

City Council

Budget Meeting

August 5, 2014

The following were present: Mayor John Dowell; Mayor Pro Tem Fred Jones; Council Members Doug Gaeke, Linda Pruitt, Alan Casey, and Joel Lopez; City Manager Ricky Jorgensen, and City Secretary Jessica Graefe.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Dowell called to order the budget meeting of the City Council at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5, 2014, at the Giddings Municipal Building.

II. Discussion on Capital Expenditures for FY 2014-2015 regarding the following departments:

- a) Electric Supervisor, Larry Weiser - department request for a new bucket truck for the amount of \$120,000.00. Electric Department Capital Outlay is \$120,000.00.
- b) Police Chief Walpole and Captain Ramsey – department request for 2 Ford Explorer police vehicles for the amount of \$60,000; 2 in-car camera replacement for \$5,500; in-car laptop computers remaining portion to be paid with Drug & SWAT Funds, and County Attorney for \$15,000; promote one position to Sargent Rank for \$3,000; salary funds for new dispatcher amount not included. Total Police Department Capital Outlay is \$83,500.00.
- c) Fire Chief, Jimmy Mitschke – department request for 5 SCBA Air Bottles for the amount of \$5,000; 5 new Motorola minitor pagers for \$2,700; lease payment for Quint Fire Apparatus (10 year lease to purchase) for \$65,000. Total Fire Department Capital Outlay is \$72,700.00.
- d) Parks & Pool Department Supervisor, Kenny Ray – department request for AED for swimming pool for \$2,500; paint basketball pavilion for \$6,600; replace 5 doors at the swimming pool and 1 door at Veterans Park handicap restroom for \$5,300; replaster swimming pool for \$36,000. Total Parks & Pool Capital Outlay is \$50,400.00.
- e) Cemetery Department Supervisor, Kenny Ray – department request for 16” lowboy trailer for \$2,400. Total Cemetery Capital Outlay is \$2,400.00.
- f) Street Department Supervisor, John Bradshaw – department request for 1 used 12-14 yd dump truck for \$65,000; skid mount mosquito fogger for \$6,700. Total Street Capital Outlay is \$71,700.00.
- g) Library – department request for computer server for \$5,000. Total Library Capital Outlay is \$5,000.00.
- h) Golf Course Supervisor, Kenny Ray – department request for hot mix trail from #2 green to #4 tee-off for \$12,000; greens mower replacement for \$26,500. Total Golf Course Capital Outlay is \$38,500.00.
- i) Water & Sewer Supervisor, Mike Proske – water department request for plug two water wells for \$37,000; sewer department request for trailer mounted generator for \$60,000 & Hickory Creek Lift Station matching funds (2nd year) for \$15,250. Total Water Capital Outlay is \$37,000.00 and Sewer Capital Outlay is \$75,250.00.

III. Discussion on proposed budget for the FY 2014-2015

Water and sewer rate increase may be considered. Effective tax rate should be in for the next council

IV. Adjournment

Mayor Dowell adjourned the workshop at 6:51 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

- a) Budget for FY 2014-2015 was presented and discussed. Council Member Joel Lopez moved to schedule a Budget Workshop on Tuesday, August 5th at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall. The motion was seconded by Council Member Linda Pruitt.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYE: four

NAY: none

V. Adjournment

Mayor Dowell adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Graefe, City Secretary