

**CITY OF METTER
PUBLIC HEARING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

A public hearing was held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. in the council chambers at city hall.

Attending the hearing were the following officials:

Mayor Edwin O. Boyd
City Clerk Angie Conner

Guests attending were as follows:

Joseph Ford
A Ford
Teresa Flemming

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Boyd called the hearing to order and welcomed everyone.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the hearing was to allow public input on the proposed millage rate increase.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Ford and Ms. Flemming were present at the hearing to express their concern regarding the millage rate increase. They both said that they had moved here from other communities because they liked Metter. They had both been here for five plus years. Over those years their taxes have risen over \$800.00. They said that if the taxes continue to go up, they are going to have to move to another city with lower tax rates.

Mayor Boyd explained some of the reasons regarding the tax increase are as follows:

1. Our tax base has not grown in the past 10 years.
2. Not enough industry.
3. State cut out the birthday tax on vehicles.
4. Losing a percentage of our LOST revenue.

ADJOURNMENT

After no further questions, Mayor Boyd adjourned the hearing at 6:44 p.m.