Finance/Audit Committee Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 11, 2023 6:00 PM – 6:50 PM

Meeting called to order at 6:00

- It was the majority view of the committee to recommend the approval of TIF application for Winner Winner Chicken Dinner 777, on the condition that the applicant's state liquor license must first be approved.
- The TIF application for the Samanas' was discussed, and it was decided that the TIF application should be rejected, due to state statutes regarding TIF. The investigation into offering a 5-year tax abatement (permitted by covenants) instead. Other incentives for residential construction in the future were discussed, and the council will be looking into them further.
- Pay for aldermen and the mayor was discussed. A consensus has yet to be reached on the matter.
- Delinquent utility outstanding balances were discussed. Amy Tarr purposed a collections company that we should begin taking advantage of. She was given the go-ahead by the committee to speak with the city lawyer regarding the process.
- It was discussed as to whether or not the spending limits for department heads without council or chairman approval ought to be raised. The consensus was that each committee chairman would discuss each department's needs with their respective department head.
- Sending potential community projects off to engineers before grant opportunities arise was discussed. It was the consensus of the committee that this would be a good plan, allowing the city a one-up on its competition for grants.
- Matt Tarr brought up a cyber security grant that is available from the state. Each department is to evaluate their technological needs before the grant deadline arrives.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50

Those in attendance were **RJ Lindemann - Chairman** Eric Blake Larry Brooks Gayle Glumac Mike Swick Melissa Brooks Kaleb Wright Tyler Weber Matt Tarr Elizabeth Belcher Kenneth Belcher Amy Tarr Riley Britton