# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

### 5:30 PM

The Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, met in special session on September 26, 2017 at 5:30 PM in the Government Center Commission Room, Building C, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, Florida.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Rita Pritchett	Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1	Present	
Jim Barfield	Commissioner District 2	Present	
John Tobia	Commissioner District 3	Present	
Curt Smith	Chairman/Commissioner District 4	Present	
Kristine Isnardi	Commissioner District 5	Present	

### **INVOCATION**

The invocation was provided by Pastor Tom Porter, Temple Baptist Church, Titusville.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Barfield led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

# ITEM I.A.1., PUBLIC HEARING, RE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 AGGREGATE TENTATIVELY ADOPTED MILLAGE FROM THE AGGREGATE ROLLED BACK RATE

Chairman Smith called for a public hearing on the announcement of the percentage change in the FY 2017-2018 aggregate millage from the aggregate rolled back rate.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated this allows for the reading of the tentative aggregate operating millage rate to fund the portion of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget that is supported by property taxes; at this time he asked the Budget Office to read into the record the tentative aggregate millage rate for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the aggregate tentative millage rate for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget is 6.3268 mills, this represents an increase of 0.48 percent from the aggregate rollback rate of 6.2967 mills.

There being no comments or objections, the Board acknowledged the announcement as read into the record that the tentative millage rate for FY 2017-2018 is 6.3268 mills, the aggregate rollback rate is 6.2967 mills, and the percentage change is 0.48 percent.

# ITEM I.A.2., PUBLIC HEARING, RE: PUBLIC COMMENT REVISED TENTATIVE COUNTY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on the revised tentative County Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated this allows for the public to comment on the County Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018; before public comment he asked the Budget Office to read into the record the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget is \$1,170,704,359; the Budget represents a decrease of \$27,118,185 or 4.65 percent less than the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 current Budget of \$1,227,822,544.

Mr. Abbate stated he is now ready to accept public comments on the Budget Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Nicholas Tomboulides stated to quote Shakespeare, "Mischief thou art foot"; two of the Board Members were elected in 2014 and three were elected last year; the Board is supposedly all Republicans, although with some of the Members he is not so sure; he stated he would like a show of hands and he asked the Board members to raise a hand if anyone on the Board campaigned for this job by telling voters that it would raise their taxes; he added let the record show that there were no hands up; he inquired why not, if each member campaigned in this County on raising taxes, the voters would have run them out of town on a rail, and the Board knows that; the Board is so ashamed of raising taxes, and rightfully so, that it is claiming this Budget as a tax cut; and that is fake news, a scam like a Nigerian Prince offering up his inheritance. He continued the size of the budget does not determine whether or not taxes are going up or down, nor does the millage rate; when there is a rise in the total amount of revenue leaving the citizens pockets and going into the Boards pockets, that is a tax increase, period; thank goodness Florida has Truth in Millage laws because those are like lie detectors for Politicians; he loves those laws; and besides the Board does not need more revenue because it already abuses the existing revenue it has. He went on to say each year the Board spends millions of taxpayers money to line the pockets of CEOs through the Economic Development Commission (EDC) and Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs); meanwhile people in this County are struggling to pay their bills, struggling to pay their tuition, and struggling to put food on the table; it is morally wrong to steal from them and reward the rich cronies; and until it ends corporate welfare in this County no one should believe a word it says about Budgets and taxes, it is simply not credible. He stated he would encourage the Board to think twice about what it is doing; two of the Board are on the ballot next year and there are already campaigns on the way to expose those records; prove that the Board deserves to keep its job and give the people a Budget without a tax hike; and remember one thing, the people who put the Board in its job have the ability to vote it out. He added the people will do so if the Board approves this Budaet.

Richard Charbonneau stated when campaigning with one of the Board members, they both said the same thing, people can play all kinds of games with tax rates or tax rise, millage rates or whatever, but he and one of the Commissioners said the measurement was if there was more coming out of the peoples pocket this year than there was last year; that is a tax raise no matter what people call it; he owns nine properties in Brevard County and he added them up and guess what, it is more coming than it was, so that is a tax rise, at least it is to him; and the other thing he noticed is that Florida has some kind of law about posting tax increases somewhere; in the *Florida Today* there was a notice that taxes are going up. He noted one Commissioner, Commissioner Tobia, says taxes are going up and another Commissioner, Chairman Smith, says taxes are going down; they both wrote an editorial on it; that would be like Chairman Smith

saying it is daylight out and Commissioner Tobia saying it is night time out; a person cannot be half pregnant, either taxes are going up or they are going down; and he asked Commissioner Smith to explain why he thinks taxes are going down.

Chairman Smith stated he has all the time in the time he wants to speak; Mr. Charbonneau only has two minutes and 57 seconds left.

Mr. Charrbonneau stated he thinks Chairman Smith could probably do it in a minute or so.

Chairman Smith stated he is not responding to Mr. Charbonneau and asked if he is going to step down, go back to his seat, or if he is done.

Mr. Charbonneau inquired if Chairman Smith was refusing to answer; he asked that it be added to the record that Chairman Smith refuses to respond; and he asked Commissioner Tobia to explain how the taxes are going up.

