

**ST. AUGUSTINE PORT, WATERWAY & BEACH DISTRICT**

**MINUTES OF FIRST PUBLIC HEARING**

**PROPOSED BUDGET/MILLAGE 2015-2016**

**Thursday, September 17, 2015**

The First Public Hearing of the St. Augustine Port, Waterway & Beach District on the proposed budget and millage rate for fiscal year 2015-2016 was held at the St. Augustine Beach City Commission Meeting Room, 2200 A1A South, St. Augustine Beach, Florida on Thursday, September 17, 2015.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. No members of the public were in attendance during the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America followed.

**ROLL CALL**

Chairman Jerry Dixon, Vice-Chairman Barry Benjamin, and Commissioners Mark Helman, Tom Rivers and Chuck Hennessey were in attendance. The meeting was also attended by Secretary-Treasurer Elyse Kemper and District Counsel Jim Bedsole.

**SET MILLAGE RATE AND BUDGET**

Secretary-Treasurer Kemper presented information on district projects proposed for the 2015-2016 fiscal year. Commissioners discussed them and decided as follows for line items in the tentative 2015-2016 budget: \$20,000 for St. Johns County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit Overtime; \$8,000 for City of St. Augustine Marine Unit Overtime; \$14,044 for derelict vessels; \$30,000 for a new inlet map issue; \$20,000 for unspecified marine projects; \$200,000 for dredging the San Sebastian River and Salt Run.

A discussion of the proposed millage rate for 2015-2016 resulted in commissioners agreeing to leave the millage rate unchanged from last year's rate of 0.0638.

**A motion by Commissioner Benjamin and seconded by Commissioner Rivers to set the tentative millage rate at 0.0638 was unanimously approved.**

**A motion by Commissioner Benjamin and seconded by Commissioner Hennessey to approve the tentative budget as presented by Secretary-Treasurer Kemper was unanimously approved.**

Ms. Kemper announced the final public hearing on the millage rate and budget will take place at this location on October 1, 2015 at 5:05 p.m.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business, Chairman Dixon adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

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Secretary-Treasurer

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Chairman

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