The Cannon Falls City Council met in a work session on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at 7:25 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Present were Mayor Robby Robinson, Council Members Merlyce Johnson, Cedar Abadie, Morris Mattson, Jay Sjoblom and Cathy Gallups. Council Member Lynne Berg was absent. Also present were Ron Johnson, City Administrator; Lanell Endres, Assistant City Administrator; Jeff McCormick, Police Chief; Tim Malchow, EMS Chief; Tom Bergeson, Public Works Director; Justin Padgett, Library Director; and Dave Maroney, Community Development Director.

The purpose of the work session was to review and discuss the proposed 2017 budget and levy.

Discussion

Administrator Johnson reviewed information regarding the latest budget proposal. He stated the information provided for the meeting indicated an 8.6% levy increase, down from the 9.9% increase adopted for the preliminary levy and budget. He also stated the impact on a \$200,000 home would be an increase of \$56.52 per year and on a \$100,000 home it would be \$28.26 per year. He informed the Council the health insurance premiums increased 6.06% and that an additional eligible employee would be taking the City insurance resulting in an increase in the budget.

The Council discussed several issues including the proposed half-time person for planning and zoning, bond debt increases, tax capacity rates, Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) purchases, revenue sources, workers compensation costs and EDA issues.

The consensus of the Council was to proceed with the budget as presented with an 8.6% increase for the final adoption meeting in December. No action was taken.

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

ATTEST:	Lyman M. Robinson, Mayor
Ronald S. Johnson, City Administrator	