City of Taylor, North Dakota

Tax Equalization Board Meeting

April 08, 2024, at 5:30PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM by Mayor Ross Rebel

Council members present: Melissa Gjermundson, Mark Sloop, Chase Hanson

Also present are City Auditor Lisa Aune and Nina Wolf.

Guests: Lorna O’Connor – City Assessor (via phone patch)

Jim Wolf

Russ Myran

The minutes of the meeting held on April 03, 2023, were approved as corrected by Councilwoman Gjermundson, seconded by Councilman Sloop. MCU.

There was manual change increase for detached garages/shops as noted by the Stark County. Jim Wolf and Russ Myran questioned the increase. The explanation according to the county tax director is that three (3) detached garages/shops are at $11.60 per square foot and all the other garages/shops in Taylor are at $15.00-$25.00 per square foot. In trying to get them equalized with the rest of the city, these three detached garages/shops went to $15.00 per square foot for 2024. For year 2025, these three (3) detached garages/shops will increase to $20.00 per square foot, as well as other shops built before 2013. Those shops built after 2013 will be at $25.00 per square foot.

The City of Taylor has 4 Homestead Credits and 1 Veteran Credit that have already applied in 2024.

The discussion for this meeting was tabled at 6:11PM pending approval of the increase. The council agreed to reopen the meeting after the regular city council meeting.

Mayor Rebel reopened the meeting at 8:06PM. The council had a discussion whether to approve or disapprove the tax rate increase.

Councilman Hanson moved to approve the changes in tax rate increase, there was no second. Motion failed.

The council deliberated for several minutes before making a final decision.

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to approve the tax rate increase as presented, seconded by Councilman Hanson with a roll call vote of 3 yes and O no. MCU

Councilwoman Gjermundson moved to adjourn at 8:26PM, seconded by Councilman Sloop. MCU

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Mayor Ross Rebel Nina Wolf, Secretary