

Minutes
Silver Lake City Council
Workshop Meeting
February 6, 2019

Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 5:45pm.

Members present: Mayor Dorothy Butler, Councilors Josh Winfrey, Brenda Fogarty, Chris Penaz and Nolan Johnson

Others present: Jon Jerabek, Clerk/Treasurer; RJ Cripps, Police Chief; Karin Ramige, McLeod Publishing;

1. Sheriff's contracting services. The Council reviewed estimated costs from McLeod County Sheriff's Office for coverage of 80 hours per week in comparison to the current Police Department operation. The 2019 estimated cost from the Sheriff's Office for 2019 is \$230,685.12 which does not include the estimated McLeod County Attorney costs of \$130 per hour and an annual cap of \$25,000 or the estimated fine revenue of \$12,500. The Police Department expense budget for 2019 is \$251,301 and the revenue budget for 2019 is \$39,700.
2. Gavin Law Firm – contracting services. The Council discussed a proposal from Gavin, Donley, & Ostlund Law firm for an hourly rate adjustment from \$145 per hour to \$125 per hour with an annual cap of \$25,000. The rates would be held for two years. The McLeod County attorney had given a preliminary proposal of \$130 per hour with an annual cap of \$25,000.
3. Budgeting 2020 and beyond. The Council discussed five-year and ten-year budgeting as well as larger project budgeting.
4. Main St. project. The Council discussed the plans and presentations from the Yates' for the Main St lots. Mayor Butler prepared questions to have the Yates' review before the next Council meeting.
5. Sewer Backup. The Council reviewed a second denial claim from the City's insurance company for a sewer backup at 216 Summit Ave. Councilors gave opinions on the denial as well as moving forward with the property owner's request to be reimbursed for costs incurred.
6. MLS multiple items. The Council reviewed employee discounts at the liquor store and discussed updating interior space, opening on Sundays, and applications received for the Manager position.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.

Jon Jerabek, Clerk/Treasurer

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