

**A special called meeting of the Murphy Town Council was held on May 31, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Murphy Public Library. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 2019-2020 proposed fiscal year budget. The following were present:**

**Town Manager:** Chad Simons

**Mayor:** Rick Ramsey

**Council:** Barry McClure Frank Dickey  
Karen Watson Gail Stansell  
Barbara Hughes Noland Smith

**Police Chief Justin Jacobs, Public Works Director Joe Stillwell, Fire Chief Al Lovingood, Head Librarian Melissa Barker, Water Plant Supervisor Nathan Crubaugh, and Wastewater Plant ORC Tyler White were present.**

Mayor Ramsey opened the meeting at 3 p.m.

Town Manager Chad Simons discussed the proposed fiscal year budget with the Council, fielding questions from Council Members on various issues. Issues discussed were the hiring of an investigator at the Police Department, the police department fleet, beautification funding, water and sewer projects, and staffing at the Fire Department.

Water and Sewer rates were discussed as well, and the Council discussed the option of imposing sanitation fees in the future.

**Motion was made by Watson, seconded by Stansell to adjourn the meeting at 5 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

Clerk: Signed Chad Simons

Mayor: Signed David Rick Ramsey