



City of Fountain Inn
Special Called Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2020 - 6:00 PM- 200 North Main Street
Virtual Online Meeting Via Zoom
The meeting was live streamed on the City's Facebook page

The following members of City Council were in attendance: Mayor George Patrick (GP) McLeer, Jr., Mack Blackstone, Phil Clemmer, Anthony Cunningham, Anjeanette (AJ) Dearybury, John Mahony and Jay Thomason

Others Present: Shawn Bell, Naomi Reed, Sandra Woods and Representatives from First Tryon

Due to COVID-19 guidelines, members of the public were not allowed to attend this meeting in person. The meeting was live streamed. Information concerning the live stream was posted on the city's website.

Call to Order – Mayor McLeer

Invocation – Councilmember Clemmer

Pledge of Allegiance

FY 2020-2021 Budget Planning

City Administrator, Shawn Bell stated that this is the first budget planning meeting for FY 2021.

Capital Planning Model

David Cheatwood and Will Ahlum with First Tryon reviewed the Capital Planning model with Council.

The model shows a list of projects that are under consideration in the General Fund, Gas Fund, Sewer Fund and Solid Waste Fund. The model is interactive and allows the city to run multiple scenarios with different assumptions. This is for information only. Council will be presented projects to approve as the Finance Department gets closer to finalizing the budget.

Hospitality Grant Applications

Finance Director, Naomi Reed presented the Hospitality Tax Grant process to Council. The city received applications from the Chamber of Commerce, Fountain Inn History Museum and the Cultural Arts Foundation Fountain Inn (CAFFI). State Statute allows Hospitality Funds to be used to fund tourism related events.

The applicants will have an opportunity to present their requests to Council prior to first reading of the budget.

Personnel Requests

Mr. Bell reviewed with Council 14 personnel requests that were submitted from the Administration, Judicial, Police, Fire, Public Works, Solid Waste and Recreation Departments.

Staff Preliminary Recommendation:

I Crew Worker
Planning and Development Director
Assistant Public Works Director
Detective

Totals \$280,673.48 (includes burden)

Approval is pending budget appropriation.

City Administrator Report

Mr. Bell stated that all April events are cancelled or postponed.

City Serve in May will be postponed to the fall

Since we are not using inmate labor due to Covid-19 we are behind on yard debris removal. We are planning to move forward with May Spring Cleaning, but due to the inmate situation this will put a strain the department, so we ask that residents please be patient and we will get your items as soon as possible.

Great response Police Department Community Food Drive.

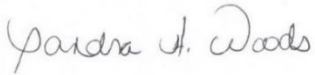
We will discuss business license renewals and hospitality tax at the April council meeting.

Mayor McLeer stated that we will have a procedure in place for public comment at the April council meeting and he thanked Naomi Reed and her staff for all the work they are doing with budget planning.

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There being no further business, Mayor McLeer asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Councilmember Clemmer, second by Councilmember Mahony to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra H. Woods". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid.

Sandra H. Woods, CMC
Municipal Clerk