

Council Workshop  
February 18, 2020 – 5:30pm

Eldora City Council met with Mayor Dunn presiding. Present was council members Aaron Budweg, Melody Hoy, Cindy Johns, Greg Priske and Blake Jones, also present was Chandra Kyte.

The council further reviewed the budget. They discussed EMS being an essential service and the need to call the representatives in support of them passing this. The current franchise fee is at 2% and it was discussed to raise it to 3%. It will take a while to get it going so the City will only see about 6 months of the 20/21 year at the 3% fee which could yield about 25K more in revenue. The health care cost is rising and there is another meeting later this week at the courthouse. At the union negotiation they would like to get passed the insurance cost paid by the employee to be different for smokers and non-smokers. The council looked at other Cities fire pay and what Eldora pays. We currently pay an hourly rate for a fire call, meeting time and training time. There is also a salary for the fire chief, secretary, mechanic, 1<sup>st</sup> assistant and 2<sup>nd</sup> assistant. The current township support is split 2/3 for fire and 1/3 for EMS. This is what the average split is since 2008 and each year the split is just kept the same. The personal cost was also discussed. They are looking at what the savings would be if 2 or 3 less full-time employees were on the City's budget. They would also check the Union Contract on how the letting go of a Union employee would be handled.

Mayor David Dunn adjourned the meeting at 7:30pm.

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David W Dunn, Mayor

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Chandra Kyte, City Clerk