

CITY OF SYLVAN LAKE
PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 8, 2013

A Public Hearing was held by the Sylvan Lake City Council on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at the Sylvan Lake Community Center, opening at 7:32 p.m. with Mayor Zubrzycki presiding.

Present: Meskin, Zubrzycki, Cassar, Etter, Lorenz **PH-001-13 B-004-13**
Absent: None
Also Present: City Manager Martin, Clerk Clippert and City Attorney Schultz

The public hearing was scheduled to receive public input regarding the Truth and Taxation increase of property taxes and the proposed 2013/2014 budget. The proposed increase is .30 mills in the public safety tax millage to take it up to the 5.00 mills approved by the voters and .10 for Garbage and Rubbish tax millage rates to be levied in 2013.

Martin made a power point presentation showing how the millage rates are calculated which included the breakdown of proposed millage rates, and dollars collected for each millage. He showed the proposed total millage to be levied for fiscal year 2013-2014 will be 23.7344; the General Operating total being 13.8941 mills. He explained how the debt retirement millage is calculated and explained the combined street/drainage and water/sewer bond. This refinancing saved the residents \$31,000 this year. Martin provided a summary of General Fund revenues and expenditures and charts showing the revenues and expenditures.

Mayor Zubrzycki opened the meeting to the public.

Bob Duschinske questioned the fund balance and asked if it is high for a city this size. Martin stated the fund balance is around \$500,000. He reviewed the slide which showed how it will go up and then back down as the millage runs out.

Jerry Nechal asked what assumptions were used for the police. Martin stated he assumed operating our own department as is. He further explained even if council decided to outsource the department it wouldn't take effect immediately.

Martin wrapped up by inviting anyone who wants to discuss the budget to come in to talk with him.

There were no other comments.

Mayor Zubrzycki closed the Public Hearing at 7:48 p.m.

Dennise Dryden, City Clerk