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## CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES

### AUGUST 6, 2021

Members of the City Council of the City of Crawford, Nebraska, met in a workshop session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 135 Elm Street, Crawford, Nebraska on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. The following individuals were present: Mayor Connie Shell, Council Member Ed Kuhnel, Council Member Ronnie Thompson, Council Member Susan Leeling and Council Member Zac Riggs. Absent: Attorney Adam Edmund.

Notice of the workshop was given in advance thereof by publishing in The Crawford Clipper/Harrison Sun as shown by the affidavit of publication filed in the City Clerk's office at City Hall and by posting at three locations: City Hall, D & S Market and the US Post Office, as certified and filed in the City Clerk's office at City Hall. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice of the Mayor and City Council of this workshop. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened workshop was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Shell called the workshop to order and declared a quorum present at 5:30 p.m. and announced to the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall in the Council Chambers. It is also available in pamphlet form.

Budget worksheets were provided for the Water, Sewer, General and Police funds.

Water and Sewer funds: Gene Anderson was present to discuss the budgets for the water and sewer funds. The ARP funds were budgeted as half being transferred into the water fund and half into the sewer fund. This coming year, some cash balance may be needed for the bond reserve. By the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the contract for Utility Services will decrease significantly, after which the difference could cover the bond reserve. The City will address the sewer line to NW Auto to be repaired or replaced as soon as possible. A manhole on the north end will not be pursued at this time.

General fund: the usual line items were discussed, with the addition of the ARP revenue.

Police fund: after lengthy discussion, the council asked Mayor Shell to contact Sheriff Dailey on Monday about negotiating for \$100,000 less on the agreement for law enforcement services. \$40,000 was budgeted for repairs-to-buildings, most of which was for the pending hail-damage repairs.


The next budget workshop is scheduled for August 13 at 5:30 pm. at City Hall.

The August 6, 2021 workshop of the City Council concluded at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes by:

  
Jane Dailey  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by:

  
Connie J. Shell  
Mayor