

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF LEFLORE  
CITY OF GREENWOOD**

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GREENWOOD CITY COUNCIL** was held this Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Greenwood City Hall, it being the time and place for holding said meeting.

There were present at this meeting, Mayor Carolyn McAdams, Attorney Don Brock, Jr., Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., David Jordan and Carl Palmer, Nick Joseph, Jr., City Clerk and Cinderella Morris, Council Clerk. Councilperson Andrew Powell being absent.

Also present were: Annie P. Washington, Tony Sinclair, Alliyah Sims, Delta News, Eric Spencer, Lauren Randall, Commonwealth Newspaper and Chris Williams, Taxpayers Channel.

Also present were: Mayor's Secretary Bettie Ray, Police Chief Ray Moore, Sergeant Melvin Cook, Fire Chief Marcus Banks, and Public Works Director Susan Bailey.

**IN RE: AGENDA**

Motion was made by Councilperson Carl Palmer, seconded by Councilperson David Jordan, to adopt the agenda. A vote was taken, Councilpersons Johnny Jennings, Lisa Cookston, Ronnie Stevenson, Charles E. McCoy, Sr., David Jordan and Carl Palmer all voted YEA. Councilperson Andrew Powell being absent. The President declared the motion passed and adopted.

The purpose of the meeting today was to provide the general public with an opportunity to comment on the taxing and spending plan incorporated in the proposed budget of the City of Greenwood for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018.

Annie P. Washington addressed the Council to comment on the budget. She said that she was in favor of raising taxes if it is for a good cause. She said she did not have a problem with the tax increase. She said the tax increase will help with streets repairs and protection for the city's fire and police departments. She said the tax increase is needed. She said that the city had not raised taxes in eleven years and that they cannot go another eleven years.

Councilperson David Jordan questioned the Mayor regarding the amount of the millage increase for taxes. Mayor McAdams said that taxes would increase by 2 mills. Councilperson Jordan requested that the police department and streets be looked at in the new budget. Mayor McAdams stated that two years ago Council gave her a list of streets in their ward to be repaired. She said that they needed to look into a bond issue to resurface streets. There being no further discussion Council President Ronnie Stevenson declared the public hearing closed.

**IN RE: ROUTINE AGENDA  
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AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR  
THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF  
TAXES UPON ALL REAL, MIXED  
AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN  
THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE  
CITY OF GREENWOOD, LEFLORE  
COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI FOR THE  
YEAR 2016 AND ADOPTION OF THE  
2017 TAX ROLLS**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR  
THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF  
TAXES UPON ALL THE REAL AND  
PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN  
THE SEPARATE ADJACENT  
ANNEXED TERRITORY OF THE  
GREENWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL  
DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF  
GREENWOOD, LEFLORE COUNTY,  
MISSISSIPPI, FOR THE YEAR 2017**

**- Adopted Unanimously**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THIS MEETING WAS  
ADJOURNED**

**RONNIE STEVENSON, PRESIDENT**

**JOHNNY JENNINGS, VICE PRESIDENT**

**LISA COOKSTON**

**CHARLES E. MCCOY, SR.**

**ANDREW POWELL**

**DAVID JORDAN**

**CARL PALMER**

**CERTIFIED BY:**

**NICK JOSEPH, JR.,  
CITY CLERK**