

CITY OF APOPKA

Minutes of a special City Council meeting held on September 4, 2013, at 5:15 p.m., in the City of Apopka Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Mayor John H. Land
Commissioner Bill Arrowsmith
Commissioner Billie Dean
Commissioner Marilyn McQueen
Commissioner Joe Kilsheimer

PRESS PRESENT: John Peery - The Apopka Chief

1. OPENING, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Land called the meeting to order and gave the Invocation. He said it was on the nights of the 13th and 14th of September, in 1814, part of the War of 1812, when Francis Scott Key was watching the bombardment of Fort McHenry. Later that day he wrote the *Star Spangled Banner*, our National Anthem. The last stanza of the poem he wrote that day ended with these words:

*Then conquer we must when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto - "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.*

He asked everyone to reflect on those words, as he led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mayor Land opened the meeting for a public hearing.

A. ANNOUNCE AND ADOPT MILLAGE RATE OF 3.4727, WHICH IS A 0.00% INCREASE OVER THE ROLLED BACK RATE OF 3.4727.

Mayor Land announced the tentative millage rate of 3.4727 for FY 2013-14, which is a 0.00% increase over the rolled back rate of 3.4727.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arrowsmith, and seconded by Commissioner McQueen, to approve the tentative millage rate of 3.4727, which is a 0.00% decrease over the rolled back rate of 3.4727. Motion carried unanimously, with Mayor Land and Commissioners Arrowsmith, Dean, McQueen, and Kilsheimer voting aye.

B. ADOPT TENTATIVE BUDGET WITH ANY BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.

Edward Bass, Finance Director, said there was only one small change in the proposed budget since his previous presentation. Previously there was one position for the new traffic light

hearing program, and now there are two positions. The salary cost for these two positions will be covered by the program itself. He said the budget is balanced at \$66,497,620.

Mr. Bass responded to various questions of the City Council regarding the budget.

No one else wishing to speak, Mayor Land closed the public hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dean, and seconded by Commissioner McQueen, to adopt the tentative budget for FY 2013-14 at \$66,497,620, as recommended. Motion carried unanimously, with Mayor Land and Commissioners Arrowsmith, Dean, McQueen, and Kilsheimer voting aye.

C. ANNOUNCE FINAL BUDGET MILLAGE RATE HEARINGS - September 18, 2013, at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Land announced the public hearings for the final Millage Rate and FY 2013-2014 Budget will be held on September 18, 2013, at 8:00 p.m.

D. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

John H. Land, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janice G. Goebel, City Clerk