

AGENDA
NOVEMBER 6, 2006
PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF SENOIA
PROPOSED 2007 OPERATING BUDGET
7:00 PM

VISITORS: Mark Ball, Jonathan Lewis, Bill & Nancy Roy, Bob Werner, Chief Bennett, Donna Black, Lt. Edens, Bob Rolader, Sam & Suzanne Helfman, Jim & Jane Hutchinson, Bobby & Debbie Graham, Gail Downs, Jim & Melinda Garver, Randy Padgett and Sarah Campbell.

FULL COUNCIL PRESENT

1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME VISITORS

Mayor Belisle called the Public Hearing to order & welcomed all.

2. PURPOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To receive comments on the proposed 2007 Operating Budget

3. COMMENTS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Mr. Ferry began by thanking all of the departments for their assistance in constructing the budget and continued that the City is confronted with an increased demand on the services that we provide; further stating the proposed budget for 2007 begins to meet these demands. Referring to the front page of the proposed budget Mr. Ferry stated that this shows a summary of the past and present, pointing out that human capital (City staff) is 38% of the budget

4. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Mr. Jim Garver asked for the total budget & was told General Fund is \$1,962,300, Water Fund is \$1,033,200, Sewer Fund is \$884,000 and Solid Waste Fund is \$138,000. Mr. Garver then asked with all the new housing, the tax base should increase and asked for the anticipated difference. Mr. Ferry stated that proposed increase is \$71,000. Mr. Bobby Graham asked if this is \$71,000 increase over last year's amount & was told yes. Mr. Ferry informed all that the City has started an internal control system to monitor our billing digest.

5. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL

C. Harrison asked for the police budget & was told \$701,800. C. Harrison asked how many officers this includes & was told 11. Chief Bennett stated that she initially asked for two more officers but these were cut from the 2007 budget.

6. ADJOURN

C. Wood made motion to adjourn the Public Hearing & was 2nd by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.