

HARTSVILLE/TROUSDALE COUNTY METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

BUDGET HEARINGS FY2026

MAY 14, 2025 | 6:00 PM | TC COURTHOUSE

MINUTES

Members Present: 7/7

Landon Gulley, Chair

Will Dennis

Amy Thomas (*nvm*)

Bubba Gregory, Vice Chair

Chris Gregory

Beverly Atwood

Jerry Ford

Members Absent: Lesley Overman

Others in attendance: Cliff Sallee

Meeting was called to order at 6pm by Commissioner Gulley.

Tonight's focus is the departments of Public Works which include County Buildings, Parks, Solid Waste Services, and Residential Trash Services.

Fund 101 – County General

51800 Buildings – Inquiries were made on line item 707 Building Improvements. Several projects are scheduled for the coming year that involves completing the Planning office suite, Trustee's suite, flooring in the Archives building, and several air units will need to be replaced. Will also be replacing light fixtures with LEDs throughout the County Buildings

Motion by B Gregory to approve; seconded by C Gregory

51800 RECOMMENDED

55120 Animal Shelter – Sallee asked to move the Overtime (187) line item to \$1,500 to cover hours over the weekend and at nights. The current attendant has cleaned the place up and running very efficiently; animals are moving through to loving homes.

Motion by C Gregory to approve with adjustment; seconded by Atwood **55120 RECOMMENDED**

56700 Parks – Gulley asked about projects discussed in the Parks & Recreation Committee such as resurfacing the walking track and the pool renovations. Sallee said he needed to put those ideas off for a year and possibly apply for grant funding. His staff is overloaded with projects at this time. As far as the pool, Sallee does not have firm numbers at this time, but the pool does need attention before the next season. C Gregory asked if there were open positions as some salary lines were not fully used; Sallee has not been fully staffed all year and has a handful of new hires.

Motion by B Gregory to approve; seconded by Atwood

56700 RECOMMENDED

Fund 111 – Urban Services

55731 Waste Pick Up – B Gregory asked if he was fully staffed in this area; Sallee has a couple of openings and some may be filled through the Workforce program. Gulley noted that tipping fees at Smith County have moved from \$37/ton to \$50/ton; asks to increase line 359 Disposal Fees to \$70,000.

Motion by Atwood to approve with adjustments; seconded by Ford

55731 RECOMMENDED

Fund 116 – Solid Waste

Revenues – C Gregory asked if 43106 should be adjusted due to dumpster fees increasing; Gulley advised to shoot low on Revenues.

55732 Convenience Center – Adjustments have been made to some position rates due to added responsibilities; other salary line items have been "padded" to cover holidays and weekends adequately.

Sallee noted that line 733 Solid Waste Equipment was to purchase 10 dumpsters that need to be replaced.

Motion by Atwood to approve; seconded by B Gregory

55732 RECOMMENDED

55751 Recycling – Major request is for a Bobcat at the Recycling building for \$39,000. Sallee said he was looking at grants to cover the bobcat expense and it can be removed at this time until he can get more information. Line item 336 Equipment Repairs and Maintenance is high due to refurbishing bailers over the year; has two other pieces of equipment that will attention the coming year.

Motion by C Gregory to approve with adjustments; seconded by Ford

55751 RECOMMENDED

Remaining functions were reviewed.

Motion by C Gregory to approve 116 in its entirety; seconded by Atwood

FUND 116 RECOMMENDED

Hearings concluded at 6:44PM Atwood, Ford

ADJOURNED