

**AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 8, 2010
TIME: 5:30 P. M.**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jones at 5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Chairman Mike Jones, Citizens Pam Henderson, Harry Johnson; Utilities Superintendent Doug Smith, City Clerk Bernal.
Citizen Hope Guthrie and City Attorney Duncan absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Henderson moved to approve the Minutes of the 02-17-10 meeting. Second by Mr. Johnson.

Four ayes

Member Guthrie absent

BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM # 1. REVIEW OF FY-09 AUDIT: Carr Riggs & Ingram, LLC

Chairman Jones asked Ms. Katherine Lynn (Carr Riggs & Ingram) to give the Audit Committee her opinion of how the FY-09 Audit went and a review of the "Draft" Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). Ms. Lynn reviewed several areas in the CAFR which were prepared by Carr Riggs & Ingram, including the concerns about debt service which were cleared up with lots of help from Finance Director Bennett and USDA. She pointed out areas of concern for revenues for FY-10, stating if the City doesn't take action, she thinks it will be something that will have to be reported to the Auditor General next year and she will put that information in a letter to the Board. Chairman Jones stated the Commission has talked about different streams of revenue including a fire assessment and stated when the Commission has budget workshops they will really need to look at what we are going to do and the time frame for seeing any benefits. Ms. Henderson stated it is going to be tightening the belt too. Ms. Lynn stated she thinks it needs to be both. Ms. Lynn reported that staff was very helpful and being located at City Hall this year was very productive.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No audience participation.

Mr. Johnson moved to accept the 2009 Audit Committee Report as presented. Second by Mr. Smith.

Four ayes

Member Guthrie absent

Chairman Jones stated that he will present a formal letter on the Audit Committee's recommendation for auditing services at the March 23, 2010 meeting, as requested by the Commission.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p. m.



Genette R. Bernal, City Clerk