Commissioner Tobia thanked Mr. Charbonneau for his questions and he stated he thinks those are important questions that can be answered later on instead of right now.

Chairman Smith stated this is not a give and take; it is a comment period and Mr. Charbonneau has the floor; and he has another two minutes and two seconds to comment.

Mr. Charbonneau stated that was the only question he had so he will use up his remaining time silent for two minutes.

Chairman Smith stated Mr. Charbonneau could do whatever he wants.

Mr. Charbonneau remained at the podium in silence for his remaining time.

Mr. Charbonneau thanked the Board for its candor and kind remarks.

Chairman Smith stated since Mr. Charbonneau brought up his personal taxes he took the liberty since it is public record, that the property taxes on his personal home, County taxes only, does not include school board or any of the others, it actually went down \$73.88; the other eight properties that Mr. Charbonneau was talking about increased in value \$133,720 and his additional County taxes for those properties went up a whopping \$212; and that is on the record.

Mr. Abbate stated it is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners discuss the Budget since it must adopt the millages and related Budgets separately; comments and motions concerning the individual tax levies can also be made at the time each millage is adopted.

There being no further comments the Board accepted public comments concerning the tentatively approved operating and capital budget for the County's 2017-2018 Fiscal Year, including Charter Officers and Dependent Special Districts.

# ITEM I.A.3., PUBLIC HEARING, RE: PUBLIC COMMENT, DISCUSSION, AND ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FINAL MILLAGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 FOR BREVARD COUNTY

Chairman Smith called for public hearing for discussion, approval of each millage, and adoption of resolution establishing final millages for FY 2017-2018.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated the Budget Office personnel will now read into the record the millage and related Ad Valorem revenue for each taxing authority; following the reading of each tax levy it is recommended that the Chairman entertain a motion for approval of that millage.

#### **GENERAL FUND**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the General Fund, Countywide tentative millage for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 is 4.1550, this represents the 1.48 percent increase when compared to the rolled back millage of 4.0943 generating Ad Valorem revenue of \$143,259,647.

There being no further comments, the Board approved the final millage for the General Fund at 4.0943, and revenue at \$143,259,647.

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RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated for the Brevard Library District Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.4982 which is a 1.76 percent increase over the rolled back millage of 0.4896 generating \$17,318,895.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Free Public Library District at 0.4896, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$17,318,895.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# **MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for Brevard Mosquito Control the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.1968 which is a 1.76 increase when compared to the rolled back rate of 0.1934 generating Ad Valorem Revenue of \$6,841,346.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Mosquito Control District at 0.1934, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$6,841,346.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **FIRE CONTROL MSTU**

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated for the Fire Control MSTU for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.6816 which is a 3.02 percent decrease in the rolled back millage of 0.7028 which generates \$11,607,357.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage of 0.7028 for Fire Control MSTU, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$11,607,357.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **RECREATION DISTRICT #1 MSTU**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the Recreation District 1 MSTU Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.6308 which represents a 15.80 decrease when compared to the rolled back millage rate of 0.7492 generating \$2,794,716.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Recreation District #1 MSTU at 0.7492, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$2,794,716.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT #4 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated Recreation District 4 Maintenance the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.7114 representing a 3.12 percent increase over the rolled back millage of 0.6899 generating \$2,623,905 of Ad Valorem revenue.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Recreation Special District #4 Operations and Maintenance of 0.6899, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$2,623,905.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith, Kristine Isnardi

NAYS: John Tobia

### TITUSVILLE-COCOA AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for the TICO Airport Authority the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.0000 which represents no change from the rolled back millage rate of 0 generating \$0.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage of the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority at 0, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$0.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### LAW ENFORCEMENT MSTU

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated Law Enforcement MSTU the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 1.1438 which represents a 4.70 decrease of the rolled back millage of 1.2002 generating \$18,091,808.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Law Enforcement MSTU at 1.2002, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$18,091,808.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT #1 MSTU**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for Road and Bridge District Office 1 MSTU for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.6870 which is a 21.38 percent decrease when compared to the rolled back millage of 0.8738 generating \$2,056,600.

Commissioner Isnardi stated these are the last places the Board should be dropping the millage rate below the roll back rate when there are other areas with an increase; to drop an MSTU in District 1 down 20 percent does not seem like a smart thing to do.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage of Road and Bridge District #1 MSTU at 0.8738, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$2,056,600.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

### **ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT #2 MSTU**

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated Road and Bridge District 2 MSTU has a tentative millage for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 of 0.2597 which represent a 2.41 increase from the rolled back millage of 0.2536 generating \$976,776 in Ad Valorem revenue.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage of Road and Bridge District #2 MSTU at 0.2536, and Ad Valorem at \$976,776.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT #3 MSTU**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated Road and Bridge District 3 MSTU Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.2715 which is a 1.84 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.2666 generating \$462,300 in Ad Valorem revenue.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Road and Bridge District #3 MSTU at 0.2666, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$462,300.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

#### **ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT #4 MSTU**

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated Road and Bridge District 4 MSTU for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.2782 representing a 1.61 percent increase from the rolled back millage of 0.2738 generating \$1,293,843 in Ad Valorem revenue.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Road and Bridge District #4 MSTU at 0.2738, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$1,293,843.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT #5 MSTU**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for the Road and Bridge District 5 MSTU the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.3979 which represents a 2.76 percent decrease from the rolled back millage of 0.4092 generating \$554,872.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage at 0.4092, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$554,872.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** Kristine Isnardi

