

Pawnee City Council Discusses Budget

**(KLZA)-- Julie Bauman, a CPA from Falls City met with the Pawnee City Council last week, presenting an updated draft copy of the new fiscal year budget.**

**Improvements were noted in the current budget. The City has \$1.2-million less in debt due to refinancing of the USDA Water project through Ameritas. The Cash balances are about \$10-thousand more at this time than the previous year.**

**A public hearing on the budget proposal for the next fiscal year is likely to be scheduled for the September 11 Council meeting.**

**Council member Ric Helms discussed the idea brought up previously of creation of a "Pawnee City Pride" Committee. The Committee would assist the City in dealing with nuisance properties around town.**

**Clerk Stephens said Bruce Haughton has volunteered to be on the committee and serve as chairman if the committee is approved.**

**The Council also approved the Handi-Bus agreement with Pawnee County. The City will pay the County \$3,200 in the next fiscal year towards the Handi-Bus. The amount is the same as the previous two years.**

Many Signals Communications