

MINUTES
Lefors City Council
Special Meeting August 26, 2024
Budget and Proposed Tax Rate Public Hearing

The meeting was called to order at 6:57 p.m. by Mayor Michael Ray. Present were council members Ashley Miller, Jerry Stegall, Savannah Kingcade, and Aaron Hunt. Council member James Gee was absent

Mayor Ray led the Pledge of Allegiance and said the Invocation.

Councilwoman Kingcade made a motion to approve minutes from August 12, 2024, regular meeting. Councilwoman Miller seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Mayor Ray opened the public hearing at 6:58 p.m. Citizens Dennie Boyd, Larry Franks, Richard and Linda Beaubien, Beverly Klein, Rick McMullen, Danny Gilbert, Nora Franks, Ron and Molly Turpin, and Bob and Cynde Crisostomo were present. Marshal Hayden Gray was also present.

The council answered questions from the citizens present regarding the budget, proposed tax rate, and the issues facing the City regarding the wastewater treatment plant.

Mayor Ray closed the public hearing at 8:01 p.m. and the Council convened into regular session.

Councilwoman Kingcade made a motion to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-0826, adopting the 2024-2025 fiscal year budget. Councilman Hunt seconded. Councilman Hunt voted FOR, Councilwoman Kingcade voted FOR, Councilwoman Miller voted FOR, Councilman Stegall voted FOR. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilman Hunt made a motion to set the property tax rate at \$1.11 per \$100.00 valuation. Councilwoman Kingcade seconded. Councilman Hunt voted FOR, Councilman Stegall voted FOR, Councilwoman Kingcade voted FOR, Councilwoman Miller voted FOR. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Miller made a motion to allow Savannah and Eric Kingcade to make improvements to the Civic Center by donation of time and materials as approved by Mayor. Councilman Stegall seconded. Council members Stegall, Miller, and Hunt voted FOR. Councilwoman Kingcade abstained. Motion passed.

The council convened into executive session at 8:08 to discuss personnel.

The council returned to regular session at 8:32.

Councilman Hunt brought forth his motion made in executive session to lay off a public works employee due to budget restraints. Councilman Stegall seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

Councilwoman Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Hunt seconded. Vote unanimous. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

City Secretary

Mayor