

Matlacha/Pine Island Fire Control District
Minutes for tentative Budget Hearing
September 14, 2022

Call to Order: Commissioner Player called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Invocation: Commissioner DeLacey led everyone in the invocation.

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

Roll Call: Commissioner Player, Price, DeLacey, and Cammick were present. Commissioner Dreikorn attended by phone for discussion and did not participate in any votes.

Chief Mickuleit, Assistant Chief Davis, Assistant Chief Allen, Administrative Assistant Miles, Captain Barr, Captain Simer, Accountant Renee Lynch and Attorney Sarah Spector were present.

Public: Ila Valcarcel

Public hearing to consider and adopt a Tentative Millage Rate and Tentative Budget:

- Power Point Presentation on Tentative Millage Rate and Tentative Budget:
Accountant Renee Lynch presented the power point presentation and budget. There were a few topics discussed between the board members:
 - Commissioner Cammick felt that getting back to the roll back rate would give back to the community, after the past rough couple of years.
 - Commissioner Player would also like to get back to the rollback rate, however the 5-year plan has helped us realize that those funds are likely going to be needed for future years.
 - Commissioner DeLacey felt conflicted in that the decision to increase taxes. She feels that the decision should be made with the full-time residents in mind and not those that this is their second home.
 - Commissioner Price stated that while being able to reserve for future large purchases, he does not believe that it is necessary. He hopes that the district can strive for the roll-back rate.

Renee and administration presented to the board an option to get to the roll back rate would be to remove the reserve for future engine replacement and reduce the reserve for contingencies. This would have no effect on current operations, however, would reduce future available funds and may require financing additional trucks in the future.

Public comment: Ila Valcarcel echoed the concern of getting back to the roll back rate. She believes that there are places in the budget that could be reduced to more realistic amounts and get the budget down without causing too much issue. She asked for clarification on a few areas that seemed to increase significantly from the prior year. One being professional services. Chief Mickuleit explained that the increase was due to the new performance audit that is required to begin this year.

- Commissioner DeLacey reiterated that she is confident that all the funds that are needed for this budget are going to the right places although the fact that we can move to the roll back rate and not significantly impact operations she believes that this is the right move.
- Commissioner Dreikorn agreed, however stated that we do have two weeks before the final hearing and believes that we shouldn't make that move until the final hearing.
- Commissioner Cammick disagreed and felt that if that is what we want to do, we should do it now.

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Commissioner Cammick moved to adopt the tentative millage rate of 3.3036. There were no seconds, motion failed.

Accountant Renee Lynch will bring the roll-back rate option to the final budget hearing for the Board to consider. Additionally it was asked to remove the reserve for sick buyout of \$156,686 to offset a portion of the reduction to the rollback rate.

Commissioner Player read RESOLUTION 2022-008: A REOLUTION OF THE MATLACH/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR LEE COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Price moved for an operating millage rate of 3.7500 mills, which is 13.51% above the roll-back rate of 3.3036 mills. Additionally, the final budget hearing will be held Wednesday, September 28th, 2022 at 5:01pm at MPIFCD Station 1, 5700 Pine Island Rd. Bokeelia, Florida. Motion seconded by Commissioner DeLacey. Motion passed, 3-1 at 6:00pm.

Public Comment on tentative Budget: None

Commissioner Player read RESOLUTION 2022-009: RESOLUTION 2022-008: A REOLUTION OF THE MATLACH/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Cammick moved to adopt the tentative budget and date, time, and place of the final hearing as presented. Motion seconded by Commissioner Price. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

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

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Miles
District Administrative Assistant

Board Secretary

RESOLUTION No. 2022-008

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 2022-23 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, on July 28, 2021 adopted Fiscal Year 2022-23 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 2022 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 **\$2,170,663,326**.

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

1. The FY 2022-23 operating millage rate is 3.7500 mills, which is 13.51 % above the rolled-back rate of 3.3036 mills.
2. The Date, Time and Place of the FINAL hearing to ADOPT the FINAL levy of the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Millage Rate will be Wednesday, September 28, 2022 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 14th day of September, 2022 at the time of 6:00 p.m.

MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT


Tonya Player, Chairman

9/14/22
Date

ATTEST:


Neil Price, Secretary

RESOLUTION # 2022-009

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT of LEE County, Florida, on September 14, 2022, 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 2022-23 in the amount of \$ 13,304,746 .

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

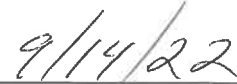
1. The Fiscal Year 2022-23 Tentative Budget is adopted.
2. The Date, Time and Place of the FINAL hearing to ADOPT the FINAL Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget will be Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 5:01 p.m. at the Matlacha/Pine Fire Station #1, 5700 Pine Island Road, Bokeelia, Florida.
3. This resolution will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

DULY ADOPTED at a public hearing this 14TH day of September, 2022 at 6:03 p.m.

MATLACHA/PINE ISLAND FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT



Tonya Player, Chairman



Date

ATTEST:



Neil Price, Secretary