

CALLED MEETING OF THE LIVINGSTON MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMAN ON JUNE 8, 2017 AT 5:30 P.M. AT LIVINGSTON CITY HALL.

ALDERMAN PRESENT: RONALD DISHMAN  
KEN DODSON  
BILL LINDER  
DAVID SADLER II  
BILL WINNINGHAM

ALDERMAN ABSENT: DAVID LANGFORD

MAYOR CURTIS HAYES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

MAYOR HAYES WENT OVER THE PROPOSED 2017-18 BUDGET.

MAYOR HAYES STATED THAT THE BUDGET DID NOT INCLUDE A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE, THERE IS A 5% ACROSS THE BOARD WATER RATE INCREASE BUT WILL NOT AFFECT CUSTOMERS USING LESS THAN 2,000 GALLONS.

THERE IS NO PAY INCREASE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES BUT THERE IS A \$600.00 BONUS THAT WILL BE PAID IN DECEMBER.

MAYOR HAYES STATED THAT ONE OF THE LARGEST ITEMS IN THE BUDGET IS A BUSH-HOG FOR THE STREET DEPT. THE PRICE OF A NEW BUSH-HOG IS APPROXIMATELY \$80,000.00.

ALSO INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET IS NEW TRUCKS FOR THE WATER DEPT. SUPERVISOR, STREET DEPT. SUPERVISOR, GAS DEPT. SUPERVISOR, SEWER PLANT SUPERVISOR AND WATER PLANT SUPERVISOR. MAYOR HAYES STATED THAT THE SUPERVISORS OLD TRUCKS WOULD BE USED AS METER READING TRUCKS WHICH WE ARE IN BAD NEED OF.

MAYOR HAYES STATED THAT NOTHING WOULD BE BOUGHT WITHOUT COMING BEFORE THE BOARD FIRST. THEY WOULD HAVE TO GET BIDS ON THE VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT UNLESS IT WAS ON STATE BID.

ALDERMAN SADLER ASK WHY WE DONATED TO THE HIGHLANDS THIS YEAR WHEN WE DIDN'T LAST YEAR. MAYOR HAYES REPLIED THAT THEY WERE SUPPOSE TO BE MORE INVOLVED THIS AREA THAN THEY WERE IN THE PAST.

ALDERMAN DODSON STATED THAT WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED TO RAISE THE TAXES A LITTLE EVERY YEAR. ARE WE GOING TO BE NEGLIGENT BY NOT HAVING A TAX INCREASE THIS YEAR.

MAYOR HAYES STATED THAT MTAS DOES RECOMMEND A LITTLE TAX INCREASE EACH YEAR BUT HE DID NOT PUT A TAX INCREASE IN FOR THIS YEAR BUT WOULD PROBABLY ASK FOR AN INCREASE NEXT YEAR.

CMFO JOEL PARKS STATED THAT THIS WAS A GOOD BUDGET AND THAT HE FELT THAT THE CITY WAS IN BETTER SHAPE THAN IT WAS THIS TIME LAST YEAR.

AFTER DISCUSSION, BILL LINDER MADE THE MOTION TO PASS THE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING ON THE BUDGET ORDINANCE WITH NO TAX INCREASE AND A 5% WATER RATE INCREASE. BILL WINNINGHAM SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5 YES AND 0 NO.

KEN DODSON MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN. BILL LINDER SECONDED THE MOTION. THE VOTE WAS 5 YES AND 0 NO.

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MAYOR

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
VICE-MAYOR