Public Hearing September 4, 2018 5:30 P M

Mayor Rex Smith opened with the pledge of allegiance and led with a prayer.

A duly noticed Public Hearing was held in the board room at Saltillo City Hall on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. to present the 2018-2019 Tax Milage and the 2018-2019 FY Proposed Budget.

Present for the hearing were Donald Cullum, Terry Glidewell, Copey Craig Sanders, Malcomb Driskill, Zoning Administrator Brian Grissom, City Clerk Mary Parker, City Attorney Chris Evans, William Moore (DJournal), Fire Chief Mark Nowell, Corrin Calvasina, Louis Jones and Bill Monaghan.

The City Clerk presented the 2018-2019 Tax Milage which will not see an increase in milage rates. The rate will remain at 27 with the following distribution The tax millage for 2018-2019 fiscal year shall be set at 27.00. (General revenue purposes pursuant to Sections 21-33-45 and 27-39-307 of the Mississippi Code - 23.6 mills; Fire protection purposes pursuant to Section 83-1-37 (5) of the Mississippi Code - 2 mills; and General Obligation Refunding 2008 Bond and Interests Fund pursuant to Section 21-33-45 of the Mississippi Code - 1.4 mills).

The proposed budget for 2018-2019 was then presented. The proposed budget includes a cost of living raise for all full time employees at \$610 for the 2018-2019 budget year. It was explained that the budget would show an increase in ad valorem taxes and sales tax for the general budget. The water budget as proposed by Alderman Driskill shows revenue increase and expenditure increases due to projected cost of switching from well water to river water. See attached proposed budget.

Alderman Cullum questioned the amount proposed for school resource officers and was told the county would not be ready to provide officers this year but possibly in the 2019-2020 budget year. Corrine Calvasina questioned how the raise were calculated and the mayor and clerk explained it was a cost of living raise and that a 2% raise was calculated and then split evenly among all employees. She also questioned the need for two meter readers in the water department and the mayor explained that in order to put two sets of eyes on the reads and also increasing the time it takes to read.

Mayor Smith asked if there was anyone else present who desired to be heard. Hearing no response, the public hearing was then concluded.

Mayor Rex Smith

ATTEST: City Clerk Mary Parker