

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28th, 2023
SHEAD HIGH SCHOOL - LIBRARY - 5:00 P.M.

Those in Attendance: Councilor Floyd “Bub” Andrews, Councilor Colleen Dana-Cummings, Councilor Dave Morang, Councilor Jeanne Peacock, and Council President Boone. Also in attendance were Interim City Manager, George “Bud” Finch, IT Support, Paige Atkinson; Deputy Clerk, Donnie Peters; and City Clerk, Ella Kowal.

Public Attendance: Catherine Lee, Victoria Ganz, Don Bailey, Dean Pike, Former Councilor Robert Peacock, Jenie Smith, Alan Skinner, Birdy Velveteen, and recorded zoom participants.

I. CALL to ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Council President Boone.

II. ADJUSTMENT(S) to AGENDA (if applicable)

Council President Boone comments to say that it is his understanding that the Interim City Manager has an adjustment to be made to the budget.

The Interim City Manager addresses the City Council and the public and explains that he is in receipt of an adjustment from the school to the school budget and he will provide this and speak to it further when they address the budget item of the agenda.

III. APPOINTMENT of PLUMBING INSPECTOR

MOTION PEACOCK **SECOND** MORANG **(PASSED 5-0)**
To approve the appointment of Richard Clark as Plumbing Inspector.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING [“Proposed” Fiscal Year 2024 Municipal Budget]

Council President Boone declared the public hearing open at 5:03 p.m.

Council President Boone calls for comment from the public. There was none.

The Interim City Manager speaks to the request from the school for an adjustment to their budget. He continues to say that the school has the money to make the difference which is very minute` and does not equate to a lot of money. He explains further that the superintendent is already gone and asked this be forwarded on to Council as they address the budget. Mr. Finch responds that he can provide the financial impact should there be a request for it. He further expounds to say the reason for the adjustment is that the initial bid came in for only a half a roof.

Council President Boone declared the public hearing closed at 5:05 p.m.

IV(a). ACTION on PUBLIC HEARING [“Proposed” Fiscal Year 2024 Municipal Budget]

MOTION _____ MORANG SECOND _____ DANA-CUMMINGS (PASSED 4-1)
(Councilor Andrews Voted “NO”)

To approve the FY2024 budget with the exception that the Police Department be reviewed in the month of October and to also approve and include the requested amendment brought forth to the School budget from the Superintendent to the Interim City Manager as presented.

Amount to be raised in taxes is \$3,328,919.00 for a total budget of \$5,787,412.00.

To approve the FY2024 budget of \$5,787,412.00 of which \$3,246,984.00 is education the amount to be raised by taxes \$3,328,919.00 and to approve a Sewer budget of \$690,098.00.

**V. COUNCIL APPROVAL to SET INTEREST RATE for FY2024
REAL ESTATE TAXES** *(per State, Cannot Exceed 8.0%)*

MOTION DANA-CUMMINGS **SECOND** MORANG **(PASSED 4-1)**

Councilor Andrews Voted "NO"

To authorize and approve to set the interest rate for FY2024 Real Estate taxes at 8%.

**VI. COUNCIL APPROVAL to set DATE for INTEREST to COMMENCE
for FY2024 REAL ESTATE TAXES** *(Recommended to be November 1st)*

MOTION PEACOCK **SECOND** DANA-CUMMINGS **(PASSED 5-0)**

To authorize and approve to set the date for interest to commence on November 1st, 2023 on the FY2024 Real Estate Taxes.

**VII. AUTHORIZE TAX COLLECTOR to ACCEPT REAL ESTATE
TAX PRE-PAYMENTS for FY2025** *(at 0% interest)*

MOTION DANA-CUMMINGS **SECOND** PEACOCK **(PASSED 5-0)**

To authorize Tax Collector to accept real estate tax pre-payments for FY2025 at 0% interest.

VIII. ADJOURN

MOTION DANA-CUMMINGS **SECOND** MORANG **(PASSED 5-0) TIME: 5:43 p.m.**

To adjourn.