

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF PEARL RIVER
CITY OF PICAYUNE**

Be It Remembered that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Picayune, Pearl River County, Mississippi, met at City Hall, 203 Goodyear Blvd., in said City, Friday, September 8, 2017, at 8:00 A.M.. in regular session with the following officials present:, Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members, Tammy Valente, Jan Stevens, Larry Breland and Wayne Gouguet and City Manager Jim Luke and City Clerk Amber Hinton. Council Member Lynn Bumpers was absent.

It Being Determined a quorum was present, the following proceedings were held.

Opening prayer was given by Tommy Hart, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Breland.

MOTION TO OPEN BUDGET HEARING

Motion was made by Council Member Valente, seconded by Council Member Gouguet to open the public budget hearing for the FY 2018 Proposed Budget and Tax Levy allowing members of the public to speak.

The following roll call was made:

VOTING YEA: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Valente, Stevens, Breland and Gouguet

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

ABSTAINING AND NOT VOTING: None

The motion was declared carried.

DURING THE BUDGET HEARING, CHIEF DAWSEY, ERIC MORRIS, GARLAND CROSBY AND BILL EDWARDS TOOK TURNS SPEAKING

MOTION TO TAKE A TEN MINUTE RECESS FROM BUDGET HEARING

Motion was made by Council Member Gouguet, seconded by Council Member Valente to take a ten minute recess from the Public Hearing.

The following roll call was made:

VOTING YEA: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Valente, Stevens, Breland and Gouguet

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

ABSTAINING AND NOT VOTING: None

The motion was declared carried.

MOTION TO RETURN TO BUDGET HEARING

Motion was made by Council Member Valente, seconded by Council Member Stevens to return to the Budget Hearing.

The following roll call was made:

VOTING YEA: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Valente, Stevens, Breland and Gouguet

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

ABSTAINING AND NOT VOTING: None

The motion was declared carried.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE BUDGET HEARING

Motion was made by Council Member Valente, seconded by Council Member Gouguet to close the public budget hearing for the FY 2018 Proposed Budget and Tax Levy.

The following roll call was made:

VOTING YEA: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Valente, Stevens, Breland and Gouguet

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

ABSTAINING AND NOT VOTING: None

The motion was declared carried.

APPROVE ORDINANCE NUMBER 940 ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF PICAYUNE FY 2018 TAX LEVY

Motion was made by Council Member Gouguet, seconded by Council Member Stevens to approve Ordinance Number 940 establishing the City of Picayune FY 2018 Tax Levy with an increase of two mills.

ORDINANCE NO. 940

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE LEVY FOR THE MUNICIPAL TAXES FOR THE CITY OF PICAYUNE, MISSISSIPPI FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PICAYUNE, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That a levy for general and special municipal purposes of 38.61 mills on the dollar upon, real personal and fixed property within the corporate limits of the City of Picayune, Mississippi, taxable according to law, be and the same is hereby fixed and declared for the fiscal year 2017-2018, for the following purposes, to-wit:

GENERAL FUND (Authority: MS Code of 1972, Section 27-39-307)	24.62
¼ MILL FIRE LEVY	.25
LONG TERM DEBT	11.06

PEARL RIVER COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM	1.89
TAX COLLECTION COSTS	.79
TOTAL FOR ALL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES	38.61

SECTION 2. That for good cause therefore, it being necessary to immediately transmit levy for approval of the State Tax Commission, it is ordered that this Ordinance take effect and be in full force and effect from and after its passage, but shall nevertheless be published and enrolled as provided by law.

The foregoing Ordinance, after having been first reduced to writing, was introduced by Council member Gouguet, seconded by Council member Stevens, and was adopted by the following roll call vote:

VOTING YAY: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Gouguet, Valente, Stevens
VOTING NAY: Council Member Breland
ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

Whereupon the Mayor declared that the motion was carried and Ordinance adopted, on this 8th day of September 2017.

Ed Pinero, Mayor

Amber Hinton, City Clerk

The following roll call was made:

VOTING YEA: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Valente, Stevens and Gouguet

VOTING NAY: Council Member Breland

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

ABSTAINING AND NOT VOTING: None

The motion was declared carried.

MOTION TO RECESS

Motion was made by Council Member Gouguet, seconded by Council Member Stevens to recess until September 15, 2017 at 8:00 A.M.

The following roll call was made:

VOTING YEA: Mayor Ed Pinero, Council Members Valente, Stevens, Breland and Gouguet

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Council Member Bumpers

ABSTAINING AND NOT VOTING: None

The motion was declared carried.

Ed Pinero, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amber Hinton, City Clerk