

The Mayor and Council of the City of Abbeville met for a committee meeting on April 16, 2019 at 5:15 P.M., at the regular meeting place, the Council Meeting Room located at 101 North State Street, with the Honorable Mark Piazza, Mayor presiding.

Members Present: Council Members Francis Plaisance, Terry Broussard, Brady Broussard, Jr., Francis Touchet, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem and Roslyn White

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Ike Funderburk, City Attorney
Jude Mire, Fire Chief
Steve Moosa, CPA

Mayor Piazza stated we are here for a Committee meeting. The committee is the Finance Committee chaired by Councilman Francis Touchet, Jr. He turned the floor over to Councilman Touchet.

Councilman Touchet stated this is our routine quarterly report. We have invited Mr. Steve Moosa to provide us with the update. He asked Mr. Moosa to discuss the data. Mr. Moosa stated he will give an update of the revenues and expenses of the City for the first quarter of 2019. The first page of the documents distributed is the revenue analysis. We compared the same quarter of 2018 with that of 2019. We are 1% short of budget. The April numbers have come in that are not reflected in this data and those numbers are 7% below last year. Water and sewer revenues are 4% below budget. The electrical revenue is down about 16%. We do have a 12-month budget so we may make up these differences in the summer months when people utilize this more. The next page is payroll. Payroll overall City wide is in budget. The overtime in the Police and Fire Departments are more than what we budgeted so that is something that you might have to watch. We did see this same trend in the previous year. The third page is expenditures excluding payroll. The general fund budget is ahead of budget and the utility system fund is also ahead of budget. There are some variances in the general fund in the fire department. They are overbudget. Some of the reason for being ahead of budget is that we are not having to fully fund the health insurance fund since the funding we had is enough to pay claims and not as budgeted. The final page is a recap of your cash balances as of March 31st for the past 5 years. We are slightly down in operating account cash by about \$500,000. Capital outlay is down too but we are spending those funds for capital improvements. Basically, revenues are down but expenses are also below budget. Mayor Piazza asked Chief Mire why the overtime is above budget. Chief Mire stated he has 3 guys out on extended sick leave and the extra 8 hours overtime fell on 3 payrolls in March. We also had the big fire at the Rice Mill. He researched his records for the past 5 years and this appears to always be the trend for the first quarter but by year end it falls in line.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Piazza declared this meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVE:

Kathleen S. Faulk
Secretary-Treasurer

Mark Piazza
Mayor