

Called Meeting of the Livingston Mayor and Board of Alderman on June 14, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

Alderman Present: Ronald Dishman
Ken Dodson
David Langford
Bill Linder
David Sadler II
Bill Winningham

Alderman Absent: None

Mayor Curtis Hayes called the meeting to order.

Mayor Hayes went over the proposed budgets:

Budget A: Tax increase of 44 cents over a 3 year period, pay scale which would start the second year, 2 million in paving and 4% water rate increase.

Budget B: Tax increase of 28 cents, no pay scale, 50 cent raise for employees, 2 million in paving and 4% water rate increase.

Budget C: No tax increase, no paving, 50 cent raise for all employees, 4% water rate increase. This budget also has a chipper truck for the Street Dept., a backhoe for the Gas Dept. and a 1 ton truck for the Water Dept.

Budget D: Tax rate increase of 44 cents, pay scale which would take effect immediately, 2 Million in paving and 4% water rate increase.

Mayor Hayes stated that the minimum water rate would not increase. He stated that most of the elderly only use the minimum.

Alderman Langford had questions concerning the current debt and payments. CMFO Joel Parks discussed the debt and payments.

Alderman Linder stated that we had started talking about a pay scale about 8 years ago and that if it had been implemented then it would not have cost the city as much as it is now. He stated that every employee deserves better. He stated that he would recommend going with Budget C and to let the new Board in September raise the tax rate if that is what they want to do.

Alderman Dishman stated that he would like to see the city employees get a raise but some of the departments doesn't have city cell phones nor drive vehicles home which should be part of their salary.

After more discussion, David Sadler made the motion to go with Budget C which includes a 50 cent raise for employees, no tax rate increase, no paving, a chipper, backhoe and 1 ton truck and a 4% water rate increase. Ronald Dishman seconded the motion. The vote was 4 yes with Ken Dodson and Bill Winningham voting no.

Ronald Dishman made the motion to adjourn. Ken Dodson seconded the motion. The vote was 6 yes and 0 no.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Vice-Mayor

