

**OCTOBER 17, 2006**

Special meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Meyers at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza.

**PRESENT:** Michael Feirer, Alanna Feddick, Trish Siegler, Marty Anderson, Ed Wagner, Chris Meyer, Donald Krueger, John Spiros, Tom Buttke and Edward Beaudry, Jr.

**ABSENT:** None

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

City Administrator Brehm presented the recommended 2007 City Budget and Work Programs. The 2007 budget is an aggressive budget based upon sound fiscal management policies and proven strategies. The recommended budget meets the budget parameters, the adopted CIP Program for 2006-2010, the State's levy limit requirements and their expenditure restraint program. The total 2007 budget for all city funds is \$35,572,931. This is an increase of \$960,176, or 2.8% above the originally adopted 2006 budget of \$34,612,755. The majority of this increase comes from two expenditures, the city's commitment to the Shoppes at Woodridge Mall project (\$490,284) and the cost of the new pumper fire truck (\$379,481). This budget reflects the cost of providing basic services, and an aggressive capital improvement program. The city tax rate necessary to finance the recommended 2007 budget is \$9.90503. This is the same rate as last year's city tax rate.

Finance Director Strey presented information on the Unreserved Undesignated General Fund Balance and the Utility Dividend. The net dividends available that are uncommitted are \$145,562. It is his opinion that the City of Marshfield could safely apply between \$600,000 to \$800,000 of unreserved undesignated general fund balance towards the 2007 budget and still maintain the targeted balance of 25% to 30% of budgeted general fund expenditures excluding one-time items. The City Administrator's recommended budget does comply within that range.

The budget meetings have been scheduled for October 23, October 30 and November 6, 2006. The meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Spiros, second by Feddick to adjourn at 7:13 p.m.

**Motion carried**

Deb M. Hall  
City Clerk