

CITY OF SYLVAN LAKE
PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 28, 2014

A Public Hearing was held by the Sylvan Lake City Council on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at the Sylvan Lake Community Center, opening at 7:34 p.m. with Mayor Zubrzycki presiding.

Present: Dzenko, Lorenz, Meskin, Zubrzycki, Cassar **PH-001-14 B-001-14**

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Martin, Clerk Dryden and City Attorney Schultz

The public hearing was scheduled to receive public input regarding the proposed 2014/2015 budget.

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 2014-201 will be 23.6050 the General Operating total being 13.8941 mills. He explained how the debt retirement millage is calculated and explained the State is phasing out personal property tax. This year the city lost \$418,900 in personal property. The State will reimburse the city for this lost revenue for debt only. 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.

Helen Jane Peters questioned donations. Martin explained the city receives many donations such as the parks, police, Memorial Day Parade, and for Wayside signs.

Mayor Zubrzycki stated next year they are going to have to start thinking about funding for the road repairs. He thanked Martin for the presentation. Pete Peters asked when the roads will be totally repaved again. Martin stated the city's roads aged about five years over the last two months. The city will maintain them a little differently than how they have over the past years so we can get try and get the most absolute life out of them. When it is time to repave them it will be an interesting conversation at City Council meetings because there have been residents say they do not want another millage. They don't want to get into debt again. The option is take money out of the general fund. Martin is not even sure there will be enough even if the millages are renewed. If a bond millage was done again it would be a lot less than last time because they would not need to do the culverts and drainage again. Also they can look at doing only the streets as needed instead of the whole city at once.

There were no other comments.

Mayor Zubrzycki closed the Public Hearing at 7:58 p.m.

Dennise Dryden, City Clerk