**BUDGET NARRATIVE**

In 2018 Kimmswick, Mo is expecting many exciting updates for our historic city.

2017 brought new businesses to town, increases in real-estate sales and the addition of our new playground. We have been especially fortunate this year as Kimmswick was awarded the Great Streets Initiative Grant. This is just the start to the exciting new things coming for Kimmswick. The Board of Alderman, Mayor and City Employees are looking forward to this exciting time.

The Jefferson County Port Authority will begin the restoration of the River Front Project.

With the opening of new businesses, the addition of two bed and breakfast. We will see not only an increase in license fees, but our tax revenue will continue to increase substantially, festivals that support 80% of the City’s revenue have shown an increase in profit again in 2017.

This City is going to be moving forward with planning and working together with our merchants and residents to add additional events that will bring more interest to our community.

The City, having enjoyed fiscal prosperity over the last several years, has budgeted much needed public improvement projects for 2018 to bring new visitors to our community, make our community safer for visitors and our residents.

In 2018, the City will continue to look for new ways to promote the Historical aspect and financial growth we saw in 2017. In 2018, the City is confident that it will be able to continue to enjoy the benefits of careful planning and sound fiscal policies.