



# City of Lake Helen

Volusia County, Florida

Mayor Daisy Raisler  
Vice Mayor Vernon J. Burton  
Commissioner Tom Wilson  
Commissioner Michael Woods  
Commissioner Jim Connell

## City Commission First Budget Hearing

September 13, 2018 at 7:00pm

City Commission Chambers

### MINUTES

#### **Present:**

Mayor Daisy Raisler	Vice Mayor Vernon Burton	Commissioner Michael Woods
Vice Mayor Vernon Burton	Commissioner Michael Woods	Commissioner Tom Wilson
Commissioner Jim Connell	City Clerk Becky Witte	City Administrator Jason Yarborough

#### **Not Present:**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Daisy Raisler called to order the September 13, 2018 First Budget Hearing at 7:00 pm.

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

Amendment 1 Video.

**DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA:** None

### **ITEM 3: PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FY 2018-2019 FINAL MILLAGE RATE AND PROPOSED BUDGET**

Fiscal Year 2018/2019 Final Millage Rate and Budget

Discussion with input from the City Administrator Jason Yarborough and Finance Manager Jason Lawrence.

#### **Mayor Raisler OPENED the PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **Public Comments:**

Raphine Pierce (Sand Crane Lane)

Todd Preston (Connecticut Avenue)

Ann Robbins (Hobart Avenue)

Kent Titcomb (Lemon Avenue)

#### **Mayor Raisler CLOSED the PUBLIC HEARING**

Commission Discussion with input from City Administrator Jason Yarborough,



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## ITEM 4: COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

Item 4a: Consideration of Resolution 2018-15 Adoption of Final Millage Rate.

**Mayor Raisler announces the following:** "We are now convening a public hearing to discuss the final millage rate and budget. We will begin with a discussion of the final millage necessary to fund the final budget for the City of Lake Helen. The proposed final millage rate to be levied is 7.8 mills or \$7.80 per \$1,000 of valuation, which is a 7.83% increase above the rolled-back rate. The rolled-back rate is 7.2337 mills or \$7.23 per \$1,000 of valuation."

### Commission discussion with input from Finance Manager Jason Lawrence

**Mayor Raisler:** "The Commission will now hear comments regarding the proposed final millage and budget. We invite the general public to address the Commission to make comments and to ask questions."

**MOTION** by **Commissioner Tom Wilson** to lower the millage to 7.5 %. **MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF SECOND.**

Commission discussion with input from City Attorney Scott Simpson, Kent Titcomb (Lemon Avenue), Lewis Long (Euclid Avenue)

**MOTION** by **Vice Mayor Vernon Burton** to lower the millage to 7.4 %. **SECOND** by **Commission Tom Wilson**. **MOTION DID NOT CARRY** with Commission Jim Connell, Commissioner Michael Woods and Mayor Daisy Raisler voting NO.

**MOTION** by **Commissioner Jim Connell** to lower the millage to 7.3. **SECOND** by **Commissioner Michael Woods**. **MOTION CARRIED 4-1 with Commissioner Tom Wilson voting NO.**

Five Minute Recess

**City Attorney Scott Simpson read the title of RESOLUTION 2018-15: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN OF VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR THE 2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR; ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES AT A MILLAGE RATE OF 7.3 MILLS (WHICH IS HIGHER THAN THE ROLLED-BACK RATE OF 7.2337—AN INCREASE OF 0.92%) AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Motion** by **Commission Michael Woods** to approve Resolution 2018-15. **Second** by **Commission Jim Connell**. **Public Input None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## ITEM 5: COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

Item 5a: Consideration of Resolution 2018-16 Fiscal Year 2018-19 Budget and Capital Improvement Plan



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**Discussion with input from City Attorney Scott Simpson and Finance Manager Jason Lawrence.**

\$45,000 would include employee COLA at 3%, removal of cemetery survey, reduction of contingency by \$18,918.91 and elimination of \$11,000 of travel and per diem throughout the general fund.

City Attorney Scott Simpson read the Title of RESOLUTION 2018-16: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN, VOLUISA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Motion** by **Commissioner Michael Woods** to approve Resolution 2018-16 the following modifications: reduction employee COLA to 3%, reduction of contingency by \$18,918.91 elimination of cemetery survey and \$11,000 reduction of travel and per diem throughout the general fund. **Second** by **Commission Jim Connell**. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**ITEM 6: Public Comments: None**

**ITEM 7: Commission Discussion**

**ITEM 8: Adjournment:** Mayor Daisy Raisler adjourned the September 13, 2018 First Budget Hearing at 8:36 pm.