

STATEMENT OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

January 12, 2021 6:00 p.m.
Special Session

The City Council of Boone, Iowa, met in special session in the City Hall Council Chambers on January 12, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Slight presiding. The following Council Members were present: Byrd, McGinn, Stines, Moorman, Piklapp, Stecker, and Ray. Absent: none.

Piklapp moved; Moorman seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: McGinn, Stines, Moorman, Piklapp, Stecker, Ray, and Byrd. Nays: none.

Skare stated that the budgets being presented are balanced; and discussed the projected revenues and the effects COVID-19 had on the City's revenues.

The following Department Heads presented their budgets: Jamie William – Library; Joe Pundzak - Airport; William Skare – City Hall, Economic Development, Community Service Officer, Demolitions, and Animal Control; Ondrea Elmquist – Administration, Landfill, Message Board, and Municipal Band; Ed Higgins – Building; Chief Adams – Fire and Rental; Chief Wiebold – Police and Crossing Guards; John Rouse – Cemetery, Park, Pool, Traffic, Streets, and Storm Water; Elmquist, Rouse, and Dan Scott presented the Water and Sewer budgets.

Elmquist presented a proposed Max Levy Notice with a 1.95% increase in revenues and the Certification of Tax Levy with a proposed tax levy to remain at 15.62578, showing no change from Fiscal Year 2021.

Skare advised that staff has projected Hotel/Motel funds for Fiscal Year 2022 at \$90,000 and stated that the City has obligated \$10,000 to Boone Community Theatre and \$5,000 to Boone Scenic Valley Railroad. Skare proposed lowering the funding for Ames Economic Development Commission (AEDC) from \$35,000 to \$25,000 with the General Fund coming up with the difference; funding Boone County Economic Growth at \$10,000, leaving a balance of \$40,000 that could go to tourism. Skare pointed out that this does not accommodate for the \$40,000 to be transferred to the General Fund for the repayment of Boulders Inn development incentive. Staff confirmed that we have not made any of the repayments back to the General Fund for Boulders Inn due to COVID-19. Stines moved, McGinn seconded to approve the distribution of Hotel/Motel funds as proposed. Ayes: Stines, Moorman, Piklapp, Stecker, Ray, Byrd, and McGinn. Nays: none.

Skare presented staff's Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) requests and noted that projected revenues increased from \$820,000 to \$870,000. Skare stated that after funding all requests we have a projected balance of \$86,530 that could go to repay LOST cash balance for the funds borrowed to pay for the fire truck. Council had no objections.

Moorman moved, Piklapp seconded to direct staff to proceed with the budgets as they were presented. Ayes: Moorman, Piklapp, Stecker, Ray, Byrd, McGinn, and Stines. Nays: none.

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

ATTEST:

Ondrea Elmquist Clerk/Finance Officer

John Slight, Mayor