several departments.

Manager Jarvis explained that this is due to the person hired to replace an employee has years of experience and has been offered a higher wage in Case Management The Animal Control officer's wage has been increased because he was overlooked on the matrix.

Manager Jarvis explained that they were doing some evaluation of code enforcement and the animal control officer has the capacity with his schedule to do the code enforcement. The animal control officer has accepted the additional duties and will work closely with our economic development director to respond to complaints and begin the efforts of code enforcement. A dedicated code enforcement officer will make progress with encouraging clean up. The priorities of the animal control officer are to support the police department.

Director Wink continued saying there was one other change and that was the airport grant that was removed from the budget.

Manager Jarvis said they plan on doing some core drilling to test the quality of the asphalt to understand what process we need to improve the runway.

Mr. Jarvis brought up the Boys and Girls Club funding of \$10,000 that would include making repairs to the building and purchasing furniture. In speaking to the Executive Director of the Club, and was advised that the Town of Eagar owns the building and they provide support for maintaining and improvements. This money will be used for furniture for their cliental, cubbies, tables and chairs and some of the funds will be used for staff salaries. They will be grateful for any amount of funding.

He advised the council that staff would make modifications to the budget to appropriate funds in order to pay for this request or the budget can be increased to accommodate this request.

The council suggested that there would be a 50/50 split between a decrease in the budget by and an increase in the budget by \$5,000 both ways to make this feasible. He explained that he would decrease the budget in professional consulting services by \$2,000, utilities, electrical and propane will be scaled back and office furniture and equipment will be reduced to get the \$5,000 and the budget will be increased \$5,000 to make up the \$10,000.