

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Town of Medicine Bow Budget Workshop
April 26, 2010

OPENING: Mayor Colman called the meeting to order at 7:15pm. Members present were Mayor Colman, and Councilmembers Colman, Chace, and Marble. Also present were Town Clerk/Treasurer Karen R. Heath and Utilities Commissioner George.

BUSINESS: A discussion was held on the budget for fiscal year 2010-2011. Town Clerk/Treasurer Heath said she had balanced the General Fund as best she could but still had to use \$16,500 from the impact money that had been received. Mayor Colman said that Todd Heward had told him the Tree Board could be totally funded from grants. He also said that the Tree Board did need \$2,000 to replace trees that had been funded by a grant, or the grant would have to be repaid. Town Clerk/Treasurer Heath then said she had added money back into the airport budget for fencing and a windsock, and because the current lease with the state was until 2031, and if the town wanted to relinquish the lease it had to reclaim the runway and fence off their portion of the land. Councilmember Colman said doing that would cost more than the lease. Utilities Commissioner George said the Red School needed to be winterized and asked that \$15,000 be placed in the budget to do this. Mayor Colman said the Planning and Zoning Board needed \$16,667 for a match for a grant. Councilmember Chace said she would not favor using that money there, but using money to get a policeman in town. Mayor Colman said the Town had never had a formal boundary survey and needed a survey, which the grant would pay for. Town Clerk/Treasurer Heath said to date she had only received cost estimates for less than the grant allowed and if she did not receive more, she could only write the grant for what the cost estimates totaled. Councilmember Chace said she was going to look into a mil levy for obtaining money for a police department. Wages and benefits were discussed and it was suggested there would be no raises this year with the budget so tight. A personal day was discussed. Mayor Colman said the Carbon County Economic Development Corporation was going to ask for \$868 this year. Town Clerk/Treasurer Heath said the Water Fund had a deficit of about \$29,000 but that could be collected when the meters were read and up and running. She said the sewer fund and mosquito fund were balanced but the sanitation fund was \$4881 in a deficit. She added that if fuel went up it would cost even more to run the truck. An increase was suggested for the sanitation fund but Mayor Colman and Councilmember Colman said it was a lot to put on people this year if they had to pay for the actual water they used. Mayor Colman asked Town Clerk/Treasurer Heath to type up the budget with the changes they had made and have it ready for the second reading at the regular meeting in May. A motion was made by Councilmember Chace and seconded by Councilmember Marble to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm. The motion carried with all members present voting aye.

BY: _____

Kevin Colman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen R. Heath, Town Clerk/Treasurer