

# Town Of Havana

## Final Public Budget Hearing: Millage & Annual Budget September 30, 2024 – 6:00pm

### Meeting minutes

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Loughmiller at 6:00pm. Invocation was led by Councilman Lawrence Reed, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call

A roll call confirmed the presence of the following council members including Landon Seymour, Matt Wesolowski, Tabatha Nelson, Lawrence Reed, Penny Key, Mayor Loughmiller and Mayor Pro Tem Eddie Bass, ensuring a quorum for the meeting.

#### #1 Ordinance No. 406, Proposed Ad Valorem Tax Rate (Final Reading)

Ms. Wilkerson, Town Manager, requested the Town Clerk to read Ordinance 406 by title only. Ms. Alexander, Town Clerk, read Ordinance No. 406 by title only. Ms. Wilkerson reviewed the reasons for the Millage increase is additional revenue is required to fund the police department salaries, sustain operations, repair fleet and complete maintenance on town facilities. The proposed millage rate voted upon at the July 2024 council meeting was 3.2500 mils. The proposed millage is set at 3.000 mils.

Mayor Loughmiller asked if there were any public comment. None received.

Motion made by Councilwoman Key to approve the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 406 to set the millage rate at 3.0000 mils. Seconded by Councilman Bass and motion carried.

#### #2 Ordinance No. 407, Adoption of FY2024-FY2025 Budget (Final Reading)

Ms. Wilkerson requested the Clerk to read Ordinance 407 by title only. Ms. Alexander read Ordinance No. 407 by title only. Ms. Wilkerson, Town Manager, stated FY25 budget reflects a tentative millage of 3.0000 mills.

The total annual budget is \$15,545,268 which is an increase of 69.36% from prior year. The increase is directly related to increases in special revenue due to grant activity. Ms. Wilkerson stated if Special Revenue/Grants were not included in the calculation, the total operating budget would decrease slightly.

Mayor Loughmiller asked if there were any public comment. None received.

Motion made by Councilman Bass to approve the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 407 to approve the FY2024-FY2025 Budget. Seconded by Councilwoman Key and motion carried.

Mayor Loughmiller closed the public hearing at 6:06pm.

#### Recognition of Each Council Member

#### Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Seymour made motion to adjourn the September 30, 2024 Final Public Budget Hearing. Councilman Wesolowski seconded, and motion carried.

Mayor Loughmiller adjourned the meeting at 6:06pm.

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ATTEST:

*Shrylan R. Alexander*

Shrylan R. Alexander, Town Clerk

