



The Town of Long View Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chambers of Long View Town Hall on Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. for a Special Meeting to discuss budget transfer.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (Physically): The following members of the Board were present: Mayor Marla Thompson, Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Randall Mays, Alderman David Elder, Alderman Gary Lingerfelt, Alderman Phyllis Pennington.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (Electronically): None

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT (Physically): The following members of staff were present:
Town Administrator David Draughn, Town Clerk Heather Minor, Finance Director James Cozart, Police Chief TJ Bates

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT (Electronically): None

OTHERS PRESENT (Electronically): Tracey Davis

OTHERS PRESENT (Physically): None

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Marla Thompson called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Invocation: Finance Director James Cozart

AGENDA ITEMS

Budget Transfer- Finance Director James Cozart

Finance Director James Cozart stated he is requesting the approval of Budget Transfer 4 in the amount of \$21,500. Due to our first payroll in July being 60% in the 2021/2022 it caused an overage in the Police Department salaries and the Street Department Salaries. The Police Department also received some invoices for ammo that has been on order for 18 months back in 2020. Chief TJ Bates also had to order new uniforms for 5 new officers which costs approximately \$1100.00 to outfit a new officer. Finance Director Cozart stated he has requested the Police Department to be increased by \$16,000, however, his actual overage is not that much, we just want to make sure if anything else comes in there is enough to cover it, as well. Street department was over about \$2000.00 but we are asking for \$5500 to be transferred just to make sure there is ample budget there to cover those.

Town Administrator Draughn stated that we have learned through COVID that this is the norm, receiving things way later than expected.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tempore/Alderman Randall Mays and seconded by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt to approve the Budget Transfer 4. The motion was unanimously approved.

AYES: Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Randall Mays
Alderman David Elder
Alderman Gary Lingerfelt
Alderman Phyllis Pennington

NOES: None

Finance Director Cozart stated that since we are gathered and it is the last day of the month, the General Fund as of today has a surplus of a little over \$446,000 and the Utility Fund has a little over \$105,000 as of today.

Finance Director Cozart stated the last thing to bring to their attention was the request to adopt a resolution based on NC General Statute 159-15, allowing budget transfers within the same fund to be done without having to call special meeting.

Alderman David Elder made a motion to adopt the resolution and was seconded by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt. The motion was unanimously approved.

AYES: Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Randall Mays
Alderman David Elder
Alderman Gary Lingerfelt
Alderman Phyllis Pennington

NOES: None

**RESOLUTION
TO ALLOW BUDGET TRANSFERS WITHIN
SAME FUND**

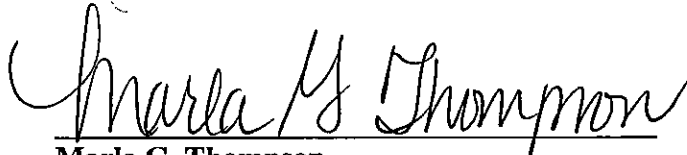
WHEREAS, the Town of Long View does not currently have a policy regarding budget transfers; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long View Board of Aldermen and staff recognizes the need for a budget transfer policy to be used on occasion at the discretion of the Town Finance Director or Budget Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the town of Long View shall abide by North Carolina General Statute 159-15 Except as otherwise restricted by law, the governing board may amend the budget ordinance at any time after the ordinance's adoption in any manner, so long as the ordinance, as amended, continues to satisfy the requirements of G.S. 159-8 and 159-13. However, except as otherwise provided in this section, no amendment may increase or reduce a property tax levy or in any manner alter a property taxpayer's liability, unless the board is ordered to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction, or by a State agency having the power to compel the levy of taxes by the board.

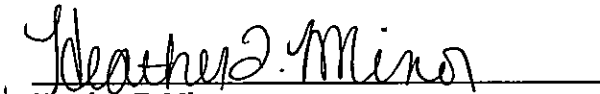
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Marla G. Thompson
Mayor

ATTEST:



Heather T. Minor
Town Clerk

§ 159-15. Amendments to the budget ordinance.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: June 30, 2022

Contact: T.J. Bates, Chief of Police

Town of Long View Names Deputy Police Chief

The Town of Long View is announcing the promotion of Justin Reid to the position of Major / Deputy Police Chief of the Long View Police Department. Major Reid will serve as second in command to Chief T.J. Bates and assist with operations oversight within the organization.

Major Reid will also oversee training, staffing needs, and compliance with legislative mandates. Major Reid brings over 12 years of law enforcement experience with a combined six (6) years of supervisory experience to the position.

Major Reid has been employed by the Long View Police Department for two (2) years, serving in a supervisory role, primary field training officer, training coordinator, and K-9 Handler (K-9 Luca). Major Reid is also a General Law Enforcement Instructor, Taser Instructor, Glock Advanced Armor, and AR-15 Armor. Prior law enforcement service includes ten (10) years of service at the Lenoir Police Department. During Major Reid's tenure with Lenoir Police, he served as a primary field training officer and served in a supervisory role for five (5) years. Additionally, Major Reid served on the Special Response Team (SRT) for five (5) years and served as a K-9 Handler for approximately eight (8) years.

Major Reid has an associate's degree of Science in Biology from Caldwell Community College Technical Institute. Additionally, Major Reid was awarded the Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate from the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education Training Standards Commission.

Chief Bates stated, "I look forward to Major Reid's continued leadership within our organization. His leadership skills, knowledge, and communication skills are well regarded by all members of the organization. I am confident Major Reid will continue to positively impact our community and law enforcement organization in his new leadership role."

Major Justin Reid stated, "I'm honored to be appointed to the position of Deputy Chief. I look forward to my continued work with the citizens of Long View, the employees of the Town, and the amazing officers of the police department. I will continue to do my part to ensure Long View is a safe and enjoyable community for all of its residents and visitors."

The Western Piedmont Council of Governments (WPCOG) assisted the Town of Long View with the search process. The WPCOG received 16 applications for the position. The WPCOG is a regional planning, service, and economic development agency that is owned by and serves the 28 local governments in Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, and Catawba Counties.

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Public Comment

None

Board Member Closing Comments

- Comments by Alderman David Elder
None

- Comments by Alderman Randall Mays
None

- Comments by Alderman Dallas Tester
None

- Comments by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt
None

- Comments by Mayor Marla Thompson
Mayor Thompson stated she would like to take a moment to thank everyone and the town for the beautiful flowers for her mother.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Alderman Gary Lingerfelt seconded by Alderman David Elder to adjourn the meeting at 2:36 pm. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

AYES: Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Randall Mays
Alderman David Elder
Alderman Gary Lingerfelt
Alderman Phyllis Pennington

NOES: None