

**TOWN OF KIRKWOOD  
PUBLIC HEARING**

**Preliminary Budget of the  
Town of Kirkwood for the Year 2022**

**October 26, 2021**

A public hearing regarding the preliminary budget of the Town of Kirkwood for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022 including general town funds, highway funds, fire protection funds, and light district funds was held on October 26, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the Joseph A. Griffin Town Hall with Supervisor Lewis Grubham presiding.

Present: Supervisor Lewis Grubham  
Councilman Robert Weingartner  
Councilman William Diffendorf, Jr.  
Councilwoman Katie Legg  
Councilman Arthur Shafer

Also Present: Robert McKertich, Attorney  
Kelley Diffendorf, Town Clerk  
John A. Finch, Jr., DPW Commissioner

Supervisor Grubham opened the meeting by reporting that property taxes will have a 0% increase for 2022. Since the Town has had good luck with sales tax money coming in that helped offset any increase in taxes.

On a separate note, Supervisor Grubham explained that sales tax money is doled out by population numbers, and with Kirkwood losing about 6% in population during the last census tally the Town's sales tax money will go down by 6% as well. That number will stay in place for the next 10 years until the next census is conducted.

Supervisor Grubham opened the hearing to public comment. Hearing no comments, he closed the hearing at 6:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelley M. Diffendorf  
Town Clerk