

Vice Chairman Brantley called to order the scheduled Public Hearing of the Lee County Mosquito Control District (LCMCD) on 09/04/2024 at 5:15 p.m. in the William Opp Training Center at the Districts' headquarters, 15191 Homestead Road, Lehigh Acres, Florida 33971.

PRESENT:

Seat 1- Commissioner Ed Brantley, Vice Chairman
Seat 2- Commissioner Brian Farrar
Seat 3- Commissioner Mike Ellis, Chairman
Seat 4- Commissioner Steve Bowen
Seat 5- Commissioner William Burke, Secretary/Treasurer
Seat 6- Commissioner Thomas B. Hart
Seat 7- Commissioner Bruce Scott, (joined @ 5:19 p.m.)
Legal Counsel- John Agnew

STAFF:

Executive Director- Dr. David Hoel
Assistant Director- Aaron Lloyd
Deputy Director, Lee County Hyacinth Control District- Kevin Watts
Chief Financial Officer- Sean O'Neill
Human Resources Director- Jackie Small, not present
Communications Director- Jenifer McBride
IT Director- Keith Lowe
Executive Administrative Assistant- Sabina Vilarchao

VISITORS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The following citizens addressed the Board:

None

Commissioner Brantley announced that this is the Public Hearing to Adopt the Tentative Millage rate and a Tentative Budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

10320_Auditor selection– Request the Board approve a new contract for the Districts' annual audits with Carr, Riggs, and Ingram, LLC (CRI). The Board's Auditor Selection Committee ranked CRI, LLC as the 1st choice. The contract will be for three years with two optional one-year renewals.

Commissioner Brantley requested Board approval for the 10320_Auditor selection. Commissioner Bowen moved to approve 10320. Commissioner Farrar seconded the motion. The Board approved unanimously; motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISCUSSION: Executive Director Dr. Hoel discussed the tentative millage rate to be levied at 0.2200 mills (\$0.2200 per \$1,000.00) for fiscal year 2024-2025. The tentative millage rate of 0.2200 mills is more than the rolled back rate of .2134 by 3.09%. The Tentative Budget for Lee County Mosquito Control District for fiscal year 2024-2025 is \$46,717,412.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

None

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE:

Vice Chairman Brantley read Resolution 24-01 to adopt the tentative millage rate for fiscal year 2024-2025.

Vice Chairman Brantley requested a motion to adopt the tentative millage rate of 0.2200 mills for the fiscal year 2024-2025. Commissioner Scott moved the motion including a 3.5% COLA, Commissioner Bowen seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, motion passed.

Duly adopted at a public Hearing this 4th day of September 2024 at 5:35 p.m.

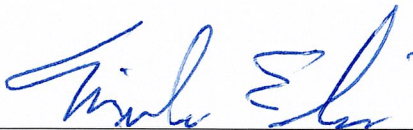
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE BUDGET:

Commissioner Brantley read Resolution 24-02 to adopt the tentative budget for fiscal year 2024-2025.

Vice Chairman Brantley requested a motion to adopt the tentative budget for the fiscal year 2024-2025. Commissioner Burke moved the motion, Commissioner Farrar seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, motion passed.

Duly adopted at a public Hearing this 4th day of September 2024 at 5:37 p.m.

No further business, Vice Chairman Brantley requested a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Farrar moved to adjourn. Commissioner Bowen seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.



Commissioner Mike Ellis, Chairman
Term: November 2020 – November 2024



Commissioner William Burke, Secretary/Treasurer
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