

**IONA MCGREGOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT**

**BUDGET WORKSHOP AGENDA**

**DATE: August 31, 2022**

**6:00 P.M.**

**6061 SOUTH POINTE BOULEVARD**

**FORT MYERS, FL 33919**

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Meeting Called to Order at 6:05 pm

Roll Call of Commissioners: Commissioners Andersen, Barbosa, Langford and Louwers were all present and Commissioner Walker was absent excused.

Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance

Amendments to the Meeting Agenda: There were no amendments to the meeting agenda

Public Input on Business Agenda Items [Note: Prior to Board action being taken on each of the Business Agenda Items below, members of the public will have up to three (3) minutes per person to make public comment on each of the Business Agenda Items after the Commissioners have had their discussion.]

Agenda Items

1. Budget Workshop

a. Discussion of agenda item

Chief Comer mentioned that this was a workshop, that it was informal, and no action would be taken at this meeting. He presented the millage rate scenarios and said that if we went to a millage cap of 2.5 this would equate to \$988, difference in cap and rollback would be \$98. Total estimated revenues year over year were estimated at \$25,128,619. He then presented the proposed budget difference year on year for salaries and insurance. From there a snapshot of each division budget was presented starting with the administration budget, there was an increase in the travel budget by \$24,000 to account for accreditation efforts including site team visits etc. The Operations budget saw an increase mostly for 3 new rescue trucks and dive truck which equated to \$123,600. Prevention increased their budget to include, among other items, knox keySecure

lockboxes and eKeys at the cost of \$9,924 along with an increase to the education budget. Logistics, quite a big jump here, increase of \$264,917 for building maintenance that included items such as resurfacing asphalt at stations, key card entry to secure stations. It was noted that the Training and Special Ops and EMS Health and Safety budgets have been separated. This snapshot demonstrated how these budget items related to the strategic plan. The Budget scenarios to consider were a millage cap of 2.5 that will provide an additional \$781,459 to reserves, bringing total to \$12,754,254. This puts District in a good position to continue funding capital replacement plan, and future projects or consider a millage of 2.2528 (rollback) that will mean the district will need to utilize \$1,607,901 of reserve funds during FY 2023, dropping reserves to \$10,364,894. With Chief Comer's presentation finished he asked for questions. Commissioner Louwers asked about the increase in the building maintenance budget and asked that if we don't get to all those projects completed in the fiscal year did the leftover funds go to reserves as unallocated. to which Chief Finance Officer Winzenread replied initially yes then those funds would then be allocated towards one of the assigned categories. Attorney Pringle reiterated that there was no official decision-making tonight, if we can get direction and recommendations to staff that the budget prepared and proposed is acceptable. Commissioner Louwers said that a general thought was to move forward with 2.5 millage rate. Chief Comer asked that in preparation for the tentative millage hearing what else would the board like to see to which Commissioner Andersen responded that he was good with the presentation of a 2.5 millage rate. The general direction from Commissioners was to continue with the proposed budget as presented.

b. Public input:

No public present

c. Board action

No action required.

Commissioner Comments on Non-Business Agenda Items:

Commissioner Andersen thanked the chiefs for putting this together. Knows it's a lot of work and appreciates it and everything they do every day for the community.

Adjournment: a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Barbosa with a second by Commissioner Andersen ....Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at: 6:42pm

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner Langford, Secretary