

Slater City Council Meeting

March 31, 2025

Public Hearing for Tax Levy proposed for FY 2026 Budget

The Slater City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Taylor Christensen at 6:00pm on March 31, 2025 at Slater City Hall, 101 Story Street, Slater, Iowa. Roll being called Present: Sue Erickson, Joel Newman, and Craig Conley. Absent: Ken May and Shawn Birdsall. Also present: Jennifer Davies – City Administrator / Clerk and Mark Estrem-Public Works Director.

Mayor Christensen then opened the public hearing at 6:01pm for the proposed tax levy for FY 2026 Budget. Davies reported no questions or comments have been received, written or verbal, at Slater City Hall regarding the proposed tax levy for FY 2026. Christensen ask the public present if they had any questions. There was discussion of the percentage of increase. Davies gave examples of the increase in property taxes for 5 specific properties. Valuations for those 5 ranged from \$264,900 to \$593,500 with an increase in property taxes for the City of Slater only ranging from \$13.39 to \$29.03 per year. Other taxing entities (the County and School District) will affect property taxes in addition to this. A resident asked about the reasoning for the proposed increase. Davies explained that premiums for property insurance and workman’s comp insurance have almost doubled in the past few years, and that staff will be increasing for FY2026. Having no further discussion, Mayor Christensen closed the public hearing at 6:10pm.

Motion was made by Newman, seconded by Erickson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:10pm. All Ayes

Taylor Christensen, Mayor

Attest: _____

Jennifer Davies, City Administrator / Clerk