

**BIG LAKE CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

NOVEMBER 25, 2014

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Danielowski called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members present: Dick Backlund, Raeanne Danielowski, Seth Hansen, and Mike Wallen. Council Member Absent: Nick Christenson. Also present: Interim City Administrator/Finance Director Jessica Green, City Clerk Gina Wolbeck, and Police Chief Joel Scharf.

3. PROPOSED AGENDA

Council Member Backlund motioned to adopt the proposed Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Hansen, unanimous ayes, agenda adopted.

4. BUSINESS

4A. Budget and Levy Public Hearing

Jessica Green discussed the preliminary operating and debt levy figures Council approved in September. Green also discussed the proposed final budget and levy that will be considered by Council at the December 10, 2014 meeting. Green reviewed the Public Input Hearing procedures and asked for Council to open the hearing to allow the public an opportunity to provide comments on the 2015 budget and levy.

Mayor Danielowski opened the public input hearing at 5:25 p.m.

Elizabeth Snyder; 18721 Traverse Lane – Thanked staff for the information provided at the hearing. She informed Council that she came to the hearing as she felt her tax increase was too high so she wanted to educate herself on where her tax dollars go. Council explained that her tax amount will decrease from the amount listed on her tax statement due to a decrease in the City's levy since the preliminary levy was set in September, and

that the school districts levy referendum was included in the tax statement, but did not pass at the election so that amount will also be removed.

Mayor Danielowski closed the public input hearing at 5:32 p.m.

5. ADJOURN

Council Member Backlund motioned to adjourn at 5:33 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Hansen, unanimous ayes, motion carried.

Gina Wolbeck
City Clerk

12/10/14
Date Approved By Council