

**FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
May 7th, 2024
12:30 P.M.**

Present: Russell Wade, Ben Bridges, Curtis Moses and Mike Holley. Absent: None. Also present: Alan Ates, Brenda Abercrombie, Glenn Hutto, Danielle Harkins and Johnny Creed.

Mr. Wade called the meeting to order. Mr. Holley led the group in prayer.

Public Comments were held on agenda items. There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Moses, seconded by Mr. Bridges and declared adopted by unanimous vote to approve the agenda as written.

Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Bridges to approve the minutes of the April 2nd, 2024 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A brief discussion was held regarding overtime for Landfill office personnel. Mrs. Branton had 4 ½ hours of overtime for the month. Mrs. Nelson had 3 hours of overtime for the month. Both ladies are accumulating overtime when the other is out of the office and they are working through lunch. In the past if the office personnel went to lunch the Superintendent or the Assistant Superintendent would operate the scales. The Committee suggested that the Superintendent and/or the Assistant Superintendent be available to operate the scales so that the unnecessary overtime can be eliminated. **Motion Mr. Holley, seconded by Mr. Bridges to recommend to the full jury to eliminate overtime for office personnel at the Landfill. Lunch breaks will be staggered accordingly and supervisor weighmasters will be utilized when the need arises. Motion carried unanimously.**

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the Interim Road Superintendent's pay. Mr. Ates is currently the Interim Road Superintendent. He is considered an hourly employee. Mr. Ates has not been turning in his overtime hours. Mr. Ates is currently managing his normal district area in addition to managing the Road Superintendent's position. Mr. Wade suggested a monthly stipend for Interim Road Superintendent pay. After much discussion, it was decided that Mr. Ates would start submitting his overtime hours and would be paid accordingly. No action taken.

A brief discussion was held regarding the bidding for materials and supplies. The jury had always bid out materials/supplies every six months. The previous Public Works Director changed that. **Motion Mr. Bridges, seconded by Mr. Moses to recommend to the full jury to authorize the Secretary/Treasurer to solicit bids for materials/supplies on a six (6) month basis instead of one year. Motion carried unanimously.**

The Secretary/Treasurer presented the April Revenue and Expenditure Report to the Finance Committee. The Revenue and Expenditure report shows a budget to actual comparison.

The jurors were emailed copies of the LNB Investment bank statements as well as the LAMP statement. The interest rates were highlighted during the meeting and the amount of interest that is being earned.

The Secretary/Treasurer highlighted the General, Road Maintenance, Airport, Detention Center, Sales Tax and Collection funds. The Secretary/Treasurer also talked about millages that will expire December 31, 2026 and the options for holding an election. The Secretary/Treasurer gave a brief update on the 2023 Financial Audit.

- Blue Cross Health Insurance for the month was \$93,135.28
- Interest paid from LNB, LAMP and Origin accounts
- Overtime for Road/Landfill

The Landfill had a total of 24.50 hours of overtime:

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| Tommy Ates | 1 |
| Jean Branton | 4.5 |
| Sidney Caughman | 1.5 |
| Derrick Cook | 4.0 |
| Justin Echols | 1.5 |
| Greg Hand | 1.5 |
| Roy Kendrix | 4.0 |
| Juliana Nelson | 3.0 |
| Timothy Williams | 1.5 |
| James Williams | 1.5 |

The Road Department had a total of 130.50 hours of overtime:

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| Stephen Barmore | 12.50 |
| Willie Burden | 46.5 |
| Jory Hudson | 7.5 |
| Brian Nyegaard | 7.0 |
| Ronald Raye | 14.5 |
| Odis Riley | 4.0 |
| Richard Scarborough | 8.0 |
| Andrew Simpson | 4.0 |
| Richard Wheelington | 14.5 |
| Scott Williams | 6.0 |
| Ethan Williams | 6.0 |

Most of the Road Department overtime was for call outs for downed trees.

- UPDC - \$179,543.70 for state funds. TWP revenue for April was \$27,161.76. Revenue over last month is down \$21,683.44.
- Sales Tax 13 - .01 sales tax for the month generated \$305,436.18
Tipping Fees - \$79,975.03
Financial Assurance Payment - \$594,339.00. The Landfill engineer provided the amount based on air space calculations.
- Unemployment claims totaled \$9,298.31. These claims were paid out of the General Fund and Sales Tax Fund. The jury is self-funded. Unemployment claims are always disputed, but sometimes they are allowed by the Unemployment office.

The Secretary/Treasurer gave a brief update on the TWP audit. The audit has been completed, but the audit will not be released until mid-May. Until the audit is officially published the details cannot be discussed.

The Revenue and Expense report will be adopted during the regular meeting.

There being no more business to come before the committee, Mr. Wade declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Holley and duly seconded by Mr. Moses on this the 7th day of May, 2024.

Russell Wade, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer