

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Committee of the Whole

Meeting

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held

Monday, April 7,

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Subject: City Income Tax Rate and HB 257

Attendees: Mayor Plybon, President Vance, R. Aspiras, J. Lax, R. Davies, P. Carr, K. Shanklin, B. Squirrell. Directors Wheeler, Brediger, Strimlan, Kirkbride

Start Time: 6:30 pm

End Time: 7:27 pm

Mayor Plybon called the meeting to order

Mayor presented a slide show of information titled Income Tax Discussion.

Slides included pie charts of General Fund Revenue sources and expenditures for 2024. Graph of income tax revenue since 2012. The budget shortfall and items that have helped create the shortfall.

Upcoming needs for a full-time fire department and their facility upgrades, development of a third industrial park, and residential growth and investment in modern infrastructure.

A 1/2% income tax increase would generate 3 million. Increases to the full time fire department cost is 800K+ per year. The fire department renovation 2-9 million. Industrial park and land acquisition 4 million. Housing development/infrastructure 1-2 million. And 390K per year at 3% inflation rate.

Loss of revenue due to Inheritance Tax. Personal Property Tax elimination. Local Government funding reduction. Work from home income tax reduction. Net profit loss. Grants.


A graph showing income tax collection from resident vs non-resident shows that most of our income tax collection comes from non-residents. And a graph of income tax comparison with other cities. Most are at 1.50% with up to 2.5% in Canton. Only 3 are below 1.5% with Orrville at 1%. This graph also shows the tax credit allowed. Discussion mentioned many cities are lowering their tax credits.

Increased revenue options are changing the split in the general and capital funds, increase miscellaneous fees, township detachment, income tax rate increase, property tax levy, reduction or elimination of 1% income tax credit for Orrville residents.

A second meeting will be held.



Jeanne Gault, Clerk of Council

 April 21, 2025

Date