### **ROAD AND BRIDGE DRISTRICT #4 N. BEACHES MSTU**

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated for Road and Bridge District 4 MSTU Beaches Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.2667 representing a 1.87 percent increase from the rolled back millage of 0.2681 which will generate \$151,755.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Road and Bridge District #3 North Beaches MSTU at 0.2618, and Ad Valorem revenue of \$151,755.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, pointed out for clarification, the rolled back rate on the millage rate was 0.2618.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

#### ROAD AND BRIDGE DISTRICT #4 SO. MI MSTU

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for Road and Bridge District #4 MSTU Merritt Island South the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.1327 which is a 2.39 percent increase when compared to the rolled back millage of 0.1296 generating \$20,689.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for FY 2017-2018 for Road and Bridge District #4 South Merritt Island MSTU at 0.1296, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$20,689.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# **ENVIRONMENTALLY ENDANGERED LANDS ('04)**

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated for Environmentally Endangered Lands 2004 Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.0617 which is a 13.42 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.0544 generating \$2,144,873.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage at .0.0544, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$2,144,873.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith, Kristine Isnardi

NAYS: John Tobia

### PORT ST. JOHN/CANAVERAL GROVES RECREATION MSTU

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for the Port St. John, Canaveral Groves Recreation MSTU Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.3509 which is a 1.36 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.3462 generating \$499,882.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage at 0.3462 for the Port St. John/Canaveral Groves Recreation MSTU, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$499,882.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# NORTH BREVARD SPECIAL RECREATION DISTRICT

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated North Brevard Recreation District the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.2230 which represents 28.68 percent increase from the rolled back millage of 0.1733 generating \$597,779.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage at 0.1733 for FY 2017-2018 North Brevard Special Recreation District, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$597,779.

RESULT: ADOPTED [3 TO 2]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith

NAYS: John Tobia, Kristine Isnardi

### MERRITT ISLAND RECREATION MSTU OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the Merritt Island Recreation MSTU the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.3223 which is a 9.14 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.2953 generating \$973,084 in Ad Valorem Revenue.

There being no further comments, the Board approved the FY 2017-2018 final millage for Merritt Island Recreation MSTU Operations and Maintenance at 0.2953, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$973,084.

RESULT: ADOPTED [3 TO 2]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith

NAYS: John Tobia, Kristine Isnardi

### SOUTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated South Brevard Recreation District for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.2956 which represent a 29.65 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.2280 generating \$5,870,776.

There being no further comments, the Board approved the final millage for South Brevard Recreation Special District Operations and Maintenance at 0.2280, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$5,870,776.

RESULT: ADOPTED [3 TO 2]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** John Tobia, Kristine Isnardi

# **ENVIRONMENTALLY ENDANGERED LANDS DEBT ('04)**

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the next section are debt service millages; and for the Environmentally Endangered Lands 2004 debt service the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.0908 which represents a 5.81 percent decrease when compared to the rolled back millage of 0.0964 generating \$3,172,694.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Environmentally Endangered Land Debt ('04) at 0.0964, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$3,172,694.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### PORT ST. JOHN/CANAVERAL GROVES RECREATION FACILITIES MSTU DEBT

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated for Port St. John, Canaveral Groves Recreation MSTU debt service the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.00 representing no change from the rolled back rate of 0.0000 generating \$0.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Port St. John/Canaveral Groves Recreation MSTU Debt at 0, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$0.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# NORTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT DEBT

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for the North Brevard Recreation District debt the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.5770 which is a 0.40 percent decrease from the rolled back rate of 0.5793 generating \$1,553,119.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for North Brevard Recreation Special District Debt at 0.5793, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$1,553,119.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### MERRITT ISLAND RECREATION MSTU DEBT

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, stated the Merritt Island Recreation MSTU debt for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 has a tentative millage of 0.4777 representing a 3.74 percent increase from the rolled back millage of 0.4605 generating \$1,443,942

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for Merritt Island Recreation MSTU Debt at 0.4605, and Ad Valorem revenue at \$1,443,942.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

### SOUTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT DEBT

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated for the South Brevard Recreation District debt the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 tentative millage is 0.3044 which is a 7.22 percent decrease from the rolled back rate of 0.3281 generating \$6,092,230.

There being no comments, the Board approved the final millage for South Brevard Recreation Special District Debt at 0.3281, generating \$6,092,230.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

Chairman Smith called for a public hearing to consider a resolution establishing the County's final millages for FY 2017-2018.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated the Budget Office will announce the recomputed aggregate millage and the change represented by that recomputed millage for the aggregate rolled back millage.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, stated the aggregate millage rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget is a \$6.3268 mill which represents an increase of 0.48 percent from aggregate rolled back rate of 6.2967.

Mr. Abbate stated the Budget Office will read into the record establishing the County's final millages for Fiscal Year 2017-2018; following the reading of the Resolution it is recommended the Chairman entertain a motion for approval of the Resolution.

