## CITY OF SUGAR HILL MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JULY 2, 2018, 8:00 A.M. CITY HALL HISTORY ROOM 5039 WEST BROAD STREET SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA

**CALL TO ORDER -** by Mayor Edwards at 8:00 a.m. Present were Mayor Steve Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Curtis Northrup, Council Members Taylor Anderson, Marc Cohen, Susie Gajewski and Brandon Hembree.

**Public Hearing #1, 2018 Property Tax Millage Rate** – the City Manager explained that state law requires that when the revenue exceeds 3% over the previous year's revenue and the city does not choose to rollback the millage rate, it must be advertised as a tax increase. The digest continues to grow and the city is now 85% residential and 15% commercial. The city has maintained a millage rate of 3.8 for the past 14 years and staff is recommending that the rate be maintained at 3.8 for 2018.

The public hearing was opened and there were no comments from the public so the hearing was closed.

The Mayor thanked the Council for leadership and the managers for maintaining the budget that allows for no tax increase. Council Member Hembree stated that the residents are getting a good value of services for this millage rate. Mayor Pro Tem Northrup thanked Gwinnett County for keeping up with the appraisals and keeping the digest updated.

There will be a second public hearing tonight at the City Council Work Session at 7:00 p.m.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION: LEGAL, REAL ESATE, PERSONNEL** – there was no Executive Session held.

## PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

**ADJOURNMENT** – Council Member Hembree motioned to adjourn. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Steve Edwards, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk