JAMESTOWN CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 2, 2009 OFFICIAL MINUTES

The special meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Liechty at 1:00 PM.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Mayor Liechty, Council Members Parisien, Kourajian, Nygaard and Schulz, and City Administrator Fuchs. Absent: City Attorney Dalsted and City Engineer Schwartzkopf.

The purpose of the special meeting was to review and discuss the Proposed 2010 Budget for the city.

City Administrator Fuchs provided the council members with an overview of the proposed budget. A number of the highlighted areas included the following:

- 1) An estimated increase in the overall city levy of 8.58 mills, which consists of 7.92 mills in the general fund and .66 mills in the city share of specials levy
- 2) A rate increase of 5%, effective January 1, 2010, in the Water Sewer, and Sanitation Funds and 10% in the Solid Waste Disposal Fund
- 3) Equipment replacement in the amount of \$458,350
- 4) General Fund total revenues of \$5,470,035 and expenditures of \$5,624,440

General discussion relative to budget items was held to include the request for the addition of some computer equipment for the engineering department and additional staffing in public works.

Consensus of the council members was to include in the 2010 Budget, \$3,600 for computer equipment in the Engineering Department, an additional equipment operator in the Street Department, at an estimated cost of \$37,430, and the addition of two laborer positions in the Solid Waste Disposal Fund, at an estimated cost of \$74,860.

Discussion also included the need to research funding options in an attempt to acquire either in 2010 or 2011 the addition of a midsize loader, a tractor/loader/backhoe combination and an additional motor grader for snow removal.

Discussion was held relative to the request of Renaissance Recycling, LLC, for a subsidy increase from \$30,000 in 2009 to \$60,000 in 2010.

Council Member Kourajian moved a Resolution to budget \$60,000 for Renaissance Recycling, LLC, in the event the funds were needed. The motion died for lack of a second.

Council Member Schulz moved a Resolution to approve \$30,000 for Renaissance Recycling, LLC, and to place \$30,000 in a Miscellaneous Project Reserve to be appropriated by the City Council based on determined needs of the Council. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Roll Call No. 1 showed: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Carried.

Council Member Parisien moved a Resolution to approve the 2010 Preliminary Budget with adjustments. Seconded by Council Member Schulz. Roll Call No. 2 showed: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Carried.

Council Member Schulz moved to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

ATTEST: APPROVED:

JEFF FUCHSCLARICE LIECHTYCity AdministratorMayor