

Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Control District
Minutes for Budget Hearing
September 15, 2021

Call to Order: Commissioner Player called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Invocation: Commissioner Dreikorn led everyone in the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Player led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Commissioner Player, Dreikorn, Cammick, and Price were present.

Commissioner DeLacey was present via phone.

Chief Mickuleit, Assistant Chief Davis, Assistant Chief Allen, Captain Simer, Firefighter's O'Leary and Robertson, Attorney Beverly Grady, Accountant Renee Lynch and administrative assistant Miles were present.

Setting of Agenda: Commissioner Price moved to approve the agenda as presented, Commissioner Dreikorn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Adopt a Tentative Millage Rate and Tentative Budget:

- **Power Point Presentation on Tentative Millage Rate and Tentative Budget:**

Presented by Renee Lynch (copy on file). Pursuant to Florida Law the following issues were discussed in the power point:

- a. Announcement of the Proposed Millage Rate, which is currently 3.7500
- b. Announcement of the percentage increase over the rollback rate, which is currently 9.94%.

Additionally, Renee highlighted the major components of the budget and explained the increases/decreases. The Board had no questions or concerns about any of the individual line items, as they have been discussed thoroughly during workshop meetings throughout the year. One concern was brought up by Commissioner Dreikorn when reviewing the ending fund balances. Through previous discussions at the regularly scheduled meetings two topics have arisen that administration felt needed to be addressed in next year's budget. One being the possible purchase of a helipad and training grounds close to the center of the island, that the district has become aware of possibly losing access to in the near future. The other being the purchase of land from neighboring property to Station 2, giving the space needed to re-build the station. The amounts that are being proposed by admin to be held in case either of these needs arise in the next fiscal year is \$250,000 and \$600,000, respectively. Commissioner Dreikorn just wanted to make sure those amounts were spoken about, since they are the only items that have not had a specific dollar amount assigned to them. He encourages any public that has opinions with the tentative budget, presented tonight, to attend either the regular meeting next week or the final budget hearing to voice their opinions.

- **Public comment on Tentative Millage Rate:**

Commissioner Player asked if there was any public comment on the Tentative Millage Rate. There was none.

- **Adopt Tentative Millage Rate:**

Commissioner Player read Resolution 2021-008 in its entirety and left the floor open for discussion and a motion. Commissioner Dreikorn moved to adopt **Resolution 2021-008 A RESPLUTION OF THE MATLACHA/PINE ISALND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR LEE COUNTY FOR**

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FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Including a 3.7500 Tentative Millage Rate, which is a 9.94% increase over the rollback rate of 3.4108. Commissioner Price seconds the motion. Commissioner Cammick reiterated the fact that the average residential tax payer was only going to see about a \$50 increase in their taxes from the rollback rate to 3.7500. Commissioner Cammick asked administration to explain what additional service they will be able to provide with ALS. Assistant Chief Allen explained some of the additional services that a paramedic would be able to provide over an EMT and how our engines are the first one's on the scene most of the time, since we only have one ambulance stationed on the island. Commissioner Dreikorn, DeLacey, and Price all agree that moving to ALS is what is best for our community. **A roll call vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved at 5:44pm.**

- **Public comment on Tentative Budget:**

Commissioner Player asked if there was any public comment on the Tentative Budget. There was none.

- **Adopt Tentative Budget:**

Commissioner Player read Resolution 2021-009 in its entirety and left the floor open for a motion or discussion. Commissioner Cammick made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2021-009 A RESOLUTION OF THE MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, including a total budget amount of \$12,607,846.**

Commissioner DeLacey seconded the motion. There was no further discussion, so a roll call vote was taken. **The motion was unanimously approved at 5:47pm.**

Adjournment:

Commissioner Dreikorn moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Price. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Miles

District Administrative Assistant

Board Secretary

RESOLUTION # 2021-009

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, on September 15, 2021, held a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS, the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-22 in the amount of \$12,607,840.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, that:


1. The Fiscal Year 2021-22 Tentative Budget is adopted.
2. The Date, Time and Place of the FINAL hearing to ADOPT the FINAL Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget will be Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 5:01 p.m. at the Matlacha/Pine Fire Station #1, 5700 Pine Island Road, Bokeelia, Florida.
3. This resolution will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED at a public hearing this 15th day of September, 2021 at 5:47 p.m.

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Tonya Player, Chairman



Date

ATTEST:


Neil Price, Secretary

RESOLUTION No. 2021-008

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR LEE COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, on July 28, 2021 adopted Fiscal Year 2021-22 Proposed Millage Rate as required by Florida Statute 200.065.

WHEREAS, the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, held a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Year 2021 gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within LEE County has been certified by the county property appraiser to the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT as **\$1,881,909,038**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, that:

1. The FY 2021-22 operating millage rate is 3.7500 mills, which is 9.94% above/below the rolled-back rate of 3.4108 mills.
2. The Date, Time and Place of the FINAL hearing to ADOPT the FINAL levy of the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Millage Rate will be Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 5:01 p.m. at the Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Station #1, 5700 Pine Island Road, Bokeelia, Florida.

2. This Resolution will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED at a public hearing this 15th day of September, 2021 at the time of 5:44 p.m.

MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT


Tonya Player, Chairman

9/15/21
Date

ATTEST:


Neil Price, Secretary