

HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

JUNE 17, 2024 | 6:00 PM | TC COURTHOUSE

MINUTES

Members Present: 7/8

Landon Gulley, Chair

Tommy Belcher

Lesley Overman

Bubba Gregory, Vice Chair

Will Dennis

Beverly Atwood

Jerry Ford

Members Absent: Grant Cothron

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Gulley with seven members present.

Review Minutes from the May 20 meeting.

Overman made a motion to accept minutes as presented; seconded by Atwood. **MINUTES ACCEPTED**

Financial Statements

Committee reviewed the following:

- Trustee Cash Balance Statement – May 2024
- Financial Summaries – May 2024 *91.67% of budget*

Committee reviewed all reports. No major concerns were addressed.

Motion by Gregory to accept financial statements as presented; seconded by Atwood. **STATEMENTS ACCEPTED**

Budget Amendments

FUND 101 – GENERAL FUND

101-23	Salary Supplement	\$	401
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Salary supplement for Administrative Officer Amy Thomas for her work and time during the Budget Hearing Process.

101-24	Clean Up Line Items		2,220
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Year-end clean up of line items.

FUND 111 – URBAN SERVICES

111-08	Clean Up Line Items	\$	17,057
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Year-end clean up of line items.

FUND 116 – SOLID WASTE

116-02	Clean Up Line Items	\$	13,253
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Year-end clean up of line items.

FUND 118 – AMBULANCE SERVICES

118-05	Clean Up Line Items	\$	10
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Year-end clean up of line items.

FUND 131 – HIGHWAY SERVICES

131-04	Correct Items	\$	6,909
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Year-end clean up of line items.

FUND 141 – GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOLS

141-14	Carrer Ladder Supplement	\$	1,141
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Revenue from State Ladder program for Director’s CEO supplement provided by the State.

141-15	Summer Learning Program		154,100
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Appropriating revenue for the Summer Learning Program.

141-16	Summer Learning Program – Transportation		27,949
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Appropriating revenue for the Summer Learning Program Transportation needs.

Motion by Atwood to recommend **all budget amendments** to the full commission; seconded by Overman. **MOTION CARRIED**

Discussion

- A. **FY 2025 Budget.** Committee has reviewed the budget in its entirety. A summary of ending fund balances was provided. The numbers include a 2.5% Cost of Living Adjustment for all employees, but no merit step increases. There are 13 employees that received salary adjustments based on proven training and certifications, added responsibilities, or position changes.

The tax rates have also been provided with examples of increase to the rates. All are based on a 1¢ value from the Assessor’s office.

Budget is provided on a “worst case scenario” with revenues estimated low and expenditures on the high side. All departments received a favorable recommendation from the Committee throughout the budget hearing process.

Motion by Overman to recommend the FY2025 budget as presented with a 1.9877 tax rate to the full Commission; seconded by Belcher. **MOTION CARRIED**
Jerry Ford Opposed, Grant Cothron Absent

- B. **Ward School.** A resolution is being presented to the full Commission this month to accept the Broadband Ready grant for the Connected Communities Funding that will go towards renovations at the historic Ward School. Within the resolution is accepting the grant and the 14% match. Originally the match was 10%, but after working through estimates to budget the project, the match is \$313,900. *No recommendation was made by the Committee at this meeting.*

Public Comment

- *None presented*

Adjourn

*Motion by B Gregory; second by Atwood
 Meeting adjourned at 6:46pm*