

Sidney, Nebraska, August 6, 2019 A Fair Housing City

A special meeting for the purpose of a Budget Workshop with the Mayor & Council of the City of Sidney, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 5:30 a.m. on August 6, 2018 in the Council Room. Present were: Mayor Gallaway and Council Members: Arterburn, Radcliffe, Olsen and Sherman. Others present: City Manager Sadler, Finance Director Scott and City Clerk Anthony. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in *The Sidney Sun Telegraph*, the designated method for giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication being attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the City Council. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Gallaway informed the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

City Manager Sadler presented recommendations for the FY2019-20 Budget for Council's input and recommendations. He noted that his memo also included the FY2018-2019 recommendations that reduced the budget deficit for that budget. It was assumed that this coming year would have more valuation to work with. However, this assumption is expected to be incorrect from the advance notices that property owners have been receiving recently since the State of Nebraska has stepped in to reassess properties in Cheyenne County which will very likely decrease the City's valuation by \$140,000 from the current year's budget. Budgets for all non-general fund departments were also reduced, most based upon their revenue situations and trying to reduce their need for rate increases. Each budget was reviewed as to what to expect for each.

Discussion was held regarding possibly increasing the mill levy and what the Council may wish to bring back to the budgets to make the City look better for the possible investors in our City. City Manager Sadler suggested that the Council email him what they would like to see brought back and he would calculate the costs so they could see the amount needed by an increased mill levy. The budgets will be on the August 24, 2019 council meeting to finalize the numbers for the advertised public hearing. Deadline for the budget to the State of Nebraska and Cheyenne County is September 20, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

/s/ JOE ARTERBURN, MAYOR

ATTEST: /s/ G.F. ANTHONY, CITY CLERK

