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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Board of County Commissioners of Indian River County, Florida, met at the County Commission Chambers, 1801 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Vero Beach, Florida, on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, to conduct the Final Budget Hearing. Present were Chairman Gary C. Wheeler, Vice Chairman Peter D. O'Bryan, and Commissioners Wesley S. Davis, and Joseph E. Flescher. Commissioner Bob Solari was absent. Also present were County Administrator Joseph A. Baird, County Attorney Alan S. Polackwich, Sr., and Deputy Clerk Maureen Gelfo.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Wheeler called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

**2. INVOCATION**

Stan Boling, Planning Director, delivered the Invocation.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Wheeler led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **4. BUDGET OVERVIEW BY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JOSEPH A. BAIRD**

Chairman Wheeler announced that Budget & Management Director Jason Brown would be providing the budget overview.

Director Brown used a PowerPoint Presentation (on file) to support the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 budget message. He announced that the proposed budget was \$252,135,490, a reduction of \$17.9% from the current budget of \$307,000,000. He reported that ad valorem taxes are down \$3.4 million or 4.7% from the current year, and \$33 million since 2006/2007. He noted that nine full-time positions have been eliminated, saving \$620,000, and although 260 full-time positions have been cut since 2006/2007, services have been maintained or increased (with the addition of the Brackett Library and Fire Station 12). Director Brown reported that a Land Acquisition Bond has been paid off, resulting in an approximate reduction in property taxes of \$950,000, and a \$1.25 million savings in interest fees. He said that although Medicaid costs have increased, the County's original cost of \$793,000 has been reduced to around \$600,000. He relayed that beach park privatization and lower health insurance costs have resulted in approximate savings of \$163,000 and \$300,000, respectively. Director Brown noted that General Fund and Emergency Services District reserves will be used to balance the budget, and the total taxing funds for the County are down 4.7% or \$6.7 million from the current year. Director Brown summarized that all tax rates will remain the same as the current fiscal year (except for eliminating the tax connected with the paid off bond); and there are no increases in the millage rates.

## **5. AD VALOREM FUNDS**

### **AD VALOREM MILLAGE AND AD VALOREM BUDGET**

#### **GENERAL FUND**

Chairman Wheeler relayed that the proposed millage is 3.0892, 4.31% below the rollback rate of 3.2282, and the proposed budget is \$68,387,030.

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

ON MOTION by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the millage rate of 3.0892, and approved **Resolution 2012-079**, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for the General Fund.

ON MOTION by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the dollar amount of \$68,387,030, and approved **Resolution 2012-080**, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and adopting a final budget for the General Fund.

**MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT (M.S.T.U.)**

Chairman Wheeler read into the record the proposed millage of 1.0733, 3.36% below the rollback rate of 1.1106, and the proposed budget of \$24,231,270.

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers and the Chairman closed the public comments session.

ON MOTION by Commissioner Flescher, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the millage rate of 1.0733 (3.36% below rollback), and approved **Resolution 2012-081**, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for the Indian River County General Purpose Municipal Service Taxing Unit.

ON MOTION by Commissioner O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Flescher, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the budget in the amount of \$24,231,270, and approved **Resolution 2012-082**, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and adopting a Final Budget for the Indian River County General Purpose Municipal Service Taxing Unit.

**TRANSPORTATION FUND (NO MILLAGE)**

Chairman Wheeler advised that the proposed budget for the Transportation Fund is \$12,806,282.

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers and the Chairman closed the public comments session.

ON MOTION by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the budget in the amount of \$12,806,282, and approved **Resolution 2012-083**, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and adopting a Final Budget for the Transportation Fund.

**EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT**

Chairman Wheeler read into the record the Emergency Service District's proposed millage of 1.7148, 4.36% below the rollback rate of 1.7929, and the proposed budget of \$25,601,252.

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments.

**Leonard Kaczynski**, Lakes of Sand Ridge, commented favorably on the decreases in the Emergency Services Budget. He believed that as individuals begin to understand their civic responsibilities, the budget reductions would continue.

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

ON MOTION by Commissioner Flescher, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the millage rate of 1.7148 (4.36% below rollback), and approved **Resolution 2012-084**, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for the Indian River County Emergency Services District.

ON MOTION by Commissioner Flescher, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the dollar amount of \$25,601,252, and approved **Resolution 2012-085**, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for fiscal year 2012-2013 and adopting a Final Budget for the Emergency Services District.

### **ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE LAND ACQUISITION**

Chairman Wheeler conveyed that the proposed budget is \$11,301.

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers, and the Chairman closed the floor to public comments.

ON MOTION by Vice Chairman O'Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the budget of \$11,301, and approved **Resolution 2012-086**, amending the County



Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and adopting a Final Budget for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue.

**LAND ACQUISITION BONDS – 2004 REFERENDUM**

Chairman Wheeler related that the proposed millage is 0.3799, and the rollback rate does not apply; the proposed budget is \$4,754,745.

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers, and the Chairman closed the floor to public comments.

ON MOTION by Commissioner Davis, SECONDED by Chairman Wheeler, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the millage rate of 0.3799 (rollback rate does not apply), and approved **Resolution 2012-087**, establishing the tax millage rate to be levied upon all real and personal taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue – 2004 Referendum.

ON MOTION by Commissioner Davis, SECONDED by Commissioner Flescher, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the tentative budget of \$4,754,745 for the Land Acquisition Bonds – 2004 Referendum, and approved **Resolution 2012-088**, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought

forward for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and adopting a Final Budget for the General Obligation Land Acquisition Bond Issue – 2004 Referendum.

