

Interlaken Town Council Budget Hearing and Meeting Minutes
Monday, 18 June 2018, 7:15 PM – 8:25 PM
Town Pump House, 236 Luzern Rd., Midway, UT

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Simpkins called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

2. Roll Call – Members Present:

Lisa Simpkins, Mayor
Chuck O’Nan, Council Member
Sue O’Nan, Council Member
Greg Harrigan, Council Member
Marge Bowen, Council Member
Bart Smith, Town Clerk

3. Presentations: None.

4. Public Comment:

Bill Goodall, 255 Interlaken Drive. Mr. Goodall noted that there are 2 houses in Interlaken that are violating the outdoors lighting code. The lights are on after 10pm and he requests that the council enforce the code.

Bob Marshall, 270 Interlaken Drive. Mr. Marshall wants to increase the time allotted for public comment from 2 minutes per speaker and 10 minutes total. He noted that other towns use a 5-minute, 25-minute total time allotment.

Steve Wilson, 237 Interlaken. Mr. Wilson requested a link to the Interlaken lighting code. Clerk Smith noted that it is currently available online, and will send the link to Steve.

Marc Hunter, 276 Matterhorn Way. Mr. Hunter would also like to increase the time limit for public comment.

5. Consent Agenda: None.

6. Approval of Agenda or Changes.

Motion: Council Member Harrigan moved to approve the agenda.

Second: Council Member Sue O’Nan seconded the motion.

Discussion: no discussion

Vote: The motion was approved with the Council Members unanimously voting Aye.

7. Presentation of FY2019 Interlaken Town Proposed Budget – Council and Town Clerk

Clerk Smith presented a summary of the proposed FY2019 budget, along with explanations for various changes from the previous year, and information about the Wasatch County tax levied on Interlaken lot owners for Interlaken road maintenance and improvements. These handouts are attached to the minutes.

8. FY2019 Budget Public Comment

Susanna Littel, 331 Jung Frau. Susanna suggested that along with the proposed budget, a list of changes and explanations be included for the public to review. Clerk Smith pointed out that a document was released with the proposed budget including this information. (See attachments.)

Marc Hunter, 276 Matterhorn Way. Mr. Hunter asked about attorney fees spent on the BHR settlement. This information is provided in the proposed budget. Mr. Hunter also asked about additional legal expenses. Smith explained that some of these expenses were related to a Special Use Permit, totaling around \$8,000. Mr. Hunter was not familiar with the town's response to this application, or the issues related to the town's approval of this HAM radio tower structure. Mr. Hunter shared his opinion that the town should support construction of a HAM radio tower in support of a state-wide network based in elementary schools, and objected to the town's legal expenses related to this SUP application. Mayor Simpkins noted that town documents relating to this application are available online.

Bill Goodall, 255 Interlaken Drive. Mr. Goodall distributed a document listing his recommendations for budget reductions for FY2019 (See attachments.)

Bob Marshall, 270 Interlaken Drive. Mr. Marshall would also like to see some budget cuts, fearing that the town could overspend because the money has been made available. He was concerned about our legal expenses, and shared Mr. Goodall's concerns.

Michael Soper, 333 Bern Way. Mr. Soper believes that the reserve funds are under funded. He suggested the town complete a reserve study and would be willing to volunteer some time towards that effort. He feels that the reserves are hundreds of thousands of dollars short of what they should be. If, for example, the town had to lay down new asphalt, the funds would not be there.

9. Council Discussion, Motion to Approve FY2019 Interlaken Town Budget and Tax Rate

Council member Harrigan stated that this budget reflects prior year amounts and any expected changes. Any money not spent goes back into the General Fund. It is not money wasted. This represents our best estimate. Mr. Goodall and Mr. Marshall voiced their concerns over a \$20,000 annual expense for the town clerk. Clerk Smith described the breadth of his job, and suggested that those interested should review his monthly invoices to get a clearer picture of how that money is spent. Smith addressed other issues brought out in Mr. Goodall's budget cut suggestions.

Motion: Council Member Harrigan moved to approve the proposed FY2019 budget.

Second: Council Member Chuck O'Nan seconded the motion.

Discussion: no discussion

Vote: The motion was approved with the Council Members unanimously voting Aye.

Motion: Council Member Harrigan moved to approve the certified tax rate of 0.001575.

Second: Council Member Bowen seconded the motion.

Discussion: no discussion

Vote: The motion was approved with the Council Members unanimously voting Aye.

10. Council Discussion, Motion to Approve Planning Commission Recommendations for Title 9 and 11 Revisions

Motion: Council Member Bowen moved to approve the planning commissions' recommendations to revise Titles 9 and 11.

Second: Council Member Sue O'Nan seconded the motion.

Discussion: no discussion

Vote: The motion was approved with the Council Members unanimously voting Aye.

11. Other Business

Harrigan volunteered to put up the no fireworks signs.

12. Council Comments. None.

13. Adjournment

Council Member Sue O’Nan moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Harrigan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM.

The next Town Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 2nd, at 6:30pm, at the Town Pump House, 236 Luzern Rd.