



Watertown City Council
Work Session

Mayor Steve Washburn
Lindsay Guetzkow
Adam Pawelk
Michael Walters
Dan Schuette

8/23/2022 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Councilmember Guetzkow called the Watertown City Council work session to order at 5:40 p.m. on August 23, 2022, in the council chambers of City Hall.

Council Members Present: Adam Pawelk, Lindsay Guetzkow, and Dan Schuette.

Council Members Absent: Steve Washburn, and Michael Walters.

Staff Present: City Administrator Jake Foster, Administrative Services Director Maggie Reisdorf and Public Services Superintendent, Mike Dressel.

2. New Business

2.1. 2023 Budget - Workshop #2

City Administrator, Jake Foster, introduced Amanda Imes, an economist with the State of Minnesota.

Imes introduced herself and stated that she works for the State of Minnesota with a group of three other economists under the State Economist, Dr. Laura Kalambokidis.

Imes did a presentation on current economic conditions in the State of Minnesota, the nation and the globe. She discussed how events at all levels are causing various issues within the economy including the recent pandemic, the war between Ukraine and Russia, inflation, supply issues, and more.

She informed that the economy is in an elevated risk of a recession and provided more detailed information on the reasons behind that.

Imes provided information on housing and employment trends.

Foster provided a quick update on the 2023 Budget process and what the City Council could expect at the next meeting as far as discussion points.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32 pm.

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Washburn, Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Lynn Tschudi, Admin. Services Director

Steve