

STERLING TOWN BUDGET HEARING
May 20, 2009
6:00 p.m.

Present: Garry Bringhurst, Mayor; Council Members: Amber Jarvis, Devin Blood, Randall Cox; Treasurer, Peta Devries; and Recorder, Michelle Rasmussen

Absent: Tim Denton

Town Members Present: Sheila Bringhurst, Loretta Denton, Gary Peterson and Merna Peterson

Also Present:

Meeting brought to order at 6:28 p.m.

Garry turned the time over to Peta to explain the Budget. 1st we need re-open the 2008-2009 Budget to resolve it and correct some funds that the State Auditor brought up with regards to Public Safety and Parks and Recreation..

Devin made a Motion to resolve the 2008-2009 Budget in the areas of Administrative to \$38,000; Public Safety to \$15,500; Cultural and Recreation to \$7500; and Health and Welfare to \$7500. Randall seconded the Motion. All in favor. Motion Approved.

Peta reviewed the proposed 2009-2010 Budget. See Exhibits for further explanation. The Budget needs to be reduced from approximately \$90,000. to approximately \$64,000. Peta reviewed the Departments where we have money going out, but no money coming in and reviewed where we have revenue, which mostly comes from Sales Tax revenue.

Peta reviewed ideas to increase revenue for the Town. These ideas include increasing business licenses and beer licenses to \$45-\$50; park use fee; Cemetery Plots Non-Resident from \$500 to \$750; increase opening/closing grave on Saturdays or holidays to \$500; increase water usage to 7000 gallons per connection and raise fees to \$20.00 per connection.

A resident is someone who has lived in Sterling within the past 15 years.

24th of July budget was discussed. Devin made a Motion to increase the firework budget to \$1800.00 Randall seconded the Motion. All in favor. Motion approved.

June 17, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Final Budget hearing to approve 2010 Budget.

Devin made a Motion to adopt the proposed 2009-2010 Budget to be finalized on June 17, 2009.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.