

**MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING
PROPERTY TAX LEVY
November 18, 2014
6:30 pm**

Mayor Heinzman called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call: Mayor Heinzman, Mike Swanson, Rita Burke, Gail Ganga, Eddie Hills, Mike Couch was absent. Staff present was Debbie Boyd. Also present were Karen Griffith, Renee Swanson, and Mont Heinzman.

Mayor Heinzman opens the meeting stating the purpose of the meeting is for public comment regarding the property tax levy increase of 1%.

She tells them the town must decide if it will take the maximum increase allowed by law of 1%.

It was suggested by someone that the town should look into B&O taxes on manufacturing, possibly a cemetery district to fund the cemetery in the future. Lyman's tax rate is 1.3247.

A comment was made that the value of houses has gone down significantly but the taxes don't go down they go up. Who gets that money?

Franchise fees for Wave Cable was also brought up as a possible option to not use the 1% in the future.

Mayor Heinzman asks if there are any more citizen comments.

Mayor Heinzman adjourned the meeting a 7:00pm.