

**MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORKSHOP  
OF THE  
MANNING CITY COUNCIL**

**Monday, May 15, 2017  
5:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers  
Manning City Hall**

**Members Present:**

Mayor Nelson  
Mayor Pro-tem Pack  
Councilmember Davis  
Councilmember Dukes  
Councilmember Georgia  
Councilmember Gordon  
Councilmember Welle

- I. Welcome/Introductory Remarks:** Mayor Nelson welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- II. Invocation:** Rev. Ervin L. Davis, Sr., Pastor, First Servant's Church, Manning SC
- III. Pledge:** Councilmember Welle.
- IV. Discussion of 'FY 2017-2018 General Fund and Utility Fund Budget**

Mr. Tanner gave a highlight on the 2017-2018 budget as follows:

**Expenses**

- Mandated expenditure increases- 2% increase in Employer retirement funding this year and 1% the next 2 years.
- Insurance premium an increase of about 3%
- Local Government fund- to remain at current levels.
- Notification of our Millage cap for the year is 1.34%.
- COLA- an increase of 2% for employees
- Increase in operational cost for the WWTP.

Additional Expenses:

- Purchase of 6 Police Cars through a \$100,000 USDA Grant/match- purchase 3 cars at a time.
- Purchase of Walkie Talkie Upgrades (next 2 years) \$70,000 for the Police Department- one half purchased this year. The other half purchased next year.
- Purchase of Pagers- Upgrade -(\$4,500) and a generator (\$4,500) and a new vehicle for the Fire Chief.
- Update of the city's website; upcoming Election in 2018; developing a Code Red; Scholarship fund to Francis Marion University.

**Revenue:**

- Increase in Sanitation rates- Commercial Customers only:  
\$1.50 for commercial roll carts/ \$5.00 for dumpsters.  
Street Department- looking at several options for debris pick up
- Increase in Water and Sewer Rates:  
  
A 2% increase on water and sewer (translates to a \$1.00 increase in the Base bill for inside residential; \$1.45 increase on base bill for outside residential).  
  
After discussion, the consensus of Council was to have an increase of \$1.45 on base bill for outside residential.
- Hospitality Tax- Mr. Tanner stated the Council could possibly look at adding a hospitality tax.

**Water and Sewer Updates:**

WWTP Upgrades- \$21 million project.  
Phase I & II are complete. Phase III is to be bid soon.  
The monthly payment at completion will be \$41,161  
Nearing the time to consider additional water expansions such as the Pinewood Project.  
A letter was sent to the Town on the possibility of purchasing water at 150,000 gallons a day. Council will discuss this at a later date.

**Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2018:**

Utility Fund	\$3,305,457
General Fund	\$4,752,350
Total Budget	<u>\$8,057,807</u>

**Last Year's budget - \$7,694,819**

**V. Adjournment:**

A **motion** was made by Councilmember Welle and was seconded by Councilmember Georgia to adjourn. There was no discussion. All favored the motion.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Daun Davis  
Administrative Services Coordinator/Clerk

