ROLL CALL  8 Present 4 Absent-Mankins, O’Neill, Andersen, Fortune

PRAYER AND PLEDGE- John Sorich

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM(S) ON THE AGENDA- None

CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING

J.P. Gallagher, Chief Executive is calling for a Special Meeting for Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at 6:00 PM in the Council Chambers to discuss the Fiscal Year 2022 budget priorities and initiatives.

J.P. Gallagher states that he met with Finance & Budget Director Danette Gleason and went through every department and listed priorities. The District Judges asked that we add a Deputy County Attorney because of increased case load. Another is an added Policeman. Many asked for emergency services and did work within the COVID dollars. Phase II and III for new equipment for police and emergency services.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. COMMUNICATION NO. 2021-318

J.P. Gallagher, Chief Executive to discuss the Fiscal Year 2022 budget priorities and initiatives. Finance & Budget Director Danette Gleason gives an update of the 2022 Preliminary Budget. See Attached.

Questions:

John Sorich asks how much $ is in the Cares Act budget?

Danette Gleason: 3.8 Million and leaves us about 2.5 million in budget for reserves.

Fisher is asking to get the restrooms updated in the Courthouse. The Caretaker house is a disaster, take the money and fix the park, it is all burned up.

Dan Callahan: wants explanation about the Credit cards for fuel.

Danette Gleason: Possibly purchasing above ground fuel storage.

Fredrickson: asked about positions requested but not added to the budget.

Gallagher: They were asked of but are not added to this year’s budget. A lot of positions were negotiated and needed to be filled.

Cindi Shaw reminds that this is just a preliminary budget, and thanks Danette for all her hard work.

Thatcher asked why there are 22 no explanations given, are you not required to explain?

Gleason: Most are carry over expenses, granting line items will change and some of the lines were missing off the pages.

Sorich wants an explanation for funding source?

Gleason: if you have request for something you have to find a funding source, weather it be a cut in another area or department. To balance we need to know what the revenue source is.
Shaw: makes a motion to place communication 2021-318 on file. Shawn Fredrickson seconds the motion.
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Summary Fiscal Year 2022
Preliminary Budget

Budget Overview

- Fiscal year 2022 preliminary budget appropriation is $135.7 million compared to $140.5 million for fiscal year 2021 for decrease of $4,781,528 (3.40%). The most significant decrease is within capital projects related to the County Shops, Stoddle Park Clubhouse and golf course improvements and the 36" Big Hole transmission line. These numbers are also exclusive of the intergovernmental operating transfers. In general, the following changes have occurred:
  - Salaries, Wages, and Employer Provided Benefits increased by $2.44 million. *(These increases are discussed below and on attached staffing spreadsheets)*
  - Operating, Maintenance and Contracted Services Expenditures decreased by $1,319,118 (Health Insurance claims costs decreased by $1.87 million; net would have been increase of $557,388)
  - Debt Service has increased by $872,604.
  - Economic Development Grants and Donations increased by $1,903,783.
  - Capital Outlay decreased by $8.3 million.

- The appropriations within the Tax Supported funds within the preliminary fiscal year 2022 budget is $50.6 million compared to $48 million in fiscal year 2021 (Increase of $2.5 million or 5.0%) exclusive of operating transfers. The changes from FY2022 to FY2021 are as follows:
  - Salaries, Wages, and Employer Provided Benefits increased by $1 million.
  - Operating Expenditures increased by $650,459.
  - Debt Service decreased by $290,258.
  - Economic Development Grants and Donations increased by $63,444.
  - Capital Outlay increased by $1 million.

Summary of Priorities/Initiatives

**COVID-19 Response and Recovery**

- $500,000 has been allocated as a reserve for potential need of funds to quickly respond for the safety of the community. In addition, $1 million placeholder has been recommended to the ARPA Committee to also fund response efforts.
- Additional items are being discussed within the ARPA Committee and will be brought to the Council separately once the recommendation have been finalized and the Finance & Budget Department has confirmed the expenditures within the Treasury guidance.
Reclamation
  o Move through the design process of the reclamation with ARCO including the siting of the Repository, which will include significant public engagement.
  o Expansion of the RMAP program with addition of $1.4 million in work to completed in this program.

Security and Safety
  o Public Safety Communications Systems Modernization Project Phase II and II including new software for 911, Law Enforcement and Fire Departments-$1.32 million funded through CARES Act funds.
  o Security Equipment and Controls in Government Buildings- $200,000 funded through CARES Act funding.

