

Pipestone, Minnesota  
September 6, 2022

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Meeting of the Pipestone City Council was duly held in the Municipal Building at 5:30 p.m. on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022. Mayor Myron Koets called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared. Members present: Myron Koets, Jim Stout, Rodger Smidt, Dan Delaney and Justin Schroyer. Absent: None. Others present: Kyle Kuphal, City Treasurer Kasi Pantekoeck, and City Administrator/City Attorney Jeff Jones.

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

City Administrator/City Attorney Jones then presented that Kasi had prepared a Preliminary Levy sheet and a 2023 Preliminary Budget Summary. The preliminary levy as presented is 17%. Jones identified items that were significant factors in setting that preliminary levy.

Discussion followed on possible adjustments and reductions in that preliminary levy amount. These included:

- Restoring the \$25,000 allocation to the Recreation Department by the Liquor Store;
- Reduction of \$50,000 for Blight; and
- Options for a 5% and 7% Cost of Living Adjustment rather than the 10.5% used for the preliminary levy.

Jones was asked to prepare a summary of possible uses of American Rescue Plan funds.

Another budget session will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Myron D. Koets  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jeffrey R. Jones  
City Administrator