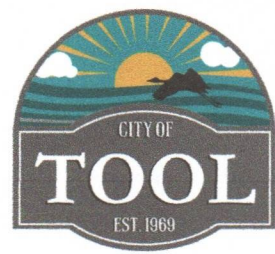


Minutes
July 17th, 2023 @ 10:00 a.m.
Budget Workshop



1. Call to Order @ 10:03 am
2. Roll Call: Brasfield, Dumont, Figueroa, Fladmark, Holley, Lawhon. Brasfield Absent. Brasfield Absent. Quorum was established with Mayor Lawhon Presiding.

Presentations, Proclamations and Recognitions

3. Receive Presentation from Tufan Kilinc on a proposed development on the 81 acres located off of State Highway 274 and Arnold Hills Road. Mr. Kilinc explained his vision for Tool. This vision included a marina, residential housing, hotel, possible municipal building and five acres being donated to the City of Tool for a Park. Councilmember Dumont stated that it would cost \$2.7 Million Dollars to build the park as of now with \$1.6 Million Dollars of that being infrastructure alone. Councilmember Fladmark stated that he was looking forward to seeing plans and all required permits and certifications. Councilmember Fladmark concluded by saying that creating a strategic plan for the City of Tool was needed.
4. Receive Certificate for Resolution presentation for a Resolution of the City Council of the city of Tool, Texas, directing publication of notice of intention to issue Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation. Samco Capital was present at the meeting and discussed the differences in Certificates of Obligation and General Obligations and the legal process required for going out for these types of funding. Councilmember Dumont stated that the Certificates of Obligation would be used for the Park only. Councilmember Fladmark requested language changes in the Resolution and inquired if the City could accelerate the payback of Certificates of Obligations.
5. **Citizen Comments:** Citizens wishing to speak on an agenda item must sign up to do so (**3 Minute Maximum**)
 - a) Jacqui Moses spoke on Items 3,4,6
 - b) Julie Spanos spoke on Items 3 and 4
 - c) Tawnya spoke on Items 3,4,6
 - d) Vera Bennett spoke on Items 3,4,6
 - e) Marabelle Gummere spoke on Item 3
 - f) Summer Harrison spoke on Items 3,4,6
 - g) Mark Schnatzmeyer spoke on Items 3,4,6
 - h) Gary Sestito spoke on Items 3,4,6

(Break was taken @ 12:27pm. Reconvened @ 1:01pm.)

Statutory Agenda - *The purpose of this section is to have full discussion upon request by the Tool City Council. Ideas, thoughts and decisions are formulated by City Council and staff plans, operations, policies, and/or future projects, including the following:*

6. General Discussion on proposed Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget presented by City Administrator.

City Administrator Kizzee discussed Fund Summaries for all accounts and discussed the creation of a Capital Improvement Fund. City Administrator Kizzee stated that with the creation of this fund, it would free up 25% of the total budget and that its major use would be a saving account that would be completely separate from the Emergency Fund. The City Controller and City Administrator Kizzee discussed employee benefits and compensation plan. City Administrator Kizzee also discussed all new expenses that would be added to the budget for next fiscal year.

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Councilmember Figueroa answered questions related to new police vehicles, reducing dispatch, adding an additional police officer, adding a code enforcement officer, and adding a full time City Controller. Councilmember Figueroa also discussed the tax rate from FY 2022-2023 and his hope to see business come to the City of Tool in the future.

(Break was taken @ 3:25pm. Reconvened @ 3:31pm.)

7. **Council Comments** - Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; and/or inquiries of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policy from the Mayor, Councilpersons, and City staff, for which no formal action will be discussed or taken.

Councilmember Dumont discussed revision on Park.

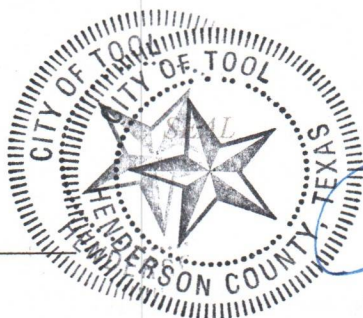
8. **Staff Comments** - Hear announcements concerning matters appearing on the agenda; items of community interest; Staff gives regards dealing with specific factual information or existing policy dealing within the City, that may have an impact on citizens, staff or the City Council of Tool. No formal action will be discussed or taken.
9. **Closing**
A. Next Meeting: July 20th, 2023
B. Adjourn@ 3:36pm

A meeting that is “open to the public”, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, is one that the public is permitted to attend. The act does not entitle the public to choose the items to be discussed or to speak about items on the agenda. If the City Council, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, should determine that an executive session is required, then such executive session, as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Council at the date, hour and place given in this notice, concerning but not limited to the following sections and purposes of the Act: 551.071 Private consultation with the city’s attorney; 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property; or, 551.074 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel. Should any final action, final decision or final vote be required in the opinion of the City Council regarding any matter considered in such executive session, then the final action, final decision or final vote shall be in the open meeting covered by this Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting.

I certify that the above notice of meeting, a true and correct copy, was posted on the bulletin board in front of Tool City Hall prior to the required 72 hours and that the city’s official newspaper was notified.

Passed and Approve on this 17th Day of August 2023.

Tommy Lawhon, Mayor



Attest:

Kimberley Price, City Secretary