

**1. Call To Order**

The special meeting of the Biggs City Council was called to order at 3:10 p.m. by Vice Mayor Frith. Mayor Busch and Councilors Arnold and Crawford were present. Staff present: City Administrator Pete Carr, City Attorney Greg Einhorn and City Clerk / Finance Director Deanna Carbajal.

**2. SPECIAL MEETING COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION: None.**

**3. SPECIAL BUSINESS:**

- A. Discussion/Action: Marlee Mattos, City of Biggs Public Benefits Coordinator was asked to discuss with council the city's Public Benefits Fund (051) and Energy Efficiency Programs. She gave background on the surcharge of electricity sales and how the funds could be used to benefit Biggs residents. In 2006-2007, the city contracted with Efficiency Services Group to perform commercial energy audits for several businesses in town, including the school district. The district was able to undergo a lighting change program. So far, the district had qualified for over \$23,000 in lighting rebates.

Marlee stated with the growth of legislative requirements and annexation in the community, the city should tighten up on efficiency requirements. She asked council if they felt research should continue on what other communities were doing with their efficiency requirements. Councilor Crawford agreed the city should look into a comparative of Title 24 and what other cities were doing. He endorsed and encouraged rebates to help improve the city's program.

Vice Mayor Frith reminded Marlee that the rebate form should have been modified to allow metal dual pane window replacement rebates. Vice Mayor Frith felt there was a minor disconnect between the planning side and the business side of this programs. The city should make certain the public is aware of these rebates. Council agreed efficiency building standards should be set for the City of Biggs.

Motion/Second to approve and issue the energy rebate program with the modification to the rebate form as suggested by Vice Mayor Frith. (Arnold/Crawford, MCU)

- B. Discussion/Action: City Administrator Pete Carr asked council to consider one-way traffic streets. He referred to changes that should be made to his staff report in the agenda packet. Under "Factors to consider in favor of the change to the one way", number 2 said safety of pedestrians in the narrow portion of First Street between Aleut and B. Pete said the width of this section was 22.5 feet and tapered to 18 feet. Another correction was number 1 under "Factors to consider against change", should have said the inconvenience to owners on the south end of First Street, not Aleut Street. In addition to police, other considerations would include fire and ambulance first responders. Other school considerations would include the possible need for crossing guards which could be a fiscal and policy issue. Garbage trucks could also be an issue. Pete said he and the city engineer recommend one-way streets but the city planner felt the streets should be left as they were.

Council discussed the pros and cons of one-way streets and advised Pete to consider other options such as no parking zones and improved school drop off zones rather than one-way streets.

4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Adjourned to Executive Session at 4:29 p.m.
5. **RESUME SPECIAL SESSION:** Resumed special meeting at 5:34 p.m. No action to announce.
6. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Deanna Carbajal  
City Clerk

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John G. Busch  
Mayor, City of Biggs