Ms. Hayes read a Resolution to adopt final millages pursuant to Chapter 200 Florida Statutes authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt final millages for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the taxing entities identified in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference, does hereby levy the millages specified in Exhibit A, and does herby state the percent by which the aggregate millage to be levied is a change from the rolled back/rolled forward aggregate millage.

There being no further comments or objections, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-172, establishing the final millages for FY 2017-2018.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith, Kristine Isnardi

NAYS: John Tobia

# ITEM I.A.4., PUBLIC HEARING, RE: ADOPTION OF FINAL BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on to consider a resolution adopting the County's final budget for FY 2017-2018.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated the Budget Office will read into the record the resolution adopting the County's total budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018; following the reading of the resolution, it is recommended the Chairman entertain a motion for approval of the resolution.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, read a resolution to adopt a final budget pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing for an effective date; the Board of County Commissioner, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing and governing authority, does hereby adopt an operating and capital budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$1,170,704,359.

Commissioner Tobia inquired if now would be the appropriate time for discussion questions concerning the adoption of this resolution.

Mr. Abbate replied affirmatively.

Commissioner Tobia inquired if this budget relies, according to Florida Statutes 200.065, a tax increase of more than \$1 million.

Ms. Hayes stated Florida Statute states that if the aggregate adopted millage rate is more than the aggregate roll back rate then the taxing authority is required to advertise a notice of proposed tax increase; the millage is adopted; and the aggregate did exceed the rolled back rate, although it was lower than the prior year's current millage rate.

Commissioner Tobia asked for point of clarification, if that was a yes or a no.

Ms. Haves replied affirmatively.

Commissioner Tobia inquired as to what percentage of homeowners, not including new construction, will see an increase should this budget be adopted.

Ms. Hayes stated the Budget Office did an analysis looking only at homesteaded properties where the assessed value fell within the Save Our Homes cap, so that excluded those properties with the assessed values that would have gone up more than 2.10 percent, which could have been cause for a variety of factors, either they were not included under the homestead exemption or if the property was sold; there is a variety of reasons why the assessed value could have increased, but they did isolate that data and they looked again only at those homesteaded properties; and it was approximately 76 percent saw either a decrease in their County taxes or no change in their County taxes.

Commissioner Tobia stated he appreciates the inverse, but he is working it the other way around; therefore, 24 percent saw an increase; and he inquired if that is correct.

Ms. Hayes replied affirmatively.

Commissioner Tobia inquired while 76 percent saw a decrease or stayed the same, had this Board decided to not increase taxes according to Florida Statute 200.065 would those 76 percent have seen a greater decrease in their taxes

Ms. Hayes responded it depends on which millage rates would have been reduced, depending on the location where the property is, determines which millage rates they pay; there are several that are Countywide; the General Fund, Mosquito Control, Environmentally Endangered Lands, and Library Services, so those are paid by all Brevard County taxpayers; and she reiterated there are a variety of factors depending on where a person lives.

Commissioner Tobia inquired if more taxpayers would have seen a decrease should the County not institute the tax increase according to Florida Statute 200.065.

Ms. Hayes stated she can understand that assumption, but it depends on which millage rates were decreased.

Commissioner Tobia inquired what percentage of commercial property holders will see a tax increase should the Board pass this Budget that relies on a tax increase according to Florida Statute 200.065.

Ms. Hayes stated she unfortunately does not have that data; her office worked closely with the Property Appraisers Office to get the data and analyze it the best they could, just isolating the homesteaded exemptions; and she reiterated she does not have the data on the commercial properties.

Commissioner Tobia stated he appreciates her office working diligently; he understands many of these things were outside of her control; and his one final question is to the best of her knowledge when was the last time the Board of County Commissioners passed a Budget that did not rely on either a tax increase under Florida Statute 200.065, busting the Charter Cap which was passed by 74 percent of the citizens, or a combination of both.

Ms. Hayes responded last year the millages adopted by the Board did not require a notice of proposed tax increase because the aggregate rate was below the rolled back rate; however, it did exceed the Charter Cap; and before that she would have to go back and review prior years.

Commissioner Tobia stated what he looked up had 2015 as a tax increase above the millage rate according to Florida Statute 200.065; and he inquired if she has that information.

Ms. Hayes stated she could get that information.

Commissioner Tobia stated that is fine and thanked her for her indulgence.

Commissioner Pritchett stated she started pulling up an analysis of things going on around this and she called the cities and found out who had to do tax cuts this year; she contacted 13 of them and none of them have increased their taxes this year to keep up with the growth in their communities; and none of them were able to do any tax cuts. She continued she went on to do an analysis between 2007 and 2017, which was right when the boom hit the community, and in that period of time, it was the closest budget she could find to what the Board is trying to do now, and compared to 2007 and now, this Budget is \$65 million less than in 2007, the

population has grown by 45,000 more people, and the County has 400 less staff members trying to take care of the population and working on a lesser Budget; she is really impressed that the County has a budget coming in like it does and as creative as it is; it really is a tax cut because people are paying less; and she explained there are 68.94 percent of people who are going to be paying less this year on their TRIM notices. She added there are 17.4 percent that will be exactly the same as last year, and there are 21.66 percent that are going to be paying between a penny more up to \$3.00 more per year, and then the other 2.37 percent that is going to be paying \$5.00 or more per year. She went on to say this is really not related to the millage amount that is being levied, but it is directly correlated to property values, which the Board has no control over, that is driven by the market; if a person's property value increases significantly then those people are going to be paying more, which is a good thing when they go to sell their houses they will get more money; that is the way it happens across the board, not everybody's property values increase; and she stated she is just really proud of this Budget and that the Board stopped the inventory going into reconstruction, and that the County is keeping up with resurfacing, and that the employees got a 3.5 percent increase. She mentioned the employees had not received an increase in a long period of time, and that is still a lot less than the value of the dollar is since that boom and the great recession; she is going to be surprised if the Board will be able to keep it this low next year seeing the increase in the population; but hopefully with the growth and new businesses coming in there will be more tax dollars generated to do the roads and keep up the things that are important to people with the quality of life; and she thanked everyone for coming up with a frugal, responsible Budget.

Chairman Smith stated all day his office has been fielding questions about why the Board is raising their taxes; his staff went about the process of explaining to them exactly what the stipulation is, and it is largely controlled by the fact that the County has increased home values; and he asked if it is a fact that there is a \$27 million decrease in spending.

Ms. Hayes explained the budget is decreased when compared to the current Fiscal Year Budget; now that Budget does include transfers, balance forward, and a variety of other sources; but yes the tentative adopted Budget compared to the current budget there is a \$57 million decrease.

Chairman Smith inquired how much was the decrease in millage.

Ms. Hayes replied in the aggregate it is 4.02

Chairman Smith stated he would think the question people have is whether this is sleight of hand, or just confusing; one gentleman who called his office was absolutely beside himself that the Board was going to raise his taxes; his staff looked up what the gentleman was paying and he is actually paying \$500 less this year than he did last year; the gentleman then wanted to know how this could be an increase in taxes; semantics makes it an increase, but it has already been seen, by Mr. Tobia's accountant, that there are 76 percent of the people who are paying the same or less; and with that being said, this gentleman back in 2006 or 2007 was paying \$22,000 a year in property taxes and now he is paying something like \$11,000. He continued people can try to paint this any way they want; he thinks the Board has worked really hard on this Budget, they put a lot of time and effort into it, taking into account all the folks who spoke during the Budget Workshop, and the community groups that spoke; the Board is not going to make everybody happy; the fact is the Board Members each have a responsibility to do what they think is best for their District; and he commented he has done what he thinks is best for his District and he is sure the other four Commissioners feel the same way, even though they do not all agree.

Commissioner Tobia stated Chairman Smith mentioned there was a \$57 million decrease and he inquired if it would be fair to say that the adopted budget and the final budget are completely different numbers.

Ms. Hayes explained the Budget is amended for various reasons throughout the Fiscal Year.

Commissioner Tobia asked if Ms. Hayes could give him an estimate of how much it is amended; he provided to her what he came up with through her office; he stated between this year, the adopted to the final is going to be right around 10 percent, in other words, right around \$100 million; last year it went up another \$100 million, a 10 percent increase; the year before that a slight increase of three percent; the year before that, year 13-14, the difference between the adopted budget and the final budget was a 13 percent increase, which was another \$100 million; and he noted this is why the Legislature in their brilliance, knew that local government played games. He added he thinks the people just saw a slight of hand. He stated he could turn the \$56 million tax cut into an \$86 million tax increase by the same logic; if he were to compare the current years adopted budget to this proposed budget, that would be comparing the beginning budget for last year to this proposed beginning budget, and he inquired if he would see the same \$56 million cut or if he would see an increase of 8.2 percent or \$86,491,483.

Mr. Abbate stated he would see that increase; that is actually the numbers that he gave in the Budget message; they share both of those numbers year to year in the adopted budget and the current year budget, which changes throughout the year from cash forward, projects that are not completed, grants that are received, and that is the basis from anywhere between the three percent and 10 percent a year changing the budget during the budget year; and he announced that would be accurate.

Commissioner Tobia inquired if the increase from the adopted to the final budget, is outside Mr. Abbate's and the Budget Office's control.

Mr. Abbate replied affirmatively. He stated they receive adjustments made by Departments based on projects that they may not be able to complete in one year or at the end of the Fiscal Year, when County Finance does the reconciliation to what actual estimates were earlier and they make all those adjustments and bring them back to the Board for approval.

Commissioner Tobia stated going back to the question, because this is a lot of adopted, final, and current, comparing the last year's adopted Budget, not with all the changes, to the proposed one, because it is a fair assessment that this one will go up like the last ones, will the County derive more than \$86 million more from the adopted Budget of Fiscal Year 2016-2017, to the proposed Budget 2017-2018.

Ms. Hayes stated the adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was \$1,055,000,000 so actually it is approximately \$115 million when compared to the adopted.

Commissioner Pritchett stated she will probably have to ask more questions this week; if they have that type of increase, they obviously cannot go back and raise taxes real quick to collect more revenue, so for the Budget to change by an amount through the year, she thinks it has to be either a carry forward of income amounts or it is going to have to be revenue driven through whatever the County has as enterprise funds, so there may be some changes there; her thought is, just from looking at past Budgets and things that were done in this Boards first year out, it has actually done some budget changes and adjustments that have come before it; and she inquired if the increase has to come from somewhere.

