

FIRST BUDGET HEARING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 6:00 PM

September 12, 2022

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Steve Breitkreuz
Vice Mayor Gary Jablonski
Council Member Jim Allbritton
Council Member Bob Hartmann
Council Member David Kuczenski

Andrew Berns, Town Administrator
Debra Ruesga, /Deputy Town Clerk
Emil C. Lopez, Town Financial Administrator
Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney

First Budget Public Hearing of the Town Council of Southwest Ranches was held at 13400 Griffin Road in the Southwest Ranches Council Chambers. The hearing, having been properly noticed, was called to order by Mayor Breitkreuz at 6:01 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Rose Williams and Tracy Swait.

3. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns advised this was the first budget hearing and indicated that a presentation illustrating the proposed budget would be provided by Town Financial Administrator Lopez. He introduced a new slide that had not previously been in the presentations and provided an overview of what it represents. He further advised that the final solid waste assessment and fire assessment rates would be approved this evening. He thanked the Town Council, the Town Advisory Boards, residents, and staff for their input and efforts throughout the process.

4. Presentation by Finance

Town Financial Administrator Lopez narrated the PowerPoint presentation in detail which illustrated the Town's final solid waste assessments of \$540.53 p/unit, final fire assessment of \$764.44 for residential properties, and a total tentative millage rate of 3.9000 and the proposed budget for fiscal year 2023. He thanked his staff and advised residents the presentation has been uploaded to the Town's website for viewing.

The following motion was made by Vice Mayor Jablonski and seconded by Council Member Kuczenski and passed by a 5-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Allbritton, Council Member Hartmann, Council Member Kuczenski, Vice Mayor Jablonski and Mayor Breitkreuz voting Yes.

MOTION: TO MOVE ITEM 6 OUT OF ORDER FOR CONSIDERATION.

Millage Rate and Budget Hearing

Resolutions

6. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF SOLID WASTE SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA FOR FY 2022-2023 COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2022; PROVIDING AUTHORITY FOR SOLID WASTE SERVICES ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FINDINGS; INCORPORATING THE SOLID WASTE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY REPORT; PROVIDING FOR AN EXEMPTION FOR VETERAN'S SERVICE-CONNECTED TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

5. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR PROVISION AND FUNDING OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR IMPOSITION AND COMPUTATION OF FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE DETERMINATIONS OF SPECIAL BENEFIT AND FAIR APPORTIONMENT; APPROVING THE FINAL FIRE SERVICES ASSESSMENT RATES AND FINAL ROLL RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE TOWN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22; CONFIRMING AN EXEMPTION FOR VETERAN'S WITH SERVICE-CONNECTED TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY; PROVIDING FOR EFFECT OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR APPLICATION OF ASSESSMENT PROCEEDS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

Tentative Millage Rate Resolution

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7. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR TAXATION OF REAL PROPERTY LYING WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES FOR

THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023, COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2022, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Vice Mayor Jablonski and seconded by Council Member Kuczenski and passed by a 5-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Member Allbritton, Council Member Hartmann, Council Member Kuczenski, Vice Mayor Jablonski and Mayor Breitzkreuz voting Yes.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

Ordinance-1st Reading

8. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023, COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2022, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2023; PROVIDING FOR A BUDGET BASIS; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR CARRYOVER OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

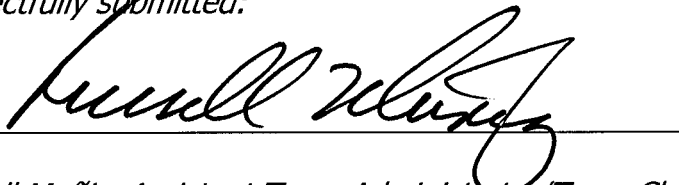
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MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGE: TO DELETE INCORRECT FIRST READING DATE AND NAMES OF COUNCIL MEMBERS FILLED IN ON PAGE 2 OF ORDINANCE.

9. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

Adopted by the Town Council on this 17th day of November, 2022.



Steve Breitzkreuz, Mayor

PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES 286.0105, THE TOWN HEREBY ADVISES THE PUBLIC THAT IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THIS COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT ITS MEETING OR HEARING, HE OR SHE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND THAT FOR SUCH PURPOSE, THE AFFECTED PERSON MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE CONSENT BY THE TOWN FOR THE INTRODUCTION OR ADMISSION OF OTHERWISE INADMISSIBLE OR IRRELEVANT EVIDENCE, NOR DOES IT AUTHORIZE CHALLENGES OR APPEALS NOT OTHERWISE ALLOWED BY LAW.