

TOWN OF WINDERMERE

Town Council Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm

Present were Mayor Gary Bruhn, Council Members Jim O'Brien, Molly Rose, Bob McKinley, Richard Gonzalez and John Armstrong. Also present were Town Manager Smith, Police Chief Ogden, Finance Supervisor White, and Town Clerk Burkhalter.

Manager Smith gave a power point presentation of the 2015-2016 proposed budget. He began with the review of revenues. After revenues were completed, expenditures discussion was made. Much discussion was made regarding assessments and the effect on personal tax returns, millage rates, proposed projects and costs.

Member Rose made a motion to set the proposed millage rate as 3.25. Member O'Brien seconded the motion. Member Armstrong stated for the record his concerns with adding the assessments as a non ad-valorem assessment and not being able to write it off at the end of the year on personal tax returns. Some further discussion was made. Roll call vote was as follows: Armstrong – no, Gonzalez – yes, McKinley – no, Rose – yes and O'Brien – yes. Motion carried 3-2.

Mayor Bruhn publicly announced that the ad-valorem rate has been reduced by 14%.

Member Rose made a motion to consent to the balanced proposed budget revenues of \$4,772,959.00 and expenditures of \$4,772,959.00. Member O'Brien seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: O'Brien – yes, Rose – yes, McKinley – yes, Gonzalez – yes, and Armstrong – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Bruhn stated for the record that the Tentative Budget Hearing will be Tuesday September 4, 2015, at 6:00pm in the Town Hall located at 520 Main Street, Windermere. He then stated for the record that the Final Budget Hearing will be Tuesday, September 21, 2015, at 6:00pm in the Town Hall located at 520 Main Street, Windermere. Finance Supervisor Nora White stated that the Final Budget Hearing will be September 16, 2015. Mayor Bruhn then stated that the Final Budget Hearing will be held September 16, 2015, at 6:00pm in the Town Hall located at 620 Main Street.

Member Rose made a motion to approve the Solid Waste Assessment Roll of \$302,012.88. Member McKinley seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Armstrong – yes, Gonzalez – yes, McKinley – yes, Rose – yes and O'Brien – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Member Rose made a motion to approve the Stormwater Fund Assessment Roll of \$324,070.80. Member McKinley seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: Armstrong – yes, Gonzalez – yes, McKinley – yes, Rose – yes and O'Brien – yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Member Rose made a motion to approve the Fire Assessment Roll of \$551,239.80. Member O'Brien seconded the motion. Roll call vote was as follows: O'Brien – yes, Rose – yes,

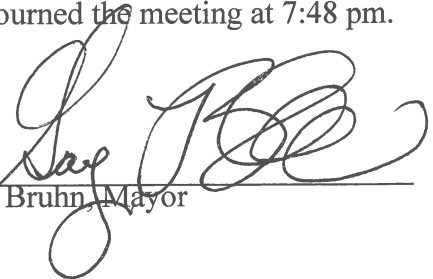
McKinley – yes, Gonzalez – yes, and Armstrong – no. Motion carried 4-1.

Mayor Bruhn thanked Council Member Rose and Finance Supervisor White for the preparation of the budget.

After some general discussion was made regarding tax base, annexation, Rosser Reserve, Windsong and the Charter Review Committee, Mayor Bruhn adjourned the meeting at 7:48 pm.



Dorothy Burkhalter, CMC



Gary Bruhn, Mayor