

CITY OF THOMSON MILLAGE RATE PUBLIC HEARING and CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 31, 2022

5:00PM

Present:

Kenneth Usry, Mayor Alton Belton, Councilmember Keryl Corley, Councilmember Elaine Johnson, Councilmember John Smalley, Councilmember Scott Whittle, Councilmember John Waller, City Administrator Lucretia Ferguson, City Clerk Thomson-McDuffie Government Center

Also Present:

Tammy Haire, Finance Director Jason Smith, Community Development Karen Fioretti, McDuffie Progress

PUBLIC HEARING

At 5:00pm, Mayor Kenneth Usry welcomed all to the third Public Hearing concerning the City Millage Rate.

City Administrator Waller discussed the millage rate process and what the difference in revenue would be if the rate stayed the same or if it was rolled back. As the tax digest for City property showed an increase this year, if the millage rate remained the same as last year at 6.890, the City would have an increase of \$78,276 in revenue. If the millage rate is rolled back to 6.106, as calculated by the Tax Commissioner, the City would collect \$44,261 less revenue than last year. There was general discussion of the McDuffie County Board of Education and County millage rates.

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: None

There being no questions, comments, or other concerns, Mayor Usry closed the public hearing at 5:05pm.

COUNCIL MEETING

At 5:08pm, Mayor Usry called the Called City Council meeting to order and gave the invocation. This was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

CITIZEN COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The motion was made by Councilmember Smalley and seconded by Councilmember Belton to approve the agenda as written. A vote of 5-0 in favor was taken.

BUSINESS:

2022 Millage Rate:

A motion was made by Councilmember Belton and seconded by Councilmember Corley that the Council approve the same millage rate as last year, 6.890, based on the new tax evaluations. By a vote of 5-0, the motion was approved.

There being no other business before the Council, a motion for adjournment was made by Councilmember Corley and seconded by Councilmember Belton. A vote in favor (5-0) of the motion was taken and the meeting was adjourned at 5:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucretia W. Ferguson, City Clerk

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