

CITY OF EYOTA
CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

Members Present: Tyrel Clark, Bryan Cornell, Tony Nelson and Ray Schuchard

Members Absent: Kurt Holst

Staff Present: Fire Department Members Jeff Peck and Justin Wendt; Brad Boice, Public Works Supervisor and Marlis Knowlton, Clerk/Treasurer

Call to Order: Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Agenda: The purpose of this meeting is the 2019 preliminary budget and ultimately the 2018 levy amount.

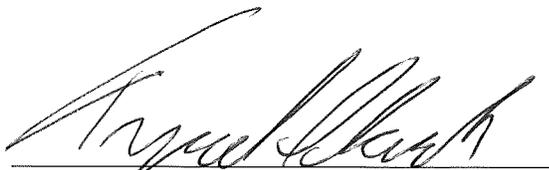
Preliminary Budget and Levy: General information was first shared regarding the known increase in the levy that was approved by the voters for the fire hall improvement project, and also an estimate on the new construction value and taxes that will be added to the tax rolls next year. The fire hall project results in a bond payment of \$99,054 which is approximately a 16% increase in the levy. Comments were made that the school approved a four percent increase and the county approved a nine percent increase.

The budget was reviewed by almost every line item. First the Council prioritized all the options and immediately made significant cuts accordingly. The levy amount was recalculated and the Council reviewed the budget to make additional cuts.

\$75,000 for 2019 seal coating will not be budgeted for; reserves will be used instead. \$20,000 for future overlays was cut; reserves will be reviewed at a later date. EDA future sign budgeted item was cut \$5,000. Other smaller cuts were made.

The end result is an estimated three percent increase for the general operation budgets; this is taking into consideration new properties coming on the tax rolls. Reminder, the levy can be reduced before it is finalized in December. The final levy amount agreed on was \$751,272. This is a \$134,754 increase over this year's \$616,518.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Cornell and seconded by Nelson to adjourn the meeting. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Motion carried. The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:29 p.m.



Tyrel Clark
Mayor



Marlis Knowlton
Clerk/Treasurer