

June 1, 2005 meeting,

The Town of Franklin Board of Aldermen had a special meeting on Wednesday, June 1, 2005 at 5:30 P.M. at the Town Hall Board Room. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the following items: (1) to present the proposed 2005-06 Town budget and (2) to set the public hearing on the proposed 2005-06 Town budget. Mayor Joe Collins presided. Aldermen Verlin Curtis, Edwin Hall, Charles Roper, Bob Scott and Jim Williamson were present. Alderman Billy Mashburn was absent.

Presentation of Proposed 2005-06 Town budget

Mike Decker went over the proposed 2005-06 budget with Mayor Collins and the Board. Copies are attached. The following comments were made: Alderman Scott asked that the REACH amount be left the same as last year's amount (\$3,500.00 instead of \$2,500.00). Mr. Decker indicated that since he had not received a request from REACH this year that was the reason for the decrease in the amount funded. Mayor Collins said Roberta Swank with the public library had asked if the Town wanted recognition for its contribution by dedicating a room to the Town. The Board indicated that they may need to save this honor to individuals giving a large donation. Mayor Collins said the Infiltration/Inflow Study is done and there are several areas where we may want to repair these sewer lines with our own crew. He said we are losing a lot of the capacity at the wastewater treatment plant. Alderman Curtis said we are trying to get the trunk sewer line separated from the wastewater treatment plant expansion. Alderman Scott said instead of giving a four percent raise to the employees I propose that we do a flat raise. He handed out a chart with this information. A copy is attached. He said some employees are getting over \$2,000.00 and some are getting under \$1,000.00. He said we can take the total amount and divide it by the total number of employees. He said this would be fair and would bring up our lower paid employees. He said the amount I am proposing is \$1,261.00 to each employee. Alderman Williamson said I not sure this is the time for discussion of this. He said I think the higher income employees are doing a good job also.

Date for Public Hearing

The Board set the date for the public hearing on the proposed 2005-06 Town budget at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 14, 2005.

Adjournment

Mayor Collins adjourned the meeting at 6:05 P.M.

June 1, 2005 meeting continued,

Joe Collins, Mayor

Janet A. Anderson, Town Clerk