



City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD
NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes Fire Rescue District Governing Body

Thursday, September 8, 2016

6:00 PM

Special Meeting/Budget Hearing

NOTE: This is a draft copy of the minutes of the 09-08-2016 Fire Rescue District Special Meeting Budget Hearing, has not been approved by the Commission and is subject to change.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Fire Rescue District Governing Body Special Meeting/Budget Hearing was called to order at 6:49 p.m. in City Chambers by Mayor Moore.

Present: Mayor Moore; Vice-Mayor DiFranco; Commissioners Cook, Jones and Yates; City Manager Lewis; City Attorney Moriarty; City Clerk Adkins, Recording Secretary Hale and Police Chief Vespia.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – COMMISSION

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor DiFranco, seconded by Commissioner Yates, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Moore, Vice-Mayor DiFranco, Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Yates

- A.** [16-0488](#) Resolution No. 2016-R-25 adopting Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Rates and certifying the Assessment Roll for North Port Fire Rescue District for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

City Clerk Adkins read Resolution No. 2016-R-25 into the record by title only. City Manager Lewis explained the Commission met in public forums to discuss the City Budget in March, May, June and July. The Fire Rescue District Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Rate Resolution reflects a 3% decrease from the corrected Fiscal Year 2015-16 rate and will provide a net revenue of \$8,350,150 toward the proposed Budget of \$9,141,690 to provide services from the Fire Rescue District. The Assessment will affect taxes on property values based on the rate formula in the adopted methodology. Public comment was held. There were no questions from the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner Yates, seconded by Vice-Mayor DiFranco, to approve Resolution No. 2016-R-25. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Moore, Vice-Mayor DiFranco, Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Yates

- B.** [16-0489](#) First Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-29, Adoption of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Fire Rescue District Budget.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor DiFranco, seconded by Commissioner Yates, to read Ordinance No. 2016-29 by title only. The motion carried by the following

vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Moore, Vice-Mayor DiFranco, Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Yates

City Clerk Adkins read Ordinance No. 2016-29 into the record by title only and City Manager Lewis provided a brief overview stating that the proposed Fire Rescue District Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17 is \$9,141,690 and represents an increase of \$869,950 over last year's Budget and a decrease in the Fire Rescue District Assessment from 3.5% over the prior year's corrected rate. Combined, the District's Budget and the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Budget totals \$13,584,020 which is an increase of \$997,230 from last year's budget. Additionally, this addresses an agenda item to be considered at the September 13, 2016 Commission Regular Meeting, regarding the contract for funding to construct Fire Station 85, and deals with the funding out of the Fire District reserves to make up the shortfall between what was planned and how the contracts came in. It also includes the Organizational Management Study which was an update to the Station Siting Masterplan. The latter was performed 12 years ago but can be updated inexpensively through the procurement process to match it with existing growth patterns. There was no public comment and no questions from the Commission.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor DiFranco, seconded by Commissioner Jones, to continue Ordinance No. 2016-29 to the September 22, 2016 Fire Rescue District Special Meeting for second reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Moore, Vice-Mayor DiFranco, Commissioner Cook, Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Yates

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Moore adjourned the Fire Rescue District Governing Body Special Meeting Budget Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

City of North Port, Florida
As the Fire Rescue District Governing Body

By: _____
Linda M. Yates, Mayor

Attest: _____
Patsy C. Adkins, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the Fire Rescue District Governing Body Regular Meeting this ____ day of _____, 2017.