

**WEST COAST INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 AT 5:01 P.M.  
VENICE CITY HALL, VENICE, FLORIDA**

Commissioners Present:

Charles Hines, Chair  
Larry Kiker, Vice Chair  
Stephen R. Deutsch, Treasurer  
Carol Whitmore, Secretary

Staff Present:

Justin McBride, Executive Director  
Jed Schneck, General Counsel

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

Chair Charles Hines announced the opening of the public hearing on WCIND's proposed millage rate and tentative budget for FY2018-2019. Chair Charles Hines announced the current year rolled back rate is 0.0377 mill, and the proposed millage rate of 0.0394 mill. He announced that the percentage increase in millage over the rolled back rate necessary to fund the proposed final budget is 4.51%. Therefore, the percentage increase in property taxes based on the proposed final millage rate is 4.51%.

Mr. McBride noted that maintaining the current millage rate will allow funding of the proposed budget as submitted. Mr. McBride noted that the increase will be needed for the following;

- The continuing increase in project costs
- Allow member counties to maximize their CNIF for future projects
- Allows the District to appropriately fund Storm Recovery Reserves
- Buffers the District from potential future decreases in available funding.

Chair Hines opened the hearing for public comment.

Chair Hines closed the public comment portion of the hearing.


Chair Hines requested a motion to approve resolution 2018-05 adopting the tentative proposed millage rate for FY2018-2019 of 0.0394 mill. Motion by Commissioner Deutsch and seconded by Commissioner Kiker. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Hines requested a motion to approve resolution 2018-06 adopting the tentative budget for FY2018-2019. Commissioner Kiker moved to approve resolution 2018-06 adopting the tentative budget for FY2018-2019 with projected funds available of \$15,116,652 total expenditures of \$5,831,858 and reserves of \$9,284,794. Commissioner Deutsch seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Final Budget hearing is scheduled for September 13, 2018 at 5:01 P.M. Venice City Hall, Council Chambers

With no further business before the Board, the Chair adjourned the Public Hearing at 5:04 p.m.

  
Charles Hines, Chair

  
Carol Whitmore, Secretary