1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ruede called the meeting of the Dunes City Budget Committee to order at 5:00 pm.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Roll Call was taken by City Recorder/Budget Officer Fred Hilden.

**Present:** Mayor Rebecca Ruede, Council President Jamie Mills, Councilor Dick Anderson, Councilor Ed Scarberry, Darlene Beckman, Maurice Sanders, Paul Floto, and City Recorder/Budget Officer Fred Hilden.

**Absent and Excused:** Councilor Richard Koehler, Councilor Troy Sathe, Councilor Duke Wells, April Dumas and Jackie Crave.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All who were present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Mayor Ruede asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Maurice Sanders made a motion to approve the Agenda. Darlene Beckman seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

5. **APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 29, 2012**

Maurice Sanders made a motion to approve the minutes of May 29, 2012 as presented. Councilor Scarberry seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

6. **REVIEW OF 2012-2013 BUDGET VS ACTUAL (7/2012 – 9/2012)**

Budget Officer Fred Hilden commended Council President Jamie Mills for her efforts on the recent Haunted Hall. Everyone had a great time and Jamie presented the City with cash receipts of $732 going to the Water Rights Compliance Fund.

Budget Officer Hilden began by reviewing the first quarter revenue for the General Fund, Building Codes Fund and State Street Fund. Notable variances from budget are an unbudgeted FEMA reimbursement for January 2012 storm damage that was received in July in the amount of $19,000. Revenue for the first quarter in the Building Codes Fund is higher than expected because of permit volumes. Because expenses are a reflection of revenue in this fund this could be a problem if the trend continues. There was discussion about a supplemental budget but no decision needs to be made on that until February or March.

Budget Officer Hilden reviewed the Motel Fund, Water Rights Compliance Fund and 911 Fund where revenues and expenses are in line with expectations. At an overall level revenue is at 14.4% of budget and expenses are at 9.4% of budget. Mr. Hilden thanked the Budget Committee and City Council for the tough decisions that were made two years ago regarding...
spending cuts. We are now reaping the benefits of these decisions in that no transfers were made from our money market account during fiscal year 2011 - 2012 to pay our bills. He also thanked the Road Commission for spending street maintenance money wisely, as our Computerized Pavement Management System now indicates that our average Pavement Condition Index is 82, which is substantially above average for any city.

Maurice Sanders asked about legal expenses being only 19% of budget when we are one fourth of the way through the year. Budget Officer Hilden explained that he expects an increase in legal expenses associated with code changes that the Planning Commission is currently working on.

Council President Mills reminded everyone that we have a 50th anniversary this year and we need to consider that in budgeting. Paul Floto asked about the status of the audit. Budget Officer Hilden replied that we probably will have to ask for an extension, but everything looked good. Darlene Beckman commented that a press release regarding our fiscal well-being might be appropriate. Lee Riechel commented from the audience that we need to do something about the acoustics in the Council Chambers and this should be a budget consideration. Maurice Sanders asked about scheduling the next quarterly review budget meeting and it was decided to meet the week after the February Council meeting.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ruede asked for a motion for adjournment.

Maurice Sanders made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Darlene Beckman seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote. Mayor Ruede adjourned the Dunes City Budget Committee meeting at 5:47 pm.

The proceedings of the Dunes City Budget Committee meeting were recorded on tape, and are on file at Dunes City Hall. Upon approval by the Dunes City Budget Committee, these minutes will be available at Dunes City Hall and online at www.dunescity.com

APPROVED BY THE BUDGET COMMITTEE ON THE 19TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2013.

[ Signed copy available at City Hall ]
Rebecca Ruede, Mayor

ATTEST:

[ Signed copy available at City Hall ]
Fred Hilden, City Recorder/Budget Officer