

Burley City Council
Public Safety Committee

10 am

June 3, 2022

Burley City Council Conference Room

Attendance

Shannon Tolman

Jon Ostler

Justin Jensen

Brad Boden

Mark Mitton

Casey Anderson

Janet Hansen

Bryce Morgan

1. Continuing-Executive Session- Idaho Code 74-206 (1)(j). To consider labor contract matters authorized under Section 74-206A (1) (a) and (b), Idaho Code. Burley Fire Department Union.

Executive Session Adjourns 10:24 AM.

Next meeting will be June 21st at 10:00 AM

2. Fire Department - New fire Stations

It was stated that Twin Falls shared the cost and information for there new station 2. It was stated that their station cost about 8 million dollars. The new fire station for Burley would cost a little less than that but would still require a bond. It was stated that the bond for the sewer closed in the coming year so it would be good timing to see about getting a bond for the fire station.

It was stated that the new station would become the primary station. Location for the new one would be important because it is primary and because of the code requirements. Several properties were looked at and considered by the committee. There is property by the Methodist Church that is about two acres that would meet the needs for the new fire station. The Fire Chief will contact the church to see if they would be willing to negotiate getting the land for the new fire station.

There was discussion about getting sewer to the property and having the engineer check to make sure that the land would be good for the new station. They also talked about checking the calls and call volume to ensure that is the proper location for the new primary station.

3. Law Enforcement Contract

It was stated that the county commissioner reached out to the city and has proposed that the new contract has a 6% increase for payroll, 2% for services and a one-time bonus of \$1500. It was explained that much of the sales tax and any increase of taxes goes towards the law enforcement contract and this is not sustainable. It was explained that negotiations come before knowing what the income will be and always guessing to see if there will be enough money to cover the contract. It was stated that with the state cutting the funding on taxes this new proposed contract is not sustainable.

It was stated that perhaps they could have another meeting before negotiations begin and talk to the Sherriff and commissioner to understand the needs.

Meeting adjourns 11:07 AM.