

BAYSHORE FIRE PROTECTION & RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET HEARING
September 7, 2010

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Vice Chairman Griffin

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation – Commissioner Hansen

Roll Call: Commissioner Ducrou – Excused
Commissioner Hansen – Present
Commissioner Cook – Present
Commissioner Griffin – Present
Commissioner Klos – Present
Chief Larry Nisbet - Present
Office Manager - Theresa Sharp - Present
Attorney Ian Mann - Absent

Others Present: Some public, Union DVP

District Identity is announced

Rollback Rate is announced – 3.8867

Percentage Increase/Decrease in Millage over Roll Back Rate - announced as: 9.9493% BELOW the Roll Back Rate – therefore no reason is given as to the increase in Ad Valorem revenues, but rather the announcement is made that Ad Valorem revenues will actually be **BELOW 2009-2010 Ad Valorem revenues by \$124,217.00**

Budget Covered – Chief Nisbet begins by announcing changes in the budget format with all categories totalling below instead of atop; and changes to the Chart of Accounts classifications as per the Governmental Accounting System Manual 2010. He sites the examples of Income Classifications such as Federal and State Grants separation. Chief Nisbet refreshes the Board of the layout of the excel spreadsheet budget, in that the 1st column of figures is the proposed 2010-2011 budget, the 2nd is the 2009-2010 budget we are finishing in the next month, and the third column of numbers reflects the difference of the lines between the 2 years. The Office Manager draws the Board's attention to the QuickBooks Budgets that are at each place setting stating that those will give the Commissioners the format of the line items as they will actually be reviewed at each monthly meeting, without the details of each budget line item. All commissioners having reviewed the proposed budget beforehand, Vice-Chairman Griffin calls for discussions if any. Office Manager cautions that we must adopt the Millage Rate and then the Budget. Commissioner Cook asks what our Vehicle Acquisition is. Chief advises that we did not budget any vehicle acquisition this year; however, last year we had budgeted Grant Matches for that line. He advises that we are not setting aside funds this year; however, should we receive the Grant we requested, and choose to accept it, we will have to pull the money from the Reserves line to cover our match. Commissioner Hansen inquires of the Commissioner Bonds line item, asking if we are paying those. Office Manager confirms, that is the case. He asks if he should bring in the invoice he received at his home. Chief and Office Manager respond to the affirmative. Commissioner Cook inquires as to the total we are gaining.

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Chief & some board members respond that we actually are loosing. He refers to the difference column that shows gains. He asks if we know what the number would be for the gains. Chief Nisbet explains that the third column is the difference between this past year's budgeted amounts and the proposed year's budgeted amounts. He explains that we have \$118,005.75 less in Ad Valorem income with a total loss in Income and Revenue of \$165,226.10, so we we have consolidated the budget and made cuts, and contract negotiations that took us from some \$164,000 in the red to where we are now, impacting Reserves about \$25,000 or so.

Commissioner Cook gets it and is satisfied with the explanation. Chief Nisbet adds that we cut our total Operating budget by \$158,757.95. Commissioner Cook acknowledges that he sees that. With no further discussions offered Vice-Chairman Griffin calls for a motion on the 3.500 millage rate. Chief Nisbet notes that we need to read the Resolution 2010-04 Adopting a Tentative Millage Rate. Commissioner Cook asks how we saved so much in trash bags this year. Chief Nisbet says we found a better supplier. Commissioner Cook asks if we are looking for a Motion to accept the millage of 3.5000. Vice-Chairman confirms. Commissioner Cook motions we accept the Tentative Millage of 3.500. Vice Chairman Griffin reads Resolution 2010-04 Adopting Tentative Millage Rate into the record. Motion seconded by Commissioner Klos. Vote called, Motion passed unanimously at 7:19 p.m. and executed.

Vice Chairman Griffin calls for motion to accept the Budget. Chairman Hansen interjects *Tentative*. Commissioner Cook motions acceptance of the Tentative Budget as proposed and reads the Resolution 2010-05 Adopting Tentative Budget into the record. Commissioner Klos seconds the motion. Vote called. Motion passed unanimously at 7:22 p.m. and executed.

Vice Chairman Griffin asks for any further discussion and Commissioner Hansen asks the DVP if there was anything in the budget they had qualms with. DVP Lemieux says no, that they had been over it many times. Commissioner Hansen thanks the Bargaining Unit for their help in this difficult time and assures them that the Board will remember their concessions and it is their intent to make things right when things turn around. DVP Lemieux remarks that he just hopes we get another grant. Chief Nisbet adds that he could not have built the budget without their help. Commissioner Hansen says he recognizes that, and the cuts the past few years, and again assures it is appreciated and they will make it up to the staff.

Vice Chairman Griffin calls for any other remarks. With none received, Commissioner Cook motions to adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Vote called. Motion passed Unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.