

Village of Rapids City  
April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Committee of the Whole Meeting

Committee of the Whole Meeting to discuss:

- Property Taxes
- Clerical Staff Wages
- Property Tax Rate

President Mire called the meeting of the Committee of the Whole to order at 6:00pm.

Roll Call:

Physically Present: Fiems, Fowler, Rankin, DeMarlie, Schneider and Mire

Virtually Present: None.

Absent: Robertson

Others:

Physically Present: Clerk Housenga, Public Works Director Bump, Treasurer Barber and

Virtually Present: None.

Mire opened the meeting by addressing the clerical staff wages. Previously, Mire and Schneider previously discussed wages for Becht and Housenga. Mire proposed a wage of \$17.51 per hour for Billing Clerk Becht and \$21.60 per hour for Clerk/Collector Housenga. All member of the board agreed to adjusting the wages to accommodate state wage increase and to retain employees. Effective the first payroll expenditure in FY2022/2023 Becht will receive \$17.51 per hour and Housenga will receive \$21.60 per hour.

Mire also proposed to increase the Clerk's Meeting wage from \$75.00 per meeting to \$100.00 per meeting. Due to lack of specificity on the current meeting agenda this item was tabled and added to the April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting agenda.

Mire touched base on his stance concerning raising property taxes and rates. When voting later in the year on the tax levy amounts Mire would like to not increase the rate at which property taxes will be collected.

Clerk Housenga presented a copy of the rough draft of the operating budget FY2022/2023 for review. Amendments will be made to the budget per board request. A final operating budget will be presented at the April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting for approval.

With no further business to conduct Rankin motioned to adjourn this Committee of the Whole Meeting; Fowler seconded. All members of the board concurred, motion passes. President Mire adjourned by consensus of the Board at 7:44pm.

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Missy M. Housenga  
Village Clerk