

City of Danbury
Special Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 19, 2022

Call To Order: 6:30 p.m.

Council Present: Keith Woods, Gordon Hatthorn, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel, Jon Williams, and Mayor Sue Powell

Staff Present: Erin Nolan-Secretary

Council Absent:

Pledge

Prayer: Jon Williams

Public Comment: NONE

Mayor Update: NONE

Council and Staff Comments:

Keith Woods – The restrooms at the ball field have been painted. They look nice.

General Business:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding Ordinance # 22-12 Adopting Budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Keith Woods to discuss ordinance 22-12 adopting budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022.

Brittney Darbonne: We need to consider the elderly and make sure our public servants are putting the community first.

Melinda Strong: I spoke with you Mayor about removing the line CBDG should not be there because you have no way to prove that it was done.

Sue Powell: I spoke with Curtis Craig. He said, we can choose to leave as long as we have an expense line. Or we can choose to remove it.

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Kylie Kroschel to approve Ordinance 22-12 adopting budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022.

PASSES

**Yes: Rocky Hicks, Gordon Hatthorn, Kylie Kroschel, Keith Woods and Jon Williams
Present but not voting: Suzanne Powell**

2. Discussion and possible action to ratify tax increase in Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Jon Williams to ratify tax increase in the budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 pursuant to local government code 102.007 (c).

PASSES

3. Vote to approve the Maintenance and Operation Tax Rate in the October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 budget.

Motion by Kylie Kroschel and seconded by Gordon Hatthorn to discuss Maintenance and Operation Tax Rate in the October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 budget.

Kylie Kroschel - Gave reasons why the no new revenue rate should not be considered. 1) Inflation is at 8.3% 2) we need more that 6 months reserve.

Kylie Kroschel: I also believe we should add a fund balance to the budget.

Keith Woods: We have too many elderly who live on fixed income that will not be able to pay their taxes with the increase.

Mr. Womack: You can help those elderly in the community by making sure they have the homestead exemption.

Rocky Hicks: Want it to be known that next year “we” will get a lower tax rate because the debt service will be gone. We make the last payment this year which will decrease our taxes next year.

Kylie Kroschel: Yes, next year our rate will be lower which might mean we have to go out to a vote to the citizens if we need to raise it.

Kylie Kroschel makes a motion to approve 0.38098 maintenance and operation tax rate in the October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 budget.

PASSES

4. Vote to approve the Debt Service Tax Rate of .203297 per \$100 reflected in the October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 budget.

Motion by Rocky Hicks and seconded by Keith Woods to approve the Debt Service Tax Rate of .203297 per \$100 reflected in the October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 budget.

PASSES

5. Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance # 22-14 regarding adopting tax rate for Tax year 2022.

Kylie Kroschel: I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.5894277, which is effectively a 2.63 percent increase in the tax rate.

Seconded by Rocky Hicks.

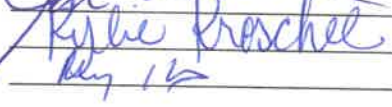
Yes: Gordon Hatthorn, Keith Woods, Rocky Hicks, Kylie Kroschel and Jon Williams
Present but not voting: Suzanne Powell

Adjourn/Dismiss:

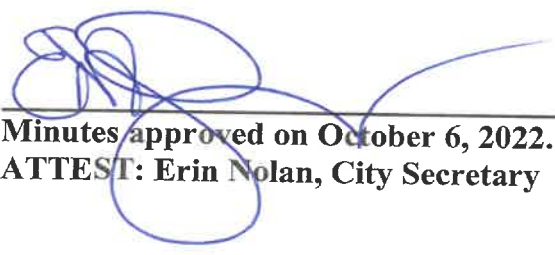
Mayor Suzanne Powell adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m.



Mayor Suzanne Powell
City of Danbury

Kylie Kroschel
City of Danbury



Minutes approved on October 6, 2022.
ATTEST: Erin Nolan, City Secretary