

City of Archer City
Minutes of the Public Hearing on Tax Increase,
Open Regular Meeting & Budget Workshop
Thursday, August 18, 2011
7:00 PM

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Archer City, met for public hearing on tax increase, open regular meeting and budget workshop on Thursday, August 18, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall, 118 S. Sycamore, Archer City, Texas.

Call to Order

Mayor David Levy called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Mayor Levy led the pledge of allegiance for the United States and Texas flags and gave the invocation.

The following Council members were present for roll call:

Mayor	David Levy
Council Members	Paula Bradley
	Debra Haehn
	Richard Jones
	Ron Jeffries
	Jerry Phillips – arrived at 7:20 p.m.

Staff present: City Manager - George Huffman; City Secretary – Kim Whitsitt; Ambulance Director – Pat Bryan

Guests Present

James Percy, Harvey Light, Jim Reed, Paralea Reed, Harold Scheller, Joy Scheller, Jason Scheller, Pat Scheller, Jeanne Hall, Handel Hall, Junior Harrelson, Pat Martin III

Public Hearing on Tax Increase

Kim Whitsitt addressed Council and guests on the proposed 2011-2012 tax rate and stated the proposed tax rate is the effective rate of .71259 which is an increase of 7.42% over the rollback rate of .66332. No comments were made from the public. Mayor Levy announced that the City Council will vote on the proposed tax increase at a special called meeting at City Hall on September 8, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. The tax hearing concluded at 7:09 p.m.

Public Comments

None

The minutes reflect the order the agenda items were addressed.

Archer City Police Department Complaint

Pat Scheller addressed Council concerning a complaint against Archer City Police Officer Rick Woods concerning an incident involving the complainant that occurred at the home of his son, Jason Scheller. No action taken.

Consent Agenda

The City Council read the minutes of the July 21, 2011 open regular meeting, the July 30, 2011 special called meeting and budget workshop and the August 6, 2011 special called meeting and budget workshop. Richard Jones made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Debra Haehn seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Monthly Reports

George Huffman presented the City Manager report, including Public Works, Ambulance, Police Department and Code Enforcement. Kim Whitsitt presented the July 2011 financial report.

Archer City Growth & Development Corp. (ACGDC) Board Appointments

Mayor Levy addressed Council concerning the appointment of new members to the ACGDC board. Jerry Phillips made the motion to appoint Vicki Davis and Karen Aulds to the ACGDC for a two year term, from August 24, 2011 to August 24, 2013. Paula Bradley seconded the motion. Council voting was as follows: Paula Bradley – Yes, Jerry Phillips – Yes, Richard Jones – No, Debra Haehn – No, Ron Jeffries – No. Motion failed.

Debra Hahen made the motion to appoint Vicki Davis and Tracy Williamson to the ACGDC for a two year term, from August 24, 2011 to August 24, 2013. Richard Jones seconded the motion. Council voting was as follows: Jerry Phillips – No, Paula Bradley – No, Debra Haehn – Yes, Richard Jones – Yes, Ron Jeffries - Yes. Motion passed.

Economic Development Incentives

Mayor Levy addressed Council on economic development incentives and discussed the options available. Debra Hahen made the motion to authorize George Huffman to speak with Mary Browning concerning the new company purchasing Big Giant Drilling and discuss economic development incentive options. Ron Jeffries seconded the motion. All members present voted "aye".

Future Options for Treated Water

George Huffman addressed Council on the water study conducted by Red River Authority and advised that he and Kim Whitsitt were going to meeting with USDA concerning financing options. No action taken.

Budget Workshop

Kim Whitsitt discussed the proposed 2011-2012 budget with Council. No action taken.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Richard Jones moved to adjourn at 9:06 p.m. Debra Haehn seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Kim Whitsitt, City Secretary

David A. Levy, Mayor