

City Council

200 North Brazil

Special Meeting

Los Fresnos, TX 78566

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Tuesday, August 27, 2019

6:00 PM

City Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Polo Narvaez

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Milum gave the invocation and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

Council member Swain Real arrived.

Public Hearing

Second Public Hearing to receive comments from the public on proposed tax rate for 2019.No Action

Mayor Narvaez open the public hearing at 6:03 p.m.

Mr. Milum gave a brief explanation on the tax rate.

A member of the audience expressed his appreciation for the job well done by the City Manager and department heads.

Mayor Narvaez closed the public hearing at 6:05 p.m.

made a motion to approve Second Public Hearing to receive comments from the public on proposed tax rate for 2019., seconded by the vote was .

Visitors Remarks-To speak you must sign in with City Secretary prior to the meeting and you have a limit of 3 minutes to speak.

There were no comments.

Action Items

Consideration and ACTION to approve a grant and provide required matching funds for a Senior Citizen Van.Adopted

Mayor Narvaez explained the city is fortunate to be able to get a grant from the Area Agency on Aging for a new van for our Senior Citizens program. We have a 2008 van with 90,057 miles on it. Being 11 years old and with that many miles it starts to become a problem. The grant amount is \$26,041. The best quote on a van is \$36,213 plus tax, title and license. We will be responsible for \$10,172 plus tax, title and license. The van we are getting is a mid roof type so it will provided a little more head room than the standard van we have now.

Council member Joe Collinsworth arrived at 6:06 p.m.

The Mayor asked the council if there was any questions or discussion.

Motion was made and seconded to approve a grant and provide required matching funds for a Senior Citizen Van.

James Herrera made a motion to approve Consideration and ACTION to approve a grant and provide required matching funds for a Senior Citizen Van., seconded by Swain Real the vote was [Unanimous].

Budget Workshop

Budget WorkshopNo Action

Mr. Milum reviewed the Senior Citizen Program Budget with the council. There were no questions from the council.

Mr. Milum reviewed the unfunded items. Mr. Milum handed out a document that listed the revenue, expenditures, and proposed expenditures for the general fund and the utility fund. Mr. Milum answered questions for the council and discussed unfunded items.

Mr. Milum explained the renovation plans for the City hall and Police Station building. He handed out a plan of the proposed renovations.

Chief Hector Gonzalez, Assistant Chief Juan Rodriguez, Commander Charlie Banda and Mr. Milum reviewed the proposed plans and answered questions for the council.

Mr. Milum thanked the department heads for the all the hard work on the budget.

Mr. Milum reviewed each line item for revenues in the Utility Fund Budget. He answered questions for the council.

Carlos Salazar, Public Works Director reviewed the materials and supplies and capital outlay in the water fund and answered questions for the board.

Pablo Garza, Finance Director briefly explained the bond indebtedness the water department.

Mr. Salazar reviewed the materials and supplies and the repairs and maintenance in the sewer fund. There were no questions from the council.

Mr. Milum reviewed the remaining line items in the Utility Fund budget.

Mr. Salazar concluded by reviewing the capital outlay in the sewer department.

Mr. Milum and Mr. Salazar answered questions for the council.

Mr. Garza reviewed the bond indebtedness for the sewer department. Mr. Garza and Mr. Milum answered questions for the council and explained the bond indebtedness.

Mr. Milum advised the council that concluded the Utility Fund and the only pending discussion was the loans for the water and wastewater plant. He asked the council if they would like to continue or take a short break.

Mayor Narvaez recessed the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Mayor Narvaez called the meeting back to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Milum explained the council has approved for the city to apply for funding for water total of \$3,627,000 to make upgrades to the water plant required by the Texas Commission of Environment Quality regulations. Mr. Milum briefly explained the requirements and process.

Mr. Garza explained the funding options to the council. Mr. Milum and Mr. Garza answered questions for the board and discussed the funding options.

Mr. Milum explained the proposed rate increase options and Texas Water Development Board funds the city would be applying for to make the water plant required by the Texas Commission of Environment Quality. Mr. Milum discussed the topics and answered questions for the board.

made a motion to approve Budget Workshop, seconded by the vote was .

Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 8:20 PM

Presiding Officer of the Council

Recorder