Work Session, Douglas City Council
June 26, 2020

A Work Session of the Douglas City Council was held on Thursday, June 26, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 101 N. 4th Street, Douglas, Wyoming, and also via a virtual meeting.

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call; those present on Roll Call: René Kemper, Mayor; Councilmembers: Monty Gilbreath, Kim Pexton, Karl Hertz; and John Bartling was excused.

Others Present: Jonathan Teichert, City Administrator; Chaz Schumacher, City Clerk; Bruce Roumell, Mayor of Glenrock; Cindy Porter, CANDO/The Enterprise; Cindy Stimson, Douglas Budget.

Item 1.a. Quarter Cent Excise Tax Discussion: Councilperson Hertz began the discussion, providing an overview of how the quarter cent excise tax conversation began and why the City started exploring it as an option. The tax has been successful in Goshen County and it is a viable option for the communities within Converse County to help provide funding for progressive community development. The County-wide tax would require all 4 communities within the County to show support for it being on the ballot. A joint powers board, similar in structure to the Tourism Board, could be responsible for managing the funds with funds distributed as equitably as possible. Glenrock Mayor Roumell stated his desire to get information regarding the tax in order to bring it back to his council to see if they are in support of it. Administrator Teichert emphasized that this would be the public's decision on whether or not to move forward with the tax. Discussion followed. **Item 1.b. Administrator Report:** Administrator Teichert provided updates to the Council regarding current projects within the City, he is continuing to work with the City Attorney on the lease agreement with the Boys & Girls Club. Teichert provided an overview of the situation with Mr. Hershberger's property on Riverbend Drive, discussion followed. **Adjourn** – No further discussion and the Work Session was adjourned at approximately 4:33 p.m. **No Council Action was taken.**

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Chaz Schumacher, City Clerk