

**MINUTES  
HENDERSON CITY COUNCIL  
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

May 14, 2019

The City Council met on this date at 5:00 p.m. with Mayor Buzz Fullen presiding. Council Members present included Tommy Goode, Michael Searcy, Melissa Morton and Steve Higginbotham. Council Member Henry Pace arrived at 5:18 p.m.

Staff members present included City Manager Jay Abercrombie, Chief of Police Chad Taylor, Fire Chief Rusty Chote, Public Services Director Davis Brown, Public Utilities Director Randy Boyd, Finance Director Karen Vaughn, Community Development Manager Billy Hughes and City Secretary Cheryl Jimerson.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Fullen called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m., declared a quorum and announced that notices were legally posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS - REGULAR SESSION:**

**1. Budget Planning Workshop.**

Mayor Fullen asked Council Members if they had any questions about the Strategic Plan handed out at the May 7, 2019 Meeting.

Council Member Steve Higginbotham asked Police Chief Taylor if the \$53,000 was correct for the SUV under the vehicle replacement schedule. Chief Taylor stated it was. That prompted Council Member Higginbotham to ask about the vehicle under the replacement schedule for the 20-21 Budget at \$45,000? Chad explained that was incorrect, he only updated the 19-20 Strategic Plan and that he would get that corrected.

Council Member Melissa Morton asked how many Police Department employees are trained as drone operators? Chad stated a total of six; one in the Police Department and one in CID on each shift. Melissa also asked the Utilities Director Randy Boyd if the maintenance agreement on the painting/upkeep of the water storage tanks is working well? Randy stated it is; we are in the sixth year of the fifteen-year agreement.

There were no other questions about the Strategic Plan.

**2. Discuss possible Emergency Mitigation Plan for Hardy Creek from West Main to HWY 79 South.**

Mayor Fullen updated Council Members on the Housing Authority living units on W. Main Street being flooded 4 times in the last 3 years. The main cause of the flooding is from years of debris build up causing Hardy Creek to get out of its banks. James Pike made contact with FEMA, he brought in the complete manual with instructions to create a Mitigation Plan. If we use this plan most of the funds will come from FEMA.

**ADJOURNMENT:**


**3. Adjourn.**

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

APPROVED: 

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Buzz Fullen, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Cheryl Jimerson, City Secretary