

BUDGET WORKSHOP / SPECIAL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in a budget workshop / special meeting on Monday, August 24, 2015 in council chambers at 5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe D. Hermes called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Councilmembers Doug Kelley, Wayne Callis, Maxine Price and Johnny Vasquez. Councilmember Jean Anne Sorensen was absent. Also present were City Manager Don Doering, City Secretary Becky Miska, Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge, Street Superintendent Steve Sample, Finance Director Olga Salomon and Assistant Chief Kurt Janica.

VISITORS: Barbara Culpepper

GENERAL DISCUSSION ON 2015-2016 BUDGET:

Mayor Hermes noted changes to General Revenue the line item for ambulance fees will be \$62,500 and JCESD #3 income \$136,335. The Edna Fire/EMS building repairs will be increased by \$10,000 to bring the restroom to ADA compliance per inspection by the USDA. Councilmember Kelley asked why the city is buying a \$50,000 patrol car when the city is so hard up for money. Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge noted that the patrol cars are on a replacement rotation schedule. A patrol car gets replaced every year and he would do whatever the council says to do. It is either buy one car this year or two cars next year. Mayor Hermes asked what the council wanted to do. Councilmember Price stated that she didn't want the city to get into the same shape they were before as to replacing vehicles. Councilmember Callis replied keep it in the budget and buy the car.

General discussion continued and council reviewed the remaining proposed budget.

ADJOURN:

Councilmember Callis made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Joe Hermes, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Becky Miska, City Secretary