



**TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA**  
**FIRST BUDGET HEARING**  
**TOWN HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS**  
**9293 HARDING AVENUE**  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 2010**  
**5:01 PM**  
**MINUTES**

**1. Opening**

**A. Call to Order** Mayor Daniel Dietch called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

**B. Roll Call of Members** Town Clerk, Debra Eastman called the roll and the following were present: Commissioner Michael Karukin, Commissioner Edward Kopleman, Commissioner Marta Olchyk, Vice Mayor Joe Graubart and Mayor Daniel Dietch.

**C. Pledge of Allegiance** Police Chief David Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**D. Agenda and Order of Business** (Additions, Deletions) None

**2. Discussion Regarding Millage Rate and Budget**

Town Manager, Gary Word gave an overview of the budget and budget process. Carl Berkey-Abbott, Town budget consultant explained the budget in detail.

**3. Millage Rate**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF A MILLAGE RATE AGAINST ALL TAXABLE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011; AND REAFFIRMING SEPTEMBER 22, 2010 AS THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE.**

Town Clerk, Debra Eastman read the title of the resolution. A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Commissioner Edward Kopleman. The motion received a second from Commissioner Michael Karukin.

Commissioner Marta Olchyk stated that previous minutes do not include her strong opposition to an increase in the millage rate and requested that the minutes reflect her opposition of an increase in the millage rate.

Mayor Daniel Dietch opened the public hearing.

Litsa Kyrellis spoke in opposition to a rate increase.

Sasha Plutno encouraged a follow up on grants available and a cut in the Town budget.

Orestes Jimenez encouraged the Town Commission to restore the tax rate to 5.6 and further cuts to the Town budget.

Roger Carlton, Interim Town Manager, explained the difficult position of the Town and expressed his desire to work with the current Town Manager to provide a series of alternatives to the Town Commission.

Heather Oppenheimer asked that the Town Commission consider long term and short term costs.

Commissioner Michael Karukin made a motion to amend the motion on the floor to adjust the budget to a tax rate of 5.6030. The amended motion received a second from Commissioner Edward Kopelman. Town Clerk, Debra Eastman called the roll on the amended motion and it was adopted 4-1 with Commissioner Marta Olchyk voting in opposition.

**4. 2010-2011 Proposed Budget**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE ANNUAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011; ATTACHING A SUMMARY COPY OF SAID BUDGET MARKED EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Town Clerk, Debra Eastman read the title of the resolution. Commissioner Michael Karukin made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Commissioner Edward Kopelman. Finance Director, Martin Sherwood explained that exhibit A will be adjusted downward based on the prior conversation. Town Clerk, Debra Eastman called the roll and the motion was adopted 4-1 with Commissioner Marta Olchyk voting in opposition.

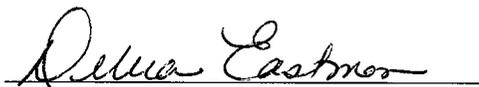
**5. Adjournment** The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Accepted this 14 day of Dec, 2010.



Daniel Dietch, Mayor

Attest:



Debra E. Eastman, MMC

Town Clerk