

CITY OF COOPER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – PUBLIC HEARING TAX RATE INCREASE  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 – 4:30 PM

COUCNIL MEMBERS PRESENT: DARREN BRADDY; MAYOR, ALLEN FOSTER, AMANDA L'ESPERANCE, AND DONNA THOMASON

CITY ATTORNEY: JAY GARRETT

OTHERS PRESENT: EMILY HOWSE, KASEY BRITTON, AND JOE ADAMS

ABSENT: DAVID PHILLIPS AND WILLIE "BEAR" WILKINS

AGENDA ITEM #1

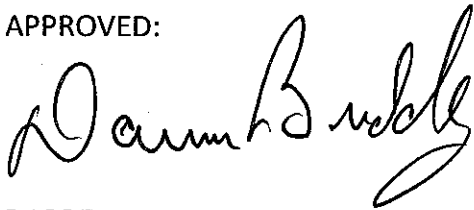
Mayor Darren Braddy opened the second public hearing to discuss the proposed tax rate increase. He stated that some changes had been made to allow for the purchase of a vehicle. He stated that the change came from refined actual expenditures. Mayor Braddy stated that the proposed raises were not affected. After much discussion on this matter, Mayor Braddy asked for public input. Kasey Britton questioned the City Secretary's proposed raise and stated that the amount was unjustified due the lack of efficiency and the high cost of insurance that is provided by the city. Kasey also inquired about the purchase vehicles. Again, after much discussion, Mayor Braddy asked the council if they had any more comments. Amanda L'Esperance stated that the raises should go to the laboring employees not the administrative employees. Amanda stated that Mayor knew her stance on the raise issue and she was standing her ground.

AGENDA ITEM #2

Hearing no other comments Donna Thomason made the motion to close the public hearing. Allen Foster seconded. Vote unanimous

TIME: 5:19 PM

APPROVED:



DARREN BRADDY; MAYOR  
CITY OF COOPER

ATTEST:



EMILY HOWSE  
CITY SECRETARY