

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019  
5:01 P.M.**

Proceedings of a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of St. Johns County, Florida, held in the auditorium at the County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

Proof of publication of the notice of a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to hold a public hearing to consider and adopt the final millage rates and budget for Fiscal Year 2020 was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on September 19, 2019.

Present: Paul M. Waldron, District 3, Chair  
Jeb S. Smith, District 2, Vice Chair  
James K. Johns, District 1  
Henry Dean, District 5  
Jeremiah R. Blocker, District 4  
Michael Wanchick, County Administrator  
Patrick McCormack, County Attorney  
Sindy Wiseman, Deputy Clerk

Also present: Darrell Locklear, Assistant County Administrator; and Joy Andrews, Assistant County Administrator

(09/24/19 - 1 - 5:01 p.m.)  
CALL TO ORDER

Waldron called the meeting to order.

(09/24/19 - 1 - 5:01 p.m.)  
ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll, and all Board members were present.

(09/24/19 - 1 - 5:01 p.m.)  
INVOCATION

Smith gave the invocation.

(09/24/19 - 1 - 5:01 p.m.)  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Waldron led the Pledge of Allegiance.

(09/24/19 - 1 - 5:02 p.m.)  
PUBLIC COMMENT

Dylan Rumrell, City of St. Augustine Beach Commissioner, on behalf of the City of St. Augustine Beach, submitted a memorandum from Mayor Undine George, regarding potential funding from the \$15.5 million County surplus. She stated that potential funding would be applied toward a list of projects that would benefit residents, as well as visitors of St. Johns County, *Exhibit A*.

(09/24/19 - 2 - 5:04 p.m.)

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE SPECIAL AGENDA

Waldron requested that the Board consider the addition of the following item: extension of the Emergency Proclamation, as Regular Agenda Item 2.

(09/24/19 - 2 - 5:05 p.m.)

APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL AGENDA

**Motion by Smith, seconded by Johns, carried 5/0, to approve the Special Agenda, as amended.**

(09/24/19 - 2 - 5:05 p.m.)

1. PUBLIC HEARING, 5:01 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING, ST. JOHNS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPTION OF THE FINAL MILLAGE RATES AND BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2020. FLORIDA STATUTES 129.03 AND 200.065 REQUIRE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC) TO ADOPT ITS MILLAGE RATES AND BUDGET FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR AT A PUBLIC HEARING. THAT HEARING MUST BE HELD AFTER 5:00 P.M. IF SCHEDULED ON A DAY OTHER THAN SATURDAY. THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2019, AT 5:01 P.M., HEARING DATE HAS BEEN ADVERTISED IN *THE ST. AUGUSTINE RECORD*. FLORIDA STATUTES PRESCRIBE A SPECIFIC ORDER FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS AT THE PUBLIC HEARING. THE FIRST SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE OF DISCUSSION MUST BE THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN THE COUNTY'S AGGREGATE MILLAGE RATE OVER THE ROLLED-BACK RATE. THE ROLLED-BACK RATE IS DEFINED AS THE AGGREGATE MILLAGE RATE THAT WOULD GENERATE THE SAME LEVEL OF PRIOR YEAR TAX REVENUES, LESS CERTAIN DEFINED ALLOWANCES (SUCH AS NEW CONSTRUCTION). THE GENERAL PUBLIC SHALL BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK AND TO ASK QUESTIONS PRIOR TO ADOPTION OF ANY MEASURES BY THE BCC. THE BCC SHALL ADOPT BY RESOLUTION, ITS FINAL MILLAGE RATES PRIOR TO ADOPTING ITS FINAL BUDGET FOR FY 2020

Jesse Dunn, Director, Office of Management and Budget, presented the details of the final millage rates and budget, noting that the surplus was reduced \$15 million dollars, due to the request to appropriate \$500,000 for the Summerhaven emergency response project.

(5:11 p.m.) **Motion by Smith, seconded by Waldron, carried 5/0, to adopt Resolution No. 2019-327, approving the Fiscal Year 2020 Final Millage Rates, as set by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, for all property in St. Johns County, as of January 1, 2019.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-327**

**RESOLVED, THAT THE FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR 2020 FINAL MILLAGE RATES ARE HEREBY SET BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR ALL PROPERTY IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY, AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019**

<b>General Fund</b>	<b>4.9500</b>
<b>County Transportation Trust Fund</b>	<b>0.9000</b>
<b>County Health Unit Trust Fund</b>	<b>0.0171</b>
<b>Fire District, Countywide</b>	
<b>Except City of St. Augustine</b>	<b>1.4700</b>

Vilano Street Lighting District	0.0500
St. Augustine South Street Lighting District	0.2100
Summerhaven M.S.T.U.	8.5000
Ponte Vedra Beach Dune and Beach Restoration M.S.T.U.	0.0000
AGGREGATE MILLAGE RATE	7.2512

(5:13 p.m.) Motion by Smith, seconded by Dean, carried 5/0, to adopt Resolution No. 2019-328, approving Fiscal Year 2020 Final Budget of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, developed using the certified taxable value of \$28,545,236,518, generating an estimated \$206,987,342 in taxes, resulting in a total budget of \$917,082,424

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-328

RESOLVED, THAT THE FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR 2020 FINAL BUDGET OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, DEVELOPED USING THE CERTIFIED TAXABLE VALUE OF \$28,545,236,518, GENERATING AN ESTIMATED \$206,987,342 IN TAXES, IS HEREBY ADOPTED, RESULTING IN A TOTAL BUDGET OF \$917,082,424, AS FOLLOWS:

General Fund	\$279,924,097
Special Revenue Funds	
- Transportation Trust	\$89,693,779
- Fire District	52,726,733
- Health Department	518,883
- Building Services	33,862,674
- State Housing Initiative Partnership	2,370,542
- Alcohol & Drug Abuse Trust	11,109
- Community Based Care	7,516,687
- Beach Services	3,131,452
- County Pier	536,372
- Tourist Development	17,539,390
- Cultural Events	18,105,498
- Tree Bank	1,729,307
- Impact Fees - Public Buildings	8,545,966
- Impact Fees - Law Enforcement	1,202,009
- Impact Fees - Fire Rescue	11,680,785
- Impact Fees - Roads	36,123,353
- Impact Fees - Parks	4,076,849
- E-911 Communications	1,404,574
- Law Enforcement Trust	89,262
- Crimes Prevention Trust	74,100
- Court Innovation	137,824
- Legal Aid	335,145
- Law Library	84,448
- Juvenile Alternative Programs	48,774
- Court Technology	6,376,873
- Communications Surcharge	564,135
- Florida Boating Improvement	499,223
- Northwest Tower	459,408
- Court Facilities Trust	538,552
- Driver's Safety Education	85,297
- West Augustine CRA	422,397
- Flagler Estates CRA	155,430
- Vilano CRA	464,944

- Sidewalk Mitigation	48,012
- Transit System	4,318,483
- Golf Course	1,852,209
- Vilano Street Lighting District	31,573
- Elkton Drainage District	37,047
- St. Aug. South St. Lighting District	87,480
- Treasure Beach M.S.B.U.	255,987
- Deerwood Lane M.S.B.U.	10,198
- Durbin CTITF	223,987
- Summer Haven M.S.T.U.	272,658
- PV Beach Dune & Beach M.S.T.U.	500,000
Special Revenue Funds - continued	
- Coastal Highway Dune & Beach M.S.T.U.	\$100,000
- SPV Blvd. Dune & Beach M.S.T.U.	449,186
- Water Access Management	507,009
Debt Service Funds	
- 19 CBA Refunding Bonds	\$1,450,000
- 12 Transportation Refunding Bonds	2,017,375
- 15 Transportation Refunding Bonds	1,661,494
- 12 Sales Tax Refunding Bonds	3,638,419
- 15 Sales Tax Refunding Bonds	3,926,525
- Ponte Vedra MSD Sewer Contract	1,622,456
- Commercial Paper	1,890,313
- Flagler Estates Loan	516,879
- 14 Revenue Sharing Refunding Bonds	1,163,907
- Trane Capital Lease	241,561
- HHS Facility Note	412,294
- Series 2012 Chase Note	1,279,456
Capital Improvement Funds	
- Beach Re-Nourishment Projects	\$3,817,325
- SR 207 CIG Developers Projects	162,441
- 15 Sales Tax Construction Projects	62,189
- 16 Public Facility Projects	4,156,416
- Sheriff Training Facility	17,459,255
Enterprise Funds	
- Solid Waste Management	\$42,600,485
- Utility Services	144,138,555
- Ponte Vedra Utility Services	40,795,472
- Convention Center	3,459,912
Internal Service/Trust & Agency Funds	
- FSA-Dependent	\$171,133
- FSA-Medical	1,030,560
- Health Insurance	42,550,758
- Worker Compensation Insurance	3,139,661
- OPEB Trust	3,987,883

(09/24/19 - 4 - 5:14 p.m.)

2. EMERGENCY DECLARATION

McCormack presented the details of the request to extend the Emergency Proclamation for an additional seven days.

(5:15 p.m.) Locklear stated that it was staff's recommendation to extend the declaration for another seven days. He said that the contract for the Summerhaven breach was anticipated to be signed tomorrow and would be advantages to be under the declaration.

(5:16 p.m.) Motion by Johns, seconded by Smith, carried 5/0, to adopt Emergency Proclamation No. 2019-6, approving the extended emergency proclamation.

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION NO. 2019-6

A PROCLAMATION EXTENDING THE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR ALL PORTIONS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY FROM STATE ROAD A1A EXTENDING EASTWARD TO THE ATLANTIC OCEAN, AS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 252, PART I, FLORIDA STATUTES AND BY ST. JOHNS COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2019-40

(09/24/19 - 5 - 5:16 p.m.)  
COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Dean

Dean expressed his appreciation to staff for preparing an excellent series of workshops. He also recognized the chairman for an agenda that was clear, specific, and easily grasped.

Commissioner Smith

No report.

Commissioner Johns

No report.

Commissioner Blocker

No report.

Commissioner Waldron

No report.

(09/24/19 - 5 - 5:17 p.m.)  
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No report.

(09/24/19 - 5 - 5:17 p.m.)  
COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

(09/24/19 - 5 - 5:18 p.m.)  
ADJOURN

With there being no further business to come before the Board, Waldron adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_November 5\_\_\_\_\_, 2019

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Paul M. Waldron  
Paul M. Waldron, Chair

ATTEST: HUNTER S. CONRAD, CLERK

By: Pam Halterma  
Deputy Clerk

