

Special Council Meeting
Monday, August 13, 2018
7:10 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a special session on Monday, August 13, 2018 at 7:10 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

President Kami Ervin called the meeting to order.

Councilmembers present were: Councilman Jack Shepherd, Vice President Jeff Simpson, Councilwoman Dawn Graham, Councilman Jerry Lollar, and President Kami Ervin. Also present were Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston, Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley, Town Manager Wade Watson, and all necessary department heads to present their preliminary budgets to council.

President Ervin asked Mr. Finley to lead the meeting.

Mr. Finley said the purpose of this meeting is to discuss the 2019 preliminary budgets. He passed out copies of the budget form 1's for each department to the council. He also displayed the budgets on screen. He said the way the budget sits now the town can fund all the budgets presented. He said he would be meeting with the financial advisors this week to make sure all of his calculations are accurate. The town still has excess cash in the general fund and he will be discussing with the advisors the best use or uses for those funds. He said this meeting will be solely for the department heads to explain the preliminary budgets to the council. Copies of the preliminary form 1's as well as the previous year's form 1's were filed with the 8/13/18 council packet.

Glenn Giles explained the sanitation budget. He said the only adjustments were for the contracted trash pickup. This is the fifth year of the contract so we have no idea how much those services will cost so we have budgeted \$250,000 to cover those expenses.

Discussion was held regarding the recycling program that Johnson County is discontinuing.

Wayne Gibbs explained the golf course (redevelopment) budget. He said the main change is an increase to the full time wages. He said he would not be adding an employee but simply moving where the current assistant golf pro is paid from. The part time wages were decreased to partially offset that increase. Also, the cart lease went down significantly since the new lease took effect.

Discussion was held regarding budgeting for new mowing equipment in the next few years.

Curtis Rooks presented the MVH budget. He said the only changes to his budget were raises for employees. The overall budget only increased by a few thousand dollars.

Mr. Finley said they have budgeted for \$200,000 in street repairs but it is possible we could budget for much more than that. Discussion was held regarding street funding.

Mr. Finley said the local road and street and LOIT special distribution budgets will also be used for street repairs.

Discussion was held regarding employee raises.

John Hoskinson presented the cemetery budget. He said he had an increase in personnel as the new employee has a family insurance plan. The only other increase was to contracted service for trash removal.

Mr. Finley held discussion regarding insurance renewal for 2019.

Allen Smith presented the fire department budget. He said he budgeted for an increase to the volunteer pay. He has had a hard time getting volunteers to respond so maybe increasing that pay slightly will motivate them to help out. He also budgeted for five new sets of turnout gear and a new computer for the fire truck.

Discussion was held regarding what is done with turnout gear when someone leaves.

Mr. Smith presented two preliminary EMS budgets. One was keeping the department operating as it has for years and the other was going to a paid stand-by. The paid stand-by accounted for around \$300,000 in wages to cover the increase in labor costs. He said he does not expect the council to jump on this immediately but wanted to bring it up for discussion.

Discussion was held regarding how paid stand-by would operate.

David Mann presented the police department budget. He said he had put in for standard raises for employees but also adjusted the matrix for new officers in their first three years of service. This increase would get starting wages for an officer closer to those of surrounding communities. The gasoline line item increase is due to gas prices increasing as well as having more dedicated reserves working more hours. The rest of the budget stayed similar to the previous year with the total increase only around \$42,000.

Daniel Teter had several budgets to present. He said the buildings and grounds budget had little change aside from wage increases. The parks and recreation tax dollar supported budget had a slight increase of around 3%. The majority of that increase came from utility service and general liability increases.

Mr. Teter presented the swimming pool budget. He said this budget decreased as the lease payments paid off a couple of years ago. The pool is in desperate need of repair so he budgeted \$60,000 for repairs including resurfacing the bottom.

Discussion was held regarding pool repairs.

Mr. Teter presented the park and recreation NRO fund budgets. He said overall between the few departments the budget decreased from 2018. He said there were two main reasons for the decrease. The first was in 2018 they were working on building the two new diamonds. The second was this is only the second year budgeting this fund so he is starting to understand the needs of the departments a little better and getting the budget more in line with the actual spending.

The council thanked Mr. Teter and complimented him on the work he does with the parks department.

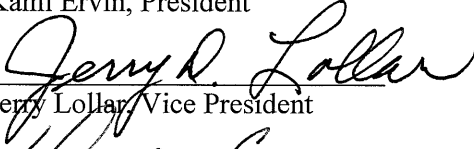
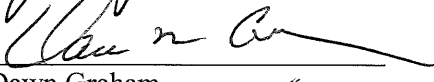

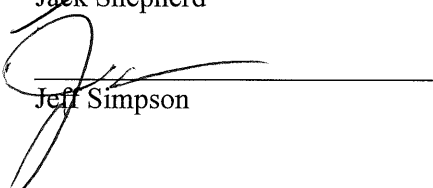
Mr. Finley presented the Clerk-Treasurer budget. He said there was very little change in this budget. The biggest increases were for memberships, as those costs are increasing, and also professional services as he has Umbaugh working on several projects.

Mr. Finley said the council budget increased quite significantly with the biggest changes being in general liability and legal services.

Mr. Finley said as the budget sits the town can fund everything presented tonight. He said he will be meeting with Umbaugh this week to discuss the cash flow situation as well as other budget items. He will present those at the next budget workshop scheduled for August 27th at 5:00 PM.

Being no further business or comments, Councilman Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

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Jerry Lollar, Vice President

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ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer