

Present: Joey Campbell, Richard Hirschi, Kelly Wilson, David Hirschi, Nanette Billings, and Justin Sip

Staff: Mike Chandler, Darrel Humphries, Kavyn Cox, Kim Spendlove, Fay Reber, Matt Goodrich, Logan Murphey, Seth Wright, Gary Wilcox, and Mario Campos

Audience: Yvonne Spendlove, Dixie Hirschi, and Jody Wilcox,

Prayer and pledge: Mike Chandler

Public comments: None

No conflicts of interest to discuss.

The minutes from the November 14, 2023, meeting were discussed.

Motion by Nanette Billings to approve the November 14, 2023, minutes. Second by Justin Sip. Carried by unanimous vote.

Motion by Justin Sip to move into the public hearing for the 2024 budget.

Nothing to discuss.

Motion by Justin Sip to close the public hearing.

Fay had two resolutions to approve. The first is a resolution amending the 2023 Budget and the second is adopting the 2024 Budget.

Darrel discussed the changes to the budget. The district spent about \$3 million less than budgeted because of the Harrisburg Pressure Line project that did not end up needing to be done. The impact fees changed a bit as well as some of the smaller expenditures.

The 2024 Budget is the same as the year before but some changes to the Capital Budget were made. This includes the purchase of new vehicles for the district that won't be received until January 2024. Another project added was the 700 West slip line project. A 3.2 percent raise for employees was budgeted with eight merit raises being given to some employees. All the employees will be within the salary ranges.

Motion by Nanette Billings to adopt the amended budget for 2023. Second by David Hirschi. Carried by unanimous vote.

Nanette asked about the lower revenue projections for 2024. Darrel said that this is mostly because of impact fees and interest rates. Mike also mentioned that the cost of the treatment plan is coming in higher than the district anticipated.

Motion by Justin Sip to approve the 2024 Budget. Second by Richard Hirschi. Carried by unanimous vote.

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Mike discussed the possibility of a motion concerning approval of Bowen Collins management contract. This proposal would be for the duration of the 2-year construction process for the Confluence Park Treatment Plant project. The cost is broken down by hourly rates and estimates for time. The percentage of the cost is about 5.3% of the total project. This brings the total engineering costs for the project to 9.3%. Mike mentioned that standard in the industry is about 12-15%.

Mike requested approval for the Bowen Collins proposal of \$2,083,615.00 for project management.

Motion by Justin Sip to approve the Bowen Collins proposal of \$2,083,615.00 for project management. Carried by unanimous vote.

Mike discussed the approval of the AGECE proposal. He discussed what the proposal entails. Mike is asking for the approval of the total of \$227,170.00. By way of reference, that is 0.5% of the project.

Motion by Justin Sip to approve the proposal for AGECE in the amount of \$227,170.00. Second by Richard Hirschi. Carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn at 5:40pm.