

MINUTES

Lowell City Council
Special Meeting-Budget
Tuesday, March 2, 2022, 3:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Sandy Railey

Mayor Railey called the meeting to order at 3:00p.m. Those attending in-person were Mayor Pro-Temp Travis Smith, Councilmembers Phil Bonham, Candy Funderburk, and Joanna Fulbright. City staff included City Manager Scott Attaway, Sergeant Jeff Harrison, Volunteer Fire Department Chief Cunningham, and Finance Director, Lisa Nolen, Public Works Director, and City Clerk Cheryl Ramsey. Councilmember Gillespie was not in attendance.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Councilmember Candy Funderburk made a motion to accept the agenda and seconded by Mayor Pro-Temp Smith. The vote was unanimously in favor.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

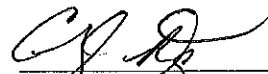
IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion of FY 2022-2023 budget. Chief Cunningham of the Volunteer Fire Department gave a presentation noting his position on what is needed for the VFD to function effectively. He also discussed the funding he has received from grants and grants that he is pursuing.
- B. Chazzo Habliston did a presentation on the City Staff model and affordability to fund seven upcoming projects in the next two to seven years, four housing and three industrial projects and their impact on the tax rate.
- C. Scott Attaway discussed General Fund revenue amounts and ARPA money the City of Lowell is expected to receive. He hopes to bring ARPA agenda to the next council meeting.

- V. **ADJOURN** – Councilmember Bonham made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor. Adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sandy Railey Mayor


Cheryl Ramsey, City Clerk