

Finance Committee Meeting Tuesday 01.14.2025

The meeting commenced at 1901 hrs.

Committee members in attendance: Chairman David W. Voss, John Hardig, and Lindsey Keeble.

Other council members in attendance: Troy D. Borgman , Amy Richter, and Stefanie Hawk.

City officials: Mayor Sam Keller, SSD Steve Braun, Auditor Steve Brown and Assistant Auditor Tori Hudson.

Meeting Objectives: To discuss the three upcoming levy renewals. The levies are a .75 mills Current Expense Levy with a vote date of 11.03.2020 (levy year 2005), a 4.250 mills Current Expense Levy with a vote date of 11.03.2020 (levy year 2005), and a 3 mills Road Improvement Levy with a vote date of 11.03.2020 (levy year 2015).

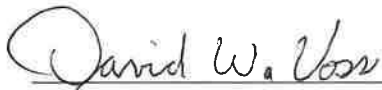
Discussion: Number #1 is for Council to pass a Resolution of Necessity at the council meeting on 01.21.2025. Assistant Auditor Tori Hudson and Safety Service Director Steve Braun will obtain the information needed for council and the law director to proceed with the Resolution of Necessity on 01.21.2025. The resolution will then be sent to the county for certification. After certification, a Resolution To Proceed will need to be passed by Council at the February 4th council meeting. February 5th is the filing deadline for the May 6, 2025 Primary Election.

All three tax levies are renewals and if passed by the voters they will not increase property taxes.

Concerns were noted that voters are still reeling from the recent property tax revaluations and subsequent tax increases. Voters may vote no on any tax issues including renewals. The issue was also raised that this primary lacks issues to attract a large turnout of voters . Low turnout of voters in a primary versus a general election disenfranchises a majority of the voters.

The meeting concluded at 1930 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,



David W. Voss, Finance Chairman



John Hardig



Lindsey Keeble

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