

Agenda Item

Subject: Review of Minutes – Final Budget Hearing – September 21, 2023

Commissioners present: Tommy Green, Mike Buckingham, and Bob Wagner

Commissioners absent: Rick Moore and Jack Wilson

Staff present: Chief Sasser and Division Chief Kathryn Wagner

The Final Budget Hearing was called to order by Vice-Chairman Green at 5:01 p.m. to discuss 2023-2024 millage rate and budget. A quorum was present.

Discussion of Percentage Increase in Millage Rate Over the Rolled-back Rate

Vice-Chairman Green stated that the Destin Fire Control District, a state taxing authority, proposes a millage rate of 1.0000 which is 11.86% greater than the rolled-back rate of 0.8940 mills.

Public Comments

There were no public comments concerning the millage rate.

Adoption of Millage Rate – Resolution 23-09

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-09 representing a millage rate of 1.0000 mills which is 11.86% greater than the rolled-back rate of 0.8940 mills. Commissioner Buckingham seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of 2023-2024 Proposed Budget

Vice-Chairman Green stated that the Destin Fire Control District proposes a budget of \$11,497,000 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, which has been advertised prior to the public hearing and tentatively adopted at the Tentative Budget Hearing on September 12, 2023. This budget is a 2.3% increase from last year's budget.

Public Comments – concerning the 2023-2024 proposed budget

There were no public comments concerning the proposed budget.

Adoption of Budget – Resolution 23-10

Commissioner Wagner made a motion to adopt Resolution 23-10 representing the proposed budget of \$11,497,000 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year based upon taxable value of real property totaling \$9,419,308,324 (9 billion, 4 hundred 19 million, 3 hundred 8 thousand, 324 dollars). Commissioner Buckingham seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

With no further public comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.