## MINUTES TAYLORS FIRE & SEWER DISTRICT SPECIAL CALLED MEETING JUNE 6, 2019

A special called meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at the District Office in the Board Room, 3335 Wade Hampton Blvd., Taylors, South Carolina at 11:00 am.

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Paul Bowen, Commission Chairman Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Commission Vice Chairman/Secretary Jeff Hannah, Commission Treasurer

## STAFF PRESENT

Bobby Baker, Fire Chief Robert Van Pelt, Deputy Chief Samantha Babb, Director of Sewer Services Stephanie Hackler, Senior Accounting & HR Specialist Gary Cantrell, Operations Supervisor Chris Powell, Construction Crew Leader Mike Jones, TV Crew Leader Chris Stamey, Cleaning Crew Leader

## OTHERS PRESENT:

Jaime Daniel

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bowen at 11:05 am.

Chairman Bowen stated that the media outlets who requested notification of this special called meeting were notified via door posting, email, website, Facebook, and Twitter.

Treasurer Hannah moved to go into executive session to discuss employee benefits and compensation. Vice Chairman/Secretary Rea seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The Board entered executive session at 11:07 am.

Vice Chairman/Secretary Rea made a motion to exit executive session. Treasurer Hannah seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The Board exited executive session at 2:17 pm. No action was taken during executive session.

Chairman Bowen recognized Mrs. Jaime Daniel to present a draft of the FY 2020 Budget. The proposed percentage increase in the millage rate between FY 2019 and FY 2020 for the Fire Department and the Sewer Department is 3.24% and 5.83%, respectively. The overall proposed millage increase is 3.95%. According to the 2019 tax year proposed millage, the homeowner of a home valued at \$100,000 would pay approximately \$251.60 in property taxes for annual fire protection and \$94.40 for annual sewer maintenance services, which is a combined increase of \$12.80 (or 3.2 mils) from the 2018 tax year. The FY 2019 (2018 Tax Year) tax rate millage for the Fire Department is 61.0 and the proposed tax rate millage for FY 2020 (2019 Tax Year) is 62.9. The FY 2019 (2018 Tax Year) tax rate millage for the Sewer Department is 22.3 and the proposed tax rate millage for FY 2020 (2019 Tax Year) is 23.6. The total budgeted revenues and expenditures for FY 2019 for the Fire Department was \$4,892,000 and proposed total for FY 2020 is \$5,283,000. The total

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budgeted revenues and expenditures for FY 2019 for the Sewer Department was \$3,398,000 and proposed total for FY 2020 is \$3,730,000. The increase for the Fire Department is primarily due to increased personnel costs and maintenance. The increase for the Sewer Department is primarily due to increased personnel cost, community relations, administrative expenses, interfund transfers and capital expenditures. Mrs. Daniel asked if there were any questions. There were none.

The Department Heads discussed the details of their separate budgets with the Board. With no further discussion, Vice Chairman/Secretary Rea made a motion to accept the FY 2020 draft budget as presented and to direct the Department Heads to publish the FY 2020 draft budget ahead of the public hearing that is scheduled for June 25. 2019. Treasurer Hannah seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Hannah made a motion to direct the Department Heads to adjust the payroll time sheets as they see fit. He acknowledged this may affect the date that employees are paid and will have a cost associated with the change. Vice Chairman/Secretary Rea seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Without any further business, Vice Chairman/Secretary Rea made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Bowen seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:04 pm.

Commissioner Paul Bowen, Chairman

Date Minutes Approved

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