

Indian River County Florida

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

5:01 PM

Final Budget Hearing to Adopt Budget and Millage Rates

Commission Chambers

Board of County Commissioners

Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman, District 4

Bob Solari, Vice Chairman, District 5

Susan Adams, District 1

Joseph E. Flescher, District 2

Tim Zorc, District 3

Jason E. Brown, County Administrator

Dylan Reingold, County Attorney

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

1. CALL TO ORDER**ROLL CALL**

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

2. INVOCATION

Bishop C.D. Weens, World Deliverance Christian Center

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Peter D. O'Bryan, Chairman

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

[18-2296](#)

County Administrator Jason Brown announced that the proposed Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget is \$339,878,868. He explained that the proposed total budget is still an increase of \$11,538,475 over the original 2017-2018 Budget of \$328,340,393. Through the use of a PowerPoint Presentation, he discussed the major budget impacts, which included a tax roll increase of 6.93% Countywide and 6.98% in the Unincorporated Area. Administrator Brown explained that increased funding was being provided for the Sheriff's Department, Children's Services, and Board of County Commission and Constitutional Officers' staffing. He noted that the proposed budget was developed in accordance with a potential revenue loss in Fiscal Year 2019-2020, if the proposed Amendment 1 (increased homestead property tax exemption) passes in November. Administrator Brown also pointed out that the proposed budget projected a savings of \$350,000 County-wide from the sale of the City of Vero Beach Electric to Florida Power & Light; however, the sale has been postponed and a budget amendment may be required to adjust for higher electric rates in the interim.

5. AD VALOREM FUNDS**General Fund**

5.A. [18-2288](#) Proposed millage is 3.4604 and is 5.3% above rollback rate of 3.2862. the proposed budget is \$91,858,724.

Recommended Action: Approve millage rate and adopt millage resolution. Approve dollar amount and adopt the budget resolution.

Attachments: [General Fund](#)

Acting Budget Manager Kristin Daniels announced that the proposed millage is 3.4604 for the General Fund, and is 5.3% above the rolled back rate of 3.2862. The proposed budget is \$91,858,724, or 3.17% above the current year budget of \$89,033,104.

The Chairman invited public comment. There were no speakers, and the Chairman closed the public comment session.

There were no proposed changes to the millage rate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Vice Chairman Solari, to approve the millage rate of 3.4604 for the General Fund, 5.3% above the rollback rate of 3.2862, and to approve Resolution 2018-086, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the General Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

There were no proposed changes to the budget.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Solari, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the General Fund Budget in the amount of \$91,858,724, and Resolution 2018-087, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and adopting a final budget for the General Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

M.S.T.U.

5.B. [18-2289](#) Proposed millage is 1.0733 and is 4.91% above rollback rate of 1.0231. The proposed budget is \$32,020,997.

Recommended Action: Approve millage rate and adopt millage resolution. Approve dollar amount and adopt the budget resolution.

Attachments: [MSTU](#)

Acting Budget Director Kristin Daniels announced that the proposed millage is 1.0733 for the Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU), and is 4.91% above the rolled back rate of 1.0231. The proposed MSTU budget is \$32,020,997.

The Chairman invited public comment; there was none and he closed the public comments session.

There were no proposed changes to the millage rate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Chairman O'Bryan, to approve the millage rate of 1.0733 for the Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU), 4.91% above the rollback rate of 1.0231, and to approve Resolution 2018-088, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the Indian River County General Purpose Municipal Service Taxing Unit. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

There were no proposed changes to the budget.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Solari, seconded by Commissioner Zorc, to approve the budget in the amount of \$32,020,997, and to approve Resolution 2018-089, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 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 O'Bryan, Vice Chairman Solari, Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Flescher, and Commissioner Zorc

Transportation Fund (No Millage)

Acting Budget Manager Kristin Daniels announced that the proposed budget for the Transportation Fund is \$16,657,301, a decrease of 0.58%. She noted that no millage applies to the Transportation Fund, as most of its revenue is received from gas taxes and transfers from the Municipal Service Taxing Unit and General Revenue Funds.

