

City of Elk Run Heights
Budget Workshop Council Meeting
Eddis Winstead Council Chambers
February 4, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Swope called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. All present recited the pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of Council Members: Present – Smock, Ratchford, Wilson, Bass, and Schellhorn. Quorum present. Ratchford/Bass motion to approve the February 4, 2019 Agenda. Ayes-5. Motion carried.

Ratchford/Bas to approve the February 4, 2019 agenda. Ayes-5. Motion carried.

Wilson/Ratchford motion to approve request from mayor to replace the city clerk's computer. Councilor Ratchford stated that the current computer was over nine (9) years old. Purchase from Compute Troubleshooters in the amount of \$1,988.99. Ayes-5. Motion carried.

FY2020 Budget Workshop: The council discussed increase in fire/ambulance services, decrease in the purchase of the tractor for parks and public works, and insurance rates. Clerk Kobliska stated there would be a slight increase in the property portion of the policy due to the waste water plant not being insured. They briefly discussed maybe having the insurance requoted but decided against it. The council also discussed IT support, wages, levy rate, and park improvements. They went over changes in the budget expenses and project plans for fiscal year 2020. They also discussed increasing garbage rates as we were currently working in the deficit, they agreed to increase the rates. They discussed the minimum water usage and Mayor Swope and Councilor Bass stated that water should be charged as used not stated as a minimum. Councilor Ratchford responded that we pay for the water from Waterloo, however, we still must maintain all the infrastructure in the city.

The council discussed rescheduling their regular scheduled meeting from March 12th to March 7th at 6:00 p.m. Kobliska stated that she would place it on the next agenda.

Wilson/Schellhorn motion to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Ayes-5. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Tim Swope, Sr., Mayor

DeAnne Kobliska, Interim City Clerk