

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**  
**June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016, 5:30 p.m.**

**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL**

The City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas, met in a Special Called Meeting to hear a presentation from Assistant City Manager James Childers regarding a Street Maintenance Fee. Mayor Norm Archibald was present and presiding with Councilmen Shane Price, Jay Hardaway, Steve Savage, Kyle McAlister, and Bruce Kreitler. Councilman Anthony Williams was absent. Also present were City Manager Robert Hanna, Interim City Attorney Stanley Smith, City Secretary Danette Dunlap, and various other members of staff.

Mayor Archibald gave the invocation.

Mayor Archibald led the pledge to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.

James Childers Assistant City Manager presented information regarding a Street Maintenance Fee.

Council and Staff discussion included: 1) Street Maintenance Fee – how it is funded and the mechanisms for the process; 2) reviewed the 7 cities in the state that are currently using this fee; 3) street index study would be used as part of the formula; 4) street index study should be complete around March/April 2017; 5) a dedicated funding source for street repair; 6) cheaper to maintain streets than to have major reconstruction of them; 7) another tool in the tool box; 8) what about out sourcing the street department; 9) sell unused city property; 10) possible vote of the citizens to have the fee; and 11) move forward and look at all possibilities.

Mayor Archibald opened the public hearing and council heard from the following citizens:

- Marian Whitehurst – had concerns with the tax for seniors on fixed income
- Kevin Cooper – put on ballot, have a sunset of the fee and be dedicated for streets
- Ryan Marrs – had concerns about the fees
- Chad Carter – had concerns about former street repairs

There being no one else present and desiring to speak at the public hearing it was closed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

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Danette Dunlap  
City Secretary

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Norm Archibald  
Mayor