

City Council
January 19, 2010

A worksession of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Waxahachie, Texas was held in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 401 S. Rogers on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Ron Wilkinson, Mayor
N.B. (Buck) Jordan, Mayor Pro Tem
Chuck Beatty, Councilman
Joe Jenkins, Councilman
John Wray, Councilman

Others Present: Paul Stevens, City Manager
Michael Scott, Assistant City Manager
Steve Chapman, City Attorney
Lori Saunders, City Secretary

Mayor Ron Wilkinson called the meeting.

Finance Director Charlie Harris reviewed the utility budget and rate issues and reported at the beginning of the 2010 fiscal year, and for the next four years, the Water Fund's operating revenues will fall short of operating expenditures plus debt service costs. It is anticipated that for five consecutive years, beginning in 2010, water rates, fees, and charges will need to be increased by an estimated annual rate of 3.5% per year. The proposed plan calls for approximately \$1.6 million of surplus water bond funds to be used to pay a portion of water debt service costs maturing during the next four years. It is proposed that this deficit be eliminated by transferring all of the resources of the Water District into the Water Fund. There will be no increase in Waste-water rates during the five-year window. At the Sokoll plant, the ratio of consumption between Rocket and the City will remain 80:20, respectively throughout the five-year period.

After further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

No action taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Saunders
City Secretary