

Pipestone, Minnesota
July 5, 2022

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Meeting of the Pipestone City Council was duly held in the Municipal Building in-person and via Zoom at 5:30 p.m. on the 5th day of July 2022. Mayor Myron Koets called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared. Members present: Myron Koets – via Zoom, Jim Stout and Dan Delaney – via Zoom. Absent: Rodger Smidt. Excused: Justin Schroyer. Others present: Kyle Kuphal, City Administrator/City Attorney Jeff Jones and Cable Access Coordinator Steve Moffitt.

Mayor Koets stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the 2023 budget.

City Administrator/City Attorney Jones then presented areas of the 2023 budget for discussion:

- Inflation factor.
- Possible 2023 projects.
- The final payment for the new fire truck.
- Meetings with Department Heads will be held July 26-28. Jones invited councilmembers to attend so long as two or less were present.

Jones stated he will confer with Rebecca Kurtz of Ehlers for financing options for the \$300,000 for the fire truck payment.

Discussion then followed regarding ways to finance the Industrial Road project. Councilmember Smidt stated that he feels this project needs to be completed. Possible funding sources were discussed including using American Rescue Plan funds, assessing for some or all of the project, and use of Liquor Store funds. Councilmember Delaney suggested obtaining a traffic count on Industrial Road to determine usage.

Jones was directed to obtain the new debt service numbers for 2023 as soon as possible. It was the consensus of the council that additional budget work sessions need to be held.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Stout, seconded by Smidt and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

Myron D. Koets
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeffrey R. Jones
City Administrator