



CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT
City Council Public Hearing/Regular Meeting
Whitewright Civic Center
206 W. Grand
September 3, 2013
5:30 p.m.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT WILL BE HELD ON THE 3rd, DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2013, AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE WHITEWRIGHT CIVIC CENTER AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED.

PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of the City of Whitewright proposes an increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 5.75 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT last year was \$67,071. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.728139 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$488.37. The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT last year is \$66,501. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate of this year of \$0.699775 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$465.36.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.740000 per \$100 of the taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$492.11.

- a) Citizens Comments
- b) Council Comments
- c) Close Hearing

I. Call meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum

II. Action Items:

1. Approval of Minutes of July 2, and July 23, 2013.
2. Consider and approve current bills for payment.

III. Visitors/Citizens Forum: At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on this Agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

IV. Action Items:

1. Consider and approve Audit for 2011-2012 report given by McClanahan and Holmes on July 23, 2013.
2. Consider and adopt Resolution 404 approving sale of certain real property acquired at delinquent tax foreclosure sale.
3. Consider and adoption of contract with Grayson County for the services of ad valorem tax assessing and collecting.
4. Consider and appoint a board member for the Whitewright Economic Development Board from the recommendations by the board.
5. Consider and adopt Ordinance 499; Regulation of Apiary and keeping of bees within the city limits.
6. Consider and adopt Ordinance 500; Regulation of Municipal Court and personnel

VI. Informational Reports: These reports are for information only. No discussion is appropriate unless there is a specific item listed below or there is a request that the item be placed on a subsequent agenda as a discussion and action item.

1. Mayor's Report
 - a. Update on projects
 - b. New projects
2. Council Concerns

VII. Adjourn

1. Items marked with an * are on the consent agenda and will be voted on in one motion unless a council member asks for separate discussion.
2. Council may vote and/or act upon each of the action items listed in this Agenda pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.
3. Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the action items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act.
4. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact City Hall at 903/364-2219 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above notice of meeting of the Governing body of the City of Whitewright is a true and correct copy of said notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the glass front of the Whitewright City Hall, a place convenient and readily assessable to the General Public at all times, and said notice was posted on August 29, 2013 on or before 5:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Beth Woodson

Beth Woodson, City Secretary