

Indian River County Florida

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

5:01 PM

Final Budget Hearing to Adopt Budget and Millage Rates

Commission Chambers

Board of County Commissioners

Bob Solari, Chairman, District 5

Susan Adams, Vice Chairman, District 1

Joseph E. Flescher, District 2

Peter D. O'Bryan, District 4

Tim Zorc, District 3

Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

Dylan Reingold, County Attorney

Jeffrey R. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

Jacqueline Rizzo, Deputy Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER**2. Rollcall**

Present: 5 - Chairman Bob Solari
Vice Chairman Susan Adams
Commissioner Joseph Flescher
Commissioner Peter O'Bryan
Commissioner Tim Zorc

2. A. A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION FOR FIRST RESPONDERS**2. B. INVOCATION**

Susan Adams, Vice Chairman

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Peter D. O'Bryan

4. BUDGET OVERVIEW BY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, JASON E. BROWN

County Administrator Jason Brown provided a brief overview of the proposed 2019/2020 Budget. He announced that the total proposed budget was \$367,725,135 and went over the significant items impacting the budget. He explained that there was a proposed increase in the rate for the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) Assessment for County-wide mandatory garbage pickup. He added that the Board at their August Board Meeting, decided not to move forward with mandatory garbage pickup; therefore, the SWDD rate would be the lower proposed rate of \$120.90, instead of the \$171.90.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

A. 19-0891 Budget Ad

Attachments: [Budget Ad](#)

B. 19-0892 Budget Ad Quarter page

Attachments: [Budget Ad Quarter page](#)

C. 19-0893 Total Proposed Budget

Attachments: [Total Proposed Budget](#)

D. 19-0894 Taxing District Summary

Attachments: [Taxing District Summary](#)

5. AD VALOREM FUNDS

A. Ad Valorem Millage and Ad Valorem Budget (Read each fund separately and make motion for each fund after public input).

General Fund

B. 19-0879 Proposed millage is 3.5475 and is 7.97% above rollback rate of 3.2856. The proposed budget is \$98,852,233.

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - General Fund](#)

Chairman Solari presented the General Fund Budget.

- Open for public comments.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments.

Lou Aprile, St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Store, explained they help individuals pay their utility bills and provide motel rooms for the homeless. Since they are constantly being referred to by the EOC and the Treasure Coast Homeless Council, he questioned whether these organizations receive funds from the County.

County Administrator Brown responded the Treasure Coast Homeless Council does receive funds from the County through the General Fund and receives various federal grants passed through the County. Typically the money is designated for rent assistance, but there are provisions for utilities in some programs.

- Consider any proposed changes to budget.

- Make a motion to approve the millage rate and adopt millage resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve the millage rate of 3.5475 for the General Fund, 7.97% above the rollback rate of 3.2856, and to approve Resolution 2019-076, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for the General Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

- Make a motion to approve dollar amount and adopt budget resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve the General Fund Budget in the amount of \$98,852,233, and Resolution 2019-077, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 and adopting a final budget for the General Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

M.S.T.U.

- C. 19-0880** Proposed millage is 1.1506 and is 12.31% above rollback rate of 1.0245. The proposed budget is \$34,416,707.

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - MSTU](#)

- Open for public comments.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

- Consider any proposed changes to budget.

- Make a motion to approve the millage rate and adopt millage resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the millage rate 1.1506 for the Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU), 12.31% above the rollback rate of 1.0245, and to approve Resolution 2018-078, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for the Indian River County General Purpose Municipal Service Taxing Unit. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

- Make a motion to approve dollar amount and adopt budget resolution.

Chairman Solari presented the budget for the M.S.T.U..

The Chairman opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve the budget in the amount of \$34,416,707, and to approve Resolution 2019-079, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 and adopting a final budget for the Indian River County General Purpose Municipal Service Taxing Unit. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Transportation Fund (No Millage)

- D. 19-0881** Proposed budget is \$17,616,405.

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - transportation](#)

- Open for public comments.

Chairman Solari presented the proposed budget for the Transportation Fund.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments.

Joan Johnson, Coral Winds Subdivision, mentioned that her husband Bob Johnson attended the County Board meetings for over twenty years and joked about the gas tax. She thanked the Board for being courteous and respectful to him.

- Consider any proposed changes to budget.
- Make a motion to approve the dollar amount and adopt budget resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Vice Chairman Adams, to approve the budget in the amount of \$17,616,405, for the Transportation Fund, and to approve Resolution 2019-080, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 and adopting a final budget for the Transportation Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Emergency Services District

- E. 19-0882** Proposed millage is 2.3655 and is 5.22% above rollback rate of 2.2481. The proposed budget is \$42,203,283.

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - ESD](#)

- Open for public comments.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

- Consider any proposed changes to tentative budget.
- Make a motion to approve the millage rate and adopt millage resolution.

Chairman Solari presented the proposed budget for the Emergency Services District.

The Chairman opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the millage rate of 2.3655 for the Emergency Services District, which is 5.22% above the rollback rate of 2.2481, and to approve Resolution 2019-081, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for the Indian River County Emergency Services District. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

- Make a motion to approve dollar amount and adopt budget resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner O'Bryan, to approve the dollar amount of \$42,203,283, for the Emergency Services District, and to approve Resolution 2019-082, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 and adopting a final budget for the Emergency Services District. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Land Acquisition Bonds--2004 Referendum

- F. **19-0884** Proposed millage is 0.2568 (rollback rate does not apply) and proposed budget amount is \$4,551,103.

