

**WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE FINAL PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 18, 2015 AT 5:01 P.M.
VENICE CITY HALL, VENICE, FLORIDA**

Commissioners Present: Larry Kiker, Chair
Stephen R. Deutsch, Vice Chair
John Chappie, Treasurer
Charles Hines, Secretary

Staff Present: Justin McBride, Executive Director
Philip E. Perrey, Counsel

The meeting was opened at 5:01 p.m. at Venice City Hall.

Chair Larry Kiker announced the opening of the public hearing on WCIND's final millage rate and final budget for FY2015-2016. Chair Larry Kiker announced the current year rolled back rate is .0373 mill, and the proposed final millage rate of .0394 mill. He announced that the percentage increase in millage over the rolled back rate necessary to fund the proposed final budget is 5.63%. Therefore, the percentage increase in property taxes based on the proposed final millage rate is 5.63%.

Mr. McBride reported that the budget is driven by county funding requests, and the proposed final millage rate funds all the projects requested by the Counties.

Chair Kiker opened the hearing for public comment, and announced that public comment will be taken in accordance with WCIND Policy as adopted by Resolution 2015-02 on August 21, 2015. Mr. Leo Amos contended that the 5.63% increase in the millage rate isn't really needed, there is enough in reserves. Chair Kiker closed public comment.

Chair Kiker requested a motion to adopt resolution 2015-03 adopting the final millage rate for FY2015-2016 of .0394 mill. Motion by Commissioner Hines and seconded by Commissioner Chappie. Before taking a vote on the motion, the Chair publicly announced the following: the taxing authority named in the millage levy resolution is West Coast Inland Navigation District, the rolled back rate for FY2015-2016 is .0373 mill, the final millage rate is .0394 mill, and the percentage increase of the final millage rate over the rolled back rate is 5.63%. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Kiker requested a motion to adopt resolution 2015-04 adopting the final budget for FY2015-2016. Commissioner Chappie moved to adopt the final budget for FY2015-2016 with projected funds available of \$14,406,242, total expenditures of \$6,737,927, and reserves of \$7,668,315. Commissioner Deutsch seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business before the Board, the Chair adjourned the Public Hearing at 5:15 p.m.