



KEY LARGO FIRE RESCUE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT

Seat 1: Tony Allen; Seat 2: Jennifer Miller; Seat 3: Bob Thomas; Seat 4: George Mirabella; Seat 5: Marilyn Beyer

FINAL PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 16, 2013 – DRAFT

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Vicky Fay called the roll. The following Commissioners were present: Tony Allen, Marilyn Beyer, Jennifer Miller, George Mirabella and Bob Thomas. There was a quorum.

Also present were: Don Bock, Vicky Fay, Ronnie Fell, James Griffeth, Scott Robinson, Peter Rosasco, Dirk Smits and Jennifer Zimmer. The meeting was held at the Ambulance Corps.

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Commissioner Beyer made a motion to ***approve the September 16, 2013 Final Public Hearing Agenda***. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously passed the motion.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members from the General Public addressed the Board at this time.

6. DISCUSSION: KLVAC FY 2013-2014 Proposed Budget

6.A. Budget Discussion KLFR&EMS District 2013-2014 Proposed Budget

Sue Heim, resident, discussed Budget Items 400, 460 and 512.312. Chairman Miller requested Jennifer Zimmer address the items Ms. Heim discussed:

Acct 400 (Commissioner Travel): This account reflects \$500.00 per Commissioner.

Acct 460 (Repairs & Maintenance Flashing Lights): The \$1,000 is budgeted in the event repairs are necessary because the lights are the District's responsibility.

Acct 512.312 (Strategic Plan): The total cost of the Strategic Plan is \$5,000 (\$2,500 was spent in FY 2012-2013, and \$2,500 is budgeted in FY 2013-2014).

Acct 522.314 & Acct 526.314 (Dept Legal Services): This item was previously discussed and requested to be placed in the budget.

At the end of the 1st Public Hearing the millage rate was 0.9045, which was 16.68% above rollback. Jennifer Zimmer presented Version 5 of the FY 2013-2014 District Budget to the District Board, which reduced the millage rate to 0.8300, which is 7.07% above the rollback rate of .7752. This is a reduction in the millage rate of .0745 mills from Version 4. The new budget includes the \$250,000 from the County (\$150,000 allotted for vehicles and \$100,000 for fire hydrants). The unassigned fund balance as of October 1, 2013 was increased to \$491,880 based upon actual year-to-date calculations.



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6.A. Budget Discussion KLFR&EMS District 2013-2014 Proposed Budget

The legal fees for the department were discussed: Both department's Legal Fees are only for one year in the event they are needed to help resolve contractual issues with the old fire department. Commissioner Thomas mentioned the new Fire Department does not have any funds; Commissioner Miller does not agree with funding the departments legal fees; Commissioner Beyer did not agree with the District paying department legal fees; Commissioner Mirabella agrees the legal fees are necessary with certain legal issues, but not to fight issues with the County District; and Commissioner Allen agrees with funding for only one year. Chief Bock indicated the funds are only for contract negotiations, which is based upon the Commissioners previous policy.

Motion: Commissioner Mirabella made a motion to ***approve the Legal Fees for a period of one year on a case-by-case basis***, which was seconded by Commissioner Thomas. The motion was voted upon and passed as follows: Allen (Yes), Beyer (Yes), Miller (No), Mirabella (Yes), and Thomas (Yes).

District Expenses

The District Board Tax Collector Fees were reduced by \$5,059 based upon the millage rate reduction.

Ambulance Corps

The Ambulance Corps expenses were reduced by \$6,154 based upon the savings of converting to a \$5,000 property deductible.

Motion: Commissioner Mirabella made a motion to ***approve the changing the building insurance deductible to \$5,000***, which was seconded by Commissioner Thomas. The motion was voted upon and passed as follows: Allen (Yes), Beyer (Yes), Miller (Yes), Mirabella (Yes), and Thomas (Yes).

Fire Dept

The Fire Department budget was decreased by \$39,386.00. The volunteer reimbursement was decreased by \$35,000, the payroll taxes decreased by \$2,678 and the Workman's Compensation by \$1,708.

Jennifer Zimmer reported that the projected September 30, 2014 Unassigned Fund Balance was just below the \$375,000 recommended by Finance with the 0.08300 millage rate.

Chairman Miller thanked the Fire Department and the BOCC for their support to help reduce the budget from the originally requested 0.1000 millage rate to the .8300 millage rate.

6.B. Resolution #2013-005 Tentative Levy of Ad Valorem Taxes

The Clerk read the resolution into the record.

6.C. Resolution #2013-006 Adoption of Tentative Budget

The Clerk read the resolution into the Record.



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7. ADJOURN

Commissioner Thomas made a Motion to adjourn at 6:24 p.m., which was seconded by Commissioner Mirabella and was unanimously approved by the Board.

DOCUMENTS

KLVFD Proposed Budget FY 2013-2014