

MINUTES
Plainwell City Council
June 18, 2024

1. Mayor Keeler called the special meeting to order at 5:52 PM in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
3. Roll Call: Present: Mayor Keeler, Mayor Pro Tem Steele, Councilmember Overhuel, Councilmember Keeney (left the meeting at 6.45pm) and Councilmember Wisnaski. Absent: None.
4. Approval of Agenda:
A motion by Steele, seconded by Overhuel, to approve the agenda for the special meeting as presented. On a roll call vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
5. New Business:
 - A. City Manager Lakamper gave an overview of the 2024/2025 City Budget to Council. He discussed the General Fund in detail noting that the operational deficit projected in the budget is one of the bigger challenges facing the city. It was noted that the one-time revenues in Fiscal Year 2024 from property sales inflated the fund balance, but that the bond for the 2022 land purchase and operational deficits have to be paid out of that fund balance. There was discussion of future development helping to increase the tax base and the tax incentives offered by the city and the state to bring that development in resulting in delayed benefit from tax revenues. After a detailed review of the different departments inside the General Fund, there were a few questions about trainings and public safety gear and assignments. Manager Lakamper went on to give an overview of all the other city funds, commenting on each. During the review of the Sewer Fund, Council questioned a budgeted reduction in the Extra Strength Waste (BOD) revenues and the matter was referred back to the administration for clarification.
6. Public Comment: None.
7. Staff Comments: None.
8. Council Comments: None.
9. Adjournment:
A motion by Wisnaski, seconded by Steele, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 PM. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Minutes respectfully
Submitted by,
Brian Kelley
Deputy Clerk

MINUTES APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL
June 24, 2024



JoAnn Leonard, City Clerk