# **McCleary Special City Council Meeting**



Wednesday, November 1, 2023 – 6:30 PM Zoom Virtual Meeting & Community Center

## Minutes

### Call to Order/Flag Salute/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm by Mayor Pro-Tem Huff

PRESENT Councilmember Jacob Simmons Councilmember Brycen Huff Councilmember Max Ross Councilmember Andrea Dahl

#### Agenda Modifications/Acceptance

Motion made by Councilmember Dahl, Seconded by Councilmember Ross to approve the agenda as written. Voting Yea: Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Ross, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Simmons

Public Hearing:

1. 2024 Budget - Revenue

The Public Hearing opened at approximately 6:33pm

Jenna Amsbury, Clerk-Treasurer, provided a staff report regarding revenue projections for 2024. She explained the revenue projections include a CPI increase to all Utility Funds in the amount of 3.8%. The remainder of the revenues were estimated conservatively by looking at trends and using data collected from MRSC for revenue received from the State.

Pro-Tem Huff called for public comment on the hearing.

Monica Reeves commented on the increase to utility rates. She explained the Mayor stated in an email that rates would not be increased.

Carrie Comer asked about the line item titled Non Rev. City Fee. Ms. Amsbury stated this is for the city-wide clean-up. Ms. Comer asked about the equipment replacement funds.

Public Hearing closed at approximately 7:07pm

Public Comment:

Bob Dahl asked when the appointment for position No. 5 would happen. It was stated this will be on the November 8, 2023 agenda.

Carrie Comer asked about the IT Server replacement project costs and the three vehicles that were supposed to not be purchased to pay for it. She discussed Facebook postings of meetings and asked council to demand more advertisement of meetings.

Monica Reeves echoed the comment on posting more to social media to share pertinent information and having better communication. The website was down for a few days and there was no notification on it.

Keith Klimek noted that flyers would be better for senior citizens as not many are on Facebook.

Ms. Amsbury noted that all the meeting dates were included in the newsletter that went out to all the utility customers in the monthly bill. This was done to help with notification to everyone.

Carrie Comer asked for information on the Town Hall.

Ms. Amsbury stated she was waiting for confirmation to publish the meeting notice. Mayor Pro-Tem Huff stated the VFW is reserved. Councilmember Ross stated he does not want to hold the meeting without the Mayor being present.

Mayor Pro-Tem Huff stated there are options to look into the Mayor position and his term.

There were requests for the meeting to be publicized and flyers to be placed around town. Sandwich boards or other types of signage options were discussed for the Town Hall.

Missi Olsen, Carrie Comer and Monica Reeves stated the town hall meeting that was held earlier this year was very beneficial and not negative.

Monica Reeves discussed the budget pay billing option for utilities and noted that it would be nice if long term renters were allowed to do this as well.

#### Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm

Motion made by Councilmember Ross, Seconded by Councilmember Dahl. Voting Yea: Councilmember Huff, Councilmember Ross, Councilmember Dahl, Councilmember Simmons