

Cogswell Spring Water Works Water Commission Meeting Saturday, January 9, 2021

Members Present:Jerry Gilbert, Chairman; Bill Hall, Commissioner; Jeff Connor, Commissioner;Norm Bumford, Superintendent

Recording Secretary: Kelly McCutcheon

The Commissioners reviewed the revised budget and opened the meeting for public input at 8am. The Financial Director had previously informed the Superintendent that one of the desktop computers needs to be replaced and upgraded, and to add a \$600 line item for the replacement.

There was a miscalculation in the initial report under the electricity line item, which has been corrected. Legal has increased with the additional budget for an attorney of \$2,000. The Land Survey line item was set at \$5,000.

The main budget increase comes from the Gate A and the Circle Street Alpha hydrant update. The Commissioners "add line" item is funded at 0. The total 2021 budget is \$587,841.85

It has been 5 years since the water rates were last set. The Commissioners discussed holding public information session in May to inform the public that the water rates will be increasing, explain how much rates will increase, and answer public questions and concerns. Traditionally the Water Commission sets the water rates every 5 years.

At 9:05am the Commissioners closed the budget meeting for public input.

Chair Gilbert moved to pass the revised budget as amended at \$587,841.85. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Chair Gilbert moved to adjourn the budgeting meeting. Commissioner Hall seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjourn at 9:15am