



The West Fargo City Commission met on Monday August 15, 2016, immediately following the City Commission Meeting to discuss the 2017 Budget. Those present were Rich Mattern, Duane Hanson, Mark Simmons, Mark Wentz and Mike Thorstad. The meeting was called to order by Rich Mattern, President of the Board.

City Auditor Tina Fisk appeared before the Commission and discussed the Special Revenue Fund, Vector Control and the Mill Levy.

Special Revenue

- Sales Tax collected last year was \$9,640,000
- Sales Tax collected so far this year is \$3,000,000
- \$200,000 was transferred out for Economic Development
- \$951,000 was transferred out for the Bond Fund
- \$420,000 was transferred out for the Costco Fund

Vector Control

- Cost of vector control is increasing
- Charge to residents for vector spraying will increase from \$0.50 to \$0.75

Mill Levy

- There is an estimated mill reduction of 9.87 for 2017.
- A task force is set up to work on a letter that better addresses to residents what the mill levy percentages mean.

Public Works Director Chris Brungardt appeared before the Commission to discuss the Forestry fund.

Forestry

- \$100,000 was transferred from the General Fund to the Forestry Fund
- Possibly move Forestry to the General Fund next year

Library Director Sandra Hannahs appeared before the Commission to discuss the Library budget.

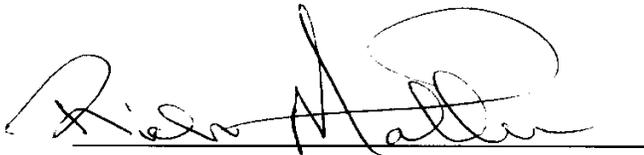
Library

- There is a circulation increase.
- Event participation is down.

- There are collaboration efforts going on with other libraries and associations to look at programming changes, and bringing various events to the library.
- New marketing efforts are taking place.
- Residents were asked to complete a survey regarding a possible children's library branch or new facility. There is strong support for another facility. Discussion took place in regards to a new facility vs. a branch location. The library will set up a building fund, and further discussion will take place in the future.

City Administrator Tina Fisk also advised that there will be a Preliminary Budget Hearing on August 29, 2016, at 5:30 pm.

Commissioner Hanson moved and Commissioner Wentz seconded to adjourn the meeting. No opposition. The meeting was adjourned.



Rich Mattern
President of the Board



Tina Fisk
City Auditor