

The Boardman Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Meeting was called to order by Chairman Toms at 7:03 pm. Roll call was taken:

Committee Members: Toni Connell, Roy Drago, Julie Gisi, Brandon Hammond, Art Kegler, Ted Lieurance, Lisa Mittelsdorf, Sonja Neal, David Norton, Brenda Profitt, Sandy Toms, and Del Turner

Absent: Bills Ellis, Del Turner, David Jones - Excused

Staff: Karen Pettigrew – City Manager, Heather Baumgartner – Recorder, Rick Stokoe – Chief of Police, Marta Barajas – Finance Director and Tom Kligel – Budget Officer

Audience: None

Chairman Toms explained that the committee would be reviewing the Boardman Urban Renewal Agency Budget and asked for a motion on the floor to appoint a Budget Committee Chairman.

Committee Member Ted Lieurance moved to appoint Brenda Profitt as Chairman. Committee Member Brandon Hammond seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Chairman Profitt established the ground rules for the meeting. The meeting would last no longer than 15 minutes with no breaks. Each person will have a 2-minute speaking time. Budget Committee Chairman Profitt turned the meeting over to Mr. Tom Kligel, Budget Officer.

Mr. Kligel presented the budget message. Mr. Kligel thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He explained there were two districts in the Urban Renewal Agency (URA); the Central URA District which covers the area from SE Front Street to Wilson Lane along the east side of Main Street and the West URA District which covers the area from W Wilson Lane to the south and Paul Smith Road to the west. These two districts have been utilized to improve those areas. The last couple of years, the URA districts have begun to show improvement. The budget was created with no specific projects in mind, but rather, to be proactive for future developments. There are possible projects on SE Front Street and in the housing area of Chaparral.

Mr. Kligel stated the Central URA District budget has decreased by \$672,200.00. The budget is ready for possible future improvements. Other Expenses budget line has increased by \$10,000.00; Capital Projects budget line has decreased by \$566,100.00 and the Contingency budget line has decreased by \$116,000.00. An upgrade to the City's main water line long Wilson Road was completed. The Central URA District has made reimbursement payments totaling \$337,785.00 from property taxes towards the debt and operating costs owed to the City of Boardman. There is a remaining balance of \$245,210.00.

Chairman Profitt asked how the decision was made to decrease the budget from \$2,067,600.00 to \$1,395,400.00. Mr. Kligel explained it was to lower the borrowing from the City. It has not borrowed, but there are \$150,000.00 in the Contingency budget line which allows flexibility.

Committee Member Kegler asked why the 2017-18 taxes were \$52,415.15, but the 2019-20 taxes were budgeted at \$74,100.00. Mr. Kligel explained that taxes climb every year. He further explained that there were two major projects that have an impact on it. One was the Front Street pipeline, four years

ago, which helped increase the property values. The second, was the improvement of other pipelines throughout the city this year, where the City has received partial payments based on these upgrades.

Mr. Kligel stated the West URA District budget has increased by \$105,000.00. The budget is ready for possible future improvements. Capital Projects budget line has increased by \$220,500.00 and the Contingency budget line has decreased by \$115,500.00. In 2019, two duplexes were completed in the Chaparral housing development bringing the total to four. Additional duplexes are planned in the near future, as well as, single dwelling homes. Faler Road was repaired and upgraded. The City's outdated main water and sewer lines were upgraded along Faler Road in anticipation for future growth. The West URA District has made reimbursement payments totaling \$176,534.00 from property taxes towards the debt and operating costs owed to the City of Boardman. There is a remaining balance of \$485,635.00.

Chairman Profitt commented that the West URA District is not bringing in as much revenue in taxes as the Central URA District. Mr. Kligel concurred and explained that the Central URA District encompassed a larger area with more industry and so, more tax revenue.

Chairman Profitt asked if there were any questions or discussion in regard to the budget. There were no questions.

Committee Member Art Kegler moved that the Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee approve the proposed Boardman Urban Renewal Budget for 2019-20 as presented, (\$3,063,000.00) and that the Boardman Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee certify to the Morrow County Assessor a request for the Boardman Urban Renewal Agency for the maximum amount of revenue that may be raised by dividing under section 1c, Article IX of the Oregon Constitution and ORS Chapter 457. Committee Member Ted Lieurance seconded the motion. Roll Call: Connell – Yes, Drago – Yes, Gisi – Yes, Hammond – Yes, Kegler – Yes, Lieurance – Yes, Mittelsdorf – Yes, Neal – Yes, Norton – Yes, Profitt – Yes, Toms – Yes. Motion passed 11-0-3 absent.

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.**

  
Sandy Toms – Chairman

  
Heather Baumgartner – City Recorder