

January 11, 2021

The council of the City of Bertram held a budget workshop on the above date at 6:00pm virtually via Zoom/phone conference and in person at City Hall. Mayor Dave Hunt and Council members Steve Carpenter, Kim Morahan, Bill Mulholland, Chris Price, Margy Wilson were present.

Budget priorities to consider:

- Park equipment; will need more than \$50,000
- Storm drainage
- Tree cleanup
- Culvert system
- Solar investment at City Park, City Hall, new lighting on new park equipment (grant availability?)
- Options for well repair/replacement at City Park
- Big Creek Bridge repair/replacement/removal
- Knapp Road resurfacing
- Equipment replacement: Blue truck, mower
- Street lighting options as alternative to leasing from Alliant
- Park updates to lighting and restrooms
- Library services
- Updating job descriptions

Also discussed were updates to Aug 10 derecho storm:

- Council wishes to keep metal roof at City Hall/City Shop as an option to replace damaged roof.
- Locks/door replacement at City Hall and pumphouse
- Mobilization of grinding contractors will soon occur in the area

Codification review, Council requested clarification or correction of the following:

- Rabbit hatches referenced in Ch. 55.16
- Bee keeping in Ch. 55.18
- Urban chicken policy Ch. 56 – is this our current policy, or taken from other cities/state code?
- Should include tree cleanup in nuisance abatement
- Language of exceptions in Ch. 51.04
- Clarification on kenneling and whether or not we should continue to restrict animals to two per species per resident.

Workshop closed at 8:13pm.

Lisa Berry, Clerk