

SPECIAL TOWN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

Minutes of the Special Town Commission Meeting of the Town of Ocean Ridge held on Monday,
September 21, 2021 at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall Commission Chambers and live audio feed provided
through Gotomeeting.com.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor de Haseth at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Town Clerk Armstrong led the roll call, which was answered by the following:

Vice Mayor Coz	Present
Mayor de Haseth	Present
Commissioner Hurlburt	Present
Commissioner Pugh	Present
Commissioner Wiescholek	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor de Haseth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Vice Mayor Hurlburt moved to approve the agenda as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Pugh. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT - (3 minute individual limit)

Mayor de Haseth called for public comment, and there was none.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FY22 BUDGET

1. a. Presentation of the Tentative Budget & Proposed Millage Rate for FY 2021/2022

Town Manager Stevens presented the final FY 2022 budget (version 5.0) and noted that the budget is calculated at the 5.500 millage rate as voted by the Town Commission at the tentative budget hearing of September 7, 2021. She also provided an analysis of the funds expected to go into the reserves at the end of the fiscal year. Mayor de Haseth asked what would be the amount expected to go into reserves, to which Town Manager Stevens stated that it is estimated to be around \$650,000.

b. Announce the Town of Ocean Ridge Computed Millage Rate is Higher Than the Rolled Back Rate of 5.1384 by 7.04%. The millage to be levied is 5.5000.

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c. Public Comment & Comments from Commissioners

Mayor de Haseth called for public comment.

Carolyn Cassidy, 7 Hudson Avenue, noted that the Town is receiving funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and asked how the funds would be utilized. She also noted that the monies are not reflected in the budget. Town Manager Stevens stated that staff will suggest for the monies to be earmarked for an emergency potable waterline project. She added that it will be included in a mid-year budget amendment once all information is received. Town Manager Stevens further stated that once the complete amount is received, then there will be a public hearing

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where the Town Commission will decide what to spend those funds on. Mrs. Cassidy asked for further information in regards to the emergency project, to which Town Manager Stevens stated that there is a potable water line on the east side of A1A that may not be sufficient for fire safety for various communities.

Commissioner Coz asked if the Town received additional revenues than projected because of a higher collection rate, to which Town Manager Stevens clarified that the additional revenues came from the Building Department permit revenues, a FEMA grant, as well as intergovernmental revenue and sales tax. She noted that the Town was conservative on revenue projections in the FY21 budget due to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the Town received higher than anticipated revenues.

d. Resolution No. 2021-18: Adoption of Final Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

Town Clerk Armstrong read Resolution 2021-18 into the record by title only.

Commissioner Wiescholek moved to adopt Resolution 2021-18; seconded by Vice Mayor Hurlburt. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Pugh dissenting.

(Town Clerk's Note: Resolution adopted at 6:08 p.m.)

e. Resolution No. 2021-19: Adoption of Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

Town Clerk Armstrong read Resolution 2021-19 into the record by title only.

Commissioner Wiescholek moved to adopt Resolution 2021-19; seconded by Commissioner Coz. Motion carried 5-0.

(Town Clerk Note: Resolution passed at 6:09 p.m.)

f. Resolution No. 2021-20: Updating and Re-appropriating Funds for the Capital Projects Fund for FY2021/2022

Town Clerk Armstrong read Resolution 2021-20 into the record by title only.

Vice Mayor Hurlburt moved to adopt Resolution 2021-20; seconded by Commissioner Pugh. Motion carried 5-0.

(Town Clerk Note: Resolution passed at 6:10 p.m.)

Mayor de Haseth thanked the public for attending.

ADJOURNMENT


Meeting Adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Town Clerk Armstrong, and adopted by the Town Commission on October 4, 2021.



Kristine de Haseth, Mayor

ATTEST:



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