

**CITY OF PARK RIVER, NORTH DAKOTA, PUBLIC HEARING, MONDAY,
OCTOBER 5 , 2015 AT 7:00 PM.**

Mayor Stenvold called the meeting to order stating the purpose was to conduct a Public Hearing to allow the public a chance to comment on or protest the proposed three-mill/ 4.22% City tax levy increase for the 2016 budget year.

Present: Council members; Mike Lorton, Kyle Halvorson, Arvid Knutson, Dwight Byron, Keith Anderson, City Coordinator Jolene Halldorson, and City Auditor Ann Berg. Absent; Council member Bob Lundquist, City Attorney Tracy Laaveg, and Public Works Director Dennis Larson. Others; Eugene Bossert.

Mayor Stenvold asked Eugene Bossert if he had any questions or comments. Bossert told the Council he heard the 3 mill increase would raise taxes on a \$100,000 by \$1.00 over last year's portion of the City tax bill. He wondered how this would affect his taxes. Berg replied that the information was correct and if a home was valued in 2014 at \$100,000 and the valuation stayed the same; in 2015 the City tax portion would increase by \$1.00. If the property valuation went down the taxes would go down or if the valuation went up the taxes would go up accordingly. In Bossert's case, property valuation went down \$8,800.00; this translates into a decrease of approximately \$28.29 to the City portion of his next Walsh County real estate tax bill.

Since no one present objected to the mill levy increase, Mayor Stenvold closed the Public Hearing.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Dan Stenvold, Mayor

ATTEST:

Ann Berg, City Auditor