

**December 8, 2014**

The City Council met in the Council Room on December 8, 2014 with the following members present: Richard Novotny, George Belmore, Mayor Ron Buse and Peter Mounts and the following absent: Melissa Englund

Others Present: Darrell Lindberg, Bob & Colleen Shores, Terry Aasness, Lyle Olson, Ardell Hendrickson, Darek Buse, Mike Thang, Monica Olson, Shane Englund, Dennis Week, Mike Westrom, Jerry Buse and Diana K. Olson

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Buse.  
All present stood to say the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Mounts and carried to approve the December 8th agenda.

A motion was made by Mounts, seconded by Novotny and carried to approve the November 3rd Council Minutes.

The meeting was paused at 8:03 to have the Truth in Taxation meeting for the 2015 General fund budget.

There were questions why the business taxes went up. There was a shift from residential to commercial. A lot of residential house values dropped therefore shifting the amounts to the businesses.

The Council meeting was resumed at 8:35 PM.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Mounts and carried to take \$30,000 from the general fund reserve to pay down the 2010 East Side Levy.

Council Member Ron Buse introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

Resolution No. 14-009  
Approving 2014 Tax Levy, Collectible in 2015

BE IT RESOLVED, by the council of the City of Evansville, County of Douglas, Minnesota, that the following sums of money be levied for the current year, collectible in 2015, upon taxable property in the City of Evansville for the following purposes:

General Fund—	\$ 179,544
Fire Fund—	\$ 15,897
2003 Bond TIF Levy—	\$ 3,148
2010 Bond Phase 2—	\$ 13,140
2003 Bond Improv. Levy—	\$ 3,391
Evansville Care Center Abatement—	\$ 6,347
 Total Levy—	 \$ 221,467

The City Clerk is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the County auditor of Douglas County, Minnesota.

The foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Peter Mounts and upon vote being taken the following voted in favor thereof: Peter Mounts, Richard Novotny, Ron Buse & George Belmore  
Melissa Englund-Absent

And the following voted against the same: NONE

WHEREUPON said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted this 8th day of December 2014.

Bob and Diana will be working on the preliminary special assessment roll for the 2014 Utility Improvement project.

Missy and Richard would like to meet with the School lease committee to talk over the new lease the school made.

A motion was made by Mounts, seconded by Novonty and carried to table the school lease until Missy and Richard can meet with the committee for more information.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Mounts and carried to put amounts on the snow equipment so we can sell it possibly before the next meeting.

Coffee/Cookie day is December 17th from 9-3 PM.

The City is on the list with Engineering America for an inspection in the spring.

A motion was made by Mounts, seconded by Novonty and carried to renew our corporate membership dues with the Evansville Arts' Center for 2015 in the amount of \$125.

A motion was made by Novonty, seconded by Mounts and carried to approve the dues of \$721 to the League of MN Cities.

A motion was made by Novotny, seconded by Mounts and carried to approve the dues of \$84 with Lakes Country Service Cooperative.

A motion was made by Novonty, seconded by Mounts and carried to approve the December bills and authorize payment. (List Attached)

A motion was made by Mounts, seconded by Novonty and carried to approve and pay the TIF payments once they are calculated.

A motion was made by Belmore, seconded by Mounts and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM.

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Diana K. Olson