

**WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE FINAL PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2003 AT 5:01 P.M.
VENICE CITY HALL, VENICE, FLORIDA**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Ray Judah, Vice Chair
Mac Horton, Secretary
Joe McClash, Treasurer

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Nora Patterson, Chair

STAFF PRESENT:

Charles W. Listowski, Executive Director
Philip E. Perrey, Counsel

Vice Chair Judah announced the opening of the Final Public Hearing on WCIND's final millage rate and final budget for FY2003/2004. The meeting was opened at 5:01 p.m. at Venice City Hall. Vice Chair Judah announced the proposed final millage rate of .04 mill. He announced that the percentage increase in millage over the rolled back rate necessary to fund the proposed final budget is 11.1%. Therefore, the percentage increase in property taxes based on the proposed final millage rate is 11.1%.

The Executive Director, Charles W. Listowski was asked to discuss the specific purposes for which ad valorem tax revenues are being increased. Mr. Listowski stated that the Waterway Development Program, based on counties requests, has increased over \$400,000. The Cooperative Assistance Program to help facilitate those requests was increased by \$50,000, and the undesignated District reserves increased by approximately \$100,000.

Vice Chair Judah opened the hearing for public comment. There were no public comments. Vice Chair Judah closed the public hearing.

Commissioner McClash moved to adopt the final millage rate for FY2003/2004 of .04 mill. Commissioner Horton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner McClash moved to adopt the final budget for FY2003/2004 with projected funds available of \$7,124,538, total expenditures of \$3,967,347, and reserves of \$3,157,191. Commissioner Horton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner McClash moved to adopt the millage levy resolution 2003-02. The Vice 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 FY2003/2004 is .036 mill, the final millage rate is .04 mill, and the percentage increase of the final millage rate over the rolled back rate is 11.1%. Commissioner Horton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Horton moved to adopt the budget resolution 2003-03. Commissioner McClash seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the Final Public Hearing at 5:10 p.m.