**AGGREGATE**

Chairman Wheeler declared that the proposed aggregate millage is 5.0729, 4.31% below the rollback rate of 5.3015.

No vote was required.

**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)**

**A. ANNOUNCE 2012-2013 PROPOSED CHARGE AND BUDGET**

Chairman Wheeler summarized the rates as follows: (1) \$42.40 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$67.84 per house), a 0% increase from the current year; (2) \$29.39 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit, a 0% increase from the current year; (3) \$18.13 Readiness-to-Use Fee, a 0% increase from current year; and Landfill Ash Product Disposal Fee, \$18.81 per ton, a 1.90% increase from the current year. He thereafter announced the Budget amount of \$11,034,069.

**B. RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

The Chairman opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers, and the Chairman closed the floor to public comments.

**C. CONSIDER ANY PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

There were no proposed amendments.

**D. MAKE A MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE NON-AD VALOREM RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL WASTE GENERATION UNIT CHARGES AND READINESS-TO-USE FEE**

ON MOTION by Vice Chairman O’Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the tentative Non-Ad Valorem assessment rates of \$42.40 per Residential Waste Generation Unit (\$67.84 per house); \$29.39 per Commercial Waste Generation Unit (0% increase from current year); \$18.13 for Readiness-to-Use Fee (0% increase from current year); and Landfill Ash Product Disposal Fee of \$18.81 per to (1.90% increase from current year), for the Solid Waste Disposal District (SWDD), and approved **Resolution 2012-089**, establishing the Assessment Rate to be levied upon all real taxable property in Indian River County, Florida, for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for the Solid Waste Disposal District.

**E. MAKE A MOTION TO ADOPT BUDGET RESOLUTION**

ON MOTION by Vice Chairman O’Bryan, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner

Solari absent), the Board approved the budget of \$11,034,069, and approved **Resolution 2012-090**, amending the County Budget Officer's estimates of receipts other than taxes and of balances to be brought forward for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 and adopting a Final Budget for the Solid Waste Disposal District.

**7. ADOPTION OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT CHARGES**

**A. ANNOUNCE 2012-2013 PROPOSED CHARGE FOR EACH NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

Commissioner Davis announced the 2012-2013 proposed charges for each Non-Ad Valorem Assessment District per parcel area as follows:

<u>Municipal Services Benefit Unit:</u>	Charge Per Parcel Acre
1. Vero Lake Estates M.S.B.U.	\$19.00
2. East Gifford Stormwater M.S.B.U.	\$10.00
<u>Street Lighting Districts:</u>	
3. Gifford	\$25.00
4. Laurelwood	\$18.00
5. Rockridge	\$ 8.00
6. Vero Highlands	\$23.00
7. Porpoise Point	\$11.00
8. Laurel Court	\$27.00
9. Tierra Linda	\$21.00
10. Vero Shores	\$19.00
11. Ixora Park	\$17.00
12. Royal Poinciana	\$28.00

13. Roseland Road	\$ 1.00
14. Whispering Pines	\$16.00
15. Moorings	\$10.00
16. Walker's Glen	\$22.00
17. Glendale Lakes	\$40.00
18. Floralton Beach	\$38.00
19. West Wabasso	\$21.00

**B. RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Chairman Wheeler opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers, and the Chairman closed the floor to public comments.

**C. CONSIDER ANY PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND CALCULATE REVISED CHARGE**

There were no proposed amendments.

**D. MAKE A MOTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT CHARGES**

ON MOTION by Commissioner Flescher, SECONDED by Commissioner Davis, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the charges read into the record for each of the above-mentioned nineteen Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Districts, and approved **Resolution 2012-091**, establishing the assessment rates to be levied upon certain real property in Indian River

County for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for all the Non-Ad Valorem assessments.

**8. APPROVE NON-AD VALOREM DOLLAR BUDGETS**

**A. ANNOUNCE 2012-2013 PROPOSED BUDGET**

Chairman Wheeler announced the 2012-2013 proposed Non-Ad Valorem dollar budgets as follows:

1. Special Revenue Funds	\$24,742,696
2. Other Debt Service Fund	\$ 1,231,333
3. Capital Projects	\$15,774,738
4. Enterprise Funds	\$41,513,798
5. Internal Service Funds	\$22,046,976

**B. RECEIVE COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Chairman Wheeler opened the floor to public comments. There were no speakers and the Chairman closed the floor to public comments.

**C. CONSIDER ANY PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

There were no proposed amendments.

**D. MAKE A MOTION TO ADOPT BUDGET RESOLUTION**

ON MOTION by Commissioner Davis, SECONDED by Commissioner Flescher, by a 4-0 vote (Commissioner Solari absent), the Board approved the Non-Ad Valorem

Dollar Budgets for the Special Revenue Funds, Other Debt Service Fund, Capital Projects, Enterprise Funds, and Internal Service Funds, and approved **Resolution 2012-092**, adopting a Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 for certain non-taxing funds of Indian River County.

ALL BACKUP DOCUMENTATION, RESOLUTIONS, AND ORDINANCES ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK TO THE BOARD AND ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THESE MINUTES

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the Final Budget Hearing adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Jeffrey R. Smith,  
Clerk of Circuit Court and Comptroller

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Gary C. Wheeler, Chairman

Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_