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A Public Hearing was held on Tuesday, September 1st, immediately following the work session of the Mayor & Council at 5:15p.m. at Lewisburg Recreation Center, 1551 Mooresville Highway to hear public opinion and comments concerning the following:

1. Ordinance 20-11, an Ordinance amending Ordinance 20-04 pertaining to the 2020-2021 budget and setting the 2020 property tax rate to include a \$.15 tax rate increase.

Those present and attending were: Mayor Jim Bingham, Councilmen; C.H. Harwell, Jerry Gordon, Bam Haislip, Joseph Bradford and Artie Allen. City Manager Buck Beard, City Attorney Steve Broadway, City Recorder Pam Davis and City Treasurer Donna Park. (**Note:** Councilmen Haislip and Bradford were sworn into office at 5:00p.m. on 9-1-2020 at the regular work session of Mayor & Council prior to the beginning of the public hearing.

Members Absent: None

Mayor Bingham opened the Public Hearing asking for public comments and/or opinions on the above listed item(s).

**Comments:**

The following individuals spoke against Ordinance 20-11:

Troy Harwell, 960 Heil Ave., Lewisburg  
Robin Minor, 646 Douglas Ave., Lewisburg  
Sheila Crick, 1525 White Drive, Lewisburg

The following individuals spoke in support of the Council and the pending outcome of their decision:

Bob Phillips, 855 Yell Road, Lewisburg  
Larry McKnight, 1125 Mae Lane, Lewisburg

There being no other business, the public hearing was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL CALL MEETING  
OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF LEWISBURG**

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
COUNTY OF MARSHALL

CITY OF LEWISBURG  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

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The Mayor and City Council of the City of Lewisburg met in a Special Call Meeting on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, immediately following the public hearing at 5:28 p.m. at Lewisburg Recreation Center, 1551 Mooresville Highway to consider the following item (s) of business:

- a. **Consider approval of 2nd reading of Ordinance 20-11, an Ordinance amending Ordinance 20-04 pertaining to the 2020-2021 budget and setting the 2020 property tax rate to include a \$.15 tax rate increase.**

Those present and attending were: Mayor Jim Bingham, Councilmen; C.H. Harwell, Jerry Gordon, Bam Haislip, Joseph Bradford and Artie Allen. City Manager Buck Beard, City Attorney Steve Broadway, City Recorder Pam Davis and City Treasurer Donna Park.

Members Absent: None

Mayor Bingham opened the meeting calling for the order of business as indicated above.

Motion was made by Councilman Haislip, seconded by Councilman Allen to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance 20-11, an Ordinance amending Ordinance 20-04 pertaining to the 2020-2021 budget and setting the 2020 property tax rate to include a \$.15 tax rate increase.

**Discussion:** Councilman Bradford stated residents of his Ward had made it clear they are not in favor of a property tax increase. Councilman Bradford stated it was his opinion that a tax increase was not a permanent solution to the City's financial issue and that the issue appeared to be a spending problem. Councilman Bradford further stated if a tax increase was passed the City of Lewisburg would surpass the tax rate of neighboring cities, therefore he would not be supporting increase.

Upon a roll call vote:

Councilman Gordon - Nay

Councilman Haislip - Aye

Councilman Allen - Aye

Councilman Bradford - Nay

Councilman Harwell - Aye

Motion passed 3-2

There being no further business, the Special Call Meeting of the Mayor and Council was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

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Jim Bingham, Mayor

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Attest: Pamela R. Davis,  
City Recorder