

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
August 26, 2008

The Public Hearing of the 2009 advertised budget was held on Tuesday, August 26, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 104 at the County Administration Building, Goshen, Indiana.

Council President, John K. Letherman, called the meeting to order. Other Council members present were James L. Hartman, Dennis E. Sharkey, Clarence J. Yoder, Donald E. Abel, Randy Yohn. and David E. Foutz.

Also present were David L. Hess, County Auditor, and Pauline E. Graff, First Deputy Auditor; Floyd Hindbaugh, Director of Personnel and Carol Caviness, Assistant Director of Personnel.

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On motion made by Sharkey and seconded by Yohn, Council President Letherman opened the Public Hearing to those in the audience.

Ralph Spelbring, a property owner in Elkhart addressed the Council and said he had been comparing Elkhart County and St. Joseph County tax rates. He said Elkhart County is doing a great job of keeping our taxes low. He felt Elkhart County was particularly wise when they enforced the income tax at the maximum rate allowed by law since 1973. That means our property taxes have been less during the last three decades. The Council appreciated his remarks and his compliment.

ADJOURNMENT

The Public Hearing was closed at 4: 08 p.m., on motion by Sharkey seconded by Hartman and unanimously carried.

Recording Secretary
Kenlyn K. Arnott

OUTLINE OF PUBLIC HEARING

1. A motion must be made to open the Public Hearing to those in the audience.
2. If there is no audience participation, a motion must be made to close the Public Hearing.