



City of Lake Helen

Volusia County, Florida

City Commission First Budget Hearing

September 6, 2017 at 7:00pm

City Commission Chambers

MINUTES

Present:

Mayor Buddy Snowden

Commissioner Tom Wilson

Commissioner Jim Connell

City Administrator Jason Yarborough

Vice Mayor Vernon Burton

Commissioner Michael Woods

City Clerk Becky Witte

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Buddy Snowden called to order the September 6, 2017 First Budget Hearing at 7:01 pm.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS: Legislative Prayer led by Commissioner Tom Wilson followed by the Pledge of Alliance

DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA: None

PUBLIC FORUM: None

Item 3 PUBLIC HEARING:

Item 3a: Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Millage Rate and Budget

Item 4 COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

Item 4a: Consideration of Resolution 2017-11 establishing Fiscal Year 2017-18 Proposed General Municipal Millage Rate

Discussion

Commissioner Michael Woods discussed the expenditures over the 2016/2017 budget with input from Finance Manager Jason Lawrence. **Finance Manager Jason Lawrence** discussed grant opportunities and the budget of many large capital project which drives the expenditures. He also discussed the increase in the cost of the Volusia County Fire Contract. **City Administrator Jason Yarborough** discussed the capital projects and the grant opportunities staff will be seeking.

Vice Mayor Vernon Burton asked about the grant opportunity and funding of capital projects with input from **Finance Manager Jason Lawrence**.

Commission Tom Wilson questioned the grant opportunities and postponing projects if grant funding is not available.

Discussion with input from **City Administrator Jason Yarborough**.

Commissioner Jim Connell questioned the reserve fund with input from **Finance Manager Jason Lawrence**.

Commissioner Tom Wilson asked if money would need to be borrowed in the event of a Hurricane impact with input from **City Administrator Jason Yarborough** and **Finance Manager Jason Lawrence**.

Discussion



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Mayor Buddy Snowden opened the Public Hearing

Ann Robbins (Hobart Avenue) discussed the Capital Improvement Plan and police radios versus radar detecting apparatus.

Discussion with input from **Police Chief Michael Walker**.

Discussion of including the Safe Routes to School Grant in the Capital Improvement Plan.

Daisy Raisler (McKenzie Road) discussed the Pole Barn at Lemon Avenue.

Mayor Buddy Snowden closed the Public Hearing.

Mayor Buddy Snowden read the Title of Resolution 2017-11:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR; ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES AT A MILLAGE RATE OF 7.8 MILLS (WHICH IS HIGHER THAN THE ROLLED-BACK RATE OF 7.3046—AN INCREASE OF 6.78%) AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION by **Commissioner Michael Woods** to adopt Resolution 2017-11, Fiscal Year 2017-18 Proposed General Municipal Millage Rate. **SECOND** by **Commissioner Tom Wilson**.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item 4b: Consideration of Resolution 2017-12 Adopting Changed Revenue Estimates and the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Adjusted Tentative General Municipal Budget

Mayor Buddy Snowden read the title of Resolution 2017-12: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-18; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION by **Commissioner Tom Wilson** to adopt Resolution 2017-12, Adopting the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Tentative General Municipal Budget. **SECOND** by **Vice Mayor Vernon Burton**.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Vice Mayor Vernon Burton noted the 9/11 Ceremony will be cancelled due to Hurricane Irma.

Item 5 ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buddy Snowden adjourned the September 6, 2017 First Budget Hearing at 7:31pm.