

The Bremen City Governing Authority does hereby announce that the tax millage rates will be set at a meeting to be held at the Public Safety Complex on August 29, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. 48-5-32, we do hereby publish the following presentations of the current year's tax digest and levy along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CITY OF BREMEN (HARALSON) CURRENT 2016 TAX DIGEST & 5-YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY						
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Real & Personal	\$182,503,634.00	\$181,219,724.00	\$204,083,607.00	\$203,749,399.00	\$197,932,743.00	\$199,498,143.00
Motor Vehicles	\$13,750,750.00	\$14,451,180.00	\$14,146,280.00	\$12,119,810.00	\$8,838,700.00	\$6,692,630.00
Mobile Homes	\$109,067.00	\$100,353.00	\$80,141.00	\$80,112.00	\$76,902.00	\$66,217.00
Timber				\$3,100.00	\$0.00	
Gross Digest	\$196,363,451.00	\$195,771,257.00	\$218,310,028.00	\$215,952,421.00	\$206,848,345.00	\$206,416,988.00
Less M&O Exemptions	(\$8,162,069.00)	(\$9,056,229.00)	(\$10,456,349.00)	(\$12,111,217.00)	(\$13,108,124.00)	(\$12,489,465.00)
Net M&O Digest	\$188,201,382.00	\$186,715,028.00	\$207,853,679.00	\$203,841,204.00	\$193,740,221.00	\$193,927,523.00
Gross M&O Millage	11.163	11.393	11.33	11.384	11.477	11.159
Less Rollbacks	4.05	4.28	4.25	4.484	4.577	4.563
Net M&O Millage	7.113	7.113	7.080	6.900	6.900	6.596
Net Taxes Levied	\$1,338,676.43	\$1,328,103.99	\$1,471,604.05	\$1,406,504.31	\$1,336,807.52	\$1,279,145.94
Net Taxes \$ Increase/Decr	(\$13,138.50)	(\$10,572.44)	\$143,500.05	(\$65,099.74)	(\$69,696.78)	(\$57,661.58)
Net Taxes % Increase/Dec	(0.97)	(0.79)	10.80	(4.42)	(4.96)	(4.31)
CITY OF BREMEN (CARROLL) CURRENT 2016 TAX DIGEST & 5-YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY						
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Real & Personal	\$24,746,053.00	\$24,699,876.00	\$24,216,796.00	\$23,430,240.00	\$22,290,228.00	\$22,455,830.00
Motor Vehicles	\$134,560.00	\$193,520.00	\$213,300.00	\$229,730.00	\$240,790.00	\$104,910.00
Mobile Homes						
Timber						
Gross Digest	\$24,880,613.00	\$24,893,396.00	\$24,430,096.00	\$23,659,970.00	\$22,531,018.00	\$22,560,740.00
Less M&O Exemptions	\$2,099.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Net M&O Digest	\$24,878,514.00	\$24,893,396.00	\$24,430,096.00	\$23,659,970.00	\$22,531,018.00	\$22,560,740.00
Gross M&O Millage	9.035	8.997	9.210	9.245	9.255	11.159
Less Rollbacks	1.988	1.95	2.16	2.16	2.21	2.305
Net M&O Millage	7.047	7.047	7.050	7.085	7.074	8.854
Net Taxes Levied	\$175,318.89	\$175,423.76	\$172,232.18	\$167,630.89	\$159,384.42	\$199,752.79
Net Taxes \$ Increase/Decr	(\$3,198.81)	\$104.87	(\$3,191.58)	(\$4,601.29)	(\$8,246.47)	\$40,368.37
Net Taxes % Increase/Dec	(1.79)	0.06	(1.82)	(2.67)	(4.92)	25.33

Notice of Property Tax Increase

The Mayor & City Council of the City of Bremen (**for the Carroll County portion**) has tentatively adopted a millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by 26.18%.

All concerned citizens are invited to public hearings on this tax increase to be held at the Public Safety Complex, 516 Georgia Avenue North on August 25, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Time and place of additional public hearing on this tax increase to be held at the Public Safety Complex, 516 Georgia Avenue North on August 29, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

This tentative increase will result in a millage rate of 8.854 mills, an increase of 1.837 mills. Without this tentative tax increase, the millage rate will be no more than 7.017 mills. The proposed tax increase for a home with a fair market value of \$50,000 is approximately \$36.74 and the proposed tax increase for nonhomestead property with a fair market value of \$250,000 is approximately \$183.70.

This increase is the result of the full implementation of the decision from “Wells v. Baldwin” (275 Ga. 228; 565 S.E. 2d) requiring that (per O.C.G.A. 48-8-91 (a)) the city must uniformly compute the millage rate applicable to all residents necessary to produce revenue to defray its annual expenses. Only after this calculation is completed may the city assess the impact on the LOST (Local Option Sales Tax) revenue it obtained from Carroll County.

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