



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY

Budget Meeting

March 26, 2024, 6:00 PM

Agenda

Mayor: JT Smith

Council Members: Tim Adkins, Gerald Greer, Chris Kerrigan, Michael Smith, Kevin Thompson, Tony Young

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. [March 19, 2024, Budget Meeting Minutes](#)

PUBLIC FORUM

2. *Procedure for Speaking Before the Council*

- * Speakers must complete the information form and submit it to the transcriber prior to the public forum. Be prepared to speak when your name is called.
- * Each speaker will be allowed 4 minutes.
- * Speakers may comment on issues scheduled for consideration at the meeting or other appropriate concerns pertinent to the operation of the town.
- * Each speaker should state the following:
 - his/her name
 - whether they are an Ashland City resident and/or property owner
- * No person shall be allowed to make obscene, derogatory, or slanderous remarks while addressing the Council/Board. Persons doing so will be asked to stop speaking and will forfeit the remainder of their time.
- * All remarks shall be directed to the Council/Board as a body only.
- * No person shall be allowed to disrupt or interfere with the procedures.
- * Remarks shall end when the speaker's allotted time has expired. No time shall be shared with other speakers.
- * Questions from the council/board members may be asked for clarification as well as council/board members may have brief comments; however, no person shall be permitted to enter any discussion or debate either directly with or through any member of the Council/Board or anyone present at the meeting.
- * No one shall make open comments during the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

3. Fire Budget
4. Police Budget

OTHER

ADJOURNMENT

Those with disabilities who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting, should contact the ADA Coordinator at 615-792-6455, M-F 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. The town will make reasonable accommodations for those persons.



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Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present

Mayor JT Smith

Vice Mayor Gerald Greer

Committee Chairman Tim Adkins

Committee Member Chris Kerrigan

Committee Member Michael Smith

Committee Member Kevin Thompson

Committee Member Tony Young

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Committee Member Thompson, seconded by Committee Member Kerrigan, to approve the agenda with changes (move streets and water/sewer to the beginning). All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 25, 2023, Budget Minutes

A motion was made by Committee Member Thompson, seconded by Committee Member Smith, to approve the April 25, 2023, Budget Meeting Minutes. All approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. *Procedure for Speaking Before the Council*

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

3. Codes Budget

Director Nicholson discussed the changes to the Building & Codes budget, including the need for 2 new line items for ADA and Safety. One additional vehicle has been requested. He also gave an overview of revenue for the previous 2 years and the progress that has been made by the department.

4. Court Budget

Court Clerk Hollingsworth discussed the bi-lingual traffic school classes that will be offered in the next budget year. Ms. Bowman discussed a decrease in the budget due to the elimination of the General Sessions court.

5. Streets Budget

Director Biggers discussed the need for a new lawnmower and brush truck. He also discussed the need for a side-by-side which streets budget would only pay 50% of the cost. Council asked Assistant Director Harris to work with Amanda Bell and a landscape architect on the beautification project and to determine pricing for signs. Estimated cost should be presented at the April 30th budget meeting.

6. Water/Sewer Budget

Finance Director Bowman discussed imposing only the yearly 3% rate increase this next fiscal year. Director Biggers discussed an increase due to a pump replacement on Hill Road and the ARPA grant in the water budget. He discussed the need for one additional employee in the sewer budget. Also, the water/sewer will pay 50% of the side-by-side cost.

OTHER

Finance Director Bowman discussed all items in the budget binder given to council including letters from comptroller, town information, strategic plan, projects/loans, donation request, revenue and expense notes and the normal invoice estimations for each department.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Committee Member Kerrigan, seconded by Committee Member Thompson, to adjourn the meeting. All approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

MAYOR JT SMITH

FINANCE DIRECTOR GAYLE BOWMAN