

**BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES**  
**City Council of the City of Bath, Maine**  
**Wednesday, May 21, 2014 6:00 PM**  
**Bath City Hall Auditorium**

**Councilors Present:** Brackett, Merrill, Paulhus, Lockwood, Wyman, Sinclair, Mitchell, Winglass and Madame Chair Eosco

**PUBLIC HEARING - City of Bath 2014-2015 Combined Budget**

Madame Chair Eosco called the Hearing to order at 6:00 PM. She welcomed everyone.

City Manager William Giroux gave an overview of the Combined City Budget. He stated the entire City Budget would come in with a 1.40% tax increase and with the County .14% and RSU #1 1.45% Budgets the combined rate would be 2.99%.

**COMBINED CITY BUDGET**  
**2014-2015**

City Operating Fund	\$9,793,454
Landfill Fund	\$1,925,000
Sewer Fund	\$2,003,274
City Capital (excluding Bonded)	\$1,265,061
Overlay	\$50,000
Bath City Bus	\$142,493
Train Station /Trolley	\$73,455
<b>Total Combined</b>	<b>\$15,252,737</b>

Madame Chair Eosco opened the hearing to public comment.

Jolene Allen representing Senior Spectrum Generations asked Council to grant SSG with a \$1,000 donation.

Robert McChesney of 132 Washington Street asked how the taxes were going to be kept at the same level with the reductions taking place in the tax base for the City.

City Manager Giroux stated that to this point the revenues have been able to cover the reduction in the tax base but wasn't sure how much longer that was going to hold.

City Assessor Mateosian reported that the reduction in the tax base this year was covered by the revenues generated by the newly installed gas pipeline and hoped this would keep the taxes stable for awhile.

Seeing no other comments or questions, Madame Chair Eosco closed the Public Hearing at 6:09 PM.

Attest:

Mary J. White, City Clerk

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