

CITY OF MENASHA  
Special Common Council  
Third Floor Council Chambers  
140 Main Street, Menasha  
December 8, 2014  
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Merkes at 5:00 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PRESENT: Aldermen Keehan, Zelinski, Englebert, Benner, Nichols, Taylor, Sevenich, Langdon

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Merkes, CA/HRD Captain, ASD Steeno, Clerk Galeazzi, Mark Brown (Associated Appraisal)

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA

(five (5) minutes time limit for each person)

No one spoke.

E. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. 2014 Tax Rate Details

ASD Steeno handed out charts on the tax levy comparison and rates for 2014. She explained how values are set in the two counties, Winnebago & Calumet. She also provided a sample of a letter that will be included in the tax bill to Calumet County property owners.

Mark Brown from Associated Appraisal explained equalized values for each county. In 2013 the equalized value for Calumet County was underreported to Department of Revenue. The Department of Revenue made a correction in the 2014 values. Because of the underreporting the tax rates in 2013 were lower for Calumet County properties and higher for Winnebago County properties. For 2014 the tax rates in Calumet County will be increased to correct the underreporting. The correction amount for 2013 that was added to the 2014 values will be removed in 2015.

General discussion ensued on the process of reporting to Department of Revenue, how to explain situation to tax payers, how to prevent this situation in the future.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ald. Benner seconded by Ald. Sevenich to adjourn at 5:40 p.m.

Motion carried on voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah A. Galeazzi, WCMC, City Clerk