

City of Cambridge  
Budget Hearing Meeting  
Monday, September 08, 2020  
6:30 P.M.

Notice of meeting was given in advance by publication in the *Cambridge Clarion*, Thursday, August 27, 2020, the designated method of giving notice, convening at 6:30 P.M. Advance notice of the meeting was given to the Mayor, Members of the City Council, and the *Cambridge Clarion*. Present were Mayor David Gunderson, City Council Members Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf. City Staff present were Utility Supervisor David Houghtelling, City Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne and City Attorney Lisa Shifflet. Visitors present for all or a portion of the meeting were Genny Kubik for the *Cambridge Clarion*, Mike Harris.

Mayor David Gunderson announced the open meeting law is posted on the wall of the Community Room where the meeting was held.

**Public Hearing.** Mayor Gunderson opened the Public Hearing.

a. Budget 2020-2021. Clerk Clerk/Treasurer Kandra Kinne read the key provisions: 2020-2021 Total Operating expenses budgeted \$5,259,424.90, Capital Improvements \$2,364,725.00, including \$1,215,000.00 for the swimming pool renovations, and \$500,000 for electric system improvements. Other Capital Improvements for other than real estate improvements will be \$533,393.00, including the purchase of a fire truck, ambulance and fire department bunker gear. Debt Service is \$724,149.00, including a public safety bond for the final payment on the ambulance of \$12,388.00, Transfers to special reserve funds \$1,053,102 and transfer of surplus funds of \$100,000 from the electric fund to the general fund. It was noted that the Village of Wilsonville needs to be added to the language about the Inter-local Agreement. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn, to approve the 2020-2021 Budget with the amendment of adding the Village of Wilsonville to the Inter-local Agreement. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf, none voted no. Motion carried unanimously to approve the 2020-2021 Budget.

b. Motion to approve 2.5% Base Limitation Increase of Restricted Funds. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Jeff Ommert, to approve the 2.5% Base Limitation Increase of Restricted Funds. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf, none voted no. Motion carried unanimously to approve the 2.5% Base Limitation Increase of Restricted Funds.

c. Motion to approve additional 1% Base Limitation Increase of Restricted Funds. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to approve the Motion to approve the 1% Base Limitation Increase of Restricted Funds. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf, none voted no. Motion carried unanimously to approve the additional 1% Base Limitation Increase of Restricted Funds.

d. Ordinance No. 776 Budget Statement and Appropriation Bill. Vernita Saylor stated the motion, seconded by Derek Raburn, to waive the three readings of Ordinance No. 776 Budget Statement and

Appropriation Bill. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf, none voted no. Motion carried unanimously to waive the three readings of Ordinance No. 776. Derek Raburn stated the motion, seconded by Tony Groshong, to approve Ordinance No. 776 Budget Statement and Appropriation Bill. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf, none voted no. Motion carried unanimously to approve Ordinance No. 776 Budget Statement and Appropriate Bill as follows:

Ordinance No. 776

AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE BUDGET STATEMENT TO BE TERMED THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL; TO APPROPRIATE SUMS FOR NECESSARY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That after complying with all procedures required by law, the budget presented and set forth in the budget statement is hereby approved as the annual appropriation bill for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. All sums of money contained in the budget statement are hereby appropriated for the necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Cambridge. A copy of the budget document shall be forwarded as provided by law to the Auditor of Public Accounts, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska, and to the County Clerk of Furnas County, Nebraska, for the use by the levying authority.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

e. Resolution 2020-09-03 to Set Levy. Jeff Ommert stated the motion, seconded by Vernita Saylor, to approve Resolution 2020-09-03 to Set Levy. Voting yes were Vernita Saylor, Tony Groshong, Jeff Ommert, Derek Raburn and Kevin Banzhaf, none voted no. Motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2020-09-93 to Set Levy as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-09-03  
(Resolution to set property tax Levy)**

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-3443 (3) provides that the property tax request for the prior year shall be the property tax request for the current year for purpose of the levy set by the County Board of Equalization unless the Governing Body of the City of Cambridge passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request at a different amount; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Cambridge that the property tax request for the current year be a different amount than the property tax request for the prior year.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of the City of Cambridge, by a majority vote; resolves that;

1.	General Fund Levy	\$244,986.00
	Cambridge Airport Authority	\$12,000.00
	Public Safety Bond	\$12,388.00
	Total	\$269,374.00

2. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk prior to October 15, 2020.

There was no public comment. Mayor Gunderson closed the Budget Hearing at 6:40 P.M.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kandra J. Kinne, City Clerk/Treasurer

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David Gunderson, Mayor