

**Floyd County Council  
Public Hearing Minutes  
October 10, 2023  
5:30 P.M.**

**Pineview Government Center  
Commissioners Meeting Room #104**

**Denise Konkle called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance***

**Roll Call – Full Quorum**

**Also Present-** Attorney, Steve Langdon; Auditor, Diana Topping; Sheriff, Steve Bush; Recorder, Lois Endris; Treasurer, Steve Bush and Commissioner, John Schellenberger

**Public Hearing - Judicial LIT**

Diana Mayfield, Floyds Knobs, stated she does not see a lot of transparency on the lists of things for the tax. She questioned why it is only for Judicial. She asked why the meeting is scheduled for 5:30 when most people cannot attend the meeting this early. She feels they are trying to push it through.

Danny Short stated it is a tax to raise funds for Judicial expenses so that portion can be moved out of the General Fund to free up monies for other situations. He is not in favor of this tax.

As a realtor, Ms. Mayfield, stated some people live paycheck to paycheck and cannot afford another tax.

Dale Mann, Georgetown, agrees with Ms. Mayfield. He stated this is an easy decision to not raise taxes. They need to see where the bleed is. He is in favor of an Efficiency Study. He asked if they pass by majority tonight will they be able to change the rate at the second reading.

Attorney, Steve Langdon, stated whatever the motion is tonight that it will be the same at the second reading.

Mr. Mann stated he is not in favor of this tax.

**Adjournment of Public Hearing**

**Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Moved by Tony Toran. Seconded by Dale Bagshaw. Motion passed unanimously.**

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**New Business**

**1. Introduction Ordinance 2023-05**

**Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Ordinance 2023-01 and Modifying Local Income Tax Rates Floyd County, IN**

Dale Bagshaw stated there are budget shortfalls because of lower revenue and other reasons. In 2025 or 2026 the budget will be in the red and they will have to make larger cuts. He fears they will have to cut people for the budget to balance and if people are cut that services will have to be cut. If they don't do something now they will have to make cuts in the future.

Jim Freiberger disagrees with Mr. Bagshaw. He stated there are a lot of benefits that could be cut without letting people go. He said the Council continue to give raises to move people up to external mid-range. He has voted against those raises.

Connie Moon stated she is not for this tax. They do not need to cut people but they need to stop adding people. She stated they need to stop the special negotiations for certain salaries.

**Motion to approve Ordinance 2023-05 but lower the rate from .07% to .04%. Moved by Dale Bagshaw. Seconded by Tony Toran. Motion passed 4-3. Connie Moon, Danny Short and Jim Freiberger opposed.**

The second reading will be Monday, October 16, 5:00 pm.

**Motion to adjourn. Moved by Connie Moon. Seconded by Dale Bagshaw.  
Motion passed unanimously.**

**FLOYD COUNTY COUNCIL**



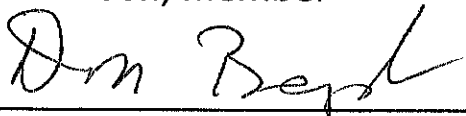
Denise Konkle, President



Brad Striegel, Vice President



Connie Moon, member



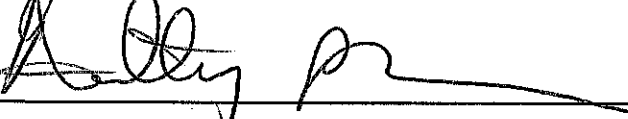
Dale Bagshaw, member



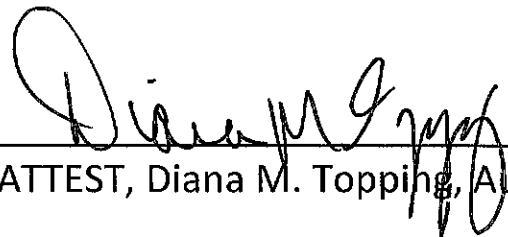
Danny Short, member



Jim Freiburger, member



Tony Toran, member



ATTEST, Diana M. Topping, Auditor