

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm by Chairman Tom Callahan.

In attendance were Chairman Tom Callahan, Vice Chairman Martin Valadez, Secretary Louise Matzner, and Board members Doug Wadsworth, Ashley Coronado, Sandra LePage and Susan Paysse.

Also in attendance were Executive Director Kyle Cox, Communications and Advancement Director Davin Diaz, Collections and Services Director Michael Huff, Finance and Business Director Rose Courneya, Human Resources Director Celina Bishop, Operations Director Erin Meneely and Executive Assistant Valerie Loffler.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Martin Valadez moved to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Sandra LePage and carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMSPublic Hearing – Resolution 2019-01

Chairman Tom Callahan opened the public hearing at 12:03 pm.

Finance and Business Director Rose Courneya reported the Board of Trustees is required to levy an ad valorem tax by resolution to Benton and Franklin Counties. Benton County's assessed property values went up to over \$1 billion. Franklin County's assessed value went up \$217 million above this year. This means MCL will receive \$144,000 more in property taxes than what was budgeted for 2019. Property values are holding strong in the Tri-Cities.

The resolution adopts the 2018 ad valorem tax levy for 2019 taxes of \$.34426741 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The tax rate is going down because the valuations went up.

Sandra LePage moved to adopt Resolution 2019-01. The motion was seconded by Martin Valadez and carried unanimously.

Resolution 2019-02

Mrs. Courneya reported the Board is also required to adopt a resolution in order to capture the maximum property tax increase allowed by law. The resolution authorizes an increase in the regular property tax levy, in addition to any amount resulting from the addition of new construction and improvements to property and any increase in the value of state-assessed property, for the 2019 levy in the amount of \$48,135.22, which is a percentage increase of 1.00% from the previous year.

Doug Wadsworth moved to adopt Resolution 2019-02. The motion was seconded by Susan Paysse and carried unanimously.

There was no testimony and the public hearing was closed.

STAFF COMMENTS


Executive Director provided an update on the West Richland branch remodel. Construction progress meetings will be held every two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:09 pm.


Valerie J. Loffler, Executive Assistant

Approved:


Louise Matzner, Secretary
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