

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 5:30 P.M. ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Linda Hudson; Commissioner Rufus Alexander; Commissioner Thomas Perona; Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Absent: Commissioner Edward Becht

Staff Present: City Clerk Linda Cox
City Manager Robert Bradshaw
City Attorney Robert Schwerer

4. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- a. Ordinance No. 15-052 Levying and collecting taxes for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016; adopting Final Millage Rate. **SECOND READING**

City Clerk Linda Cox introduced the ordinance, read in its entirety into the record.

Finance Director Gloria Johnson publicly announced the City of Fort Pierce is proposing a millage rate of 6.90 to fund general funds 2016 budget of \$35,853,263, the rate exceeds the rollback rate of 6.3806 by 8.14%. The increase is to establish and finance a capital outlay program and to fund public safety initiative.

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing.

Seeing no one, Mayor Hudson closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rufus Alexander, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve Ordinance No. 15-052 on second and final reading.

AYE: Mayor Linda Hudson, Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Thomas Perona, Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Passed

- b. Ordinance No. 15-053 - Adopting a Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2016, beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016. **SECOND READING**

City Clerk Linda Cox introduced the ordinance, read by title only, into the record.

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing.

Seeing no one, Mayor Hudson closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to approve Ordinance No. 15-053 on second and final reading.

AYE: Mayor Linda Hudson, Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Thomas Perona,
Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Passed

5. CITY COMMISSION

- a. Resolution No. 15-R23 - Establishing a formal policy on the restriction of General Fund revenue for Fiscal Year 2016.

City Clerk Linda Cox introduced the resolution, read by title only, into the record.

Ms. Johnson stated this resolution is in effect to restrict \$600,000 of the general funds ad valorem taxes to pay the \$1.4 million debt service annually and to allocate \$400,000 toward capital outlay projects in the future.

Motion was made by Commissioner Reginald Sessions, seconded by Commissioner Thomas Perona to approve Resolution No. 15-R23.

AYE: Mayor Linda Hudson, Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Thomas Perona,
Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Passed

- b. Approval of FY2016 operating plan for Special Revenue and Enterprise Funds.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Rufus Alexander to approve FY2016 Special Revenue and Enterprise Funds Operating Plan

AYE: Mayor Linda Hudson, Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Thomas Perona,
Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Passed

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Hudson called the meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR COMMISSIONER