

Mayor Mark Bohle called to order a special worksession with the Cresco City Council and Cresco Library Board on October 20, 2014, at 5:00 pm at City Hall. Council Members Carman, Bouska, McGee and McCarville were present. Loveless arrived at 5:45 pm.

Library Board Members Flossie Morrison, Patsy Bronner, David Shaw, Curt McNew, Larry Joiner, Sharron Meyer, Helen Schmauss and Janice Dybevik were present. Also Library Director Carmen Buss and City Clerk Michelle Girolamo were in attendance.

Mayor Bohle explained the packet of information that was sent to the Council and Board members. He explained that cuts to the City Budget, including the Library's budget, will need to be made in the future due to declining property tax revenues because of changes in the State Law. Commercial rollbacks and caps on increases of property taxes will negatively impact the City's revenues.

The exact amount of budget cuts are not known at this time and will depend upon the taxable valuations the County Auditor calculates as well as all of the City Department's budget requests. Council encouraged the Library Board to delay hiring another employee and to look at alternative ways of operating the Library to reduce their expenses in preparation of future budget reductions.

The Library Board thanked the Council for the information and will review it at the next few Board meetings.

Bouska moved to adjourn the Council worksession at 5:46 pm. McGee seconded and it passed all ayes. The next regular Cresco City Council meeting will be at 7:00 pm on November 3, 2014 at Cresco City Hall.

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Mayor Mark Bohle

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City Clerk Michelle Girolamo