

DAWSON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

AUGUST 23, 2016 @ 6:30 P.M.

114 N. MAIN ST. DAWSON, TX. 76639

Mayor Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Council present were: Stephen Sanders, Tony Mikeska, Darrell Stevenson, Aaron Hogue. Cameron Shaw and Kelly Jankowski was absent from this meeting. Employees present were: Ronda Franks. Special guest present were: **Gail Smith and Mike Dowd** from Navarro County Tax Assessor and Collector Office. **Gail Smith** discussed what could happen if the council decided to set the tax rate over the roll back rate. She stated that all it would take is for one registered voter to start a petition to lower the rate back to the roll back rate. Then the city would have the expense of an election which could cost approximately \$5,600.00. If the rate was dropped back to the roll back rate the city would be responsible for reprinting the tax statements and mailing plus all the refunds to the citizens that had already paid the higher tax rate. She stated that the county gets the rates by July 25 of each year and has to figure all the tax rates for the different cities and have them out to the cities by August 7 of each year. In all everything has to be decided on and taken care of by September 29. This is the time line for each year. The Mayor was asking Mrs. Smith if there was time to have an election be for the above time line so the citizens could vote on raising the taxes ahead of time and Mrs. Smith so no there is no extra time.

Council discussed the tax rate for the 2016-17 year.

Aaron made a motion to set the tax rate for 2016-17 at 0.423400/100. **Darrell** seconded the motion all in favor motion passed.

Darrell made a motion to adjourn the meeting since there was no further business to discuss.

Aaron seconded the motion all in favor motion passed.

Stephen Sanders,
Mayor

Ronda Franks,
City Secretary
