

**ROCHELLE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2006**

The Rochelle City Council met in a Special Session at 5:30 p.m. on April 24, 2006 in the Council Chambers of City Hall; 420 N. 6th Street; Rochelle, IL 61068.

Present on Roll Call were Councilmembers Berg, Colwill, Eckhardt, Hayden, and Hayes. Absent: Councilwoman Hollonbeck and Mayor Olson. Also present were City Manager Graff and City Clerk McKinney.

Councilwoman Hollonbeck entered the meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Workshop on FY 2006-07 Budget. Administrative Director Withrow reviewed the changes in the Preliminary Budget that were made after the last workshop. The changes are:
Increased General Fund Balance from \$481,075 to \$678,745 or 9.2% of General Fund Expenditures.

Increases:

Increase transfer from Railroad Fund \$20,000
Reduce Building Department by 1 staff member \$50,270
Eliminated planning studies \$125,000
Increased Telecom Tax \$14,000
Increased Road and Bridge tax \$10,000
Eliminated one police vehicle \$25,000
Other small reductions \$53,100

Reductions:

Reduction of transfer from Solid Waste \$50,000
Increase City Manager budget for merit increases \$20,000
Increased Street Department staff \$29,700

Railroad Fund

Increased revenues from sale of switches to DP Partners & IRE \$70,000
Increased engineering fees \$30,000
Included payment to GREDCO for land purchase \$20,000
Increased transfer to General Fund \$20,000

Solid Waste Fund

Increased professional expenses for siting \$200,000
Included closing/post closing fees (Contingency) \$1,440,000
Transfer to General Fund reduced to \$75,000

City Manager Graff suggested the following:

- That City hires new personnel only when revenue can show increase.
- The \$400,000 need to purchase new Street Equipment be borrowed over a 5 year payback.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:02 p.m., Councilman Berg moved and seconded by Councilman Hayes, **I move the Council adjourn.** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Bruce McKinney, CMC
City Clerk, City of Rochelle

Chet Olson
Mayor, City of Rochelle