

**SPECIAL MEETING
LOCKHART CITY COUNCIL**

MAY 9, 2023

6:30 P.M.

CLARK LIBRARY ANNEX-COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 217 SOUTH MAIN STREET, 3RD FLOOR, LOCKHART, TEXAS

Council present:

Councilmember John Castillo
Councilmember Juan Mendoza
Councilmember Jeffry Michelson

Mayor Lew White
Councilmember Brad Westmoreland
Councilmember Kara McGregor
Mayor Pro-Tem Angie Gonzales-Sanchez

Staff present:

Steve Lewis, City Manager
Julie Bowermon, Civil Service/HR Director
Cean Charles, EMS Director

Sean Kelley, Public Works Director
Bob Leos, Electric Superintendent
Pam Larison, Finance Director

Citizens/Visitors Addressing the Council: None.

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER.

Mayor Lew White called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM 2-A. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, CITY UTILITIES AND SPECIAL FUNDS.

There was discussion regarding revenue and expenditures of the following:

- Electric Fund
- Utility Billing Fund
- Water Fund
 - Increase of approximately \$3.00 per month in residential water fee
 - New generators purchased for the water plants to be used during power outages
 - Funds allocated to repaint and update the city logo on the San Jacinto water tower
- Wastewater Fund
 - Increase of approximately \$3.00 per month in residential wastewater fee
- Solid Waste Fund
 - Increase of 5% fee to Central Texas Refuse
- Solid Waste Recycling
 - Increase to purchase new bailer for the Recycling Center
- EMS
 - Interlocal agreement with Caldwell County to share costs of capital expenditures and personnel
 - Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will no longer be contracted to Ascension Seton and it will be managed by the City of Lockhart and be funded by both the City of Lockhart and Caldwell County
 - Funds allocated to purchase new ambulance, education tool, life monitors, and other equipment.

- Airport

○ Paving project funded through grant received from the Texas Department of Transportation
Ms. Larison stated that staff still need to receive the tax rate from the Caldwell County Appraisal District and that the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority will present their budget to the Council at a future meeting.

There was discussion regarding an update about EMS and the proposed Emergency Service District.

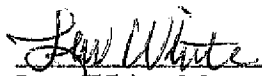
Ms. Larison stated Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority will present their budget during the June 20th meeting.

ITEM 3. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Pro-Tem Sanchez made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Mendoza seconded.
The motion passed by a vote of 7-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

PASSED and APPROVED this the 2nd day of April, 2024.

CITY OF LOCKHART



Lew White, Mayor

ATTEST:



Julie Bowermon
City Secretary

