

**City of Ellendale**  
**November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Public Hearing for Tax Abatement Applications**  
**6:30 pm**

**Agenda**

**6:30 Call Meeting to Order**

The purpose of the hearing is to accept public comment on the property tax abatement applications for the construction of new residential homes and/or residential properties that have increased the value by 50% within the city limits of Ellendale.

**6:35 Public Input**

*Those wishing to speak must state their name and address for the record. Each person will have three (3) minutes to make his/her remarks. Speakers will address all comments to the City Council as a whole and not one individual Council Member. The Council may not act on an item presented during the Public Comment period unless the item is already on the agenda for action. When appropriate, the Council may refer inquiries and items brought up during the Public Comment period to the City Clerk-Treasurer for follow-up.*

**6:50 Adjournment**

**MINUTES OF ELLENDALE  
PUBLIC HEARING FOR TAX ABATEMENT APPLICATIONS  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 2024  
6:30 PM**

**Present:** Mayor Matthew Bartsch; Council Members Jon Asplund, Jackie Froman and Scott Groth; City Clerk/Treasurer Steve Engel;

**Absent:**

**Visitors:** City Residents; Joel Meyer, James Crosby, Logan Busho, Josh Otto; property owner Daniel Petsinger; Steele County Times Reporter Kay Fate, Aaron Lane

**Call Meeting to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Bartsch. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Bartsch explained the purpose of the public hearing was to hear the public's comments on the tax abatement policy and the applicants who qualify for the program at this time. The purpose of the program was to give incentive to new home construction and existing home improvements of 50% or more within the city limits of Ellendale.


He opened the floor for public comments.

**Public Input:**

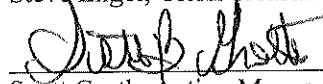
- Daniel Petsinger commented that he thought that tax abatement shouldn't be for something that has already happened. It should be from the date that the city agrees to it and then open it to everyone so everyone can apply. He recommended the council to deny the abatements.

No other comments were heard.

A motion was made by Council Member Froman to adjourn the public hearing. Council Member Asplund advanced. Motion carried, all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.

  
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Steve Engel, Clerk/Treasurer

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Scott Groth, Acting Mayor

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