

CITY OF COOPER
PUBLIC HEARING #1 TAX RATE ABOVE EFFECTIVE RATE
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 – 5:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: DARREN BRADDY; MAYOR, DAVID PHILLIPS, ALLEN FOSTER, AMANDA L'ESPERANCE, AND DIANE STEGALL VIA ZOOM.

OTHERS PRESENT: EMILY HOWSE, DONNA THOMASON, MELISSA ADAMS REBEKKA SMITH, KELLEY TRAPP, BILL PEEK, KRISTY PEEK, KEVIN CARTER, LINDA BARNES, DEAN JOHNSON AND KASEY BRITTON VIA ZOOM.

CITY ATTORNEY JAY GARRETT WAS ABSENT AND COUNCILMAN ELMO ROBINSON WAS ABSENT

AGENDA ITEM #1

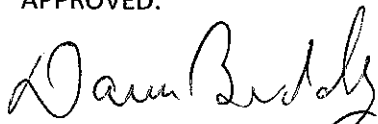
Mayor Darren Braddy called the public hearing to order and Darren also voiced the prayer and opened the public hearing.

Darren went over the proposed budget in detail. There was much discussion on animal control, street issues, code enforcement, rotating volunteer fire department possibilities for Monday through Friday 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, and the possibility of creating a city police department. Several concerned citizens spoke in detail of issues of concern on each topic. Darren elaborately described each and every concern. Darren stated that he was pleased that concerned citizens were in attendance and welcomed them and their input. Darren stated that he was not trying to please everyone, "that will never happen", but he was trying to do the best job he could with the resources available.

Darren asked if there were any more questions from the citizens present, hearing none, the public hearing was adjourned.

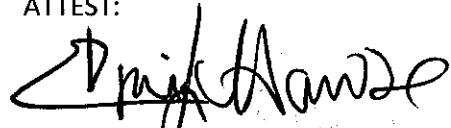
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APPROVED:



DARREN BRADDY, MAYOR
CITY OF COOPER

ATTEST:



EMILY HOWSE
CITY SECRETARY