

**Minutes of City of Laurel  
Budget/Finance Committee  
Tuesday, August 22, 2023**

**Members Present:** Richard Klose, Heidi Sparks, Michelle Mize

**Others Present:** Kelly Strecker, Mayor David Waggoner

The meeting was called to order by the Committee Chair at 5:30 pm.

**Public Input:** There was no public comment.

**General Items –**

1. Review and approved August 8, 2023, Budget and Finance Committee meeting minutes. Heidi Sparks moved to approve the minutes of August 8, 2023. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
2. Review and approve purchase requisitions. There were none.
3. Review and recommend approval to Council; claims entered through August 18, 2023. Michelle Mize moved to approve the claims and check the register for claims entered through August 18, 2023. Heidi Sparks seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
4. Review and approve Payroll Register for the pay period ending August 6, 2023, totaling \$226,596.79. Heidi Sparks motioned to approve the payroll register for the pay period ending August 6, 2023, totaling \$226,596.79. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
5. Review and approve February 2023 financial statements. Heidi Sparks moved to approve the February 2023 financial statements. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
6. Review and approve March 2023 financial statements. Heidi Sparks moved to approve the March 2023 financial statements. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
7. Review and approve April 2023 financial statements. Heidi Sparks moved to approve the April 2023 financial statements. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
8. Review and approve May 2023 financial statements. Heidi Sparks moved to approve the May 2023 financial statements. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.
9. Review and approve June 2023 financial statements. Heidi Sparks moved to approve the June 2023 financial statements. Michelle Mize seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed 3-0.

**New Business –** Heidi Sparks mentioned that it was brought up in the Public Works Committee meeting that adding speed bumps on S. 4<sup>th</sup> St would help slow the traffic down. It was also mentioned to add a couple more stop signs.

**Old Business –**

**Other Items –**

1. Review Comp/OT reports for the pay period ending August 6, 2023.
2. Mayor Update – The Mayor stated that the CBA for Union 316 would be at the council meeting tonight for approval. He said we are nearing the end of the budget prep and that the general fund discussion would be before the council at tonight's meeting. He mentioned that the construction for the splash park is set to begin August 29, 2023, and would take about a month to complete. Russell Park is moving along; the sprinkler system is about complete and the playground equipment will be shipped soon and should be installed and completed by the end of September. The mayor stated that Jessica at the police department has been putting together a list of evidence, such as guns, ammunition, etc. and is going to schedule an online auction in the very new future.

3. Clerk/Treasurer Financial Update-Kelly stated the auditors were here last week gathering information to complete the AFR. The legislature changed a few things this year and it was going to take a little longer to complete. Kelly said that all financials are balanced through the end of June 2023. Kelly is continuing to work on the budget as the final budget approval goes to council the first Tuesday in September.

**Announcements –**

4. The next Budget and Finance Committee meeting will be held on September 12, at 5:30 pm.
5. Heidi Sparks is scheduled to review claims for the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly Strecker  
Clerk Treasurer

**NOTE: This meeting is open to the public. This meeting is for information and discussion of the Council for the listed workshop agenda items.**