

IONA MCGREGOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT
TENTATIVE MILLAGE AND BUDGET HEARING MINUTES

DATE: September 16, 2026

5:30 P.M.

6061 SOUTH POINTE BOULEVARD

FORT MYERS, FL 33919

NOTE: THE BOARD MEETING IS BEING RECORDED AND ALL STATEMENTS MADE DURING THE BOARD MEETING ARE SUBJECT TO BEING MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHERS AS A PART OF THE BOARD MEETING PUBLIC RECORD.

NOTE: ALL PHONES AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES MUST BE PUT ON THE SILENT MODE PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE BOARD MEETING AND REMAIN ON SILENT MODE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE BOARD MEETING UNTIL ADJOURNMENT.

Meeting Called to Order

Roll Call of Commissioners: Chair James Andersen (Present), Vice Chair Steve Barbosa (Present), Treasurer Paul Louwers (Not immediately present, arrived at 5:43 PM. Commissioner Andersen, “Let the record show Commissioner Paul Louwers has arrived.”), Secretary Jason McCoy (Present), Commissioner Stephen Allen Sr. (Commissioner Andersen, “Let the record show Commissioner Allen is called in remote and I make a motion that ‘the Board approve Commissioner Allen to participate and vote at the Tentative Millage and Budget Hearing agenda remotely’, seconded by Commissioner **McCoy** ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.)

Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance: Deferred and conducted at the next, regular Board meeting, same day September 16, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

Adoption of Meeting Agenda, Including Amendment: A motion to ‘Adopt Meeting Agenda, Including Amendments’ was made by Commissioner **Andersen**, seconded by Commissioner **Barbosa** ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

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.]

Business Agenda Items

1. Presentation of Budget

a. Discussion of Agenda Item

Fire Chief Comer presents the tentative budget and opens the floor to questions, discussion ensues.

b. Public Input

No public comment.

2. Resolution adopting a Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2026/2027

a. Discussion of Agenda Item

Attorney Pringle advised that the Tentative Budget Hearing was properly noticed and reviewed the statutory process under Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, requiring the Board to first adopt the tentative millage rate followed by the tentative budget. He read the substantive portions of Resolution No. 2026-04, establishing a tentative millage rate of 2.5000 mills for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Attorney Pringle read out resolution number 2026-04 **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE IONA-MCGREGOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT ADOPTING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027, COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2026, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2027.**

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Florida Statute §200.065, the Board of Commissioners of the Iona-McGregor Fire Protection and Rescue Service District hereby adopts and sets the tentative operating millage rate of 2.5000 mills(\$ 2.5000 per \$1,000.00 of net taxable assessed value) for the fiscal year 2026/2027, which begins October 1, 2026, and ends September 30, 2027. The above stated tentative millage rate of 2.5000 mills is less than the rolled back rate of 2.5047 mills by **0.19%**.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

b. Public Input

No public input.

c. Board Action

A motion to ‘Adopt Resolution #2026-04, adopting a Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2026/2027’, as read into the record, was made by Commissioner **Barbosa** seconded by Commissioner **McCoy**...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Upon the motion being put to a roll call vote, the vote outcome was as follows: Chair James Andersen, yes; Vice Chair Steve Barbosa, yes; Treasurer Paul

Louwers, yes; Secretary Jason McCoy, yes; Commissioner Stephen Allen, yes.
Motion Passed 5-0.

3. Resolution establishing a Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2026/2027

a. Discussion of Agenda Item

Attorney Pringle introduced Resolution No. 2026-05, adopting the tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, commencing October 1, 2026, and ending September 30, 2027.

Attorney Pringle read out resolution number 2026-05 **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE IONA-MCGREGOR FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICE DISTRICT ADOPTING A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027, COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2026, AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2027.**

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Florida Statute §200.065, the Board of Commissioners of the Iona-McGregor Fire Protection and Rescue Service District hereby adopts and sets the tentative budget setting forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the fiscal year 2026/2027, which begins October 1, 2026, and ends on September 30, 2027, in the amount of\$ **44.810.207** .

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

b. Public Input

No public input.

c. Board Action

A motion to ‘Adopt Resolution establishing Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2026/2027’, as read into record, was made by Commissioner **Barbosa**, seconded by Commissioner **McCoy**...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Upon the motion being put to a roll call vote, the vote outcome was as follows:
Chair James Andersen, yes; Vice Chair Steve Barbosa, yes; Treasurer Paul Louwers, yes; Secretary Jason McCoy, yes; Commissioner Stephen Allen, yes.
Motion Passed 5-0.

4. Determination of Final Budget Hearing Date

a. Discussion of Agenda Item

Discussion on a Final Budget hearing date of **Thursday, September 24th, 2026, at 5:07pm**, at this location, Station 74, 6061 South Pointe Blvd., Fort Myer’s, FL 33919’s Training Room.

b. Public Input

No public input.

c. Board Action

A motion to 'Adopt Determination of Final Budget hearing Date' was made by **Andersen**, seconded by Commissioner **McCoy** ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner **Allen**, seconded by Commissioner **Barbosa** ...Motion carried. Call and question, all in favor aye. **6:05** PM.

Signed: _____

Print Name: _____