

Anastasia Mosquito Control District of St. Johns County

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Dr. Rui-de Xue



Thursday, September 27, 2018

Next Meeting(s): Thursday, October 18, 2018 – 5:00 PM

MINUTES

The Final Public Hearing meeting for the Anastasia Mosquito Control District of St. Johns County was held on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.

Board members in attendance:

Mr. Gary Howell, Chairperson
Mrs. Gina LeBlanc, Vice-Chairperson
Mrs. Jacqueline Rock, Secretary/Treasurer
Mrs. Catherine Brandhorst, Commissioner
Mrs. Jeanne Moeller, Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Dr. Rui-De Xue, Director
Mr. Wayne E. Flowers, Attorney

Chairperson Howell called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Howell led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call: Chairperson Howell noted ~ All were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Past Commissioner, Vivian Browning, 30 Beachcomber Way, Vilano Beach, St. Augustine, Florida: Mrs. Browning stated that it was wonderful to see how everything is shaping up with the construction projects. AMCD has done a good job balancing the budget with what is needed to keep the citizens safe. She is concerned that the public citizens of St. Johns County do not understand that we service the public in all of St. Johns County, not just the Anastasia Island. Therefore, she stated she still believes we would benefit from changing our name and she would like to see the name changed. Commissioner Howell invited Mrs. Browning to speak with them at a later date to discuss this.

There were no other public comments.

Therefore, the Public Comment portion of the meeting was closed at this time.

BUSINESS:

Item 1: APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-02 and FINAL MILLAGE RATE at 0.2200 for FY18/19

- Commissioner Howell read the full Resolution.
 - A. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2018-02 and the final Millage rate at 0.2200 for FY18/19 as presented.**
 - Motioned by: Commissioner Rock
 - Motion Seconded by: Commissioner Moeller
 - VOTE accepted by all commissioners
 - **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Item 2: APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-03 and CERTIFIED BUDGET for FY18/19

(Deadline September 30, 2018)

- Commissioner Howell read the full Resolution and Mr. Flowers noted the full budget was included in the Board book packet.
- Commissioner Brandhorst discussed the Cost of Living, stating the government estimated the COLA would be above 3% in 2019. Accountant, Mr. Scott Hanna, stated that the Cost of Living increase was taken from the Consumer Price Index Report by the Bureau of Labor Statistics which is the same format we have been following for the last several years and it shows it at 2.7%. Mr. Hanna confirmed that the Cost of Living increase has always gone into effect on October 1st of the beginning of the Fiscal Year and this year it is to go into effect October 1, 2018 as shown in the budget FY 18/19.
 - A. A motion was made to approve Resolution 2018-03 and the Certified Budget for FY18/19 as presented.**
 - Motioned by: Commissioner Brandhorst
 - Motion Seconded by: Commissioner LeBlanc
 - VOTE accepted by all commissioners
 - **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

BOARD COMMENTS:

- **Commissioner Howell:** Our next Board meeting is set for Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 5:00 P.M., thanked the public for allowing us to serve the community and for allowing us to use their tax dollars to serve and protect them, hopefully we will continue to improve and thanked them for allowing us to build this building and the aerial program, we have good people that work hard for us in protecting the citizens and our children.
- **Commissioner Brandhorst:** thanked Mr. Hanna and Dr. Xue for their work on the budget, worked on the aerial budget and thanked Mr. Weaver for his part in that, we made valuable contributions to our policy manual and to our aerial program, thanked Mrs. Gaines and Ms. Hall for all they do.
- **Commissioner Rock:** congratulated the Board on their management, the Director and Accountant on the budget, stated it was an honor to sit on this Board as we help increase awareness for the community; stated great job on the purchase and the budget and thanked everyone for the hard work that went into it.

- **Commissioner Moeller:** thanked all for their hard work, addressed Mrs. Browning's desire to see the AMCD name changed, stating we checked into this in prior years and it would be very expensive as all vehicles, building, address, stationary, etc. would all need to be changed also. As for recognition of who we are, there have been over seventeen thousand hits on Facebook and approximately six thousand service requests that we received online last year, so people are aware of who we are, we also have a good education program that is out in the community and educates the public, as well as our online information and app.
- **Commissioner LeBlanc:** thanked staff, thanked Mrs. Browning for coming and sharing her thoughts.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Howell adjourned the meeting at 6:00 P.M.

ATTEST 
Chairperson, Commissioner Gary Howell


Secretary/Treasurer, Commissioner Jacqueline Rock

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