

TITUSVILLE – COCOA AIRPORT AUTHORITY

The First Public Budget Hearing of the Titusville - Cocoa Airport Authority was held on August 17, 2006, at 5:01 p.m., at the Titusville - Cocoa Airport Authority Office at 355 Golden Knights Boulevard, Titusville, FL. The following members were present: Jay G. M. Schenck, Chairman; Larry Runyon, Vice Chairman; Patricia Patch, Treasurer; Ken Rivard; Ken Griffin; Jerry Sansom; Scott C. Carr, C.M., Executive Director; Mr. Timothy Pickles, Esq., Airport Attorney. Veronica Clifford was absent.

Call to Order

Mr. Schenck called the First Public Budget Hearing to order.

Budget Review

Mr. Carr stated that this hearing was for the Proposed Fiscal Year 2006/2007 Budget. He added that this budget had been approved by the Airport Authority in May 2006 for submission to Brevard County for consideration. Mr. Carr reviewed a few highlights of the budget and then opened the meeting for questions.

Mr. Schenck acknowledged that there were two new Board members and asked them if they would like Mr. Carr to go through the budget in detail. Mr. Griffin stated that it wasn't necessary, but he did have a couple of questions.

Ms. Patch asked a question about the change in the ad valorem tax rate. Mr. Carr stated that the ad valorem taxing authority was set by the County and was based on the roll back rate. He stated that the actual taxing authority was staying constant with the exception of the valuation of property values. Mr. Griffin stated that if the Authority set the same millage rate as the County then it was assumed that the County wouldn't change that. Mr. Carr concurred.

Mr. Sansom had a question about a line item for other contractual services. He commented that the detail for the lobbyist line labeled it as a state lobbyist and the Authority's lobbyist was a federal lobbyist. He added that this may cause some confusion. Mr. Carr replied that when the line item was developed in 2000-2001 there were thoughts of needing both state and federal consulting services, but at the present there was only a federal lobbyist. Mr. Carr stated that Staff could adjust that item if it was acceptable to the Board. The Board consented.

Mr. Runyon asked Mr. Carr if any changes had been made to the budget. Mr. Carr stated that the only change that was made was the ad valorem taxing amount, which was based on the final millage rate approved by the County; however, it

was nothing significant. He stated that the t-hangar maintenance line item was increased.

Mr. Sansom asked how often the citrus groves were put out. Mr. Carr replied that he believed that it was out last February and Staff had readdressed it at that time. Mr. Carr explained that there was an existing agreement with Parrish Management that was for three years with a three year option which was exercised and brought that agreement out to October 1, 2007. Mr. Sansom stated that he didn't think the groves looked very healthy. Mr. Carr stated that it was an ongoing issue with Parrish to keep the groves maintained.

Mr. Rivard asked where CPI was mentioned in the budget. Mr. Carr stated that CPI was 3.6%, which was calculated based on the February 2006 snapshot.

Public Comment

Mr. Schenck opened the meeting for public comment.

Mr. John Lanahan asked if the CPI increase would apply to commercial tenants as well as the t-hangar tenants. Mr. Carr explained that the CPI was across the board, but the commercial rates depended on their lease agreement. He added that all new lease agreements stated that an appraisal would be done every 5 years and a CPI increase would be implemented. Mr. Carr further explained that t-hangar agreements were month to month so the 3.6% CPI would apply to them, but commercial agreement terms varied; therefore, depending on when the commercial agreement was executed and what the lease language actually stated it may or may not be applicable. Mr. Lanahan stated that he understood that most of the t-hangars were paid for and asked why there was a 3.6% increase. Mr. Carr explained that the cost of living increase was a way for the Authority to keep current with the vendor's costs, which continued to increase. He added that property insurance went up almost 100%, which was well over the 3.6% increase and employee health insurance also increased. Mr. Carr continued to discuss other cost increases.

Mr. Schenck asked for a motion to approve. Ms. Patch made a motion to approve the Proposed Budget for FY 2006/2007 to present to Brevard County. Mr. Runyon seconded. Mr. Schenck called the question. All voted aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Schenck asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Larry Runyon made a motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing. Mr. Griffin seconded the motion. Mr. Schenck called the question. All voted aye. Meeting was adjourned.

JAY G. M. SCHENCK, CHAIRMAN

LARRY RUNYON, VICE CHAIRMAN