

City of Archer City
Public Hearing on the Proposed 2023-2024 FY Budget, Special Called City Council
Meeting & Budget Workshop
Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 6:30 P.M.

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Archer City, met for a public hearing on the proposed 2023-2024 FY budget, special called city council meeting and budget workshop on Tuesday, August 29, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 116 S. Sycamore, Archer City, Texas.

Call to Order

Mayor Jake Truette called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Truette gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance for the United States and Texas flags.

The following Council members were present for roll call:

Mayor	Jake Truette
Council Members	Paula Bradley
	Debra Haehn
	Megan Randall
	Billy Burks arrived at 6:35 p.m.
	Leslie Hash

Staff present: City Manager – George Huffman, City Secretary - Kim Whitsitt, Police Chief – Justin Perron

Guests Present – Nathan Lawson – Archer County News, Candace White, Kellie Perron, Callie Lawson, Karen Aulds, Charlie Weakley, Susie Wallace

Public Hearing on Proposed 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget

Mayor Truette convened the Public Hearing on the Proposed 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget at 7:03 p.m. and stated the City Council would vote on the proposed budget at the open regular meeting on September 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. Leslie Hash made the motion to postpone the final vote on the 2023-2043 proposed budget until a meeting tentatively scheduled for September 21, 2023. Debra Haehn seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

Public Comments

Charlie Weakley addressed Council concerning the purchase of water from the Archer City Lake. Charlie was advised the item would be placed on the September agenda.

Karen Aulds thanked Council for meeting with the County Commissioners and working with them to keep the ambulance service in Archer City.

NEW BUSINESS

Archer County Museum and Arts Center

Callie Lawson addressed Council concerning the Archer County Museum and Arts Center and requested a letter of support. Paula Bradley made the motion to approve a letter of support. Megan Randall seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

Consent Agenda

Leslie Hash made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Paula Bradley seconded the motion. All members present voted “Aye”.

Monthly Reports

City Manager report: Ambulance, Public Works and Police - George Huffman

City Secretary report: Financial Report – Kim Whitsitt

AGCDC/4B report – Financial report – None

OLD BUSINESS

Contract for Ambulance Services with AMR

Mayor Truette informed Council the contract with AMR would not be ready until the September meeting. Billy Burks made the motion to table the item until the September meeting. Leslie Hash seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

Ratify Ambulance Sales

George Huffman addressed Council concerning the ratification of the sale of the 2010 Ford Ambulance and the 2012 Ford Ambulance. Huffman stated the ambulances had been sold to another service out of Oklahoma for \$70,000.00. Leslie Hash made the motion to ratify the ambulance sales. Paula Bradley seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

CDBG 2021 Construction Contract

George Huffman addressed Council concerning the award of a construction contract for the CDBG 20201 project and stated there had been two bids submitted; however, there was an error in one of the bids submitted. After further discussion Debra Haehn made the motion to reject both bids and re-advertise the project. Billy Burks seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Ambulance Billing Collection Agency

Kim Whitsitt addressed Council concerning approval of an agreement with Paramount Recovery Systems for the outstanding ambulance accounts receivable. Leslie Hash made the motion to approve the agreement. Megan Randall seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Investment Reports

Kim Whitsitt addressed Council concerning the first and second quarter investment reports. Paula Bradley made the motion to approve the investment reports. Billy Burks seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Advertise City Manager Position

Mayor Truette addressed Council concerning advertising for the City Manager position since George Huffman announced his retirement effective January 2024. Leslie Hash made the motion to move forward with the advertisement. Paula Bradley seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Budget Workshop

Kim Whitsitt reviewed the 2023 2024 budget with Council. No action taken.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, Billy Burks moved to adjourn at 8:03 p.m. Debra Haehn seconded the motion. All members present voted "Aye".

Kim Whitsitt, City Secretary

Jake Truette, Mayor