

SECOND PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

TITUSVILLE-COCOA AIRPORT AUTHORITY

SEPTEMBER 25, 2003

The second public budget hearing of the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority was held on September 25, 2002, at 5:01 p.m., at the Titusville-Cocoa Airport Authority office, 355 Golden Knights Boulevard, Titusville, Florida. The following members were present: Joel H. Taft, Chairman; R. Craig Rastello, Treasurer; Jay G. M. Schenck; Russell Alarie; David N. Edwards, Jr., A.A.E., Executive Director; and Timothy F. Pickles, Esq.; Airport Attorney. Frank Kinney, Vice Chairman; Brian M. Lally, P.E., Secretary; and Philip R. Thompson were absent.

Mr. Taft opened the meeting for public comment.

Mr. Taft recognized that there were no public attendees to speak on the budget.

Mr. Edwards stated that the budget was adopted by the Brevard County Commission on Tuesday, September 23, 2003 and noted that the millage rate had been reduced from .0218 to .0194. Mr. Edwards stated that this rate generates the same amount of funds as the previous rate.

Mr. Edwards reviewed a recap of the budget for the Fiscal Year 2003/2004. The proposed final budget totaled \$1,775,149.00, which is a 9.2% increase over Fiscal Year 2002/2003, and the millage rate was reduced to .0194.

Discussion ensued for additional clarification of the budget and the approval process.

Mr. Schenck motioned to approve the Executive Director's proposed budget, seconded by Mr. Alarie.

Mr. Taft called the question. All voted Aye. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Edwards introduced a discussion regarding a recent letter submitted by Commissioner Pritchard in an attempt to implement some changes to the Authority's Enabling Legislation.

Mr. Edwards stated that the Authority had no knowledge of this letter until a recent meeting between Mr. Pickles and the City Manager of Rockledge, at which time this letter was brought to his attention.

Mr. Edwards stated that this item is scheduled to appear on the County Commission agenda for Tuesday, September 30, 2003. Should the County Commission endorse the changes, a follow-up discussion at the local legislation delegation meeting would take place on Wednesday, October 8, 2003.

Mr. Edwards presented a draft response to Commissioner Pritchard's letter for the Board to review.

Discussion ensued among the Board regarding possible alternative language to utilize in the response.

Mr. Schenck requested to review the letter by paragraph and discuss any necessary revisions.

Mr. Taft reviewed the letter paragraph by paragraph and the Board made comments as to the appropriate language that should appear in each paragraph.

Discussion continued.

Mr. Pickles requested the Executive Director to disseminate the letter to the Board members who were not in attendance at this meeting, and advise that the response letter is the outcome of a consensus of the Board's opinion.

Mr. Edwards stated that he would work with Mr. Pickles to draft the letter in a final form and distribute the final draft to all Board members for further comment prior to the final distribution.


Mr. Edwards stated that pending the quick response from the Board members, Staff would attempt to fax the letter to the recipients by 2:00 PM and no later than close of business Friday, September 26, 2003.

Mr. Schenck motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Alarie.

The second public budget meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.



JOEL H. TAFT, CHAIRMAN



BRIAN M. LALLY, P.E., SECRETARY