

**MINUTES
COOK CITY COUNCIL
TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING
DECEMBER 19, 2019 – 6 PM**

TIME AND PLACE: A Special Meeting/Truth in Taxation Hearing was held at 6 PM on Thursday, December 19, 2019 at the Cook City Hall.

CALL TO ORDER: Acting Mayor Karen Hollanitsch called the meeting to order at 6 PM.

ATTENDANCE: Present at roll call was Acting Mayor Karen Hollanitsch, City Councilors Kim Brunner, Jody Bixby, and Elizabeth Storm. Absent was Mayor Harold Johnston (excused absence representing the city at a RAMS meeting). Also present were Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Theresa Martinson, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Beaudry, Cook News Herald and The Timberjay.

TRUTH IN TAXATION:

The purpose of this meeting is to give the taxpayers and the City of Cook, the opportunity to discuss the budget and tax levy for the upcoming year 2020. Study sessions were held at 5:30 PM prior to each regular council meeting from August through October with a final budget review in November to discuss budgets for each department for 2020.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET 2020 (FINAL):

Proposed Operating Revenues:	\$572,780.00
Proposed Operating Expenses:	<u>\$582,130.00</u>
	\$ (9,350.00)

2020 Airport Budget:

Revenue:	\$ 91,800
Expense:	\$101,980
	(\$ 10,180.00)

Proposed Levy	<u>\$ 20,193.00</u>
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Surplus	\$ 663.00
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Additional projects to consider – funding designation needed:

Capital Projects

IRRRB Residential and Commercial Redevelopment Program
Community Center paving/ADA improvements
Vermilion Drive Lighting
Alley paving
City Hall siding/addition

Capital Projects – Airport CIP Listing

Fuel System

Replace or repair beacon

Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) Building

Taxiway construction to new hangar area

Residential Demo (airport property)

Long Term Planning – City CIP Project Listing

The presented final tax levy increase for the City of Cook is 5%. This amount is decreased from the 8% proposed amount in September.

There was no public comment.

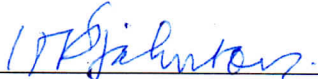
Motion by Storm, second by Bixby to approve the final tax levy amount for the year 2019 collectible in 2020 in the amount of \$424,046.00 (5% increase) for the City of Cook. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Storm, second by Brunner to adopt the 2020 general fund budget as presented in these minutes. **MOTION CARRIED**

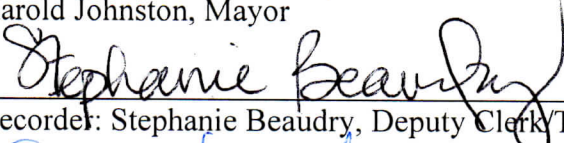
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business brought before the Council, motion to adjourn at 6:03PM was made by Councilor Storm and second by Councilor Brunner. **MOTION CARRIED**


CITY OF COOK – Cook, MN 55723



Harold Johnston, Mayor



Recorder: Stephanie Beaudry, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer



Attest: Theresa Martinson, Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer