

SEPTEMBER 17, 2020
2020 MILLAGE RATE HEARING & 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET HEARING
&
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
SOUTHERN MANATEE FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2020

Location: Administrative Offices, Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District, 2451 Trailmate Drive, Sarasota, Florida, 34243 and via teleconference.

Call to Order

Chairman Center called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. and welcomed everyone.

Meeting Instructions

Chairman Center read the meeting instructions as this was a telephonic meeting.

Roll Call

Via Teleconference

Daniel Center, Chairman; Melanie Marken, Vice-Chair, Secretary & Treasurer; James Cena; Anthony Evans, Commissioner were in attendance via GotoMeeting. DVP Derek Foss was also attending via phone. Commissioner Jim Grote joined the meeting in progress.

At the Administration Office

Chief Brian Gorski, Deputy Chiefs Robert Bounds and Rick Blanco, Battalion Chief Gould, Captain Bobby Thayer, Executive Management Assistant Debbie Tuckerman, and Information Technology Specialist Shawn Myles.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Resolution 2020-07 on the 2020/2021 Millage Rate

- **Verification of Public Notice**
Chairman Center called for verification of the Public Notice. Executive Management Assistant Tuckerman stated that the meeting was advertised as required.
- **Presentation of Millage Rate**
Deputy Chief Bounds stated that the Board had Resolution 2020-07 for their approval.
- **Open Public Hearing for Comment**
Chairman Center opened the Public Hearing for the millage rate at 5:12 p.m. There was no public comment.
- **Close the Public Hearing**
Commissioner Marken made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 5:12 pm on the millage rate. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

- **Consideration of Resolution 2020-07**
Chairman Center stated the Board has Resolution 2020-07 on the 2020/2021 Millage Rate for consideration. *Commissioner Marken motioned to approve the fiscal year 2020/2021 operating millage rate for the Southern Manatee Fire & Rescue District at 1.2061 mills which is higher than the rolled-back rate of 1.1484 mills by 5.02%. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*
- **Adjournment of Public Hearing**
The Public Hearing on the millage rate was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Public Hearing/Adoption of Resolution 2020-08 on the 2020/2021 FYE Budget

- **Verification of Public Notice**
Chairman Center called for verification of the Public Notice. Executive Management Assistant Tuckerman stated that the hearing was advertised as required.
- **Presentation of Proposed Budget/Procedures**
Deputy Chief Bounds stated the Board has Resolution 2020-08 to adopt our 2020/2021 Budget. He went over the updates.
- **Open Public Hearing for Comment**
Chairman Center opened the Public Hearing for comments at 5:16 p.m. There was no public comment.
- **Close the Public Hearing**
Commissioner Cena made a motion to close the Public Hearing on the 2020/2021 Budget at 5:16 p.m. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.
- **Consideration of Resolution 2020-08**
Commissioner Marken motioned to approve Resolution 2020-08 on the 2020/2021 Budget. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.
- **Adjournment of Public Hearing**
Chairman Center adjourned the Public Hearing on the budget at 5:18 p.m.

Continuation of Regular Board Meeting

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was included in the Board packet. *Commissioner Evans motioned to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Commissioner Marken seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Center called for Public Comment and there was none.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Sweet-Sparkman Contract

Chief Gorski gave the board an update on the Sweet-Sparkman contract.

NEW BUSINESS

2. Decommissioning and Donation of E-11

Chief Gorski presented a memo recommending donating E-11 to MTC. *Commissioner Marken motioned to approve the donation of E-11 to Manatee Technical College. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

*** Pension Committee**

Deputy Chief Bounds reported the plan made \$1.8 million in August.

3. 2019 General Plan Actuarial Valuation

Deputy Chief Bounds presented the 2019 General Plan Actuarial Valuation. *Commissioner Cena motioned to approve the 2019 General Plan Actuarial Valuation. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

*** Union**

Derek Foss thanked the board on behalf of the union members for the HSA increase. They have a few MOU's to complete that they are working on.

CHIEF'S REPORT

*** Chief's Report**

Chief Gorski reported that E341 is now an ALS unit, as of Monday, September 14. Chief Gorski also gave a COVID-19 update. Deputy Chief Bounds updated the board on the Cancer Policy. *Commissioner Marken motioned to approve the Cancer Policy. Commissioner Evans seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.*

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Center called for Public Comment and there was none.

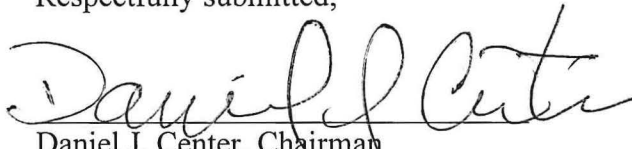
COMMISSIONER'S/ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Chairman Center asked for comments. There were no commissioner or administrative additional comments.

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel J. Center, Chairman

Attest:



Melanie A. Marken, Vice Chairman/Secretary/Treasurer