

GRANGER CITY BUDGET MEETING

6:00 pm
November 1, 2018

City Hall
102 Main Street

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trevino called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – All present, except Councilwoman Sharp

COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Jose Trevino	Steve Araguz, Interim Chief of Police
Maria Gonzalez	Alice Koerner City Clerk Treasurer
Maggie Estrada	Nancy Mortensen, Deputy Clerk
Juan Isiordia	
Lilia Villarreal	

FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Virgil Newman, the volunteer Fire Chief stated that he was in charge of several funds and would be reviewing each one with Council. He informed Council that the Fire Suppression budget within the General Fund included a 3% COLA, however because of the projected short fall, he reduced his budget in other areas to allow for this increase. He stated that there was an increase on Dispatching services, however he changed the percentage taken from the EMS fund to take care of the increase. He also stated that many of the expenditures for the Fire Department are shared with the EMS fund, depending on what the bill is, it may be a 50-50 split, or a 35-65 split, which help with expenditures in the General Fund. He said that in the Trauma Grant Fund, 156 is money that apply for from the Department of Health and at times he saves it up to purchase necessary equipment/ supplies needed, however the expenditure must relate to trauma care, so mostly items for the emergency unit. He said he would like to save it up to purchase radios. The last fund discussed by the Fire Chief, was the Fire Dept. Reserve fund, which money in this fund are being saved to purchase a new Fire Truck. This fund has a new review source, part of the fireworks permit fee is placed in this fund.

Virgil also explained that he had submitted a FEMA grant for turnouts and stated that while getting this grant ready, he had to gather some of Granger's statistics and was surprised by some of them, especially the percentage below the poverty level at 33%.

ADJOURN

The budget meeting of November 1, 2018 adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Alice Koerner City Clerk Treasurer

Mayor Jose Trevino