

**CITY OF METTER
CALLED MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024
5:30 P.M.**

A called meeting was held on Thursday, August 26, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. in the council chambers at city hall.

Attending the meeting were the following officials:

Mayor Edwin O. Boyd
Councilwoman Victoria Gaitten
Councilwoman Chyrileen Kilcrease
Councilwoman Rashida Taylor
Councilman Gregg Stewart
Councilman James McKie
City Attorney Brent Carter
City Clerk Angie Conner
Public Works Director Cliff Hendrix
H/R Purchasing Manager Missy Edenfield
Planning Director Teresa Concannon

GUESTS ATTENDING

No guests were present.

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Boyd called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilwoman Gaitten led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Councilwoman Kilcrease led the group in the Lord's Prayer.

AGENDA

Councilman McKie made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

2024 Millage Rate

The mayor and council were presented with a 2024 millage rate of 11.902 mills which was calculated using the adopted FY 2025 budget. The gross millage rate is 20.148 and the local option sales tax is 8.246 leaving a net millage of 11.902. This rate will require an increase in

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property taxes by 19.02 percent. This increase will require three public hearings before final adoption.

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to tentatively approve a 2024 millage rate of 11.902 mills and set public hearings on the proposed tax increase for Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. and an additional public hearing on September 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with a called meeting to follow at 9:15 a.m. Councilman McKie seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Closed Session

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to go into closed session at 5:34 p.m. for personnel, pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-2(1). Councilman McKie seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

No votes were taken.

Open Session

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to reopen the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Councilman Stewart seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

After no further comments, Councilwoman Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Angie Conner, City Clerk