

**MINUTES**

**CITY OF WARR ACRES  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY  
JULY 6, 2023  
6:00 P.M.**

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Declaration of a quorum present was given.

**ROLL CALL**

Present

Mayor Roger Godwin  
Vice-Mayor Mike Schmidt  
Councilman John Knipp  
Councilwoman Deborah Morris  
Councilman Jim Von Thaer  
Councilwoman Judy Myers  
Councilman Randy Prince

Absent

Councilman Scott Tribbey

2. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of the City of Warr Acres 2022 Annual Audit. \*\*\*\*

Councilwoman Morris asked Kency with Arledge and Associates what the term Modified cash basis meant. He explained that it is a combination of cash and accruals it accounts for all aspects of the city. It provides information that is more relevant than cash basis alone. The city was not required to have a Single audit this year due to the fact they did not expend more than \$750,000 of Federal award money. Kency wanted to point out that on page 43 it discusses types of deficiencies that must be reported if found and the city did not have any deficiencies. Councilman Prince asked about page 15 and what Unrestricted funds were. Kency stated that some money has designated use and unrestricted does not. Councilman Prince then stated that it could be used for anything, Kency stated that it was up to the council. Councilman Prince then asked if they could use that money for anything such as streets. Clerk/Treasurer Ramirez stated that it is money that is used for the daily operations of the city such as salaries, utilities and fuel. He stated that it was unallocated funds and Ramirez stated that this was the audit but that in the 2023 Budget these funds have been appropriated for use. He asked if the city would spend all of that in 2024, she stated that the goal is to stay within the revenue coming and not exceed that with expenditure, however, some of the carry over does get used every year. It is all appropriated and in the 2023 Budget there was only \$5,000 that was not appropriated. He stated that he had worked for the government for 35 years so he knew exactly how it works. They would be very cautious in spending throughout the year and then at the end they would have all this money left to spend. Ramirez stated that is not how it works here. Councilwoman Myers asked about page 28 where it shows Economic Development has \$1.7, she wanted to know if that was just sitting there

available. Ramirez stated that was the balance as of December 31<sup>st</sup>. This money came from a strip bond that was put up by WalMart back in the 90's and when they left the money came to the city and the council at the time put it in Economic Development to help bring in business. Councilman Von Thaer asked if everything in the city went south could that be used in an emergency. The answer was yes, unlike the CIP or Public Safety designated tax money. Councilwoman Myers asked about the Disaster money, she was told that it is the FEMA money from past storms and it goes right back into the Emergency fund for the next storm. It has saved the city many times, if they didn't have that they would be having to borrow to pay for everything because it all has to be paid up front. Kency stated that they wanted to thank Pan and her team for the work the did with them getting the audit done.

Motion by Knipp, second by Von Thaer to accept the 2022 Audit. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Morris, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

3. Adjournment.

Motion by Knipp, second by Schmidt to adjourn. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Myers, yea; Schmidt, yea; Knipp, yea; Morris, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

**Motion Passed Unanimously.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela McDowell-Ramirez  
City Clerk/Treasurer