Special City Council Proceedings

The Plankinton City Council met in special session at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22nd, 2024 with the Aurora County Commissioners in the County Community Room to discuss contract of law.

Council Members present included Jack Marette, Terry Schuldt, Jim Nielsen, Magdalena Popek-Hurst and Carl Bode. The city employee present was Finance Officer Kylee Urban.

Absent was Mayor Brad Kehn and Councilperson Jason Schurz.

The County Commissioners informed the City Council that they have come up with a new proposed contract law formula. This would charge each city \$100/per capita lowering the current cost and capping the increases at 2-3% each year. This would only remain valid as a proposal if White Lake came back into the contract.

Commissioner JP Studeny thanked City Council member Carl Bode for coming up with alternative formulas. Aurora County Commissioners tried to come up with a formula that was as simplified as possible for everybody. The newly proposed formula will be based on decennial census numbers, so the increase or decrease will be based on cities' population every 10 years.

County Commissioners said they will have to find money out of their budget to pay for the difference in revenue loss with the newly proposed formula, but proposed it to make contract law more affordable for all three cities. If all three cities do not participate it, will cause a much larger budgetary concern, affecting everyone.

The Commission requested all three boards to reach a decision regarding contract law agreements for 2025 in the nearer future due to all entities will begin working on their budgets.

Councilperson Jack Marette stated that he and Councilperson Bode will bring these numbers back to the Plankinton Council for discussion and reach out to the White Lake Council.

City Council meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.