

**CITY OF BROWN CITY
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MARCH 16, 2006**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Carpenter at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Laura Carpenter, Councilmembers – Leon Blatt, Christine Lee, Michael Lents, Ross McIvor, Julie Miller, Ronald Wood; City Manager Clinton Holmes, Deputy City Clerk David R. Van Cura.

ABSENT: City Clerk Kelly Pavel.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: None.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES: None.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. 2006/2007 Municipal Budget:

Each Councilmember was asked what their priorities were regarding the budget:

Mike Lents – arsenic fund (\$60 thousand for the second plant), sewer fund, no increase in arsenic abatement rates or taxes.

Ron Wood – water and sewer fund.

Julie Miller – public safety.

Chris Lee – arsenic fund, sewer fund, public safety.

Ross McIvor – arsenic fund, sewer fund, no increase in arsenic abatement rates or taxes.

Leon Blatt – arsenic fund, sewer fund.

Laura Carpenter – arsenic fund, public safety.

The following adjustments were recommended to the proposed 2006/2007 Municipal Budget –

Page 3, General Fund Operating Expenses –

Governing Body – Council Wages – reduced to \$6,480.00

Council/Mayor FICA – reduced to \$600.00

Professional Fees – reduced to \$35,000.00

Transportation – reduced to \$50.00

Miscellaneous – reduced to \$50.00

Conference & etc. – reduced to \$100.00

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Chief Executive – Transportation –reduced to \$30.00
Miscellaneous – reduced to \$30.00
Conferences – reduced to \$ 0.00

City Manager – Miscellaneous – reduced to \$0.00
Education – reduced to \$150.00

Elections – Supplies – reduced to \$400.00
Publishing – reduced to \$400.00

At 7:35 P.M. the City Council took a five minute break.

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Assessor - Miscellaneous – reduced to \$50.00

Clerk – Publishing – reduced to \$4,500.00

Administrative Department – Office Supplies – reduced to \$6,000.00
Repairs & Maintenance – reduced to \$500.00

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Board of Review – Transportation – reduced to \$0.00

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Buildings & Grounds – Maint. Supplies - reduced to \$3,500.00
Capital Outlay - reduced to \$6,700.00

Public Safety – Wages – reduced to \$88,200.00.

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Public Safety – FICA – reduced to \$5,800.00.
Supplies – reduced to \$1,000.00
Uniforms – reduced to \$500.00
Uniforms Cleaning – reduced to \$0.00
Education – reduced to \$500.00

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Insurance, Bonds, FICA & Fringes – Insur/Health-Life & Disability – reduced to \$30,000.00

General Fund Contingency – Gen. Fund Cont.- -reduced to \$2,640.00

Page 21, Water Fund Operation Expenses –

Contingency – reduced to \$15,150.00

Page 22, Arsenic Abatement Expenses –
Contingency – increased to \$11,100.00

Page 24, Park/Recreation Fund Expenses –
Contractual Services – increased to \$13,500.00
Repairs & Maintenance – reduced to \$1,000.00

Recommendation from Councilmember Miller, with second from Councilmember Lee, to present this Budget to the City Council on March 27, 2006 and to review the Budget for possible amendments in 90 days.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Lents – NO, Wood – NO, McIvor – NO, Miller – YES,
Lee – YES, Blatt – NO.

Recommendation from Councilmember Blatt, with second from Councilmember Lee, to increase the arsenic abatement fee by \$6.00 per quarter.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Blatt – YES, Lee – YES, Miller – YES, McIvor – NO,
WOOD – NO, Lents – NO. 3-YES, 3-NO. TIE VOTE. CARPENTER – YES.
Favored the Recommendation.

Recommendation from Councilmember Lee, with second from Councilmember Miller, to reduce police coverage from 138 hours per week to no more than 113 hours per week.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Lents – YES, Wood – NO, McIvor – YES, Miller – YES,
Lee – YES, Blatt – YES.
Favored the Recommendation.

2. Enclosure A Review – Proposed Changes to City Ordinances:
The Council had no further changes. City Manager will submit the information.

GENERAL CONCERNS OF THE COUNCIL: None.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: None.

MOVED BY Councilmember Blatt, second by Councilmember Miller, to adjourn the Work Session at 11:02 P.M. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

David R. Van Cura
Deputy Clerk