Minutes of Public Hearing held September 12, 2016

Public hearing with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Ruble Farmer, Sam Cortez, Kevin Keith; City Secretary Josie Campa; Animal Control Director Betty Kroeger; Public Works Director James McGrath; Police Chief Richard Priest; Fire Marshal Matt Dear; Library Director Cassandra Cortez; Code Compliance Officer Scott Traeger; City Attorney Tom Cate. Alderman Sanders was absent.

Visitors: Ernie Kroeger, Chuck Bayne, Sam Parks, Gerry Elias, Brandon Fric, Megan Tschetter, Rachel Tschetter, Luz Moreno-Lozano, Juan Carmona, Ruben Gonzalez, Bictor & Bridget Zamora.

Mayor Bowen opened the public hearing at 6:30 p.m. and announced the purposes for the public hearing.

City Secretary Josie Campa told the Council and the audience members that the proposed 2016-2017 budget was balanced; and that as per the Mayor she had made a few changes to the budget Council had reviewed to include the increase in Judge’s salary.

The City Secretary/Tax Collector told everyone Council was proposing a tax rate of $0.3725 per $100.00 valuation and showed that this rate is lower than the city’s 2016 tax rate of $0.3735, but is a bit higher than last year’s rate of $.03650. She also showed everyone that Lytle’s proposed rate is the lowest rate compared to the rates from surrounding cities.

Public hearing was closed at 6:36 p.m.