

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, March 23rd, 2022 6:45 p.m.
Electronic Virtual meeting

Budget Committee Members Present: Michael Arion, Angie Kimpo, Richard Weaver, Chris Witka, Malcolm Freund, Kelly Piper, Jeff Hargens, Sara Grigsby, Dan Graff, and Fred Sanchez

Staff Present: Interim District Manager David Jacob, District Clerk/Budget Officer Ana Linden, TSCC rep Tuni Betschart.

Meeting was called to order by Committee chair Michael Arion at 6:55pm.

Board Chair Jeff Hargens made a motion to approve the agenda as presented Fred Sanchez seconded. (motion passed 10 yes votes, 0 no votes)

Michael asked if there were any changes to the Budget Committee Meeting Minutes March 15th, 2021 Budget Committee member, Malcolm Freund said that he didn't see the addition of \$2000 to the chemicals reflected in the discussion of the budget as he had remembered and would like Jeff Hargens' comment that the amount should be budgeted at a 10% to be added. Jeff Hargens moved to amend the minutes according the Malcolm's comments, Sara Grigsby seconded. (motion passed 10 yes votes, 0 no votes)

Malcolm Freund sent a series of questions for the Budget Officer, Ana Linden. The questions and answers are in the board packet for April 19th, 2022 meeting. Ana read them out loud.

Sara Grigsby thanked Malcolm for asking the thoughtful questions and inspiring a good conversation. The committee discussed the reduction of "dead end flushing" being taken off the budget and whether or not that meant that the dead-ends would no longer be flushed. David Jacob said that it was not an extra cost unless damage was done to the line.

Jeff Hargens asked if we could over or under spend within each expenditure group. TSCC representative Tuni Betschart said that as long as all your expenditures are within the water utilities on the audit (aside from debt) that we were within the law. The resolution was our legal document but that the budget is the plan.

The budget committee changed several amounts in the proposed budget. They reduced the amount allotted to unemployment from 25,000 to 16,500 this more accurately reflects the amount we usually end up paying. The amount of vehicle maintenance was reduced from 6000 to 4000, hoping that with all new vehicles the maintenance won't be as expensive.

The building inspection and the need for a roof and electrical work was a major topic of conversation. The budget committee decided to keep 100,000 in buildings and maintenance, with the understanding that the generator might not be upgraded or replaced if the electrical work was deemed necessary for safety. Both Jeff Hargens and

Kelly Piper said they had roofers to refer and Sara Grigsby said she had 4 HVAC referrals for the district staff.

Dan Graff spoke with a hydrologist about looking over the Well data results and then creating a report (a tech memo) on their findings. He said his colleague gave a rough estimate of 5000-10,000 for that report and that it would be like a second opinion. Jeff Hargens asked if we could use the Toilet Rebate grant for something besides toilet rebates. Sara Grigsby said she would be comfortable with that as long as the office staff checked with the original documents. District Clerk Ana Linden said she would check back with the board at the next regular board meeting. The committee continued to discuss ways to find money for the second opinion for the well data. The unemployment fund was determined to be the best place to move funds from. There were no more changes that the committee wanted to make and they were ready to approve the budget and tax rate.

Public Comments – there were no public comments.

Board Commissioner Dan Graff made a motion to approve of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Corbett Water District budget of \$1,268,989 and tax rate of .5781 per \$1,000 of assessed value, Kelly Piper seconded. (motion passed 10 yes votes, 0 no votes)

Budget Committee chair Michael Arion adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm.