

**CITY OF NISSWA**  
**MINUTES – PUBLIC INFORMATION/TRUTH IN TAXATION MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2020**  
**6:30 P.M. – CITY HALL**

The Nisswa City Council Truth In Taxation meeting was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall and was available on YouTube Live.

Members present: Fred Heidmann (arrived at 6:31), Mike Hoff, Don Jacobson, Gary Johnson (arrived at 6:33), John Ryan.

Members absent: none.

Also, present: City staff - Tom Blomer, Brittney Cotner, Jenny Max, Jon Stainbrook, Maggi Wentler, the Echo Newspaper.

Audience members: 6.

**A. Call to Order** – Don Jacobson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**B. Review of Proposed 2021 Budget and 2020 Pay 2021 Levy** – Jenny Max explained the purpose of the Truth In Taxation meeting and presented the City of Nisswa’s proposed budget and levy for 2021. Max highlighted the revenues and the expenditures in the budget and explained how she created a balanced budget for 2021. The proposed final budget in the amount of \$3,086,037 reflects a 1.75% increase from 2020. The proposed final 2020 pay 2021 Levy in the amount of \$2,510,000 reflects a 1.82% increase from 2020.

**C. Public Comment**

**Wallace Shoben** – Asked a clarification question regarding the higher tax rate that was submitted to Crow Wing County in error. Max stated that the wrong number was submitted to Crow Wing County and the final levy will be reduced as presented.

**Craig Ross** – Presented his proposed statement of taxes that showed an increase of 139.60%. Heidmann explained that there was an error sent to Crow Wing County that is reflecting that high percentage on the statement. Max stated that the tax amount will be going down and will reflect the 1.82% increase that is being proposed and apologized for the confusion. The City Council advised Ross to speak directly with the County Land Services Office.

**D. Adjourn** – There being no further business, Motion by Jacobson, seconded by Hoff to adjourn the Truth In Taxation City Council meeting at 6:54 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Fred Heidmann, Mayor

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Jenny Max, City Administrator