



City of Sidney, MT
Budget and Finance Committee Meeting 6-29-22
June 29, 2022 6:15 PM
115 2nd Street SE | Sidney, MT 59270

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Alderman Present: Christensen, Rasmussen, Godfrey

Others Present: Mayor Norby, PWD Hintz, Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin, Kelly Resieg with the Richland County Library.

1. New Business

a. FY22-23 Mill Levy's

Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin presented the preliminary mill levies. She stated they are subject to change due to payroll not being set. She stated due to that the main discussion under the mill levies would be the request of the Richland County Library to have an additional \$30,000 allocated to them, which she stated she has in the mill levy appropriations.

Mrs. Reisig stated this additional \$30,000 would go to expanding their part time staff, who would not qualify for benefits that they have included in the payroll budget with the County. She stated the \$30,000 will cover this cost and they are not seeking additional funding beyond that at this time. She further stated that due to complications with workman's comp through the County, they cannot have volunteers at this time. She stated it is something they are actively working on it.

Motion was made to recommend approval of increasing the library allocation to \$130,000.

Motion made by Rasmussen, Seconded by Godfrey.

Voting Yea: Rasmussen, Godfrey, Christensen

b. FY22-23 General Fund Budget

Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin stated that due to the payroll being tabled in the Police and Fire Committee, she cannot present the general fund budget at this meeting but will present at the next Budget and Finance Committee Meeting.

c. FY22-23 Oil and Gas Donations

Clerk/Treasurer Chamberlin presented the Budget and Finance Committee with the Oil and Gas fund that includes donations. She stated she did not make changes to the donations from the previous fiscal year. She stated also coming out of the Oil and Gas Fund is the architect fee for the City Hall remodel and transfers to other funds.

Alderwoman Godfrey stated she is wondering if City could get more return on their money by putting the Economic Development \$10,000 into downtown improvements. Alderwoman Rasmussen asked what Economic Development does for the City and Alderwoman Christensen stated they are a legislative advocate for the City and the Community. Alderwoman Godfrey stated if we have \$25,000 available, we could make it so entities must apply for it so the City knows what the money is going to, which is something we could look into doing next fiscal year.

Motion was made to recommend cutting the Richland Economic Development motion to \$8,000 and approving the Oil and Gas Fund Budget.

Motion made by Rasmussen, Seconded by Godfrey.

Voting Yea: Rasmussen, Godfrey, Christensen

Adjourned at 6:52 pm.