

**City of Bowdon
Mayor and Council Meeting
Monday August 12, 2024
7:00PM
Mayor and Council Chambers, 182 Grammar School Road**

I.- IV. Agenda Items:

The Mayor and City Council met for a regular meeting on Monday, August 12th, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Randy Saxon at 7:00PM.

The invocation was led by Councilmember Jan Johnson and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Mayor Randy Saxon
Councilmember Jan Johnson
Councilmember Wes McEntyre
Councilmember Bobby Elliott
Mayor Pro-tem Marty Johnson

Staff present: City Clerk Susan Pierce
Police Chief Mark Brock
Main Street Director Jan Gibbs
City Attorney David Mecklin

V. Dedication of the Gary Bullock Bell Tower

VI. Approval of Meeting Agenda

VII. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the July 8, 2024 meeting were approved with no objections. The agenda was approved with no objections.

VIII. Public Comments

Mrs. Irene Keith expressed her appreciation and thanks for everything the City of Bowdon has done for her. She also thanked everyone who attended her 100th birthday celebration.

IX. Business Session

- A. Millage rate discussion – Jim Triplett gave an overview of the rollback rate with his recommendation. Councilmember McEntyre, Mayor Pro-tem Marty Johnson, Councilmember Jan Johnson, and Councilmember Elliott all spoke in favor of advertising the rollback rate.

Motion by Mayor Pro-tem Marty Johnson to approve the advertisement using the rollback rate; second by Councilmember Jan Johnson; motion carried unanimously.

- B. Year-end Budget Amendments – Jan Gibbs and Jim Triplett will review the June 2024 financials and recommend year-end budget amendments at the September council meeting. The 2023 Audit is close to being completed.

- C. Spring Street paving project – School bus drivers requested we pave the street; Mr. Bullock had a cost estimate of \$69,952 with plans to use \$36,611 from LMIG. After discussion it was determined that there would be an approximate 20% cost increase and we would seek quotes for the work.

D. Bowdon Disposal contract renewal – City Attorney Kevin Drummond made some revisions to the original contract concerning the renewal period. Bowdon Disposal has offered to guarantee the current rate through 2029. They are also interested in the commercial trash service as well.

E. Gymnastics Equipment purchases – new equipment needed for the new renovations and expansion.
Motion by Councilmember Jan Johnson to approve the gymnastics equipment purchases as presented; second by Councilmember McEntyre; motion carried unanimously.

F. Mayor's Reports – still negotiating with AT&T about downtown cable relocation; discussed wall in front of the old Bowdon Inn.

G. City Manager Reports – nothing further.

H. Department Reports – no questions.

X. Financial Session

A. Property Tax Unpaid Balance Summary – no questions.

B. July Financial Reports – no report yet.

C. Cash Balances as of 08/01/2024 – no question

Motion by Councilmember McEntyre to adjourn the meeting; second by Councilmember Elliott; motion carried unanimously.

XI. Adjournment

Mayor Randy Saxon

City Clerk Susan Pierce