OCTOBER 5, 2017 SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESOLUTION 2017-09 MILLAGE RATE &

PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESOLUTION 2017-10 BUDGET

Date: Thursday, October 5, 2017

- Location: Administrative Offices, Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District, 2451 Trailmate Drive, Sarasota, FL 34243
- **Present:** Charles A. Durant, Chairman; Daniel Center, Vice Chairman; Melanie Marken, Secretary; Anthony Evans, Treasurer and Commissioner James Cena. Also in attendance were Chief Brian Gorski, and Executive Management Assistant Debbie Tuckerman. The attached guest list contains signatures of members of the public.

Call to Order

Chairman Durant called the public hearing to order at 5:00 p.m.

Moment of Silence/Pledge

A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Resolution 2017-09 Millage Rate

Verification of Public Notice Chairman Durant called for verification of the Public Notice. Executive Management Assistant Tuckerman stated that the advertisement was completed as required.

• Presentation of Millage Rate/Procedures

Chief Gorski gave an overview of the millage rate. The 2017/2018 operating millage rate recommendation is 1.2061 mills, which is our current rate.

• Open Public Hearing for Comment

Chairman Durant opened the Public Hearing for comments at 5:04 p.m. There were no comments.

• Close the Public Hearing

Commissioner Center motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried. Chairman Durant closed the public hearing at 5:04 p.m.

• Board Deliberation Resolution 2017-09

Commissioner Marken motioned to approve the fiscal year 2017/2018 operating millage rate for the Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District at 1.2061 mills which is higher than the rolled-back rate of 1.1346 mills by 6.3%. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion, and the motion unanimously carried.

The Public Hearing adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

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Public Hearing/Adoption of 2017-2018 Budget

• Verification of Public Notice Chairman Durant called for verification of the Public Notice. Executive Management Assistant Tuckerman stated that the advertisement was completed as required.

• **Presentation of Budget/Procedures** Chief Gorski gave an overview of the 2017-2018 Budget.

• **Open Public Hearing for Comment** Chairman Durant opened the Public Hearing for comments at 5:07 p.m. There were no comments.

• Close the Public Hearing

Commissioner Evans made a motion to close the public hearing. Commissioner Center seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried. Chairman Durant closed the public hearing at 5:07 p.m.

- **Board Deliberation Resolution 2017-10** Chairman Durant opened Board deliberation on Resolution 2017-10. *Commissioner Center made a motion to accept Resolution 2017-10. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion, and the motion unanimously carried.*
- Adjournment of Public Hearing Chairman Durant adjourned the Public Hearing at 5:08 p.m.

Chairman Durant stated the next meeting will be a Regular meeting on Thursday, October 19 at 5 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Charles A. Durant, Chairman

Attest:

Melanie A. Marken, Secretary