

ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 2, 2015  
6:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Dave Osgood called the November 2, 2015 Elma City Council Meeting to order. All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Diana Easton called roll with Attorney Dan Glenn, Dave Osgood, David Blackett, Tom Boling, Pat Miller and Charlie Butterfield present.

**MOTION TO EXCUSE:**

**Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Charlie Butterfield to excuse Debbie Thurman from the Elma City Council meeting. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**REVENUE SOURCES – PROPERTY TAX INCREASE & PRELIMINARY BUDGET 2016:**

Mayor Osgood closed the Elma City Council meeting to hear public comment regarding revenue sources, including a property tax increase and also the preliminary 2016 budget. Attorney Glenn commented on the issue saying the 2016 preliminary budget included a 1% property tax increase. There was no public comment.

**ELMA CITY COUNCIL MEETING RECONVENED:**

Mayor Osgood reconvened the Elma City Council meeting.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Pat Miller to approve the minutes from October 19, 2015. All Council Members present voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PROPERTY TAX COLLECTION IN 2016:**

Council members reviewed draft A and draft B regarding property tax collection in 2016.

**Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Tom Boling to adopt Ordinance #1145 (draft B) which allows for the 1% increase in property tax revenue. Diana Easton called roll with Charlie Butterfield, Tom Boling, David Blackett and Pat Miller voting in favor. Motion carried.**

**REQUEST BY POLICE CHIEF – TO PURCHASE SLIGHTLY USED COPIER FOR THE DEPARTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4800 PLUS TAX FROM ABERDEEN OFFICE EQUIPMENT:**

**Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Pat Miller to purchase a used copier from Aberdeen Office Equipment for the Police Department. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**REQUEST PURCHASE OF THREE (3) COMPUTERS TO REPLACE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE COMPUTERS:**

Diana Easton commented on the need to replace the three (3) computers in the City Clerk's office due to equipment issues and expiring warranties. **Motion made by Tom Boling and seconded by Pat Miller to approve the request to purchase three (3) computers for the City Clerk's office from Vision Municipal Solutions for an amount of \$5997.88. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**REQUEST PAYMENT TO LAKESIDE INDUSTRIES FOR E. YOUNG STREET PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,950:**

Jim Starks requested Council approval to pay Lakeside Industries for the E. Young Street paving project. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Tom Boling to approve the payment to Lakeside Industries for the E. Young Street paving project in the amount of \$23,950. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**REX VALENTINE REQUEST:**

Rex Valentine requested that Council members consider allowing him to continue the development of short plats he began several years ago. Attorney Glenn commented on the issue and requested additional time to review the request to determine the current legislation on short plat development. Council members agreed to table the issue until Attorney Glenn has time to come back to Council and Mr. Valentine with additional information.

**GHC – DOES COUNCIL WISH TO CERTIFY A REFUND LEVY FOR COLLECTION IN 2016 THE AMOUNT OF \$8,568.64:**

Attorney Glenn questioned if Council wished to certify a refund levy for collection in 2016 for \$8,568.64. Mr. Glenn explained that is was the difference from an amount approved by Council previously and what was actually collected. **Motion made by David Blackett and seconded by Pat Miller to certify a refund levy for collection in 2016 for \$8568.64. All Council members voted in favor. Motion carried.**

**STAFF REPORT/ SUSAN SHULTZ:**

Chief Shultz commented on the activity of the Police Department for October and the issue that has come up regarding two (2) injured police officers. Chief Shultz mentioned the officers were both on light duty until released from their doctors leaving the remaining officers to cover their shifts.

**STAFF REPORT/ JOE CHRYSTAL:**

Joe Chrystal commented on the efforts by City staff to clean up nuisance properties around town.

**COUNCIL REPORT/ PAT MILLER:**

Pat Miller requested an update on the status of removing the house on the property owned by the City on 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Jim Starks commented that he was waiting for a report from the company who did the asbestos removal before moving on with the project.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

**Motion made by Tom Boling and seconded by David Blackett to adjourn the Elma City Council meeting. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion carried.**



**David C. Osgood – Mayor**



**Diana Easton – Clerk-Treasurer**