Ms. Hayes agreed; she stated a big portion of it is adjusting the balance forward which is done at the mid-year supplement; grants also play a big part of it in amending the Budget; and any time the Budget is amended, it comes before the Board as a Budget change request.

Mr. Abbate stated this year they can add more than \$27 million of that difference as a half-cent sales tax for the Lagoon; and that would account for close to \$30 million.

Ms. Hayes stated an example of one of the recent amendments was a \$50 million amendment refunding of Local Option Fuel Tax Bond which was approved by the Board earlier in the year and Florida Statute requires the County to recognize that as revenue.

Commissioner Pritchett stated if the County receives Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds this year that would make another big change adjustment; accounting wise, she thinks that would be the changes in the differences of the Budget, not necessarily something sneaky going on, it is just some adjustments through the year as any entity has with funds coming in from grants, entities, and roll forwards; and it has made sense to her through the years.

Commissioner Isnardi stated logic would say that if it is several million dollars that the Board has to make constant amendments; she has done that at the City level when she was a council member; she inquired if it is tens of millions of dollars, she does not understand why they could not have found another million dollars out of the budget to keep the County at roll back; and she thinks that would have been very easy to do if it is only a million dollars.

Chairman Smith stated that was a very good point.

Mr. Abbate stated he believes there still needs to be a motion on this Item.

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-173, adopting the final budget for FY 2017-2018.

RESULT: ADOPTED [3 TO 2]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, Curt Smith

NAYS: John Tobia, Kristine Isnardi

# ITEM I.A.5., ADOPTION OF FINAL MILLAGE RESOLUTION, RE: FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 DEPENDENT SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on adopting the final millage resolution for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Dependent Special Taxing Districts

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated the Budget Office will read into the record resolutions establishing final millages for those dependent taxing Districts for which the County levies a millage; there are six resolutions that will be read in succession; and following the reading of these resolutions, it is recommended the Chairman entertain a motion for approval of all six resolutions.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, read aloud, "A resolution to adopt the final millage pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final

millage for the Brevard Library District for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Brevard County Free Public Library District, does hereby levy the millage specified in Exhibit A." She stated the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 adopted millage of 0.4982 represents a 1.76 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.4896 generating the adopted revenue of \$17,318,895.

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, read aloud, "A resolution to adopt the final millage pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioner to adopt the final millage for the Brevard Mosquito Control for Fiscal year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Brevard Mosquito Control District, does hereby levy the millage specified in Exhibit A." She stated for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 adopted millage for Brevard County Mosquito Control is 0.1968 representing a 1.76 percent increase from the rolled back millage of 0.1934 generating \$6,841,346.

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt the final millage pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final millage for the Brevard County Recreation Special District IV Operation and Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Brevard County Recreation Special District IV Operations and Maintenance, does hereby levy the millage specified in Exhibit A." She stated for the Recreation Special District IV Operations and Maintenance Fiscal Year 2017-2018 adopted millage of 0.7114 represents a 3.12 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.6899 generating \$2,623,905.

Ms. Rollyson read aloud, "A resolution to adopt the final millage pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioner to adopt the final millage for the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority for Fiscal year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority, does hereby levy the millage specified in Exhibit A." She stated for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 adopted millage for Brevard County Mosquito Control is 0.0000 representing no change from the rolled back millage of 0.000 generating \$0.

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt the final millage pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final millage for the South Brevard Recreation District for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the South Brevard Recreation District, does hereby levy the millage specified in Exhibit A." She stated for the South Brevard Recreation District Operating millage Fiscal Year 2017-2018 adopted millage of 0.2956 represents a 29.65 percent increase from the rolled back rate of 0.2280 generating \$5,870,776; and for the South Brevard Recreation District Debt millage the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 adopted millage is 0.3044 which is a 7.22 percent decrease from the rolled back millage of 0.3281 generating \$6,092,230.

Ms. Rollyson read aloud, "A resolution to adopt the final millage pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioner to adopt the final millage for the North Brevard Recreation District 1 for Fiscal year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the North Brevard Recreation District 1, does hereby levy the millage specified in Exhibit A." She stated the North Brevard Recreation District 1 Operating for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 is 0.2230 representing a 28.68 percent increase from the rolled back millage of 0.1733 generating \$597,779, and for the North Brevard Recreation District 1 Debt millage for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 is 0.5770 which is a 0.40 percent decrease from the rolled back millage of 0.5793 generating \$1,553,119.

