

City Council Meeting – SPECIAL CALLED  
10 N. Public Square  
August 12, 2021  
5:00 P.M. – Council Meeting

## OPENING MEETING

Mayor Santini called the Council Meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

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; Julia Drake, City Clerk and David Archer, City Attorney.

Absent: Kari Hodge, Council Member Ward One; Taff Wren, Council Member Ward Six

## PUBLIC HEARING

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

Tom Rhinehart, Finance Director, came forward to give an overview of the item stating the 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 2021 millage rate is set at 2.910 mills and is not the rollback rate (rollback rate was 2.785 mills). As a result, the rate of 2.91 mills is considered to be a property tax increase of 4.49% over the rollback rate. The tax increase on a house that has a fair market value of \$125,000 would be approximately \$6.25.

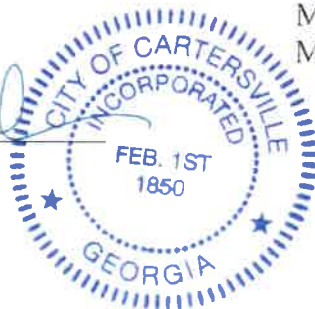
The city is required to hold three public hearings for the citizens to voice their opinions regarding the proposed property tax increase. The first public hearing was held on August 12, 2021 at 5 PM. The second public hearing will be held on August 19, 2021 at 8 AM, and the third public hearing will be held on August 19, 2021 at 7 PM.


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

Council Member Fox made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 P.M.

ATTEST:  
/s/   
Julia Drake  
City Clerk



/s/   
Matthew J. Santini  
Mayor