

CITY OF MARINE ON ST. CROIX CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Year 2010 Proposed Budget – Truth-n-Taxation  
Monday, December 1, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Mills.  
Mike Lammi, Everett Myers, Pete Marker and Karl Benson present.

Citizens Present: Dale Stull, Greg Johnson, David Denn, Robin Brooksbank, Charles Arnason, Sharon/Fred Remund, Terry Mistalski, Barb Hudson.

Mayor Mills stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the 2010 proposed budget.

The Council reviewed the changes from the previous budget meeting. Robin Brooksbank, resident, questioned the status of the library and suggested the Council consider not charging rent as an attempt to keep the library open, as Marine is the only library that charges the County rent. Benson stated that after speaking with Pat Connely, the Jordan bequest is really the only thing keeping the Marine library open at this point. Lammi noted that the County has discussed placing a kiosk in Marine, as they have done in Hugo. If this is done, there is a potential for using the remaining bequest money for turning the current library location into some type of community center which would house the kiosk. After further discussion, the Council was not comfortable removing the rent at this time, however will add the library issue to the December agenda.

Discuss was held regarding the proposed compensation package for Public Safety. Lammi reported that a written vote was taken at the all department meeting, and a majority of the members were in favor of some type of compensation, although no discussion was made as to whether that compensation would be monetary or in the form of a reward system. The Council will discuss that further next year.

Two items were cut from the budget, totaling \$12,000, bringing the proposed levy amount to \$622,184 which is a 0.313% decrease from the 2009 budget.

The City Council will formally adopt the 2009 budget at the December 10<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

*Lammi moved and Marker seconded to adjourn at 6:37pm. Motion passed unanimously.*

Minutes taken by Lynette Peterson, City Clerk.  
Year 2010 Budget Attached.