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City Council Meeting – SPECIAL CALLED  
10 N. Public Square  
August 18, 2022  
8:00 A.M. – Council Meeting

## **OPENING MEETING**

Mayor Santini called the Council Meeting to order at 8:03 AM.

The City Council met in Special Called Session with Matthew Santini, Mayor presiding and the following present: Jayce Stepp, Council Member Ward Two; Cary Roth, Council Member Ward Three; Calvin Cooley, Council Member Ward Four; Gary Fox, Council Member Ward Five; Dan Porta, City Manager; and Julia Drake, City Clerk

Absent: Kari Hodge, Council Member Ward One; Taff Wren, Council Member Ward Six; and David Archer, City Attorney.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **1. City M&O Millage Rate – 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Hearing**

Mayor Matthew Santini stated property taxes received from the Cartersville M&O property tax collections are used for the general city government operations, which include police, fire, recreation, public works, etc.

The proposed 2022 millage rate is set at 2.910 mills and is not the rollback rate (rollback rate was 2.589 mills). As a result, the rate of 2.91 mills is considered to be a property tax increase of 12.40% over the rollback rate. The tax increase on a house that has a fair market value of \$125,000 would be approximately \$16.05. Furthermore, the city is required to hold three public hearings for the citizens to voice their opinions regarding the proposed property tax increase.

Public hearing opened. With no one to come forward to speak for or against the item, the public hearing was closed.

The first public hearing was held on August 11, 2022 at 5 PM. This was the second public hearing, and the third public hearing will be held on August 18, 2022 at 7 PM. Approval is recommended of the Cartersville M&O property tax millage rate of 2.910 mills for 2022.

### **2. Cartersville School System Millage Rate Set at 13.906 Mills for 2022**

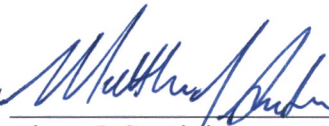
Mayor Santini stated the Cartersville City School System has recommended to their Board to adopt the millage rate of 13.906 mill for 2022. The rollback rate is 12.277 mills. As a result, the rate of 13.906 mills is considered to be a property tax increase of 13.27% over the rollback rate. The tax increase on a house that has a fair market value of \$125,000 would be approximately \$49.65.

Furthermore, the city is required to hold three public hearings for the citizens to voice their opinions regarding the proposed property tax increase. The first public hearing was held on August 11, 2022 at 5 PM. The second public hearing was held on August 18, 2022 at 8 AM, and the third public hearing was held on August 18, 2022 at 7 PM. Approval was recommended of the Cartersville City School System property tax millage rate of 13.906 mills for 2022.

Mayor Santini opened the public hearing and with no one to come forward, the public hearing was closed.

Council Member Roth made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:04 A.M.

/s/   
Matthew J. Santini  
Mayor

ATTEST:  
/s/   
Julia Drake  
City Clerk

