

The Cannon Falls City Council met in a work session on Monday, November 25, 2019 at 5:35 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Present were Mayor John Althoff, and Council Members Mary Jill Bringgold, Bill Duncan, Steve Gesme, Derek Lundell, Morris Mattson and Matt Montgomery. Also present were Lanell Endres, Finance Director; Police Chief Jeff McCormick; Joe Berg, Police Lieutenant; Wes Anway, Interim Public Works Director; Tim Malchow, EMS Chief; Sulo Kyyra, EMS Lieutenant; and Mike Althoff, Fire Chief.

Purpose The purpose of the work session was to review and discuss the 2020 budget and levy.

Discussion Finance Director Endres distributed spreadsheets with budget and levy data reflecting cuts made to various budget items to reduce the proposed levy to 4% as directed by the majority of the Council at the previous work session.

Fire Chief Althoff spoke with regard to the \$130,000 mill and overlay budget item to provide background information on the issue since he was the Public Works Director at the time the quote was received. He informed the Council the amount was a quote from one company to find out what minimum amount it would take to get them to do a project. He further explained that no studies had been completed on the street being discussed for replacement (Ridgecrest Drive). He indicated this was intended to be used for the start of discussion at the Public Works Commission and was not necessarily planned for completion in 2020. He further discussed issues with capital funding shortages stating the funding should be increased each year for all capital funding needs including the purchase of fire trucks. He reiterated that the amount budgeted for the mill and overlay was not a project bid.

Interim Public Works Director Anway agreed with the comments regarding the mill and overlay budget amount and the plan for the project. After further discussion by the Council, the consensus was to leave the amount in the budget.

Mayor Althoff stated he felt the citizens demanded the budget be reviewed and that was done. He indicated he was happy with the proposed budget and City levy as presented with a 4.001% increase.

The consensus of the majority of the Council was to proceed with the budget as presented for the public meeting and preparation of the adopting resolution. Council Members Duncan and Bringgold were not in favor and felt additional cuts should be made.

Adjournment The meeting was duly adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Cannon Falls on the 3rd day of December, 2019.

John O. Althoff, Mayor

ATTEST:

David Maroney, City Administrator