

**SPECIAL BURLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL
March 21, 2022**

COMMENCE MEETING

Council met in special session at 10:00 a.m. at the Cassia County Courthouse. Council members present were Casey Andersen, John Craner, and Janet Hansen.

City Staff present were as follows: City Administrator Mark Mitton and City Clerk Ellen Maier.

LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT REVIEW

Sheriff George Warrell stated that he would like the city to re-apply for the grant to add additional staff. He said we applied last year and did not receive the grant. He said he would like to increase wages ten to twelve percent. Mr. Warrell said we are still losing employees to State Police and Twin Falls. He feels it will save money down the road by not having to on board new employees continually. He said there are also unknown costs like ICRMP that he is not sure about yet.

It was mentioned by the city that a couple of years ago sales tax was taken from the city and given to the county public defender. Mr. Mitton said this is unsustainable for the city. He mentioned last year the police contract increased \$135,000.00 with a loss to the city of \$40,000.00.

Mr. Searle asked that over the next three weeks the city look at what they can do to increase wages in the contract.

City of Burley

Council President

ATTEST:

City Clerk