

Commissioner Burke called to order the scheduled Final Public Budget Hearing of the Lee County Hyacinth Control District (LCHCD) on 09/21/2023 at 5:01 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
Seat 2- Commissioner Brian Farrar
Seat 3- Commissioner Mike Ellis
Seat 4- Commissioner Steve Bowen, Secretary/Treasurer
Seat 5- Commissioner William Burke, Chairman
Seat 6- Commissioner Thomas B. Hart, Vice Chairman, not present
Seat 7- Commissioner Bruce Scott, not present
Legal Counsel- John Agnew

STAFF:

Executive Director- Dr. David Hoel
Assistant Director- Aaron Lloyd, not present
Deputy Director, Lee County Hyacinth Control District- Kevin Watts
Chief Financial Officer- Sean O'Neill
Human Resources Director- Jackie Small
IT Director- Keith Lowe
Senior Program Analyst- Thais Pineda Alfonso
Community Engagement Coordinator- Jamie Fowler
Executive Administrative Assistant- Sabina Vilarchao

Commissioner Burke announced that this is the Final Public Budget Hearing to Adopt the Final Millage Rate and Final Budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024.

VISITORS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The following citizens addressed the Board:

None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISCUSSION: Executive Director Dr. David Hoel discussed the proposed final millage rate of 0.0217 per \$1,000 for fiscal year 2023-2024. The proposed final millage rate of 0.0217 mills is more than the rolled back rate of 0.0217 by 0%. The proposed budget for Lee County Hyacinth Control District for fiscal year 2023-2024 is the amount of \$4,360,441.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MILLAGE RATE OR BUDGET:

The following citizens addressed the Board:

None

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE:

Legal Counsel John Agnew read Resolution 23-03 to adopt the final millage rate for fiscal year 2023-2024.

Duly adopted at a public Hearing this 21st day of September 2023 at 5:05 p.m.

Chairman Burke requested a motion to adopt the final millage rate of 0.0217 mills (\$0.0217 per \$1,000.00) for the fiscal year 2023-2024. Commissioner Brantley moved the motion, Commissioner Farrar seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, motion passed.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE FINAL BUDGET:

Legal Counsel John Agnew read Resolution 23-04 to adopt the final budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$4,360,441. **Duly adopted at a public Hearing this 21st day of September 2023 at 5:09 p.m.**

Chairman Burke requested a motion to adopt the final budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024. Commissioner Ellis moved the motion, Commissioner Farrar seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved, motion passed.

No further business, Chairman Burke made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Brantley moved to adjourn. Commissioner Bowen seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.



Commissioner William Burke, Chairman

Term: November 2020 – November 2024



Commissioner Stephen Bowen, Secretary/Treasurer

Term: November 2022 – November 2026