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - land acq](#)

- Open for public comments.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

- Consider any proposed changes to tentative budget.
- Make a motion to approve the millage rate and adopt millage resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the millage rate the Land Acquisitions Bonds-2004 Referendum, of 0.2568, (rollback rate does not apply), and to approve Resolution 2019-083, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue – 2004 Referendum. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

- Make a motion to approve dollar amount and adopt budget resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zorc, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the budget of \$4,551,103 for the Land Acquisition Bonds 2004-Referendum, and approved Resolution 2019-084, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2019/20209 and adopting a final budget for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue – 2004 Referendum. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

Aggregate

Chairman Solari announced the proposed aggregate millage rate of 6.1192, and is 7.48% above the rollback rate.

No Action Taken or Required

Proposed millage is 6.1192 and is 7.48% above rollback rate of 5.6932.

6. INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SITTING AS SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT BOARD

Solid Waste Disposal District Budget (Non-Ad Valorem Special District)

The Board of County Commissioners reconvened as the Board of Commissioners of the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD). Those minutes will be approved at the upcoming SWDD meeting.

A. 19-0885 Announce 2019/2020 Proposed Charge and Budget.

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - SWDD](#)

1. \$75.56 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$120.90/House)

(3.5% increase from current year)

\$42.00 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit

(3.7% increase from current year)

Readiness-to-Use Fee \$24.69

(0.4% increase from current year)

2. \$16,237,578 Budget

- Receive comments from the Public.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were no speakers and the Chairman closed the public comments session.

Chairman Solari brought up the extra \$51 that appeared on the Trim Notice and questioned if the other Commissioners received any comments from the public. The Commissioners & Administrator Brown mentioned they received very few comments after the initial notice, and since the charge had been dismissed, no comments had been received from the public.

- Consider any Proposed Amendments.

- Make a motion to adopt a resolution to approve non-ad valorem Residential and Commercial Waste Generation Unit Charge and Readiness-to-Use Fee.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the Non-Ad Valorem assessment rates of \$75.56 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$120.90/House), a 3.5% increase from current year; \$42.00 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit, a 3.7% increase from current year; and Readiness to Use Fee of \$24.69, a 4.0% increase from current year, for the Solid Waste Disposal District(SWDD); and to approve Resolution 2019-085, establishing the assessment rate to be levied upon all real taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for the Solid Waste Disposal District. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

- Make a motion to adopt budget resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner O'Bryan, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) budget of \$16,237,578, and approve Resolution 2019-086, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and adopting a final budget for the Solid Waste Disposal District. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

7. ADOPTION OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT CHARGES

Vice Chairman Adams presented the Street Lighting District.

7. A. 19-0886 Announce 2019/2020 proposed charge for each Non-Ad Valorem Assessment District

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - MSBU STREETLIGHTS](#)

<u>M.S.B.U.</u>	<u>Charge per Parcel Acre/Lot</u>
• Vero Lake Estates	\$50.00 per parcel /acre
• East Gifford Stormwater	\$10.00 per parcel/acre
• Oceanside Street Paving	\$415.00 per lot

Street Lighting Districts

• Gifford	\$23.00 per parcel/acre
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- Laurelwood \$36.00 per parcel/acre
- Rockridge \$ 7.00 per parcel/acre
- Vero Highlands \$36.00 per parcel/acre
- Porpoise Point \$10.00 per parcel/acre
- Laurel Court \$39.00 per parcel/acre
- Tierra Linda \$39.00 per parcel/acre
- Vero Shores \$24.00 per parcel/acre
- Ixora Park \$20.00 per parcel/acre
- Royal Poinciana \$39.00 per parcel/acre
- Roseland \$ 1.00 per parcel/acre
- Whispering Pines \$16.00 per parcel/acre
- Moorings \$ 9.00 per parcel/acre
- Walker's Glen \$20.00 per parcel/acre
- Glendale Lakes \$40.00 per parcel/acre
- Floralton Beach \$46.00 per parcel/acre
- West Wabasso \$21.00 per parcel/acre
- Oceanside \$51.00 per lot
- Oslo Park \$15.68 per lot

- Receive comments from the public

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

- Consider any Proposed Amendments and Calculate Revised Charge

- Make a motion to adopt a resolution to approve the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment charges.

Vice Chairman Adams presented the 2019-2020 proposed charge for each Non-Ad Valorem Assessment District.

Chairman Solari invited public comments; there were none. He closed the public comments session.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Adams, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the charges read into the record for each of the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Districts, and to approve Resolution 2019-087, establishing the assessment rates to be levied upon certain real property in Indian River County for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for all the Non Ad Valorem assessments. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairman Solari, Vice Chairman Adams, Commissioner Flescher, Commissioner O'Bryan, and Commissioner Zorc

8. APPROVE NON-AD VALOREM DOLLAR BUDGETS

8.A. 19-0887 Announce 2019/2020 Proposed Budget

Attachments: [RESOLUTIONS - NON TAXING FUNDS](#)

- Receive comments from the public

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

- Special Revenue Funds \$24,573,800
- Other Debt Service Funds \$ 500,000
- Capital Projects \$32,360,215
- Enterprise Funds \$59,186,086
- Internal Service Funds \$37,227,725

- Consider any Proposed Amendments

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

- Make a motion to adopt budget resolution.

Chairman Solari opened the floor for public comments; there were none.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the Other Special Revenue Funds in the amount of \$24,573,800; Other Debt Service Funds in the amount of \$500,000; Capital Project Funds in the amount of \$32,360,215; Enterprise Funds in the amount of \$59,186,086; and Internal Service Funds in the amount of \$37,227,725, and to approve Resolution 2019-088, adopting a final budget for the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 for certain Non Taxing Funds of Indian River County. The motion carried by the following vote:

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.