

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a work session on Tuesday, November 18, 2014 in the City Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Robby Robinson and Council Members Bill Duncan, Jay Sjoblom, Morris Mattson, Rodney Holst, and LeRoy McCusker. Council Member Merlyce Johnson was absent. Also present were Ron Johnson, City Administrator; Lanell Endres, Assistant City Administrator; Justin Padgett, Library Director; Greg Anderson, City Engineer; Tom Bergeson, Public Works Director; Mike Guthrie, Interim Ambulance Director; and Jeffrey McCormick, Police Chief.

The purpose of the work session was to review the proposed final 2015 budget and levy.

Staff presented a proposed budget that would require a 6.1% increase in the levy. Administrator Johnson reviewed the budget information and discussed the proposals included in the budget. He noted health insurance, liability and workers compensation insurance, adding a full-time police officer and proposed wage increases. Staff was seeking direction for the final budget.

Council members discussed the budget and indicated they were not in favor of a 6.1% levy increase. They directed staff to eliminate the costs associated with the hiring of an additional police officer in 2015, review the engineering costs and to review the budget for other possible reductions.

The meeting duly adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 2nd day of December, 2014.

Lyman M. Robinson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ronald S. Johnson, City Administrator