

Minutes of Public Hearing held August 26, 2019

Public hearing with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Sam Cortez, Ruben Gonzalez, Laura Reyna; City Secretary Josie Campa; Police Chief Richard Priest; Fire Marshal Matt Dear; Director of Public Works James McGrath; Animal Control Director Santiago Morantez; Library Director Cassandra Cortez; City Attorney Tom Cate. Alderman Farmer was absent.

Visitors: Clay Schlinke, John Broach, Betty Kroeger, Frank Reyes, Steven Santana, Randall Martinez.

Mayor Bowen opened the public hearing at 6:30 p.m., and announced the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss the proposed tax rate for 2019, and asked if anyone had questions at the hearing for this purpose.

The Mayor then turned over the public hearing to the City Secretary.

City Secretary Josie Campa reviewed the tax rate calculated for 2019 such as the effective tax rate of \$ 0.4031 and the proposed rate of \$0.4475.

She also showed the difference between the 2018 and 2019 proposed tax rates and said for every \$10,000.00 of taxable value, the difference would be \$2.50 between the current rate and the proposed tax rate.

The City Secretary then showed tax rates from cities in the surrounding area that show Lytle has the lowest proposed tax rate by nearly six (6¢) cents.

Since there were no questions, the public hearing was closed at 6:38 p.m.