## CITY OF MAXWELL, IOWA MAXWELL CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2024, 6:00 P.M. CITY HALL

- 1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Higgins at 6:00 P.M.
- 2. Roll call was answered by Doug Miller, Steve Gast, Sue Philpott, and Joel Westendorf.
- 3. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Gast. Philpott seconded. 4 ayes.
- 4. <u>Discussion and Action on Law Enforcement Contract</u>- Joel shared a spreadsheet that he created showing law enforcement costs per city. He has talked to several cities about the contract. There will be a meeting with several mayors and council members in Ames on February 1<sup>st</sup>. to discuss the contract. Westendorf moved to postpone approval of contract until mayors get together with sheriff to add number of hours per city. Gast seconded. 4 ayes.
- 5. <u>Discussion and Action on Cemetery Mowing</u> After discussion on estimates on the city mowing and the 1 bid that was received, Gast moved to proceed in getting bids on a Ferris Mower and do the mowing by city workers at \$10 an hour. Philpott seconded. 4 ayes.
- 6. <u>Budget Planning for fiscal years 2024/2025</u> Need to identify equipment, how old and replacement costs for capital equipment fund. Library and Parks budgeted revisited. The road's budget was looked at. New rates were discussed for garbage, water, & sewer. The financial advisor set these rates to pay loans and upkeep of lagoons and water system. Clerk will contact attorney about ownership of sewer connection
- 7. <u>Adjourn Philpott moved to adjourn. Westendorf seconded. 4 ayes. 7:44 P.M.</u>

NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE FEBRUARY 7, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk Debra Hayes

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