

**MINUTES
TAYLORS FIRE & SEWER DISTRICT
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
PUBLIC HEARING
JUNE 22, 2021**

A special called meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held at the District Office in the Board Room, 3335 Wade Hampton Blvd., Taylors, South Carolina at 4:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Commission Chairman
Jeff Hannah, Commission Vice Chairman/Secretary
Paul Bowen, Commission Treasurer

STAFF PRESENT

Bobby Baker, Fire Chief
Gary Cantrell, Operations Supervisor
Samantha Babb, Director of Sewer Services
Alicia Jenkins, Administrative Data Coordinator
Stephanie Hackler, Senior Accounting & HR Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jaime Daniel

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rea at 4:31 pm.

Chairman Rea stated that the media outlets who requested notification of this special called public hearing were notified via door posting, email, website, Facebook, and Twitter.

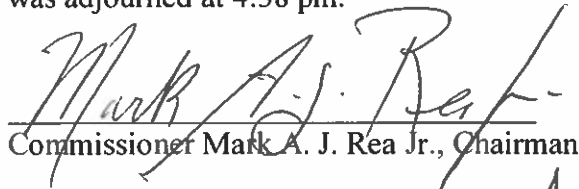
Chairman Rea recognized Mrs. Jaime Daniel to present a draft of the FY 2022 Budget. She presented the draft of the FY 2022 Budget to the Board. The FY 2021 (2020 Tax Year) tax rate millage for the Fire Department is 65.5 and the proposed tax rate millage for FY 2022 (2021 Tax Year) is 66.5. The FY 2021 (2020 Tax Year) tax rate millage for the Sewer Department is 23.6 and the proposed tax rate millage for FY 2022 (2021 Tax Year) is 23.6. The proposed percentage increase in the millage rate between FY 2021 and FY 2022 for the Fire Department and the Sewer Department is 1.53% and 0.00%, respectively. The overall proposed millage increase is 1.12%. The total budgeted revenues and expenditures for FY 2021 for the Fire Department was \$5,601,000 and proposed total for FY 2022 is \$6,150,000. The total budgeted revenues and expenditures for FY 2021 for the Sewer Department was \$4,455,000 and proposed total for FY 2022 is \$4,358,000. The increase for the Fire Department is primarily due to increased personnel costs, training/certification, safety, insurance, administrative expenses, occupancy, lease payments, and capital expenditures. The decrease for the Sewer Department is primarily due to a decrease in capital expenditures. In reference to the tax payer impact, according to the 2021 tax year proposed millage, the homeowner of a home valued at \$100,000 would pay approximately \$266 in property taxes for annual fire protection and \$94.40 for annual sewer maintenance services, which is a combined increase of \$4.00 (or 1.0 mils) from the 2020 tax year.

Senior Accounting and HR Specialist Hackler reminded the Board that the District is in a reassessment year and that could potentially change the tax payer bill number, but the revenue should remain the same; therefore, Fire mills and Sewer mills may change slightly, but the revenue is not going to be affected. Chairman Rea asked if anything was said about a rollback. Senior Account and HR Specialist Hackler briefly explained the reassessment process and stated that the reassessment and rollback were all together. Director Babb interjected and stated that the process was delayed a year because of COVID-19. Senior Account and HR Specialist Hackler went on to inform the Board that the District did account for the possible change in millage in the Public Hearing notice that was placed in the newspaper. She then asked if there were any other questions. There were none.

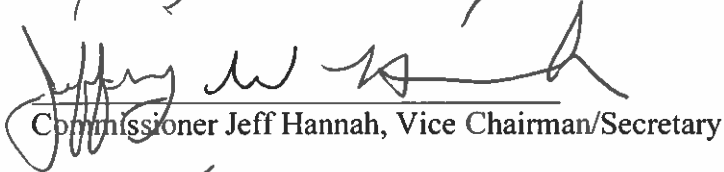
Chairman Rea opened the floor for public comment. There was no public in attendance and therefore, no public comment. He then closed the floor for public comment.

Treasurer Bowen made a motion to accept the FY 2022 Budget as presented. Vice Chairman/Secretary Hannah seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Treasurer Bowen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman/Secretary Hannah seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:38 pm.


Commissioner Mark A. J. Rea Jr., Chairman

8-18-21
Date Minutes Approved


Commissioner Jeff Hannah, Vice Chairman/Secretary


Commissioner Paul Bowen, Treasurer