**Brainerd, MN**
**December 12, 2022**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Brainerd City Council Special Meeting for the Budget Public Hearing was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Council President Bevans.

Members Johnson, Stenglein, Erickson, O'Day, Stunek, and Bevans were noted as present. Mayor Badeaux was noted as present. Member Bieser as noted as absent. Also noted present were City Administrator Bergman, Finance Director Hillman, Community Development Director Kramvik, City Engineer/ Public Works Director Dehn, HR Director Schubert, Police Chief Bestul, and IT/GIS Director Strong.

Chair Bevans requested a moment for remembrance of former Police Chief Frank Ball.

**2023 Budget and Levy Presentation**

Finance Director Hillman stated the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the City of Brainerd's 2023 budget and levy and allow for public input. She gave an overview of how tax capacity and property taxes are determined. The increase in the tax capacity for 2023 has shifted the tax burden from commercial properties to residential properties. Ms. Hillman gave an overview of the 2023 levy and capital budget. The total budgeted expenditures for 2023 is $15,145,596 the total estimated non-property tax revenue is $8,717,096. The estimated levy needed for 2023 is $6,443,500 (3% increase). The preliminary levy was set at 9.54%, the final levy can be less than the preliminary but not higher. Finally, she gave an overview of the impact the preliminary and final levy would have on residential and commercial properties.

**Public Comment Period**

The Chair opened the public hearing at 7:55 p.m.

No one came forward.

The Chair closed the public hearing at 7:56 p.m.

**Adjourn**

MOVED AND SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBERS STUNEK AND JOHNSON, DULY CARRIED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

The Chair adjourned the Special Meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Jennifer Bergman
City Administrator