**City of Bayfield Common Council**

**Minutes of August 30, 2022, 5:00 pm**

**Call to Order – Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance**

President Beagan called the Emergency Council meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. followed by roll call and the pledge of allegiance.

**Present:** Beagan, Bryan, Carrier, and Dougherty

**Absent:** Mayor Ringberg

**Others:** Clerk Hoopman, PWD Kovachevich, and Patrick Irvine

**Review/Approve Agenda:** Bryan/Dougherty moved to approve. Carried.

**Public Comment and Suggestions from Persons Present on Agenda Items:** None.

# Agenda

1. **City of Bayfield Resolution #600 – AMENDED: City of Bayfield Levy Limit Referendum**

Clerk Hoopman noted the emergency meeting was needed to amend the previously adopted Resolution #600 as there were technical errors that needed to be corrected. She noted the meeting was posted at 11 a.m. and the action had to be taken by the close of today or the referendum could not go forward. The modifications included changing the net new construction percentage from 34% to .343%, updating the net new construction figure to $2110, and adding total “adjusted” amount to the notice which includes the previously posted debt of $80,289.

Discussion ensued.

Dougherty and Bryan argued the voters should be able to decide. By going to referendum and hearing from our voters, the Council would better understand what they want.

Beagan and Carrier noted their opposition to not raising taxes or utilizing a referendum at this time.

Hoopman noted if the resolution does not pass today, the next opportunity to hold a referendum on the tax levy would be at the Spring Election. She added this would be a good time to communicate our financial issues to the community. If a referendum does not go through, cuts are needed, and this would be a gateway to letting them know.

Bryan/Dougherty moved to adopt amended City of Bayfield Resolution #600 as presented. Roll call vote as follows: Beagan-No, Bryan-Yes, Carrier-No and Dougherty-Yes. Motion fails and there will be no referendum in 2022.

**Adjournment:** Bryan/Dougherty made a motion to adjourn. Carried. (5:33 p.m.)

Minutes by Billie L. Hoopman, Clerk