



**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**Town of Indian River Shores**  
**Final Budget Hearing**  
**Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 5:01 p.m.**  
6001 HIGHWAY A1A, INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FL 32963

The Town Council of the Town of Indian River Shores held its Final Public Budget Hearing for the 2023 – 2024 Fiscal Year on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, in Council Chambers, 6001 Highway A1A, Indian River Shores. Those present were Brian T. Foley, Mayor; Sam Carroll, Vice Mayor; Robert Auwaerter, Councilmember and James Altieri, Councilmember. Also present were James Harpring, Town Manager, Heather Christmas, Deputy Town Manager/Town Treasurer, Peter Sweeney, Town Attorney and Janice C. Rutan, Town Clerk.

**1. Call to Order**

- a. Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call

Mayor Foley called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Mayor Foley waived the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Clerk called the roll. Those present were Brian T. Foley, Mayor; Sam Carroll, Vice Mayor; Robert Auwaerter, Councilmember and James Altieri, Councilmember. Councilmember Smith was not present.

**2. Discussion of Tentative Millage Rate and Budget**

Town Manager Harpring read the following into the record.

- a. The Town of Indian River Shores had tentatively proposed an aggregate millage rate of 1.3349 per \$1,000 for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024.
- b. The tentative millage rate of 1.3349 is necessary to fund the expenses included in the budget and is 12.25% higher than the rolled-back rate of 1.1892.
- c. The 2023-2024 tentative General Fund budget is \$8,845,576 which is 12.69% higher than last year.
- d. The other funds in the 2023-2024 budget are tentatively set as follows:
  - 1) Roads and Offsite Drainage Fund of \$129,112; and
  - 2) ARPA Fund of \$654,190; and
  - 3) Planning, Zoning and Building Fund of \$998,865.

**3. Receipt of Public Comment**

There was no Public Comment.

**4. Adoption**

- a. Proposed Resolution 23-16 for Adoption of the Final Millage Rate:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FLORIDA,  
ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAXES OF 1.3349 MILS  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024; PROVIDING FOR FUNDING OPERATING  
EXPENSES DURING FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024; AND PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The title was read by Attorney Sweeney. There being no public comment, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Carroll and seconded by Councilmember Auwaerter to pass Resolution 23-16. The Town Clerk called the roll. All members present voted in the affirmative. The motion passed unanimously 4-0.

b. Proposed Resolution 23-17 for the Adoption of the Final Budget:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The title was read by Attorney Sweeney. Mayor Foley opened the Public Hearing. There being no public comment, a motion was made by Councilmember Altieri and seconded by Vice Mayor Carroll to pass Resolution 23-17. The Town Clerk called the roll. All members present voted in the affirmative. The motion passed unanimously 4-0.

c. Second Reading: Ordinance No. 566

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FLORIDA, TO ADOPT THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM 2024-2028 AS PART OF THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH MANDATES SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 163, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The title was read by Attorney Sweeney. Mayor Foley opened the Public Hearing. There being no public comment, a motion was made by Vice Mayor Carroll and seconded by Councilmember Auwaerter to pass Ordinance No. 566 on second and final reading. The Town Clerk called the roll. All members present voted in the affirmative. The motion passed unanimously 4-0.

## 5. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Approved: November 16, 2023

  
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Janice C. Rutan, Town Clerk

