



Town of Surfside
FIRST BUDGET HEARING
TOWN HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS
9293 HARDING AVENUE
MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2013
7:00 PM

1. Opening

A. Call to Order

Mayor Dietch called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

B. Roll Call of Members

Town Clerk, Sandra Novoa called the roll with the following members present: Mayor Dietch, Vice Mayor Karukin, Commissioner Graubart, Commissioner Olchyk and Commissioner Kligman

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Chief of Police David Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance

2. Discussion Regarding Millage Rate and Budget—Michael P. Crotty, Town Manager

Town Manager Crotty explained the State requirements and gave an overview of the 2013/14 budget. At a Special Commission Meeting on July 23, 2013 the Commission approved some modifications to the budget. The proposed millage rate of 5.3 was discussed with the possibility of reducing it to 5.2. However, some funds will have to be reduced or removed from the budget. A slide presentation gave an overview of the enhancements made to the proposed budget.

Mayor Deitch opened the meeting for Commission discussion. Vice Mayor Karukin asked for more details regarding the Feeder School Donations, Community Center outdoor fitness equipment, and Bus Service to Mount Sinai for seniors. Commissioner Kligman indicated that several senior citizens were in contact with her and requested the need for Bus Service to Mt. Sinai. Commissioner Olchyk suggested we look at this more closely and determine how many people will actually use this service. The Commission decided to reduce the amount of the line item to keep the service to its senior citizens. Donald Nelson, Finance Director explained how allocated funds are handled when all monies are not utilized.

Vice Mayor Karukin would like to see the line items removed for feeder school donations and Community Center Outdoor Fitness Equipment. The Commission discussed these two items and was not unanimous in the allocation of these funds.

Public Comment

Mayor Dietch opened the meeting for public comments.

Public Speaker Melissa Moonves spoke about the Surfside Urban Gardeners and related its success. She also thanked the Commission for their support and she was looking forward to increasing this project with more gardens. Ms. Moonves indicated that it is a great learning experience for children and that many citizens are interested in growing their own vegetables. Commissioner Kligman thanked Ms. Moonves for her efforts and service to the community. Commissioner Olchyk asked Ms. Moonves her opinion on the items discussed and Ms. Moonves said she thought there may be alternative ways to help seniors getting to Mt. Sinai, was not in favor of the outdoor fitness equipment but was in favor of supporting schools with donations.

Commissioner Kligman made a motion to reduce the Bus Service to Mount Sinai Medical Center from \$12,500 to \$7,500. The motion received a second from Vice Mayor Karukin and all voted in favor.

Commissioner Graubart made a motion to keep the \$4,500 for the Feeder School Donations in the budget. The motion received a second from Commissioner Kligman. The motion failed 2-3 with Commissioner Olchyk, Vice Mayor Karukin and Mayor Dietch voting in opposition.

Vice Mayor Karukin made a motion to remove the Community Center Outdoor Fitness Equipment from the budget. The motion received a second from Commissioner Olchyk. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Graubart and Commissioner Kligman voting in opposition. This item will be removed from the FY 2013-2014 budget.

3. Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Millage Rate

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION 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 2013/2014; AND REAFFIRMING SEPTEMBER 26, 2013 AS THE DATE OF ADOPTION OF THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE.

Vice Mayor Karukin made a motion to set the millage rate to 5.20. The motion received a second from Commissioner Kligman and all voted in favor.

4. Public Comment

No public comments

5. Fiscal Year 2013/2014 Annual Budget

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA ("TOWN") APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FINAL ANNUAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014; ATTACHING A SUMMARY COPY OF SAID BUDGET MARKED EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Kligman asked for clarification regarding the budgeted item full-time employees (FTE) which has been increased in the proposed budget. Budget Officer Andria Meiri clarified the item and said a correction has been made as it was added and labeled incorrectly. Yamileth Slate-McCloud, Human Resources spoke regarding the increase in part-time employees proposed in the 2013/2014 budget.

Commission Graubart asked about permit fees generated as well as rollback rates. (Time exact 7:55 p.m.) Donald Nelson, Finance Director indicated the building permits, licenses and inspection fees have been growing and the city would have an increase in revenues in 2013-14. However, the following years may not have as large an increase. Director Nelson also explained the rollback rate.

Commissioner Kligman brought up the subject of converting an IT contractual position to a full-time city employed position. Mayor Dietch requested Town Manager Crotty to provide an analysis of all outsource functions.

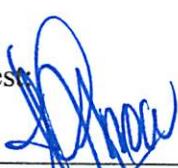
Vice Mayor Karukin made a motion to accept the budget as amended. The motion received a second from commissioner Kligman and all voted in favor.

6. Adjournment

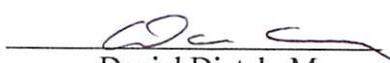
There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Accepted this 8 day of October, 2013

Attest



Sandra Novoa, CMC
Town Clerk



Daniel Dietch, Mayor

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF
SHERBROOKE (TOWN) APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE FINAL
ANNUAL BUDGET AND MAKING APPOINTMENTS FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2014 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Kligman asked for clarification regarding the budget item for
the employees (ETE) which has been increased in the proposed budget. Budget
Officer Andrus clarified the item and said a correction has been made as it
was not labeled correctly. Yarmouth State-4-10-10, Human Resources
office regarding the increase in part time employees proposed in the 2013-2014
budget.

Commissioner Grubbs asked about permit fees generated as well as rollback
rates. (Time exact 7:55 pm) Donald Nelson, Finance Director indicated the
building permits, licenses and inspection fees have been growing and the city
would have an increase in revenues in 2013-14. However, the following year
may not have as large an increase. Director Nelson also explained the rollback
rate.

Commissioner Kligman brought to the subject of converting an IT consultant
position to a full-time city employee position. Mayor Ditch requested Town
Manager Gony to provide an analysis of all outside functions.

Mayor Ditch made a motion to accept the budget as amended. The motion
received a second from Commissioner Kligman and all voted in favor.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned
at 8:05 pm.

Accepted this 8 day of October 2013.

Donald Ditch, Mayor

Shirley Ditch, CMC
Town Clerk