Infrastructure Improvements & Community Enrichment
  o Basin Creek Dam #1 – Parapet Wall $4.575 million ($1 million in budget with $625,000 coming from $500,000 TSEP grant and $125,000 RRGL planning grant from the State of MT with the remaining funds required grant match). BSB is waiting for Treasury ruling in late August or early September to see if we can apply for State of MT ARPA funding to assist with the project.
  o TIFID - $5.075 million in rail spur construction within the TFID fund as follows:
    • $4.28 million TIFID
    • $1.189 million Port of MT
    • $1.872 EDA – Tiber Grant
  o TIFID – Sugarloaf Loop Road Project in TIFID $1.57 million
  o $4 million in Road work with $1.13 million of BARSA funds for Mercury Street project. Planning and looking forward to infrastructure funding from the federal government for Road and Bridge work.
  o Rocker Water and Sewer Project- $1.62 million funded by request of $810,000 in ARPA funds, $300,000 in the Rocker Water and Sewer funds, and $510,000 potentially come from Butte-Silver ARPA funds.
  o Water, Sewer, and Stormwater Line renewals in the amount of $3 million with $860,000 funded through TSEP grant funds.
  o Completion of the 36” transmission line from the Big Hole which was funded through over $3 million in NRD funds with the exception of $186,000 in additional piping purchased by BSB.

Parks & Recreation
  o $1.2 million remaining in the Dennis & Phyllis Washington Foundation donation to finish Phase IV-VII the Golf Course improvements.
  o $2.5 million in Greenway project; including $500,000 Reach Q & R Trail and a bridge for $140,000.
Building
- $550,000 Fire Suppression at Motherlode; $450,000 funded by the 2021 legislature in HB 632 with at least 20% match, $88,000 transfer from the URA, and $12,000 carryover from roof project that was not needed.
- $600,000 for heated storage and shower facility for Metro Sewer (potential funds available within Metro if ARAP funding used for line renewal projects).

Mental Health
- BSB has been committed in its efforts to work with community partners in assisting with mental health in the community.
- BSB Staff (Shelly Cleverly and Lucy Hansen) have been the driver’s in the success of BSB increased grant funding. BSB for many years received $34,500 to $72,500 annually. In FY2021, including the COVID funding, they were successful in BSB application of funding in the amount of $335,960 and for FY2022 BSB will receive $358,816. These funds assist with counsel in the detention center, case management in preparation of release, pharmacy reimbursement, and this year will also be used to fund $ 20,000 of the Connect position within the Health Department and we have allocated $11,000 for administration. Shelly has also engaged in a community services mapping project, and they participate on monthly and quarterly calls to be maintain funding and to assure we are looped into any other programs or services that might be beneficial to the community.

Staffing
- Staffing represents approximately 34% of the total budget and 58% of the tax supported budgets.
- Includes salary increases and additional contributions to Health Insurance in the amount of $30 per month for most union and non-union employees.
  - Total increase for all funds $2,443,884 Salaries and benefits
    - Salaries including all pay types increased by $1.68 million.
    - Benefit increase of $760,920 of which $458,540 relates to state pensions, union pensions, FICA, and Medicare.
  - Health Insurance – Significant changes during FY2021 with Self-fund health insurance plan.
    - There are approximately 46 employees in this category.
    - The estimated annual contribution to the fund is $249,228.
    - The funds will be used to build the reserves in the health insurance and mitigate the risk to the plan.
Staff Additions/Changes/Deletions (*see attached spreadsheet*):  
- Allocation of positions to the departments/budgets/projects where individuals are working to ensure we are capturing the actual costs of the department.

Non-capital fixed assets (equipment or projects less than $5,000)  
FY2022 total recommended budget is $140,603 compared to $238,578 for FY2021.  
- The IT Departments computer rotation program recommends the replacement of 32 computers or laptops for a total of $17,998.  
- Additional Non-capital fixed assets consists of:  
  - Drug Forfeiture Equipment reserve $33,173  
  - Bullet Proof Vest replacements (Approx. 12 vests with 50% grant match) $12,345  
  - SCBA Cylinder replacement $6,000  
  - Mail Tray Racks for Clerk & Recorder - $5,700  
  - Body cameras and tasers for LEA and Detention - $18,600  
  - Flat bed Trailer at Civic Center - $4,500

Capital fixed assets (equipment or projects $5,000 or greater) total for FY2022 $30,823,385 compared to $39,063,046 for FY2021:

