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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF  
CITY OF KEWAUNEE SPECIAL COMMON COUNCIL MEETING,  
BUDGET HEARING

Kewaunee Municipal Building, 401 Fifth Street  
MONDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2019 - 5:00 P.M.  
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Present: Mayor Christman, Alderpersons Dworak, Schiller, Jelinek, Stangel, Kuehl, Mills and Zimmerman,

Excused: Jackson

Others: Administrator Schnook, Clerk/Treasurer Decur, EDPGW Linsmeier, Public Works Director Strelow, Building Inspector Davister, Deputy Police Chief Kleiman and Librarian Petrina.

Mayor Christman called the Meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17, 2019, AND NOVEMBER 4, 2019, 2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Mayor Christman informed Clerk/Treasurer Decur of some minor spelling and date changes prior to the meeting, Council has received the corrected copies.

Aldersperson Kuehl moved, seconded by Aldersperson Schiller to approve the October 25th, and November 4th, Budget Workshop Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Highlights of Draft 2019 Budget

Administrator Schnook and Clerk/Treasurer Decur reviewed the 2020 Debt Service with the total interest amounts of the Debt separated from the principal.

Administrator Schnook reviewed the percentage of debt limit the City will have in 2020. In 2018, The City was at 51% of their allowable debt and for 2019, the City will be at 49%.

Also Administrator Schnook and Clerk/Treasurer Decur reviewed the Calculation on Agriculture and Manufacturing Assessment. Clerk/Treasurer contacted Assessor Muelver and he stated that the assessment for both Agriculture and Manufacturing is controlled by the State.

Review Proposed Property Tax levy

Administrator Schnook updated the Council on the 2019 Mill Rate for the City, County and School Districts. In 2018 the City's Mill Rate was \$ 9.58, so for a \$100,000 home, the home owner would be paying the \$958.00 for the City's portion. In 2019 the City's Mill Rate is projected to be \$10.66, so for a \$100,000 home, the homeowner is looking at \$1066.00 for the City's portion. On a \$100,000 home the increase would be \$108.00. This does not include the County and School District's mill rate.

Review Employee Compensation

The Council reviewed the Wage/Benefit Worksheet that was used to calculate the wages and benefits for budgeting purpose. Administrator Schnook stated that the calculations include the 3% cost of living increase and on half of the 2018 Wage Study that was performed.

Mayor Christman asked if the Health Insurance increased this year. Clerk/Treasurer Decur will look into the difference and get back to Council.

Review New Initiatives in the Budget

Administrator Schnook started the budget discussion with a power point explaining the steps needed to create and approve the budget. The Mill Rate and Tax Credits were discussed. Also discussion on the 2019 proposed budget highlights that were considered in preparing the Budget like continuing efforts with building, property and zoning maintenance, 2003 G.O. Bond refinancing, Marquette School Demolition Project, River Road Project, completion of the Harbor Master Plan, and starting a separate fund account for equipment replacement for the Fire and Ambulance. Some of the highlights to look forward to in 2020, Completion of River Road Reconstruction New Boat Launch & Handicapped Accessible Kayak Launch, planning for Community Center, update Personnel Policies and paint the water tower to name a few.

Review the 2020 Proposed Budget

Mayor Christman asked the Council if they had any questions regarding the 2020 Proposed Budget they were given to review. It was the consensus that all questions were answered in two Budget Workshops that were held.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Christman opened the Hearing for the Proposed 2020 Budget.

Mayor Christman asked three times if there was anyone that would like to comment on the proposed budget.

Hearing no comment Mayor Christman closed the Public Hearing.

ACT ON/APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 1080-19 ADOPTING CITY OF KEWAUNEE BUDGET AND TAX LEVY FOR THE CALENDER YEAR 2019

Aldersperson Kuehl moved, seconded by Aldersperson Stangel to approve Resolution No. 1080-19, Adopting City of Kewaunee Budget for 2020 and Tax Levy in the amount \$1,628,820 for year 2019. Roll call, Aldersperson Dworak, Schiller, Jelinek, Stangel, Kuehl, Mills and Zimmerman all aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Aldersperson Zimmerman moved, seconded by Aldersperson Jelinek to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Clerk Treasurer Decur