

The Paullina City Council met in special session on Monday, April 1, 2024, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 127 S Main St, Paullina, Iowa. Mayor Marlin Sjaarda called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Roll Call was taken. Council Members present: Dennis Werkmeister, Jean Unrau, Nichole Jacobs, and Carol Honkomp. Steve Heeren was absent. Staff present: City Clerk Michelle Wilson and Superintendent of Utilities Kelly Top, Fire Chief Ryan Harper, and Chief of Police Nathan Bremer. Guests present: Shawn Strubbe and Glenda Heithus. Press: Radtke

Mayor Sjaarda opened the Public Hearing for Proposed Property Tax Levy at 5:30 pm. Glenda Heithus voiced her concerns about the tax increase and would like the City to prioritize the areas in which to spend tax payer dollars. Mayor Sjaarda explained that this Levy is a new process that is mandated by the State, limiting what we can charge for property taxes and the proposed levy shows the maximum amount the City can charge for taxes. Councilperson Werkmeister agreed with some of Hiethus' concerns. Werkmeister voiced his disappointment in the State and in the new levy process. The new levy process will hurt communities. Werkmeister encouraged citizens to voice their concerns and take a stand. Werkmeister also encouraged citizens to take their concerns to their local Representative and Senator. Motion by Jacobs; second by Honkomp to close the Public Hearing for the Proposed Property Tax Levy at 5:46 pm. All ayes. Heeren absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Unrau; second by Jacobs to adjourn. All ayes. Heeren absent. Motion carried

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Marlin Sjaarda, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Michelle Wilson, City Clerk