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Request for Special City Council Meeting

Dated: May 11, 2017 Westmoreland, Kansas To: Mark A. Goodenow Mayor of Westmoreland We, the undersigned, Council members of the City of Westmoreland, Kansas, hereby respectfully request you to call a Special Meeting of the Council for the object(s) and purpose(s) of: buchot work session with Sink Gordon and ssociates. This meeting will take place at the Community Center on June 21, 2017 at_ 7:00 pm Council member (Council member Council member Waide Puryis Council member 62 Council member

Westmoreland City Council Special/Work Session Meeting June 21, 2017 minutes

The Westmoreland City Council met on June 21, 2017 for a work session regarding the proposed 2018 city budget at the Community Center.

Governing Body members present: Mayor, Mark Goodenow; Councilmembers Jim Smith, Jeff Rosell, Mark Jack, Jim Moore and Waide Purvis.

City Staff present: City Treasurer, Teresa Varriale and City Clerk, Vicki Zentner.

Others present: Jim Gordon and Gina Roberts with Sink, Gordon and Associates and City Library Committee Chairperson, Janet Goodenow.

There being a quorum present Mayor Goodenow called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Goodenow turned the meeting over to Mr. Gordon and Mrs. Roberts to discuss the proposed 2018 budget worksheet

Mr. Gordon reported that should the council wish to raise the mill levy higher than the tax lid for the proposed 2018 budget from the computations used to figure the "tax lid", they would have to hold a special election and put the mill levy increase proposed to a vote of the registered voters within the city limits.

He stated that two (2) items that were not subject to the tax lid were the city's debt service and a city owned library.

Mr. Gordon reminded the council that due to refinancing several general obligations bonds, the mill levy was increased already on the proposed 2018 budget worksheets.

Councilmember Rosell asked if the city could pay off the remaining balance on the purchase of the skidloader without any financial issues. Mr. Gordon replied that he saw no issue with paying the skidloader off early.

Several items of the proposed 2018 budget were discussed as to financial obligations of the city that might have an effect on the proposed budget such as the recent paving of Main Street, down payment on the sewer project loan monies, establishing a city ran library and possible effect of the sales tax payments on the city should this not be continued in the near future.

After some brief discussion, it was the recommendation of Mr. Gordon that the council consider raising the city's mill levy to 50.089 mills (which would be approximately \$4,000 increase on personal property taxes).

The proposed 2018 budget will be published in the city's official newspaper with the public hearing being held at the August 10, 2017 regular council meeting.

There being no further discussion, Councilmember Moore moved to adjourn the special/work session meeting. Councilmember Purvis seconded the motion. The motion passed five (5) ayes to zero (0) nays.

Approved by the Governing Body on July 13, 2017.

Signed;

Mark A. Goodenow, Mayor

Vicki B. Zentner, City Clerk