**Buildings – 920 (total for FY2022 $1,661,927)**  
- $600,000 – Heated storage and showers for Metro  
- $550,000 – Motherlode fires suppression system (HB 632 funding $450,000)  
- $171,649 – Remaining funds to re-construct pole barns (Carryover)  
- $171,081 – Caretakers House at Basin Creek Reservoir (Carryover funding Historic Preservation Grant $100,000, $37,900 insurance settlement, $11,000 SARTA, $14,933 MT Tourism Grant, and $10,000 Butte Citizens for Preservation and Revitalization (CPR))  
- $68,987 – Courthouse doors (Carryover)  
- $30,750 – Carryover of remaining funds for Belmont projects (funds remaining from FY2020 allocation)  
- $30,260 – Motherlode roof (Carryover as project under construction)

**Infrastructure and Other Improvements – 930 (total for FY2022 $14,832,270)**  
- $3,985,305 – Road improvements ($1.138 million in BARSAA funding)  
- $2,500,000 – Greenway Trail system  
- $1,156,016 – Superfund Stormwater and I&I projects  
- $450,000 – Governmentwide LED Lighting Upgrade  
- $460,905 Moulton Reservoir improvements funded by DNRC, and Army Corp of Engineers; includes spillway improvements (Carryover)
$1.4 million water line replacement projects, $1.3 million in metro line replacement ($862,000 grant funded) and $380,000 in stormwater improvements, and $353,546 in CIPP projects.

Machinery & Equipment – 940 (total for FY2022 $5,180,506)

- Public Safety Project: $1.32 million Phase II and Phase III. Phase II and Phase III new public safety software for Law Enforcement, Fire Department and 911. This will also include the necessary hardware to support the upgrade.
  - Facilities
    - $50,000 Paint windows at Belmont Center/reserve for paining building
    - $250,000-Boiler replacements at Courthouse and potentially library
    - $315,000 Programmable controllers for cells and fire suppression updates (Carryover of $284,000 with additional $30,800 for additional cameras and hardware to finish the project)
    - $130,379 backup generator at the Civic Center – funded by Homeland Security grant in final approval process.
    - $62,875 upgrade to 911 call logging system- funded by Homeland Security grant
    - $300,000 PBX System replacement ($60,000 for 5 years)
    - $13,660 large volume copy machine for 2nd floor; replacing copier that is over 7 years old.
    - $ 105,000 Dog kennels for Animal Shelter (Grant funded)
  - Parks & Recreation/Golf Course/Ridge Waters Capital fund
    - $10,300 tilt trailer (Parks)
    - $16,000 air compressor (Parks and Ridgewaters)
    - $4,900 de-humidifying system (Ridgewaters)
    - $10,000 emergency pump replacement (Ridgewaters)
  - Road
    - $160,000 12 yd dump truck
    - $80,000 mini excavator
  - Water Division
    - $99,000 Moulton filter rehabilitation
    - $14,000 Westside tank mixer
    - $8,970 Summit Valley pump station motor
  - Metro
    - $28,000 Turbidity Meters (4)
    - $30,000 SCADA System upgrades (Carryover was $48,000)
    - $30,000 RAS Pump rebuilds (2)
  - Shop
    - $350,000 above ground fueling tank – Exploring funding options.
• Fire
  o $140,000 (2) Recue Units
  o $45,000 replace boiler at Station #1
  o $43,000 converting old rescue trucks to wildland brush trucks.
  o $243,857 Reserve carryover in Fire equipment

• Reclamation & Environmental Service Division
  o $440,678 Vector Truck (Carryover)
  o $13,660 copy machine split between the departments.
  o $70,000 dump truck

• Law Enforcement and Detention
  o $150,000 for three police vehicles; $100,000 general fund/CARES Act funding (2 units); $50,000 capital improvement annual funding (1 unit)

• Transit
  o $141,000 14 Passenger bus (Carryover-5311 Capital grant funded)
  o $51,791 9 Passenger Van (Carryover-5311 Capital grant funded)
  o $45,000 replacement of wrecked Van ($30,000 funded by MMIA)

• Central Capital Equipment fund (Internal Lease program-see attached sheet)

Projects under construction – 950 (total for FY2022 $8,828,682)
• $5.075 million for Montana Connections Park (TIFID) rail spur
• $1.2 million Stodden Park Phase IV-Phase VII (golf course improvements)
• $1.57 million Sugar Loaf Loop Road in Montana Connections Park (TIFID)

Other projects/Line-Item Increases (see attached sheet)
  o Comprehensive Insurance (property and liability) increased by $150,000.
  o Parks Master Plan $75,000
  o Comprehensive update on zoning ordinances $175,000

Revenues
• Gross Proceeds is anticipated to remain about the same as last fiscal year with taxable value of $7,174,651.
• Tax Revenue – Currently projecting over 5.50% increase in values based on very preliminary numbers.

Other projects not currently in the FY2022 budget
• ARPA funding of projects
• Parking lots and Stormwater projects at the Civic Center, Health Dept and Courthouse
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