

**Sprague City Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday, November 21, 2018, 7:00 P.M.**  
**Public Hearing - Preliminary Budget**  
**Location: Sprague City Hall, 119 W Second**  
**DRAFT UNTIL SIGNED**

**Open Meeting:**

Mayor Eagleson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members answered to roll call: Jeff Smith, Trace DeGarmo, Rocky Henson and Dustin Monen. DeGarmo made a motion to excuse Shawn Coombs. Monen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Approve/amend Agenda:**

Smith moved to approve agenda as amended. DeGarmo seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The public hearing for the preliminary budget started at 7:03 pm. Behrens reported to the council that she is still waiting on some sources to enter into the preliminary budget to get an accurate projection but should be available later in the month. She suggested the Mayor and council have a budget workshop. A workshop was scheduled for Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. With no public comments the public hearing was adjourned at 7:06 pm and went back into regular council meeting.

**Sprague Events Committee-Hoodoobilly Bash 2019:**

Shelley Martin representing the Sprague Events Committee informed the council they are planning on moving next year's event to downtown Sprague. They will have a list of requested street closures when it gets closer but wanted to let the council know that the event will be the weekend of July 13, 2019. They may add an extra day and they would also like to use both parks. Monen asked if the street closures would be similar to Sprague Days, and Shelley replied that it may be more, but not main street, mostly second street. Council advised to get permission from homeowners on that street before proceeding. Henson stated that as of now she doesn't see any problems. Shelley informed the council she will provide them with insurance information and a list of proposed street closures when it comes closer to the time of event.

**Sprague Events Committee-Decorating Downtown:**

Shelley Martin presented to the council the Sprague Events Committee's plans for decorating downtown. See attached proposal. Mayor Eagleson informed her that the city has done Christmas decorations downtown in the past but would be open to the idea of the committee adding on to it. Alice Callen presented to the council her homemade Christmas decorations to give them an idea of what they would like to put up. Henson stated she thinks adding on to the city's decorations would be great. Shelley informed the council that they would like it to be inclusive and if other residents want to add on as well, they are open to it. DeGarmo stated that the committee's decorations have been great so far. Henson stated she is concerned somebody might vandalize the decorations. Shelly informed her that they are not concerned, they will check on them frequently and clean up anything that is destroyed if that were to happen. Shelley wanted to let the council know they will not interfere with any decorating the city would like to do. DeGarmo made a motion to accept the Sprague Events Committee's request for decorating downtown as long as it follows

what they presented. Anything different then their original proposal would need to come before the council. Henson seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Minutes:**

The minutes from the October 17, 2018 Council meeting were presented to the council. Smith moved to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2018 council meeting. Monen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The minutes from the November 5, 2018 Special Meeting were presented to the council. DeGarmo made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 5, 2018 special meeting. Monen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

The minutes from the November 9, 2018 Special Meeting were presented to the council. Monen made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 9, 2018 Special Meeting. Smith seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:**

No public comments

**Sheriff's Report:**

See attached report.

**Maintenance Report:**

See attached report.

Monen advised that we may need to have a resolution stopping property owners from blowing their leaves in the street.

Henson advised with the end of the year coming up we need to get people caught up on their water bills.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Behrens presented the Check Warrant Register from October 1, 2018 to October 31, 2018  
10/01/2018 through 10/31/2018

Claims: Checks #12119-12121 and 12123-12145 and 12150-12158 and 12164 and 12172-12177 and 4 EFTs = \$68,474.57

Payroll: Checks #12146-12149 and 12159-12163 and 12165-12171 and 6 EFT's = \$13,866.05

Total: \$82,340.62

DeGarmo moved to approve the Check Warrant Register. Smith seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Eagleson reported that he and a couple council members had another flood mitigation meeting with county commissioner Steadman, area residents, landowners and government representatives from Department of Ecology, Fish & Wildlife, & others to try to get a final solution. As for us here in town, we want to get our creek bed cleaned out of debris but there are two to three agencies we must get permits through to do that. Another meeting from other agencies higher up is planned in January, and the results from that meeting will be looked at in another meeting in February. It's big government with lots of people involved in these actions but doing nothing is not an option.

**New Business:**

HD Fowler: The council looked over a quote from HD Fowler for parts that will get Wellhouse 4 up and running. Behrens informed the council that this is for parts only and we are still waiting on a quote from Halme for labor. Monen made a motion to table until the city receives a quote from Halme and they can see the final cost. Henson seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Scooter-Repairs for Office and Library: The council looked over a quote from Scooter Dearing for some maintenance work in the library and office. DeGarmo advised that we have a maintenance worker already and he should be doing the work as needed. Henson stated that we already have too much money going out and funds are getting too low. Smith made a motion to table until after the budget. Monen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Scooter Dearing-RR Depot for Santa: Scooter informed the council of plans to do a polar express party for kids this Christmas season. He would like to do a movie in the community center then go to the railroad depot for Santa. He would like to work with Lisa and the Christmas Bazaar on December 16<sup>th</sup>. He stated he would also like to have donated items such as winter clothing for kids available. Smith made a motion to let Scooter use the RR Depot for Santa. Monen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Boot Allowance for Public Works: Behrens informed the council that the Public Works Department is requesting an annual boot allowance. L & I require steel toe boots and many businesses have a boot allowance to help with the cost. Monen made a motion to accept a \$100 per year boot allowance. Smith seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:**

Mayor Eagleson adjourned the meeting at 8:01 P.M.

We, the undersigned members of the City Council for the City of Sprague, DO HEREBY Certify that these minutes are true and correct from this Council meeting.

Mayor \_\_\_\_\_ Council Member \_\_\_\_\_

Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ Council Member \_\_\_\_\_

Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ Council Member \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk/Treasurer