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Tindall Hammock Irrigation and Soil Conservation District

Public Hearing on Tentative Proposed Millage Rate and Budget

Thursday, September 3rd, 2015 at 5:01 p.m.
3941 SW 47th Avenue, Davie, FL

Call to Order:

The Chair H. Collins Forman, Jr. called the Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Tindall Hammock Irrigation and Soil Conservation District to order at 5:01 p.m. The meeting notice had been duly posted.

Roll Call:

The District Clerk called the roll. A quorum was present.

Supervisors:

Present:

Chair H. Collins Forman, Jr., Dr. Walter Forman, and Eric Forman

Also Present:

Douglas R. Bell, Esquire, Patricia Mahaney (*Everhart Management Group*), Pat Gibney, P.E. (*Craven Thompson & Associates*), Jay Ameno, P.E. (*GAI*), Bob Salerno (*Fern Crest*), and M. Austin Forman (*landowner*).

The Chair stated the name of the taxing District is Tindall Hammock Irrigation and Soil Conservation District.

The Chair presented the Proposed Millage Rate of 4.9000 Mills for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. The Chair stated the rolled-back rate is 4.3967 Mills.

The Chair presented the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 to the Board. The Chair reported that after a detail review of the budget and corresponding rolled-back millage rate, he had requested that the District Manager prepare a budget at a millage rate of 2.9000 Mills. Mrs. Mahaney distributed a comparative analysis of the budget at both the rolled-back millage rate of 4.3967 and at 2.9000 Mills. Mr. Bell commented that any action to reduce the millage rate at this meeting could not be reversed at the meeting on September 9th. He commented that the millage rate could be further lowered, but could not be increased. Ms. Mahaney also reviewed the budget assumptions used in the development of the expense budget for the District. Ms. Mahaney further reviewed with the Board the current cash balances, proposed capital budget and remaining fund balances projected at September 30, 2016 at both the current proposed, rolled-back millage rates and possible rate of 2.9000 Mills. Mrs. Mahaney further commented that the budget at any rate did include the loan repayment of \$1,000,000.

The Chair opened the hearing for public discussion.

Mr. Austin Forman, landowner, reported that there was a strong possibility, based on potential development plans, that the District would be receiving impact fee (ERC) funds in the 2015/2016 fiscal year. The budget as presented does not include any impact fees. Mr. Austin Forman affirmed his support for a reduction to the millage rate. Ms. Mahaney commented that in continuing discussions with PNC Bank, alternate and increased financing options would be available to the District based on its credit standing.

The Chair closed the public discussion portion of the hearing.

The Chair entertained a motion to tentatively adopt a tentative millage levy.

Motion #1:

Eric Forman made a motion to adopt a tentative millage levy of 2.9000 Mills. Dr. Walter Forman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Chair entertained a motion to adopt the proposed tentative budget based on the tentative millage rate of 2.9000 mills.

Motion #2:

Eric Forman made a motion to adopt the proposed tentative budget based on the tentative millage rate of 2.9000 mills. Dr. Walter Forman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Chair announced that the date, time and place of the Final Budget Hearing will be Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 5:01 p.m. at 3941 Southwest 47th Avenue, Davie, Florida 33314.

Mr. Bell noted that the Annual Meeting of the Landowners and Supervisors will be held also on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. at 3941 Southwest 47th Avenue, Davie, Florida 33314.

The Chair requested that Mr. Ameno update the Board on the status of the generator(s). Mr. Ameno reported on the contractors who have requested plans and specifications and attended the pre-bid meeting. Mr. Ameno reported that the average lead time is 12-18 weeks. He also reported that Broward County has changed the requirements from a 150 mph wind load to a missile impact tested enclosure. Mr. Salerno reported that he had coordinated with the Town of Davie to ensure the utility could get water from the Town of Davie in the event of power failure at the plant.

The Chair also reported that he had requested that Mr. Ameno confirm the ERC factor of .53 for apartments is correct prior to communicating that factor to any future developments. Mr. Ameno will follow up with Mr. Salerno.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair closed the public hearing at 5:13 p.m.

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Pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 286.0105, the Tindall Hammock Irrigation and Soil Conservation District advises the public that: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. This notice does not constitute consent by the Board for the introduction or admission of evidence of otherwise inadmissible or irrelevant evidence, nor does it authorize challenges or appeals not otherwise allowed by law.

All interested persons may appear at the above special meeting at the stated time and place. The meeting may be continued from time-to-time as may be necessary. The public record of this meeting may be examined at 800 East Broward Boulevard, Suite 505, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.