The Terry Town Council met in special session for the purpose of working on the budget for fiscal year 2017-18. The following persons were in attendance: Council members Cindy Bond, Caryn Rein, Peter Leyva (left at 6:25 p.m.), and Brad Eaton as well as Clerk Lynn Schilling and Mike O'Neill. Mayor Rolane Christofferson presided over the meeting.

Mayor Rolane Christofferson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Rolane Christofferson reported that the Prairie County Commissioners had requested $76,000 this coming year for the public safety interlocal as they are looking to purchase a new vehicle for the Sheriff's department. The Town Council discussed the proposed number, and decided to counter-offer $55,000 plus an additional $5,000 for capital expenditures for a total of $60,000 for the next four (4) years or a one-time payment of $75-76,000 that would then drop to $55,000 for the following three (3) years. Mayor Rolane Christofferson will share their offer with the Commissioners.

Mayor Rolane Christofferson stated that Prairie County's schedule for COLA has this year at 1.63% to which the county adds an additional 1%-- she proposed the Town Council look at 1.63% or 2% for COLA wage increases this year. Clerk Lynn Schilling stated that after averaging the hourly wages, 1.63% would be a $0.29/hour raise and 2% would be a $0.35/hour raise. The Town Council requested Clerk Lynn Schilling provide further information for the budget with a 2% COLA wage increase.

The Town Council further discussed giving the fire chief a stipend or salary. Mayor Rolane Christofferson has asked Town Attorney Shawn Quinlan to research the process and legality of doing so.

Clerk Lynn Schilling stated that she would compile all of the budget information gathered thus far and present to the council members at their July meeting.

Having no further comment, questions, or public comment the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 pm. (Bond/Rein)

ATTEST:

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Lynn Schilling, Clerk   Rolane Christofferson, Mayor