

City of Keystone Heights City Council

Keystone Heights City Council Special Meeting July 25,2025

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"Please turn off cell phones"

Date: Jul 23 2025 (2:30 pm)

Public Comment

1. Call to Order-Mayor Nina Rodenroth

Mayor Nina Rodenroth called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm.

2. Invocation: Beau Wright, Deputy City Manager

Beau Wright led the council and staff in an innovation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance-Vice Mayor Kussler

Councilman Elston "Speedy" Kussler led the council and staff in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call-James Booth, Interim City Manager

James Booth, Interim City Manager called roll:
Mayor Nina Rodenroth: present
Vice Mayor Elston "Speedy" Kussler: present
Councilman Dan Lewandowski: present
Councilman Dave Welch: present
Councilman Ryan Knight: absent

5. Public Comments

There was no one in attendance from the public.

Action Items

6. Estimate Tentative Property Tax Rate (Millage Rate)

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Mayor Nina Rodenroth gave a summation of why we are at the meeting.

James Booth, Interim City Manager stated he had spoken to Rich Komando, City Attorney and conveyed information from him. He wanted everyone to know we are setting the Max Millage Rate. James Booth explained the max millage rate cannot be any higher than 10.

Councilman Dave Welch stated he would like to make sure communication is clear, so that residents have the right perception.

James Booth, Interim City Manager stated the results from today's meeting will be advertised in the newspaper.

The City Manager, James Booth went over the Fiscal Year (FY) 25-26 Budget schedule (which is attached to agenda). His recommendation is to assume a neutral property tax rate of 3.8847 or 3.9 with \$409,029 in projected property tax revenue.

There was discussion as to what last fiscal year's rate was, (rollback property tax rate of 3.8847).

James Booth, Interim City Manager went over the chart with the property values. tax rates, neutral, roll back, and property tax revenue, (this was attached to the agenda).

Council consensus was to set the neutral rate of 3.8847 for the maximum millage rate.

Meeting Adjourned: