A special meeting of the Baxter City Council was called to order on Monday, March 21, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Mayor Bryan DeJong. Council members present were Josh Lokenvitz, Josh Meckley, Tootie Samson, Jason Robinson and Dan Kunkel. BEDC board members Ryan Bucklin and Jon Northrup were also in attendance.

Samson moved to approve the Agenda. Meckley seconded. Motion carried, all ayes.

Public Hearing; Adoption of Proposed 2022/23 City Budget – Mayor DeJong called for a motion to open the public hearing at 5:31. Samson so moved. Meckley seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes; Kunkel, Robinson, Samson, Meckley, Lokenvitz. Nays; None. Absent; None. Mayor DeJong called for public comments or concerns. Hearing none, Mayor DeJong called for a motion to close the public hearing. Meckley so moved. Samson seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes; Lokenvitz, Meckley, Samson, Robinson, Kunkel. Nays; None. Absent; None. Public hearing closed at 5:35 p.m.

Resolution #20-22; A Resolution Adopting the Budget for the City of Baxter, Iowa for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 – Kunkel presented Resolution #20-22 and moved for its approval. Robinson seconded. Roll call vote: Ayes: Kunkel, Robinson, Samson, Meckley, Lokenvitz. Nays; None. Absent; None. Resolution #20-22 adopted.

MSA/Nichole Sungren – Professional Services Agreement/Mobile Home Park Development Review Services – Sungren presented a revised Service Agreement to provide preliminary and final plat review, construction plans and specification review and as-built construction review. Any site work will be billed separately as needed. Sungren went on to review the City's subdivision regulations and requirements. Upon completion of discussion, Bucklin and Northrup along with Council members were in agreement with the revised document. BEDC members will discuss the matter at their next meeting and once approved to proceed, the Council will place on the next Agenda for final approval.

Discussion Police Chief Position – Discussion was held regarding the need for additional officers to assist with coverage along with an increase to the Police Department budget to allow more flexibility in providing officer coverage. Avenues of additional funding were discussed. Upon completion of discussion, Council agreed to increase the Police Department budget accordingly to assist with the hiring process. Mayor DeJong will forward the information on to Chief Hicks.

Samson moved to adjourn. Robinson seconded. Motion carried, all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Mayor Bryan DeJong

Attest:

Peg Kimberley City Clerk