

**CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA
WORKSHOP MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2013**

A Workshop Meeting of the Fort Meade City Commission was held at 6:00 PM Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at the City Hall Commission Chambers, 8 West Broadway, Fort Meade, Florida.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Cochrane.

2. ROLL CALL:

Mayor	Rick Cochrane	Present
Vice Mayor	Bob Elliott	Present
Commissioner	Barbara Manley	Absent
Commissioner	Maurice Nelson	Present
Commissioner	Jim Watts	Present

Staff Present

City Manager	Fred Hilliard	Present
City Attorney	Tom Cloud	Absent
City Planner	April Brown	Present
Deputy City Clerk	Melissa Newman	Present
Finance Director	James Mel Parker	Present
Water and Wastewater	Robbie Ward	Present
Public Facilities	Roc Eiland	Present
Recreational Director	Deena Ware	Present

3. DISCUSSION OF FY 2013-2014 PROPOSED BUDGET

City Manager Fred Hilliard opened the discussion with the City Mobile Home Park, stating staff was putting data together to show if there is a need for a rate increase that would be implemented in January.

City Manager Hilliard stated he had a meeting with Republic on August 5th to discuss options to offset the rate increase to the City. Mr. Hilliard presented an analysis of the comparison with Republic Services and the City taking over the Solid Waste operation with it being more feasible to contract it out.

City Manager Hilliard stated that the water and wastewater budget needed to have another rate study done with the difference in the insurance rate being added to those departments.

Mel Parker stated the water and wastewater departments budgets could be balanced with a prior year surplus. Solid waste and stormwater needed to be balanced the same way.

Commissioners recommended Mr. Parker balance the budget by pulling from prior year surplus as recommended by PRM.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Commissioner Elliott, second Commissioner Nelson to adjourn the workshop meeting of the Fort Meade City Commission on Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 6:39 P.M. Motion carried with all yeas.



Rick Cochrane, Mayor

ATTEST:



Melissa Newman, Deputy City Clerk