

MINUTES
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

The Tuesday, January 10, 2023 meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Oppermann. Member's present were: Ald. Neils, Ald. Mattke, Ald. Schroeder, Ald. Beyer, Ald. Lares, and Ald. Teeter. Absent: Ald. Tully and Ald. Brandel. Also present were: City Administrator Freitag, Fire Chief Wegner, City Clerk/Deputy Treasurer Copsey, and Finance Director Stewart.

DISCUSSION ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT REFERENDUM QUESTION

Administrator Freitag gave an overview of what he would like to cover in tonight's meeting, how much the city is looking for with the referendum, and the process the city has gone through so far. Administrator Freitag went over a handout that covered what the cost would be. The amount they are requesting to be added to the tax level would be \$500,000 per year.

Chief Wegner went over where the city needs to go from having on call firefighters to having paid firefighters. Chief would also like the firefighters be cross trained as paramedics which is the highest level trained EMT that the city currently has. He went over the different levels of the different training that the EMS staff needs to have and the schooling they go through for the different EMS positions.

Administrator Freitag went over the impacts of the \$500,000 to the homes in Jefferson, and also read the proposed tax question that will be placed on the April 4th ballot. There was discussion with the council members, and the question will be voted on at the next council meeting.

Ald. Neils, seconded by Ald. Teeter moved to adjourn the Jefferson Common Council Meeting at 6:04 p.m., carried unanimously on a voice vote.