

**CITY OF LEXINGTON**  
**PUBLIC HEARING – TRUTH IN TAXATION 7:00 PM**  
**&**  
**CITY OF LEXINGTON**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**  
**DECEMBER 4, 2014**  
**Immediately Following Public Hearing**  
**9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** - Mayor Pitchford

A. Roll Call - Council Members: Bailey, Hughes, Payment, Plasch  
*Mayor Pitchford called to order the Public Hearing – Truth In Taxation meeting of the City of Lexington of December 4, 2014. Councilmember’s present: Bailey, Payment, Hughes, and Plasch. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Tina Northcutt, Finance Director; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Chuck Tomaszewski, Resident.*

**2. PUBLIC HEARING: TRUTH IN TAXATION**

*Chuck Tomaszewski at 3815 Woodland Rd., Lexington addressed the City Council and questioned why his tax bill increased by \$90 on the City’s side of the tax levy. Petracek explained that it was a preliminary estimate of the taxes that was set at an 8% General Levy increase. Petracek stated that the final budget, which would be adopted at this meeting, was developed around a 3% increase; that adjustment would be reflected in the final tax bill.*

*Bailey added that the certification of the tax levy is in September is only an estimate because we don’t know what expenses may need to be addressed that would need the additional levy revenues – i.e. cuts to Local Government Aid (LGA). Discussion ensued.*

*Jerome Evans provided a letter @ 3620 Flowerfield Rd., Lexington provided a written letter to the Council concerning the increased tax rate.*

**3. ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING**

*Motion was made by Councilmember Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Payment to adjourn the Truth and Taxation Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.*

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**2. CALL TO ORDER:** – Mayor Pitchford

A. Roll Call - Council Members: Bailey, Hughes, Payment, Plasch

*Mayor Pitchford called to order the Regular Council meeting of the City of Lexington of December 5, 2013 at 7:12 p.m. Councilmember's present: Bailey, Payment, Hughes and Plasch. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Tina Northcutt, Finance Director; Chuck Tomaszewski, Resident.*

**2. CITIZENS FORUM – *No citizens were present to address the Council.***

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS**

*Motion was made by Mayor Pitchford, seconded by Councilmember Hughes to amend the agenda to separate Action agenda item D into two separate items: D(A) and D(B). Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.*

**4. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

- a. Airport (Councilmember Plasch) – Councilmember Plasch provided an update on the Airport Commission.*
- b. Cable Commission (Councilmember Payment) – Councilmember Payment stated the December Cable Commission meeting was cancelled.*
- c. City Administrator (Bill Petracek) Petracek stated that the ice skating rink was open to the public courtesy of the Lexington Fire Department. Discussion ensued.*

**5. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. Rice Creek Water Shed District – Notice of Public Hearing
- B. Elected Officials Public Safety Academy
- C. Council Workshop meeting minutes – November 20, 2014
- D. Dallas Larson Retirement Invitation 12-7-14 2-4:30 PM

*No discussion*

**Consent Agenda:**

**6. CONSENT ITEMS:**

- B. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
  - Council Meeting – November 20, 2014
  - Special Council Meeting – November 10, 2014
- C. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:

Check #'s 13322 through 13326  
Check #'s 38999  
Check #'s 39000 through 39040  
Check #'s 39041

D. Financial Reports

- Cash Balances
- Fund Summary – Budget to Actual

***Motion was made by Councilmember Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Hughes to approve the consent agenda. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.***

**Action Items:**

**7. ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 14-23 A Resolution Canceling  
The Debt Service Levy For 2015

***Motion was made by Councilmember Hughes, seconded by Councilmember Bailey to approve Resolution No. 14-23 – A Resolution Canceling the Debt Service Levy for 2015. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.***

- B. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 14-24 A Resolution Certifying  
2014 Tax Levy Collectable in 2015

***Motion was made Councilmember Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Payment to approve Resolution No. 14-24 – A Resolution Certifying 2014 Tax Levy Collectable in 2015. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.***

- C. Recommendation to approve Resolution NO. 14-25 A Resolution Adopting  
Final 2015 Operating Budget For The city Of Lexington

***Motion was made by Councilmember Bailey, seconded by Mayor Pitchford to approve Resolution No. 14-25 – A Resolution Adopting Final 2015 Operating Budget for the City of Lexington. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.***

- D. Recommendation to approve Annual Entertainment License -  
*Pending Fire Department & Police Department Approval*  
(a.)Cowboys

***Motion was made by Councilmember Payment, seconded by Councilmember Bailey to approve the Annual Entertainment License for Cowboy's. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.***

(b.) Bamboo Betty's

*Motion was made by Councilmember Plasch, seconded by Councilmember Payment to approve the Annual Entertainment License for Bamboo Betty's. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.*

- E. Recommendation to approve Minnesota Department of Health Grant Agreement

*Motion was made by Councilmember Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Hughes to approve Minnesota Department of Health Grant Agreement. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.*

- F. Recommendation to approve Memorandum of Agreement – Anoka County Municipal Wellhead Protection Group

*Motion was made by Councilmember Bailey, seconded by Councilmember Hughes to approve the Memorandum of Agreement – Anoka County Wellhead Protection Group. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.*

## **8. MOVE TO CONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION**

*Petracek explained that there was nothing to report to the Council and there was no need to go into closed session. Glaser explained that there will be a closed session noticed on the agenda for each meeting so that we will be able to inform the City Council of our progress.*

## **~~9. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION~~**

- ~~a. The purpose is to consider offer to purchase public land~~

## **~~10. MOVE TO RECONVENE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING~~**

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT – *No Mayor or Council input***

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion was made by Councilmember Hughes, seconded by Councilmember Bailey to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Passed unanimously. Motion carried 5-0.*