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SOAP LAKE CITY COUNCIL OPEN PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Soap Lake Community Center/Senior Center
121 2nd Ave SE, Soap Lake, WA 98851

Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 5:30 pm

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM

1. ROLL CALL

In attendance: Mayor DuPuy; Committee Members:
Councilmember Carlson, Councilmember Gorman,
Councilmember Taylor, Fred Slipper and Nels Berg;
Councilmembers in audience: Bryson and Sharp; City Attorney
Sears; City Planner Kovach; and Admin. Assistant Siebert

2. AGENDA ITEMS:

a. Utility Committee Report- Councilmember/Committee
Chair Carlson gave a presentation to those in attendance. The
Committee has been meeting since early December and have the
following goals/priorities: to review revenue and expenses of the
water/sewer funds, to have an open public meeting, to create a
utility rate proposal and to present this proposal to Council.

Discussion continued through the presentation of different scenarios of water, sewer and garbage rate increases.

The rate increases are needed to provide needed revenues for funding capital improvement projects, repair/replacement of equipment at the treatment plant, to invest in future growth and to have funds available when a match is needed for grant money applications.

The committee will continue to meet and plans on another open public meeting before bringing a proposal to City Council.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment at 6:15 PM

John Carlson, Councilmember and Utility Committee Chair