

## **Minutes of the August 18, 2020 Public Hearing and Special Commissioners Meeting**

1. **Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 6:31pm
2. **Establishment of a quorum:** Commissioners present in building: Commissioner Mayberry, Commissioner Rankins and Commissioner Berumen. Commissioner Anaya participated by virtual meeting.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The pledge was recited.
4. **Public Hearing:** Commissioner Mayberry opened the floor for Public comment on the 20-21 proposed tax rate. No members from the public joined the meeting and at 6:45pm the Public hearing was adjourned.
5. **Discussion and take action on the adoption of the FY' 20-21 budget:** Chief Menendez and Fiscal Administrator Ames presented the budget to the Board of Commissioners. There were not questions by the Board. Commissioner Mayberry thanked Mrs. Ames, Chief Menendez and Chief Ames for their time and efforts in putting together a very good budget. Motion to approve the budget as presented made by Commissioner Rankins and seconded by Commissioner Anaya. Motion carries.
6. **Discussion and take action on the adoption of the tax rate for FY 20-21':** Motion made by Commissioner Mayberry that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.100000 which is effectively a 2.46% increase in the tax rate. The \$0.100000 tax rate consists of an I&S rate of \$0.031965 and an M&O rate of \$0.068035. Motion seconded by Commissioner Anaya. Vote was as follows:  
FOR the proposal: Bill Mayberry, Jose Berumen, Amanda Anaya, Deanne Rankins  
AGAINST the proposal: None  
PRESENT and not voting: None  
ABSENT: None
7. **Discussion and take action on the HFD – ESD contract for FY 20-21':** Chief Ames presented the contract. Chief Menendez explained more about the committee who met and the process of refining document. Commissioner Rankins stated that she felt the wording and content of the contract has improved in this revision. Motion to approve the contract made by Commissioner Rankins and seconded by Commissioner Anaya. Motion carries.
8. **For the Good of the District:** Commissioner Berumen congratulated the Building Committee on their hard work on the second station and that it looks great. Chief Menendez reminded the board that he and Mrs. Ames will be joining Commissioner's Court for the approval of the budget and tax rate on Monday August 24<sup>th</sup>.

9. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Berumen. Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 P.M.

Submitted by: Katherine Ames, Fiscal Administrator

Reviewed by: Cheri Bridges, Administrative Assistant