

CITY OF MELBOURNE  
BUDGET MEETING  
MELBOURNE CITY HALL  
8:00 AM  
MELBOURNE, IOWA  
February 17, 2025

Mayor Mansager called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM at Melbourne City Hall, with Council members Smith, Opperman, Bracy, and Fricke present. Mayor Mansager and Clerk Pothast were also present. Motion to approve agenda by Opperman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fricke. Vote was all ayes. Pothast presented five more options for the property tax levy. They ranged from from a rate of 10.14987, an increase of \$61 per year for a \$100,000 home for City taxes to 11.02154 or an increase of \$106 per year for a \$100,000 home. The reason for the need to increase property taxes is due to the fact that the property and liability insurance increased last April from \$39,000 to \$55,000. Rates had already been set at that point. A motion to approve option #5 for a total levy of \$259,739 or 10.52583 (an increase of \$80 annually for city property taxes for a \$100,000 home), was made by Bracy, with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Opperman. Roll call vote was 4 ayes present, none against. The balance will be paid in part by Local Option Sales Tax funds. Mansager set a public hearing date for the levy for April 7, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the library basement. Personnel committee will meet before the April meeting to discuss wages. Motion to adjourn by Opperman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bracy. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 am.

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