

CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

Members Present: Tony Nelson, Ray Schuchard and John Chesney were present in Council chambers
Jamie Ward was present through Zoom meeting. (via emergency procedures)

Members Absent: Bryan Cornell

Staff Present: Brad Boice, Public Works Supervisor, Fire Chief Jeff Peck and Marlis Knowlton,
Clerk/Treasurer

Guests: Tyrel Clark

Call to Order: Mayor Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda: Tonight's agenda is to discuss 2021 preliminary budget.

The Council went through every fund, reviewed, and discussed suggested budget amounts.

220 EDA – there was some question on the amount to be reserved to replace the Rolling Hills Bus, no changes were made.

230 Park – reduce the amount on the ball field lights down to \$5,000 and for a future mower down to \$5,000. Eliminate \$5,300 for caboose roof repair as that should be completed in 2020. There was also continued discussion on budgeting for Ash tree removal, no changes were made. Currently, the City is not going to be aggressive in removing trees that are not dead. A \$1,500 raise for the Summer Rec Director was included in the proposed numbers and was not cut.

101 General – street lighting request was \$9,000 for poles to have on hand and to sell to Aurora Rising subdivision needs, but we can use reserves instead, cut the entire amount. Trees will leave as is. Reduce the street overlay amount down to \$25,000; we have money in reserves and do not have any pending projects needing cash. \$63,000 for ambulance service support was left in the budget, although exact amount has not been approved. Staff health insurance costs are unknown.

With those reductions the levy request will be just less than three percent (3%) compared to this year. That has been the goal the last few years, to keep any increase under three percent.

Adjourn: Mayor Nelson declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.



Tony Nelson
Mayor



Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer