

Special Council Meeting
of the City of Greenville
held in the Council Chambers
on Wednesday, December 17, 2014

Call to Order: A special meeting of the Greenville City Council was called to order on Wednesday, December 17, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Kenny Hampton.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Pro Tem Kenny Hampton, Councilman John Gillard, Councilman Mike Heath, and Councilman Roger Sanders. Mayor Alan Gaffner attended via teleconference.

Also Present: City Manager Dave Willey and City Clerk Sue Ann Nelson.

Remote Attendance: Mayor Gaffner was unable to attend the meeting in person due to being out of town for work. With a quorum being confirmed, motion made by Heath, seconded by Sanders, to allow remote participation by Mayor Gaffner. Since Mayor Gaffner is not physically present, Mayor Pro Tem Hampton will lead the meeting.

Ayes: Heath, Sanders, Gillard, Hampton

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Pledge: The pledge of allegiance to the United States flag was recited.

Notice of Meeting: Notice of the special meeting having been given as provided by law, said meeting was called for consideration of the following agenda:

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Public Comment
- 4) Tax Levy Ordinance
- 5) Intergovernmental Agreement with Bond County for Enterprise Zone
- 6) Executive Session: Purchase of Real Estate, Section 2(c)(5); Sale of Real Estate, Section 2(c)(6); Personnel, Section 2(c)(1); and Litigation, Section 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act

Public Comment: With no comments being expressed, public input was closed.

**Ordinance 3054 -
2014 Annual Tax Levy:**

Mayor Pro Tem Hampton reviewed action taken at the December 9th council meeting which resulted in a 2-2 tie vote, and reviewed three options presented to the council including one for 5% increase and 2 with 0% increase. City Manager Willey spoke about the shortfall in the tax assessment, increase in police pension and anticipated loss in sales tax revenue. After much council discussion, motion made by Sanders, seconded by Gaffner, to pass Ordinance No. 3054, an ordinance providing for the levy and collection of taxes for the purpose of defraying necessary expenses and liabilities of the City of Greenville for the 2014-2015 fiscal year, a total levy of \$809,754 which is \$38,560 increase from the previous year (see ordinance on file for full text). Following the vote, Mayor Gaffner stated that in the past ten years, the amount levied represents an average of 3.8% increase over that period, and includes two years in which the council did not increase the amount of the tax levy.

Ayes: Sanders, Gaffner, Hampton

Nays: Gillard, Heath

Motion passed 3-2.

**Ordinance 3055 –
Authorizing City of
Greenville to Enter
into Intergovernmental
Agreement with Bond
County for Enterprise
Zone:**

Following action by the Bond County Board to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and City to establish a new Enterprise Zone, action is necessary by the City to approve an ordinance authorizing the City to enter into said Intergovernmental Agreement with Bond County for the Enterprise Zone. Motion by Gillard, seconded by Heath, to approve Ordinance 3055 authorizing the City of Greenville to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Bond County. This is necessary for the City to make application for a competitive bid for a new Enterprise Zone. The current Enterprise Zone will expire at the end of 2015.

Ayes: Gillard, Heath, Hampton, Sanders, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Adjournment:

At 8:19 p.m., moved by Gillard, seconded by Heath, to adjourn special council meeting.

Ayes: Gillard, Heath, Hampton, Sanders, Gaffner

Nays: None

Motion carried.

City Clerk