

**EUREKA CITY COUNCIL  
WORK MEETING  
AUGUST 6, 2018 7:00 P.M.**

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Nick Castleton led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

**Public in Attendance:**

Blaine Holdaway

**Staff in Attendance:**

City Recorder - Patricia Bigler

City Worker – Lynn Elliott

City Worker – Brandy Kirgan

**Roll Call:**

Leslie Rice – Present

Nick Castleton – Present

Kimberlee Clem – Present

Tamra Jameson – Present

Hortt Carter – Absent

**Discussion Items:**

City Hall Renovation

Mayor Castleton met with Ryan Savage and they plan on going to CIB for more money on September 6<sup>th</sup>. He told Council Member Jameson, who is over buildings, if she would like to go let him know. He said they are asking for about another \$246,000. Council Member Carter offered to help demo the one wall that needs to come out if it would help save the City money. Recorder Bigler asked if they had considered putting it back out to bid. Mayor Castleton said yes, but they wanted to see what CIB would do first. Mayor Castleton said all the bids were about the same around \$150,000 for mobilization. All the contractors said because of the age of the building they were not sure what they would find. Council Member Jameson said to let her know the time of the CIB meeting, so she can go.

Army Corps Money

Mayor Castleton said the Army Corps of Engineers came back and asked if the City still wanted the money. Looks like there is only about \$650,00 left. There were stipulations on how the money can be used. It can be used to pay down some of our loans, reduce debt. Mayor Castleton wanted to talk to Council to see what their thoughts were. The Council discussed paying off some of the smaller loans that had interest compared to the no interest loans. Mayor Castleton will get with Recorder Bigler to look at the smaller loans to see what ones can be paid off.

Mayor Castleton said that with the 2 part-time employees being hired he would like to get another truck. This would allow each employee to have their own vehicle. He said we are saving about \$31,000 by going with the 2 part-time employees. He was been looking at a lease program

to lease a truck for \$4,000 a year. Council Member Clem said she doesn't see why we need another truck. We have two trucks already and Lynn and Fred always seemed to share a truck anyway. Mayor Castleton wants to look at the budget to see how much would be available to use. Recorder Bigler said this type of purchase needs to be put in the budget before the budget is closed not after. The budget will need to be opened. Mayor Castleton didn't think that was a big issue since the budget needed to be opened anyway because of Fred leaving. Council Member Clem is not too happy that her budget for Streets seems to be the one that is always being used. She is afraid someone from the State is going to start asking what is going on with your budget. Council Member Rice brought up that the budget didn't include money for updating ordinances. Recorder Bigler said she started asking the Council, in February, to look at what each of their departments needed so that could be included in the budget. None of the Council brought anything up or included anything in their budgets. Now after the budget is done and closed it seems like everyone wants money for a project. She said it is a big process to complete the budget and get it to the State. Every time the budget is opened and change she must go through the process to resubmit it to the State. The Mayor said along with getting a truck a plow would be needed. The Mayor feels the big orange sander truck is too big. Council Member Jameson said if the orange truck is too big then put it up for sale and use that money to but another truck with a plow.

Mayor Castleton asked Blaine Holdaway if there was something he wanted to talk to the Council about. Blaine said Dick Halsey had some burial plots that he wants to buy from him. The Mayor told Blaine that the plots can only be sold back to the City. Blaine asked if he could purchase the plot from the City at the same price of \$100. The Mayor said because he is not a resident of Eureka he would have to purchase it at the non-resident price of \$350.

Brandy Kirgan asked the Council if they would judge the Safari vehicle contest during the celebration movie night and the Dutch Oven Cook Off. Recorder Bigler showed the Council the shirts the Silver Jubilee Committee are ordering for the celebration.

**Adjournment:**

Council Member Jameson made a motion to adjourn from regular session into Executive Session. Council Member Clem seconded. All in favor motion carried.

Council Member Rice made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Jameson seconded. All in favor meeting adjourned