

TOWN OF WINDERMERE

Town Council Tentative Budget Hearing Minutes

September 9, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 6:01pm

Present were Mayor Jim O'Brien, Council Members Bill Martini, Bob McKinley, Andy Williams, Chris Sapp, and Liz Andert. Also present were Town Manager Robert Smith, Finance Director Nora White, and Town Clerk Dorothy Burkhalter.

Member McKinley led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor O'Brien then gave the invocation.

1. OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor O'Brien opened the Public Hearing for the Tentative Budget Hearing at 6:02pm. Manager Smith stated that Ms. Wendy Knocknaree was present to address the assessment item iii(a). Ms. Wendy Knocknaree stated that a meeting was scheduled at the lot and then Covid-19 hit. She stated that in speaking with Manager Smith, the assessment will be removed and taken care of.

2. SPECIAL PRESENTTION/PROCLAMATIONS/AWARDS

3. TIMED ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Resolution 2020-02 Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll for Lot Clean-Up

Mayor O'Brien closed the Town Council Tentative Budget Hearing at 6:04pm and opened the Public Hearing regarding Resolution 2020-02. There being no comments, Mayor O'Brien closed the Public Hearing at 6:05pm and reconvened the Town Council Tentative Budget Hearing. Manager Smith stated that the assessment for Knocknaree needed to be removed due to the contesting and discussions that had taken place. Member McKinley made to approve Resolution 2020-02 with the removal of the Knocknaree in the amount of \$758.00. Member Andert seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Martini – yes, McKinley – yes, Williams – yes, Sapp – yes, and Andert – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Tentative Budget Hearing Action Items

Mayor O'Brien closed the Budget Hearing at 6:07pm and opened the Public Hearing regarding items i-vi below. There being no comments from the public, Mayor O'Brien closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the Budget Hearing at 6:07pm.

i. **Adopt a Tentative Millage Rate of 3.7425 mills**

Mayor O'Brien introduced this item. Member McKinley made a motion to adopt the tentative Millage Rate at 3.7425. Member Williams seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Andert – yes, Sapp – yes, Williams – yes, McKinley – yes, and Martini – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

ii. **Motion and Vote to set the Tentative Millage Rate at 3.7425 mills per thousand**

Member Williams made a motion to adopt the tentative millage rate at 3.7425. Member Martini seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Martini – yes, McKinley – yes, Williams – yes, Sapp – yes, and Andert – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

iii. **Amend and Adopt the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

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Member McKinley made a motion to amend and adopt the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Member Andert seconded the motion. Martini – yes, McKinley – yes, Williams – yes, Sapp – yes, and Andert – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

iv. Motion and Vote to set the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 at \$6,681,486.29

Member Andert made a motion to set the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 at \$6,681,486.29. Member Sapp seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Andert – yes, Sapp – yes, Williams – yes, McKinley – yes, and Martini – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

v. Announce the Percent of Millage Rate over the Rolled Back Rate of 3.08%

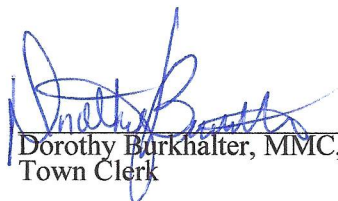
Mayor O'Brien introduced this item. Mayor O'Brien then announced for the record that the percent of the millage rate over the rolled back rate will be 3.08%. Member McKinley made a motion to approve the rolled back rate of 3.08%. Member Martini seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Martini – yes, McKinley – yes, Williams – yes, Sapp – yes, and Andert – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

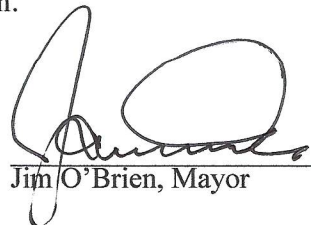
vi. Set the Date, Time and Place of the Final Budget Hearing: Monday September 21, 2020 6:00pm via Virtual Zoom

Mayor O'Brien then announced for the record that the Final Budget Hearing will be held September 21, 2020 6:00pm via Virtual Zoom. The meeting ID and Passcode will be on the Town's website.

Manager Smith gave an update of the Projects Meeting that was held earlier in the day. He commented on upcoming meeting regarding 2nd Avenue, Butler Street, 1st & Forest, and Fernwood Park. Manager Smith and Mayor O'Brien thanked Member Williams and Staff for their work with the Budget.

Mayor O'Brien adjourned the meeting at 6:51 pm.


Dorothy Burkhalter, MMC, FCRM
Town Clerk


Jim O'Brien, Mayor