



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING MINUTES
ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUGUST 12, 2020**

PUBLIC HEARING CALL TO ORDER:

6:03 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner in attendance: Vice-Chairman Ryan Munsey, Secretary/Treasurer Ron Garrity, Commissioner Nino Covington, and Commissioner Jimmy Holden.

Commissioners absent: Chairman Steve Swanson.

A super-majority quorum was present to conduct the business at hand.

Administrative Staff also in attendance: Fire Chief Terry Stuard, Chief of Operations Kevin Adams, Chief of Administration Jason Bilich, Chief of Prevention Ollie Brumfield, Chief of Training Dominick Bourgeois, and Communications Supervisor Katherine Dickens.

Invited Guests in attendance: Attorney Troy Ingram, and Mark Waniewski, PMI.

No members of the public were in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Vice-Chairman Munsey opened the public hearing for anyone who wanted to ask questions or make a statement.

No one came forward.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNS:

A motion was made by Vice-Chairman Munsey to adjourn the public meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Garrity seconded the motion. There was no public comment. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

PUBLIC MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

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No members of the public were in attendance.

PUBLIC MEETING:

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2020, and Public Hearing/Special Meeting from July 16, 2020, were presented. Vice-Chairman Munsey asked if any revisions needed to be made. There were none. A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to approve the Minutes as written. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORT (ATTACHED):

A motion was made by Commissioner Holden to dispense with the reading of the Staff Report. Secretary/Treasurer Garrity seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS:

The financials were presented. A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to accept the financials. Commissioner Holden seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

Vice-Chairman Munsey stated that a Resolution was needed to roll back and adjust the millage rate for 2020, and read the following from Resolution 2020-009:

Be it resolved, by the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on August 12, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following adjusted millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2020, for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

Acquisitions & Maintenance - 4.810 mills (1069017)

Be it further resolved that the Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to roll back and adjust the 2020 millage rate as per Resolution 2020-009. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed with a super-majority as follows:

**Vice-Chairman Munsey - YES
Secretary/Treasurer Garrity - YES
Commissioner Covington - YES
Commissioner Holden - YES
Chairman Swanson - ABSENT**

Vice-Chairman Munsey stated that a Resolution was needed to levy the millage rate for 2020, and read the following from Resolution 2020-010:

Be it resolved, by the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, in a public meeting held of August 12, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2020 Levy</u>
Acquisitions & Maintenance	4.810 mills	4.50 mills (1069017)

Be it further resolved that the Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to levy the 2020 millage rate as per Resolution 2020-010. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed with a super-majority as follows:

**Vice-Chairman Munsey - YES
Secretary/Treasurer Garrity - YES
Commissioner Covington - YES
Commissioner Holden - YES
Chairman Swanson - ABSENT**

Vice-Chairman Munsey stated that a Resolution was needed to roll back and adjust the millage rate for 2020, and read the following from Resolution 2020-011:

Be it resolved, by the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on August 12, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following adjusted millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2020, for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

Acquisitions & Maintenance - 9.620 mills (1069040)

Be it further resolved that the Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to roll back and adjust the 2020 millage rate as per Resolution 2020-011. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed with a super-majority as follows:

- Vice-Chairman Munsey - YES**
- Secretary/Treasurer Garrity - YES**
- Commissioner Covington - YES**
- Commissioner Holden - YES**
- Chairman Swanson - ABSENT**

Vice-Chairman Munsey stated that a Resolution was needed to levy the millage rate for 2020, and read the following from Resolution 2020-012:

Be it resolved, by the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, in a public meeting held of August 12, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2020 Levy</u>
Acquisitions & Maintenance	9.620 mills	10.0 mills (1069040)

Be it further resolved that the Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to levy the 2020 millage rate as per Resolution 2020-012. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed with a super-majority as follows:

- Vice-Chairman Munsey - YES**
- Secretary/Treasurer Garrity - YES**
- Commissioner Covington - YES**
- Commissioner Holden - YES**
- Chairman Swanson - ABSENT**

Vice-Chairman Munsey stated that a Resolution was needed to roll back and adjust the millage rate for 2020, and read the following from Resolution 2020-013:

Be it resolved, by the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, in a public meeting held on August 12, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the following adjusted millage rates be and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of the assessed valuation of all property subject to ad valorem taxation within said Parish for the year 2020, for the purpose of raising revenue:

MILLAGE

Acquisitions & Maintenance - 9.620 mills (1069068)

Be it further resolved that the Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to roll back and adjust the 2020 millage rate as per Resolution 2020-013. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. The motion passed with a super-majority as follows:

- Vice-Chairman Munsey - YES**
- Secretary/Treasurer Garrity - YES**
- Commissioner Covington - YES**
- Commissioner Holden - YES**
- Chairman Swanson - ABSENT**

Vice-Chairman Munsey stated that a Resolution was needed to levy the millage rate for 2020, and read the following from Resolution 2020-014:

Be it resolved, by the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 12 of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana, in a public meeting held of August 12, 2020, which meeting was conducted in accordance with the Open Meetings Law and the additional requirements of Article VII, Section 23(C) of the Louisiana Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B), that the taxing district voted to increase the millage rate(s), but not in excess of the prior year's maximum rate(s), on all taxable property shown on the official assessment roll for the year 2020, and when collected, the revenues from said taxes shall be used only for the specific purposes for which said taxes have been levied. Said millage rate(s) are:

	<u>Adjusted Rate</u>	<u>2020 Levy</u>
Acquisitions & Maintenance	9.620 mills	10.0 mills (1069068)

Be it further resolved that the Assessor of the Parish of St. Tammany, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2020 the taxes herein levied, and the tax collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to levy the 2020 millage rate as per Resolution 2020-014. Commissioner Holden seconded the motion. Commissioner Holden requested that the District also utilize alternative sources of funding as a source of revenue. The motion passed with a super-majority as follows:

- Vice-Chairman Munsey - YES**
- Secretary/Treasurer Garrity - YES**
- Commissioner Covington - YES**
- Commissioner Holden - YES**
- Chairman Swanson - ABSENT**

PUBLIC MEETING ADJOURNS:

A motion was made by Secretary/Treasurer Garrity to adjourn the public meeting. Commissioner Covington seconded the motion. There was no public comment. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Approved:



Ryan Munsey, Vice-Chairman



Date