

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING MONTICELLO CITY COUNCIL
Monday, August 9, 2021 – 5 p.m.
North Mississippi Room, Monticello Community Center

Present: Lloyd Hilgart, Jim Davidson, Charlotte Gabler, and Brian Hudgins
Absent: Sam Murdoff
Others: Rachel Leonard, Sarah Rathlisberger, Angela Schumann, Matt Leonard, Ron Hackenmueller, Tom Pawelk, Tracy Ergen, Mike Mossey, Jim Thares, and Jennifer Schreiber

1. Call to Order

Mayor Hilgart called special meeting to order at 5 p.m.

2. Budget Review

Sarah Rathlisberger, Finance Director, gave a brief presentation. The presentation included information on personnel, equipment, capital projects, proposed tax levy increase, funding options, Chelsea Commons budget discussion, and material excavation for the I-94 project.

Council and staff discussed personnel additions for 2022. As part of the discussion, there was consensus of the City Council that the City should review hiring a full-time person at Hi-Way Liquors before the end of 2021.

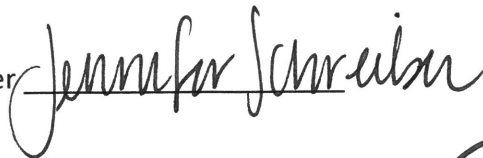
At the current proposed tax levy increase, the general fund shows a deficit of \$115,000. Council did not communicate support for increasing the levy, so staff will review the budget requests and scale back or reallocate items to balance the budget.

There was significant conversation on the Chelsea Commons project and possible allocation of funds for the project in 2022. The Council also requested additional information on bonding for the project in 2022, including projections for the base, the good, and the great. Staff noted, as part of the Chelsea Commons project, there is the opportunity to move materials from the land to be used for the I-94 project. An agreement would need to be negotiated. This will be reviewed further by staff.

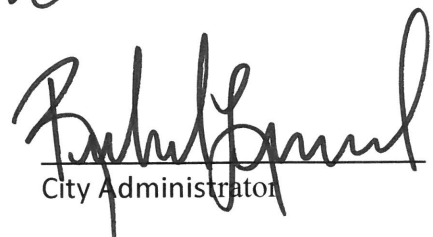
3. Adjournment

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Recorder: Jennifer Schreiber
Approved:



Attest:


City Administrator