

Town of Hertford
Work Session Meeting (In Person/Facebook)
Monday, April 24, 2023 – 6:00 PM
Horace Reid Community Center, 305 W Grubb Street

The Council of the Town of Hertford held a Work Session Meeting at the Horace Reid Community Center (also by Facebook) on Monday, April 24, 2023, at 6:00 PM.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Connie Brothers	Ashley Hodges, Mayor Pro Tem (arrived at 6:20 pm)
Jerry Mimplitsch	Sandra Anderson

COUNCIL MEMBER(S) ABSENT

Earnell Brown, Mayor

STAFF PRESENT

Janice McKenzie Cole, Town Manager
Doris Walton, Assistant to the Town Manager
Ashley Eure, Account Specialist

A quorum was present.

CALL TO ORDER

Councilman Mimplitsch called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by Councilman Mimplitsch, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Anderson made a motion to have Councilman Mimplitsch chair the meeting in Mayor Pro Tem Hodge's absence. Councilwoman Brothers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brothers to approve the agenda. Councilman Anderson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- a) **Fire Truck Financing** – Manager Cole proposed to have half of the amount (\$325K) of the new fire truck taken out of the Fund Balance as a one-time expense, and the remaining amount (\$325K) to be financed through a USDA or bank loan. A motion to approve the Town using \$325K from the Fund Balance

and issuing debt for the remaining \$325K was made by Councilwoman Anderson and seconded by Councilwoman Brothers. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Presentation of the Proposed Budget for FY23-24**– Manager Cole presented the Proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget for the Town of Hertford.

Mayor Pro Tem Hodges joined the meeting at 6:20 pm. A motion was made by Councilwoman Brothers to pass the gavel to Mayor Pro Tem Hodges. Councilwoman Anderson seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Councilman Mimplitsch made a motion to submit the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 23-24 to the Local Government Commission (LGC) and hold a public hearing on May 22, 2023. Councilwoman Brothers seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- b) **Manager's Update** – Manager Cole discussed the fireworks for July 2nd, 2023. A contribution of \$500 each from the County, TDA, and the Town will be made towards the fireworks display. In lieu of food trucks, local churches and organizations will be given the opportunity to cook and sell plates during the event.

Manager Cole was asked to be a keynote speaker on May 2nd, 2023, in Williamston regarding the UAL list and overcoming its challenges.

Harbor Towns has created uniform signage to be placed in all the five towns that make up Harbor Towns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Hodges read the announcements.

Councilman Mimplitsch made a motion to adjourn, and Councilwoman Brothers seconded. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 PM.