

City of Zumbrota

Work Session Minutes

Tuesday September 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, Mayor Todd Hammel called the Zumbrota City Council to order at 7:00 PM. PRESENT: Mayor Todd Hammel; Council members Sara Durhman, Joan Bucher, and Kevin Amundson (Absent: Bob Prigge). Others present, City Administrator Brian Grudem, Finance Director Kim Simonson, Police Chief Pat Callahan, and Public Works Director Mike Olson.

2024 BUDGET DISCUSSION

Due to some possible pending increases to 2024 expenditures staff raised the possible levy increase to 10.05%. If the funds are unneeded by the time of approval in December, they may be removed.

FIRE BOARD FUNDING METRICS

Zumbrota Township has requested the funding metrics of the Fire Board be reexamined. The City of Zumbrota was asked to present options for an upcoming meeting on September 13, 2023. The township was requesting a per capita billing basis. Staff have not found any departments which use this. Simonson presented a metric with partial per capita, partial market value and partial land area. The City of Zumbrota was also asked to produce a model of what it would look like if the City owned the entire department. The Wanamingo model was used. These models will be a springboard for discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Brian Grudem, City Administrator