



MINUTES

SOAP LAKE CITY COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING

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

Monday, Oct. 31, 2022 at 3:00 pm

Meeting called to order at 3:03 PM by Mayor Agliano

1. ROLL CALL

In attendance: Councilmembers Bryson, DuPuy, Rushton, Sanderson, Taylor, and Woodhouse; Deputy Finance Clerk Wade; Police Chief Cox; City Planner Kovach and Administrative Assistant Siebert.

2. AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Preliminary Budget for 2023

Councilmembers and Mayor discussed options for City Administrator position. Since the salary and benefits would need to be calculated into the budget, the Mayor wanted to know if the Council would prefer a City Administrator or an Executive Assistant for the Mayor. The discussion leaned toward hiring a full time City Administrator that could lead the City in the future past Mayoral/Council elections. Someone who could invest their time over several years to keep the budget and City projects on projected path would be the best candidate. The Mayor is still hoping to fill this position soon.

Handouts were presented by Deputy Finance Clerk Wade: 2022 Budget Position Totals and 2023 Proposed Budget Changes.

Councilmembers asked about ARPA funds: what has been spent and what can these funds be spent on? Deputy Finance Clerk Wade is working on this report.

Mayor Agliano will present a preliminary budget for 2023 at the Council Meeting on November 2, 2022.

3. ADJOURNMENT

M/Woodhouse, S/Bryson; motion to adjourn at 4:05 PM

Michelle Agliano, Mayor

Jody Siebert, Admin. Assistant