

**FORT MYERS SHORES FIRE & RESCUE PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING
September 4, 2020
MINUTES**

Call Meeting to Order

Commissioner Schneider called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Schneider, Ragen, and Kimball. Commissioners Apperson and Detzel were not in attendance because they were both out of town. Chief Dowaliby, Deputy Chief Rewis, Attorney Pringle and Administrative Assistant Howard were also in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Review of the Budget Process

The budget draft was previously given to the Board of Commissioners and is available on the District's website and in the District offices.

Announcement of the Rolled-Back Rate

The rolled-back rate for fiscal year 2020-2021 is 1.8249 mills (\$1.8249 per \$1,000 of taxable value). The proposed millage rate of 2.0000 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of net taxable assessed value) is an increase of 9.60% over the rolled-back rate.

Public discussion of the proposed tentative millage rate

None – no members of the public were present.

Vote to adopt Resolution #2020-05 – Adoption of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Tentative Millage Rate

Attorney Pringle read the title and substantive portions of the resolution into the record:

RESOLUTION #2020-05 – A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE FORT MYERS SHORES FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT ADOPTING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021, COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2020, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Now therefore, pursuant to Florida Statute chapter 200.065, the Board of Commissioners of the Fort Myers Shores Fire Protection and Rescue Service District hereby adopts and sets the tentative operating millage rate of 2.000 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000.00 of net taxable assessed value) for the fiscal year 2020-2021, which begins October 1, 2020, and ends September 30, 2021. The above stated tentative millage rate of 2.0000 mills exceeds the rolled-back rate of 1.8249 mills by 9.60%.

Commissioner Schneider made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-05 and Commissioner Ragen seconded. The motion passed by roll-call vote as follows: Commissioner Apperson – Absent; Commissioner Detzel – Absent; Commissioner Kimball – Yes; Commissioner Schneider – Yes; Commissioner Ragen – Yes.

Public discussion of the proposed tentative budget

None – no members of the public were present.

Vote to adopt Resolution #2020-06 – Adoption of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Tentative Budget

Attorney Pringle read the title and substantive portion of the resolution into the record:

RESOLUTION #2020-06 – A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE FORT MYERS SHORES FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021, COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2020, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Now therefore, pursuant to Florida Statute chapter 200.065, the Board of Commissioners of the Fort Myers Shores Fire Protection and Rescue Service District hereby adopts and sets the tentative budget setting forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the fiscal year 2020-2021, which begins October 1, 2020, and ends September 30, 2021, in the amount of \$13,653,539.00.

Commissioner Ragen made a motion to adopt Resolution #2020-06 and Commissioner Schneider seconded. The motion passed by roll-call vote as follows: Commissioner Apperson – Absent; Commissioner Detzel – Absent; Commissioner Kimball – Yes; Commissioner Schneider – Yes; Commissioner Ragen – Yes.

Public Input

None – no members of the public were present.

Set meeting date, time and location for the final budget hearing

Commissioner Ragen made a motion to hold the final budget hearing on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 7:15 pm at the fire station, located at 12345 Palm Beach Blvd., Ft. Myers, FL 33905. Commissioner Ragen seconded and the motion passed.

Adjourn

Commissioner Detzel made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ragen seconded and the motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.