### **BREVARD COUNTY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-174, final millage for the Brevard County Free Public Library District at 0.4982, and revenue at \$17,318,895.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **BREVARD MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-175, for the final millage for Brevard Mosquito Control District at 0.1968, and revenue at \$6,841,346.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# **RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT #4 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-176, for final millage for the Brevard County Recreation Special District #4 Operating and Maintenance at 0.7114, and revenue at \$2,623,905.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### TITUSVILLE-COCOA AIRPORT AUTHORITY

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-177, for final millage for the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority at 0, and revenue at \$0.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### **SOUTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT - OPERATING**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-178, for final millage for the South Brevard Recreation Special District - Operating at 0.2956 and revenue at \$5,870,776, and the South Brevard Recreation Special District - Debt at 0.3044, and revenue at \$6,092,230.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

### NORTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT - OPERATING

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-179, for final millage for the North Brevard Recreation Special District - Operating at 0.2230, and revenue at \$597,779, and the North Brevard Recreation Special District - Debt at 0.5770, and revenue at \$1,553,119.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# ITEM I.A.6., ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR FINAL BUDGETS, RE: DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on adopting resolutions approving the Fiscal Year budgets for Dependent Special District.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated the Budget Office will read into the record 11 resolutions establishing adopted budgets for the Dependent Districts of the County; these resolutions will be read in succession; and following the reading of the resolutions, it is recommended that the Chairman entertain a motion for the approval of the 11 resolutions.

Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Brevard County Free Public Library District pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Brevard County Free Public Library District does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$27,397,849."

Chelsea Rollyson, Budget Office, read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Brevard Mosquito Control District pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Brevard Mosquito Control District does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal

Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$9,713,403."

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Brevard County Recreation Special District IV Operations and Maintenance pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Brevard County Recreation Special District IV Operations and Maintenance does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$2,622,125."

Ms. Rollyson read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$2,558,265."

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the South Brevard Recreation Special District pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the South Brevard Recreation Special District does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$11,963,006."

Ms. Rollyson read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the North Brevard Special Recreation District pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the North Brevard Special Recreation District does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$2,150,898."

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Merritt Island Redevelopment Agency pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Merritt Island Redevelopment Agency does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$2,271,838."

Ms. Rollyson read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Barefoot Bay Water and Sewer District pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Barefoot Bay Water and Sewer District does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$7,640,654."

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the Melbourne-Tillman Water Control District pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of

County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the Melbourne-Tillman Water Control District does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$4,449,127."

Ms. Rollyson read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the North Brevard Economic Development Zone pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the North Brevard Economic Development Zone does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$3,275,565."

Ms. Hayes read aloud, "A resolution to adopt final operating budget for the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library pursuant to Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners to adopt the final budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and providing an effective date; the Board of County Commissioners, Brevard County, Florida, as taxing authority for the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library does hereby adopt a final operating Budget, as presented and amended at the public hearing held September 26, 2017, for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, and ending September 30, 2018, in the amount of \$377,587."

### **BREVARD COUNTY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-180, adopting the final budget for the Brevard County Free Public Library District of \$27,397,849.

**RESULT:** ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

MOVER: Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Rita Pritchett. Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

# BREVARD MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-181, adopting the final budget for the Brevard Mosquito Control District of \$9,713,403.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

MOVER: Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

### **RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT #4 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-182, adopting the final budget for Recreation Special District #4 Operations and Maintenance of \$2,622,125.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** Kristine Isnardi

### TITUSVILLE-COCOA AIRPORT AUTHORITY

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-183, adopting the final budget for the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority of \$2,558,265.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** Kristine Isnardi

### SOUTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-184, adopting the final budget for the South Brevard Recreation Special District of \$11,963,006.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

### NORTH BREVARD RECREATION SPECIAL DISTRICT

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-185, adopting the final budget for the North Brevard Recreation Special District of \$2,150,898.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

### MERRITT ISLAND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

There being no further comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-186, adopting the final budget for the Merritt Island Redevelopment Agency of \$2,271,838.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** Kristine Isnardi

### **BAREFOOT BAY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT**

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-187, adopting the final budget for the Barefoot Bay Water and Sewer District of \$7,640,654.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** Kristine Isnardi

### MELBOURNE-TILLMAN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-188, adopting the final budget for the Melbourne-Tillman Water Control District of \$4,449,127.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

AYES: Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

### NORTH BREVARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE

There being no further comments heard, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-189, adopting the final budget for the North Brevard Economic Development Zone at \$3,275,565.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

NAYS: Kristine Isnardi

#### A. MAX BREWER LAW LIBRARY

There being no comments, the Board adopted Resolution No. 17-190, adopting the final budget for the A. Max Brewer Law Library of \$377,587.

RESULT: ADOPTED [4 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

**SECONDER:** Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1 **AYES:** Rita Pritchett, Jim Barfield, John Tobia, Curt Smith

**NAYS:** Kristine Isnardi

# ITEM I.B., PUBLIC HEARING, RE: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE TRUTH-IN-MILLAGE (TRIM) COMPLIANCE FORMS

Chairman Smith called for public hearing to consider authorization of the County Manager to execute the Florida Department of Revenue Truth-in-Millage (TRIM) forms.

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated this is a request for the Chairman to entertain a motion to authorize the County Manager or his designee to execute all forms, letters, and exhibits necessary to establish that Brevard County has complied with Section 200.065 and 218.63 Florida Statutes, Truth-in-Millage Law.

There being no comments or objections, the Board authorized the County Manager to execute the Florida Department of Revenue Truth-in-Millage (TRIM) Forms on behalf of the County; and authorized the authority and obligation to assemble all components of the "TRIM Compliance Package" and to transmit the same to the appropriate Department of Revenue authorities.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# ITEM IV.A., FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 ANNUAL STATE CERTIFIED BUDGET, RE: MOSQUITO CONTROL

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on Fiscal Year 2017-2018 annual State certified budget for Mosquito Control.

