

## **Town Council Budget Work Session Minutes of April 08, 2021**

The Town of Winnsboro Council met in a budget work session April 8, 2021, at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Old Armory (due to Covid-19). Following normal procedures, copies of the agenda were provided to Council, The Voice and the Country Chronicle. Those in attendance were:

Mayor Roger Gaddy  
Councilman John McMeekin  
Councilman Danny Miller  
Councilwoman Janice Bartell-Prather  
Councilman Demetrius Chatman

### Staff and Guests

Don Wood, Town Manager  
Lorraine Abell, ATM  
Kathy Belton, Finance Director

**Call to Order:** Mayor Gaddy called the work session at 6:15 p.m.

### **New Business:**

#### **A. Presentation and Deliberation of FY 2020-21 General Fund Budget**

Mr. Wood discussed in detail the revenues and expenditures of the General Fund proposed budget and capital expenditures.

Main items discussed by Council were:

Salaries increase for Council. Council salaries can only be increased after an election. Council agreed to increase 5% which would be the COL that the employees received over the last two years. Council requested a listing of salaries by department. This would be discussed in Executive Session and must remain confidential. Council discussed the salary of the new Zoning director, since this will become a part time position.

Council inquired about Municipal Court budget figures being the same as last year. Mr. Wood stated that the Courts did not submit a budget and inquiries were made several times. Mr. Wood stated that Judge Goode would be the responsible person for submitting the budget.

### **Other Business:**

Mayor Gaddy informed Council that the contract for the new town manager had been negotiated and signed. Mayor Pro-tem made a motion to endorse the contract for a new town manager, Mr. Jason Taylor. The motion was seconded by Councilman Demetrius Chatman. All voted aye.

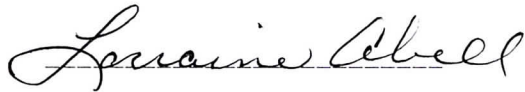
Councilman Miller inquired about the new Business License requirements that the municipal association is discussing. Ms. Belton explained and stated the town is already preparing for the change. Councilwoman Bartell-Prather inquired about the phone response time, if it had improved.

Ms. Belton explained it had improved but each call requires a different length of time.

**Questions from the Media:** None

**Adjournment:** Councilman Chatman made a motion for adjournment; seconded by Councilman McMeekin. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine Abell  
Assistant to Town Manager

Approved:



Mayor Roger Gaddy