Chairman O'Bryan opened the floor for public comments; there were no speakers, and the public comments session was closed.

There were no proposed changes to the budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Chairman O'Bryan, to approve the budget in the amount of \$16,657,301 for the Transportation Fund, and to approve Resolution 2018-090, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and adopting a final budget for the Transportation Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Emergency Services District

5.D. [18-2293](#) Proposed millage is 2.3655 and is 5.29% above rollback rate of 2.2466. the proposed budget is \$39,833,786.

Recommended Action: Approve millage rate and adopt millage resolution. Approve dollar amount and adopt the budget resolution.

Attachments: [Emergency Services District](#)

Acting Budget Manager Kristin Daniels announced that the proposed millage rate is 2.3655 for the Emergency Services District, which is 5.29% above the rolled back rate of 2.2466, and the proposed budget is \$39,833,786, a 0.7% increase.

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

No proposed changes were made to the millage rate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zorc, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the millage rate of 2.3655 for the Emergency Services District, which is 5.29% above the rollback rate of 2.2466, and to approve Resolution 2018-091, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the Indian River County Emergency Services District. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

No proposed changes were made to the budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Vice Chairman

Solari, to approve the dollar amount of \$39,833,786 for the Emergency Services District, and to approve Resolution 2018-092, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and adopting a final budget for the Emergency Services District. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Land Acquisition Bonds - 2004 Referendum

5.E. [18-2295](#) Proposed millage is 0.2827 (rollback rate does not apply) and proposed budget amount is \$4,684,226.

Recommended Action: Approve millage rate and adopt millage resolution. Approve dollar amount and adopt the budget resolution.

Attachments: [Land Acquisition Bonds](#)

Acting Budget Manager Kristin Daniels relayed that the proposed millage for the Land Acquisition Bonds - 2004 Referendum is 0.2827 (rolled back rate does not apply), and the proposed budget amount is \$4,684,226.

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments, there were no speakers, and the public comment session was closed.

There were no proposed changes to the millage rate.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zorc, seconded by Chairman O'Bryan, to approve the millage rate for the Land Acquisition Bonds - 2004 Referendum, of 0.2827 (rollback rate does not apply), and to approve Resolution 2018-093, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue – 2004 Referendum. The motion carried by the following vote:

There were no changes to the proposed budget.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Solari, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the budget of \$4,684,226 for the Land Acquisition Bonds – 2004 Referendum, and approved Resolution 2018-094, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and adopting a final budget for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue – 2004 Referendum. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aggregate

Proposed millage is 5.9950 and is 5.23% above rollback rate of 5.6969

County Administrator Jason Brown announced the proposed aggregate millage of 5.9950, which is 5.23% above the rolled back rate of 5.6969. He pointed out that the proposed aggregate millage is not paid by anyone; the State of Florida requires governments to announce the figure at each budget hearing.

No Action Taken or Required

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

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

6.A. [18-2297](#) Announce 2018/2019 Proposed Charge and Budget

Recommended Action: Adopt a resolution to approve non-ad valorem Residential and Commercial Waste Generation Unit Charge and Readiness-to-Use. Adopt Budget Resolution.

Attachments: [Solid Waste Disposal District Budget](#)

County Administrator Jason Brown announced that the proposed budget for 2018-2019 is \$15,587,145, an increase of 3.6% over the current year. He outlined the 2018-2019 proposed non-ad valorem assessment rates for the Solid Waste Disposal District as follows:

\$73.03 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$116.85/House)
(7.1% increase from current year)

\$40.50 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit
(7.5% increase from current year),

Readiness-to-Use Fee \$24.60
(13.9% increase from current year)

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

There were no proposed amendments to the assessment rates.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to approve the Non-Ad Valorem assessment rates of \$73.03 per

Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$116.85/House), a 7.1% increase from current year; \$40.50 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit, a 7.5% increase from current year; and Readiness-to-Use Fee of \$24.60, a 13.9% increase from current year, for the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD); and to approve Resolution 2018-095, establishing the assessment rate to be levied upon all real taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for the Solid Waste Disposal District. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

There were no changes to the proposed budget.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Solari, seconded by Commissioner Adams, to approve the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD) Budget of \$15,587,145 and approve Resolution 2018-096, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and adopting a final budget for the Solid Waste Disposal District. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

The Board of Commissioners adjourned the Solid Waste Disposal District meeting and reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners of the Final Budget meeting.

