Minutes of the Public Hearings

Adoption of 2022-2023 Tentative Millage Rate – Resolution 2022-06 Adoption of 2022-2023 Tentative Budget – Resolution 2022-07 And

> Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners Cedar Hammock Fire Control District September 8, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman Getman at 6:00 p.m. The following commissioners were present: Richard G. Findlay, Ronald D. Getman, Marnie E. Matarese, Samuel A. Reasoner, and John H. Stevens.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Pavkovich gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

QUORUM

Chairman Getman confirmed a physically present quorum for the meeting. The meeting was properly advertised.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Getman asked if there was any discussion of the minutes or the Treasurer's report. There was no discussion.

ACTION: Commissioner Stevens moved to accept the Consent Agenda. Chairman Getman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Chief Hoyle said that he had no special business, but he wanted to mention the District was recognized at the recent Kiwanis Club meeting on September 6, 2022. They recognized twenty-three public safety agencies from Manatee County. Through a nomination put forward by Deputy Chief Falcone for the rescue made by B Shift crews at the Bayshore on the Lake fire, we were one of five agencies who were presented with \$2,000 checks to be given to a charity of choice. The check will be given to the Cedar Hammock Firefighters Benevolent Fund. In addition, we were presented the Public Safety Appreciation award.

RECESS REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting was recessed at 6:02 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING / 2022-2023 TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE

Chairman Getman called the Public Hearing to order and requested verification of the Public Notice of the public hearing. The hearing was noticed on the second page of the TRIM notice according to Florida Statute 200.069.

Chief Hoyle presented Resolution 2022-06 – A resolution of the Cedar Hammock Fire Control

District of Manatee County, Florida, adopting the tentative levy of ad valorem taxes for Cedar Hammock Fire Control District for fiscal year 2022-2023, providing for an effective date. The fiscal year 2022-2023 tentative operating millage rate for the Cedar Hammock Fire Control District is 1.3 mills, which is more that the rolled-back rate of 1.1398 mills by 14.06%

Chairman Getman opened the Public Hearing for the 2022-2023 Tentative Millage Rate for comments.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Getman closed the public hearing for comments.

ACTION: Commissioner Stevens moved to adopt Resolution 2022-06 for the 2022-2023 Tentative Millage Rate as presented. Commissioner Matarese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Chairman Getman adjourned the public hearing for the 2022-2023 Tentative Millage Rate.

PUBLIC HEARING / 2022-2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Chairman Getman called the Public Hearing to order and requested verification of the Public Notice of the public hearing. The hearing was noticed on the second page of the TRIM notice according to Florida Statute 200.069.

Chief Hoyle presented Resolution 2022-07 – A resolution of the Cedar Hammock Fire Control District of Manatee County, Florida, adopting the tentative budget for the fiscal year 2022-2023, providing for an effective date. The Board of Fire Commissioners has set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the tentative budget for fiscal year 2022-2023 in the amount of \$14,325,980 and has committed funds in the amount of \$3,135,000.

Chairman Getman opened the Public Hearing for the 2022-2023 Tentative Budget for comments.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Getman closed the public hearing for comments.

ACTION: Commissioner Reasoner moved to adopt Resolution 2022-07 for the 2022-2023 Tentative Budget as presented. Chairman Getman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Chairman Getman adjourned the public hearing for the 2022-2023 Tentative Budget.

Chairman Getman resumed the regular meeting at 6:05 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

New Classification of Positions: Office Administrator I & Office Administrator II

Deputy Chief Bradshaw reviewed the two classifications as presented. We have advertised for the position of Office Administrator II. It might be possible to hire someone with more experience, or as an Office Administrator I. He did confirm the salaries were reflected in the tentative budget.

ACTION: Commissioner Stevens moved to approve the new classifications of the position of Office Administrator and approve the latitude of 10% in the salary for the hiring of a more qualified candidate. Commissioner Matarese seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

CHIEF'S REPORT

The Chief's Report/Departmental reports were included in the board package.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Stevens was impressed with recent drivers' training. Commissioner Matarese attended a recent luncheon with Clerk of the Court Colonneso in which three individuals spoke heart-warming stories about the Cedar Hammock Fire Control District. Vice Chairman Findlay was hoping to include more of these stories on the website. Commissioner Reasoner asked if there was any updated information on the Tamiami Trail project with the FDOT. Deputy Chief Falcone stated that the FDOT was very receptive to our recommendations.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Board will be September 22, 2022. This will be a public hearing on the final budget and the final millage.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Commissioner Matarese moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 pm.

Commissioner Reasoner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

Respectfully submitted, <u>APPROVED 9/22/2022</u> Chairman Ronald D. Getman