

**Decatur County Council Meeting**

**Public Hearing**

**For**

**Proposed Ordinance for a Food and Beverage Tax**

**Tuesday, November 6th, 2023, Room 106**

**Present:** Danny Peters, Bill Metz, Melanie Nobbe, Ashley Hungate, Deanna Burkart, Ernie Gauck and Kenny Hooten.

President Peters called the Council’s Public Hearing meeting to order; he then led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mr Peters asked those who signed up to speak to please be respectful to everyone and there is a 3-minute limit for speakers.

There were 12 people who spoke, 2 of which are in support of the tax; a couple of speakers stated they could see both sides; then those who are not in favor of the tax who believe the County should build what they can afford.

There were several people who asked questions, followed by some discussions. Mr Gauck stated Council will not pass any tax without having all of the information on it.

Mr Peters closed the Public Hearing on the proposed ordinance to adopt a food and beverage tax.

**Council members agreed their November 21<sup>st</sup> regular meeting will be held at 6:00 pm at the EOC Meeting Room. The Food and Beverage Tax Ordinance is on the Topics to be discussed. Council has the options to table it, approve it or vote it down. Council members agreed any voting will be done by a roll call.**

**The next Council meeting will be November 21st, 2023 at 6:00 pm.**

With nothing else to come before the Council, Mr Hooten made a motion to adjourn and Mr Gauck seconded the motion. Meeting is adjourned.

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Danny Peters, President

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