

Minutes of Budget Workshop held August 16, 2010

Budget workshop with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Ward Sanders, Kevin Keith; City Secretary Josie Campa; Fire Marshall Matt Dear; Police Chief Richard Priest. Aldermen Sam Cortez and Ruble Farmer were absent.

Mayor Pro-tem Jerry Stone opened the workshop at 6:35 p.m. and said the Mayor would be a bit late.

City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that she had incorporated salary increases of \$1,800.00 per employee in the budgets. She also told them that the group insurance premium went up \$3.06 per month per employee and that the new retirement rate for the city would be 8%. She also added that she was able to work in an additional employee for the public works department. Council discussed the use for this additional employee.

The City Secretary told Council members that the utility budgets did not require rate increases this year to balance these budgets.

She then reviewed the budgets for the water, gas and sewer funds with Council.

The workshop was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.