

**CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA
TRIM FINAL BUDGET HEARING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2017**

The Final TRIM Budget Hearing of the Fort Meade City Commission was held at 6:00 PM Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at the Fort Meade Community Center, 10 S.W. 3rd Street, Fort Meade, Florida.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. ROLL CALL:

Mayor	Barbara Manley	Present
Vice Mayor	Richard Cochrane	Present
Commissioner	Robert Elliott	Present
Commissioner	Maurice Nelson	Present
Commissioner	James Watts	Present

Also present was Sergeant Warren Burgess

Staff Present

City Manager	Fred Hilliard	Present
City Attorney	Tom Cloud	Absent
Deputy City Clerk	Melissa Wessell	Present
Finance Director	Breanna Smith	Present
Public Works Director	Jackie Cannon	Absent
Parks	Roc Eiland	Present
Library Director	Jacqueline Rose	Present
Recreation Director	Marcella Nelson	Present

3. FY 2017-2018 FINAL MILLAGE RATE AND FINAL BUDGET

City Manager Fred Hilliard presented the Commission with the final millage rate of 6.8704 and final budget for FY 2017-2018.

- A. Mayor Manley read the title to Ordinance 17-09 –Levying Taxes – Final Reading.

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE
FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE
CITY OF FORT MEADE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Motion Commissioner Cochrane, second Commissioner Nelson to adopt Ordinance 17-09 Levying Taxes FY 2017-2018 on Final Reading.

**Mayor Manley – Aye
Vice Mayor Cochrane – Aye
Commissioner Elliott – Aye
Commissioner Watts – Aye
Commissioner Nelson – Aye**

Motion to adopt Ordinance 17-09 Levying Taxes for FY 2017-2018 passed by unanimous vote of 5-0.

- B. Mayor Manley read the title to Ordinance 17-10 – Adopting the Final Budget – Final Reading.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT MEADE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion Commissioner Watts, second Commissioner Elliott to adopt Ordinance 17-10 Adopting Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 on Final Reading.

**Mayor Manley – Aye
Vice Mayor Cochrane – Aye
Commissioner Elliott – Aye
Commissioner Watts – Aye
Commissioner Nelson – Aye**

Motion to adopt Ordinance 17-10 Adopting the Final Budget passed by unanimous vote of 5-0.

4. **APPROVE FINAL CRA BUDGET**

The final CRA budget reports were presented to the City Commission

Motion Commissioner Cochrane, second Commissioner Elliott to adopt the final CRA budget reports.

Motion to adopt final CRA budget reports passed by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

5. **APPROVE FINAL PENSION BUDGET**

The final Pension budget reports were presented to the City Commission

Motion Commissioner Watts, second Commissioner Elliott to adopt the final Pension budget reports.

Motion to adopt the final Pension budget reports passed by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

6. COMMENTS

Commissioner Nelson stated that Chapel Life will be handing out donations to the community including toiletries, water, etc. at the Fort Meade Community Center on Saturday.

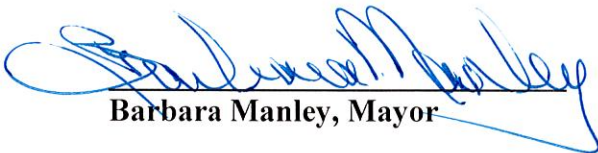
Mayor Manley stated that she would like to start having workshops to work on the 2018-2019 budget since we are starting the year off in the negative due to the recent hurricane.

Commissioner Cochrane asked if the rates are adjusted for the electric departments and Mr. Hilliard replied that the power cost adjustments are adjusted for fuel costs.

Mr. Cochrane asked what the estimated percentage of the damage assessment would be reimbursed by FEMA. Mr. Hilliard stated that the process of reimbursement is more stringent than ever and everything has to be documented. FEMA is going back and auditing the reimbursements from the previous disasters.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Commissioner Elliott, second Commissioner Nelson to adjourn the budget hearing of the Fort Meade City Commission on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 at 6:17 P.M. Motion carried with all yeas.


Barbara Manley, Mayor

ATTEST:


Melissa Wessell, Deputy City Clerk