Virginia Barker, Natural Resources Management Director, stated this is a request for the Board to authorize the Chairman to sign the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Annual Certified Budget for Mosquito Control; and the document is prepared from the Budget the Board just approved.

The Board executed and approved the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Annual Certified Budget for Mosquito Control (FDACS Form 13617, Rev. 9/03) for Fiscal Year October 1, 2016, to September 30, 2017.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Rita Pritchett, Vice Chairwoman/Commissioner District 1

**SECONDER:** Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2 **AYES:** Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# ITEM IV.B., INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF MELBOURNE, RE: UTILITY RELOCATION OF KINGSMILL-AURORA STORMWATER PROJECT

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Melbourne for utility relocation of Kingsmill Aurora Stormwater Project.

Virginia Barker, Natural Resources Management Director, stated this is an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Melbourne for reimbursement for utilities; they did a stormwater improvement project that is referred to as Kingsmil Aurora stormwater improvements; it benefits an unincorporated area and additionally areas of the City of Melbourne; the County has a Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) with the City of Melbourne to participate in the cost of that project; in addition, they needed to relocate some City utilities that were in the right-of-way of that project; the City has offered to pay those City utility relocation costs; and this is an agreement with the City of Melbourne that would reimburse the County for the utility relocation costs in its right-of-way, necessary for that project. She added it would provide revenue to the County in the amount of \$148,771.68; and the reason it needs to come forward tonight is because the City would like to make that reimbursement to the County this Fiscal Year.

Commissioner Barfield inquired if there is any Fiscal Impact on the County for this.

Ms. Barker responded there is revenue of \$148,771,68, which is a reimbursement for costs in which the County has already incurred this Fiscal Year.

Commissioner Tobia inquired if that is the aggregate cost of moving those utilities of a percentage of the total cost.

Ms. Barker stated it is the total cost of the relocation of the utilities.

There being no further comments or objections, the Board executed and approved the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Melbourne allowing for the County to receive reimbursement from the City for utility relocations related to the Kingsmil Aurora Stormwater Improvements Project; and authorized any associated budget change requests.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: John Tobia, Commissioner District 3

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# ITEM IV.C., AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SJRWMD) COST-SHARE AGREEMENT NO. 28256, RE: OYSTER REEF LIVING SHORELINES IN THE INDIAN RIVER LAGOON (IRL)

Chairman Smith called for public hearing on an amendment to the St. Johns River Water Management District Cost-Share Agreement No. 28256 for oyster reef living shorelines in the Indian River Lagoon.

Virginia Barker, Natural Resources Management Director, stated this is an execution of an amendment to a grant that the St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) funded for an oyster reef living shoreline project; there were multiple work days planned during the month of September that had to be rescheduled due to the hurricane; the water levels remain too high in the Lagoon right now to finish this project; and SJRWMD has granted them a 60-day extension.

There being no comments or objections, the Board executed and approved the amendment No. 1 to the SJRWMD Cost-Share Agreement No. 28256 for a 60-day extension through November 2017, substantially in the form of Attachment A, and subject to County Attorney and Risk Management final approval; and approved any necessary budget change requests.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Jim Barfield, Commissioner District 2

SECONDER: Kristine Isnardi, Commissioner District 5

AYES: Pritchett, Barfield, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi

# ITEM V.A., FRANK ABBATE, COUNTY MANAGER, RE: REPORT

Frank Abbate, County Manager, stated he just wanted to thank Jill Hayes, Budget Office Director, her staff, and all the Directors and their staff for working very closely with him to get through this budget cycle, and for making the process as smooth as possible; and he looks forward to moving ahead this next Fiscal Year.

# ITEM V.C., RITA PRITCHETT, DISTRICT 1 COMMISSIONER/VICE CHAIRWOMAN, RE: REPORT

Commissioner Pritchett stated she is excited the Board got their first budget done as a Commission; she is excited for the new year coming forward; and she is looking forward to the days ahead. She added this is a good location, people want to move here, and she is just so proud to be a part of this community and this County.

### ITEM V.F., KRISTINE ISNARDI, DISTRICT 5 COMMISSIONER, RE: REPORT

Commissioner Isnardi thanked Jill and her staff for putting up with her; she stated she appreciates all that she does; and just because there are some Board Members who have voted against the Budget or a certain millage it is not because they do not appreciate what she does, because they understand she takes direction from the Board.

# ITEM V.G., CURT SMITH, DISTRICT 4 COMMISSIONER/CHAIRMAN, RE: REPORT

Chairman Smith stated he thinks this is a great time to be in Brevard County; and he tells people on his travels, that if they want to come to a great place, Brevard County is open for business, they welcome new businesses, and the growth is looking like it could be exponential in the next few years. He reiterated that everyone worked very hard on this Budget; the Board took into account all the people who gave ideas, thoughts, and concerns; it was a lot of work and even though the Board Members do not all agree with one another, they made a concerted effort to get it done; and now it is implemented.

Upon consensus of the Board, the m	neeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.
ATTEST:	
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK	CURT SMITH, CHAIRMAN BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA