



# *Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue*

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MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2023  
SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING

Belleair Beach City Hall  
444 Causeway Boulevard  
Belleair Beach, FL 33786

**SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING CALLED TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL:** Commissioners answering roll call were Chair Louis Snelling, Vice Chair Elizabeth “Betsey” McKenna, Secretary/Treasurer Lawrence Schear, Commissioner David Gardella, and Commissioner Heather Koskinas. A quorum was present with Chair Louis Snelling presiding. Attorney Jeff Albinson, Fire Chief Jeffrey Davidson, and Finance Director Erin Brooks were also present.

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**ACTION ITEMS:**

**23-31 Adoption of the FY 2023/2024 Tentative Millage Rate  
(Resolution 2023-09)**

**Discussion:** Finance Director Erin Brooks stated that this is a new resolution required of the District due to the collection of ad valorem taxes. Attorney Jeff Albinson read Resolution 2023-09 in its entirety.

**A motion to adopt Resolution 2023-09.**

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER MCKENNA SECOND: COMMISSIONER SCHEAR**

**All in favor, motion passed unanimously.**

**23-32 Adoption of the FY 2023/2024 Tentative Budget**

**Discussion:** Finance Director Erin Brooks gave an overview of the tentative budget, explaining all revenues and expenditures. Commissioner Koskinas asked what is being done to prepare for a potential downturn in the market; Finance Director Brooks stated that a 7% increase was projected in the current year, while the actual increase was higher. Those additional funds are being put away for future years as the market outpaced what was anticipated, but it is also understood that the increase is also not sustainable. Commissioner Koskinas inquired about the anticipated revenue that will be generated from the new short-term rental inspection program. Finance Director Brooks

stated that she is being very conservative and has not booked a projection for that revenue at this time. Chair Snelling inquired about any changes to personnel services in the Collective Bargaining Agreement in the upcoming year. Fire Chief Jeff Davidson stated that it is understood that there are so many unknowns that no decisions have been made beyond the 4% that was already written into the contract.

Attorney Jeff Albinson read Resolution 2023-10 in its entirety.

**A motion to adopt Resolution 2023-10.**

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER MCKENNA SECOND: COMMISSIONER KOSKINAS**

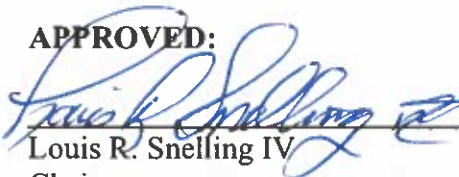
**All in favor, motion passed unanimously.**

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**ADJOURNMENT**


There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
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Louis R. Snelling IV  
Chair

**ATTEST:**

  
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Kimberly G. Hampton  
District Administrator

  
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Date Approved