7. ADOPTION OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT CHARGES

7.A. [18-2298](#) Announce 2018/2019 proposed charge for each Non-Ad Valorem Assessment District

Recommended Action: Consider any proposed amendments and calculate revised charge. Adopt a resolution to approve the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Charges.

Attachments: [Resolution Non Ad Valorem Assessment Rates](#)

Commissioner Adams presented the 2018-2019 proposed charge for each Non-Ad Valorem Assessment District as follows:

<u>MSBU</u>	<u>Charge Per Parcel Acre/Lot</u>
Vero Lake Estates M.S.B.U.	\$50.00
East Gifford Stormwater M.S.B.U.	\$10.00
Oceanside Street Paving M.S.B.U.	\$415.00 (1)
 <u>Street Lighting Districts</u>	
• Gifford	\$23.00
• Laurelwood	\$36.00

• Rockridge	\$7.00
• Vero Highlands	\$36.00
• Porpoise Point	\$10.00
• Laurel Court	\$39.00
• Tierra Linda	\$39.00
• Vero Shores	\$24.00
• Ixora Park	\$20.00
• Royal Poinciana	\$39.00
• Roseland Road	\$1.00
• Whispering Pines	\$16.00
• Moorings	\$9.00
• Walker's Glen	\$20.00
• Glendale Lakes	\$40.00
• Floralton Beach	\$46.00
• West Wabasso	\$21.00
• Oceanside	\$51.00 (1)
• Oslo Park	\$25.47 (1)

(1) These districts charge on a per lot basis. All others are on a per parcel/acre basis.

The Chairman invited public comment; there was none, and he closed the public comments session.

There were no proposed amendments to the charges.

A motion was made by Commissioner Flescher, seconded by Chairman O'Bryan, to approve the charges read into the record for each of the above mentioned Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Districts, and to approve Resolution 2018-097, establishing the assessment rates to be levied upon certain real property in Indian River County for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for all the Non-Ad Valorem assessments. The motion carried by the following vote:

8. APPROVE NON-AD VALOREM DOLLAR BUDGETS

8.A. [18-2301](#) Announce 2018/2019 Proposed Budget

Recommended Action: Adopt budget resolution.

Attachments: [Resolution Non Taxing Funds](#)

County Administrator Jason Brown announced the proposed 2018-2019 proposed Non-Ad Valorem dollar budgets as follows:

1. Other Special Revenue Funds
\$30,756,923, a decrease of about \$11.3 million from the current year

2. Other Debt Service Fund
\$ 1,140,000, an increase of about \$77,000 from the current year
3. Capital Projects
\$24,663,712, a reduction of \$21,069,482 from the current year
4. Enterprise Funds
\$52,363,073, a rise of 2.54% from the current year
5. Internal Service Funds
\$30,312,981, a decrease of about \$5.8 million from the current year

Chairman O'Bryan opened the floor to public comments.

Bob Bruce, Vice President of Save Our Shores, expressed appreciation for the Sector 5 Beach Restoration Project. It was noted by Commissioner Flescher that Mark Tripson, President of Save Our Shores, was unable to be in attendance.

There were no additional speakers, and the public comments session was closed.

There were no proposed amendments to the budgets.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Solari, seconded by Commissioner Flescher, to approve the Other Special Revenue Funds in the amount of \$30,756,923; Other Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$1,140,000; Capital Projects in the amount of \$24,663,712; Enterprise Funds in the amount of \$52,363,073; and Internal Service Funds in the amount of \$30,312,981, and to approve Resolution 2018-098, adopting a final budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for certain Non Taxing Funds of Indian River County. The motion carried by the following vote:

Chairman O'Bryan acknowledged the student members of the audience, one of whom was from Storm Grove Middle School; the other student from the Indian River Charter High School.

9. ADJOURNMENT

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