

TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO
MINUTES OF THE BUDGET HEARING JULY 3, 1986

Mayor Wooliever convened the budget hearing with Councilmembers Chignell, Cordingley, Sharp and Walsh present.

412 ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

The Administrator said the San Anselmo Volunteer Effort was included in this budget.

Included was a request for \$1,250 for the creation of a Neighborhood Disaster and Safety Program.

Sarah Nome, 77 Alder Avenue, said she felt the Volunteer Program should be operated by volunteers.

Speaking in favor of the present Volunteer Program were: Penelope Starr, 60 Olive Avenue; Ed Cunningham, 21 Lincoln Avenue; Paul Brand, 130 Allyn Avenue; Stan Hayes, 228 Oak Crest Avenue; Marianne Cowperthwaite, 141 Oak Avenue; Hueget von Dallwitz, 102 Butterfield Road; Helen Cameron, 831 Sir Francis Drake Boulevard; Randy Heubach, 61 Lincoln Avenue; Stephanie Kramer, San Anselmo Avenue.

Ms Nome said the Council Chamber microphones were too far away from the Councilmembers and it was very difficult to hear in the back of the room. Staff to research microphones.

The Administrator outlined a proposal for hiring an additional secretary to be shared on a 40/60 basis with the Department of Public Works.

M/S Sharp, Cordingley, tentative approval of 412 Administration and Finance. Ayes all.

The Administrator said he would segregate the Volunteer Program from the Administrative Budget before approval of the final budget.

416 - LEGAL

The Administrator said policy changes for the Proposed Budget were proposed with no change in the total dollar amount. The Town Attorney would not be eligible for fringe benefits. The average number of hours the Attorney is budgeted has been changed to 27 up 4 hours from 23. The Town Attorney had withdrawn his request for Health Insurance coverage.

M/S Chignell, Cordingley tentative approval of 416, Legal Services. Ayes all.

421 NON-DEPARTMENTAL

Gary Howell, Chamber of Commerce Administrator, asked for an additional \$200 in line item 12 for a Town Beautification Program, and a \$500 contribution toward Chamber of Commerce administration.

Letter received from County Mediation Service, requesting a donation of \$2,500.

Line item 14 for last year indicated a \$53,000 overpayment to the insurance reserve; however, the Administrator recommended that no action be taken until after the audit of the General Fund and of the insurance reserves, when a determination will be made as to whether it is best to request a refund or to leave this amount in the reserve, thusly reducing the deficit.

Line Item 20 includes a contribution of \$4,657 to finance renter's subsidy program; \$12,000 to the Marin Transit for the operation of the Ross Valley Shuttle Bus, and \$1,100 for computer software consulting and training.

The Administrator said an additional \$4,500 was proposed for a labor relations consultant. He said five cities in Marin now use consultants and strongly endorse it as a smoother method for dealing with employee matters.

M/S Chignell, Walsh said they supported the non-departmental budget with the exception of the line item concerning the labor relations consultant.

Move Cordingley/Sharp tentative approval 421, non-departmental, with of an additional \$500 for the Chamber of Commerce and the addition of \$2,500 for a donation to the County Mediation Services.

Passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Cordingley, Sharp, Wooliever, Chignell, Walsh

491 CAPITAL RECONSTRUCTION

The Public Works Director said all of the items in the budget have a high priority. He said there was a \$50,000 shortfall in funds.

M/S Cordingley, Chignell, tentative approval of 491 Capital Improvements, in the amount of \$48,800, Director of Public Works to Prioritize; 496, 1986 Storm Recovery, in the amount of \$72,780, Public Works Director to prioritize. Ayes all.

Discussion of Public Works Vehicle

The Town Administrator said the Building Inspector is using a truck that had safety problems. He has asked for \$9,100 to replace this hazardous vehicle with a new compact sedan.

M/S Walsh Cordingley that add \$9,100 to account 441-42 for vehicle replacement, tentative approval. Ayes all.

Use of Revenue Sharing Funds.

Public Hearing opened.
As in the past, the Administrator recommended use of the Revenue Sharing Funds to pay salaries in the Police Department.

M/S Cordingley, Sharp Revenue Sharing Funds be used to pay salaries in the Police Department. Ayes all.

At 12:10 p.m. the meeting adjourned to the second floor conference room for a discussion of selection of a new Town Librarian.

Thelma Foster