The First Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 2015/2016, of Beach Mosquito Control District, was called to order by Chairman Couch at 5:01 P.M. Wednesday, September 9th, 2015 with all commissioners, the director and attorney present.

Couch began the meeting by announcing the items for discussion, one being the tentative detailed work plan budget adopted on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 by the Board in the amount of \$2,290,538.54, which amount is necessary and appropriate to fund the District's proposed programs and commitments for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. Couch added that a portion of the tentative budget, amended or confirmed, is not funded by an ad valorem taxation. Couch asked if anyone had any discussion regarding the budget and Smith questioned whether the budget included the ad valorem taxation, state funding and all other revenue streams. It was confirmed that the budget did include those items as well as the carry over.

Couch then announced the proposed millage rate for fiscal year 2015/2016 set at .2230 and stated that it is 3% higher than the roll back rate of .2165. Couch added that the Board finds this millage rate is necessary and appropriate to fund the District's proposed expenditures for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. Couch continued by justification of the millage rate is that the total taxes to be levied at the rate of .2230 is \$1,629,516.00 and the total taxes to be levied at the roll back rate of .2165 is \$1,582,019.00, a difference of approximately \$47,000.00. Couch then asked if anyone had any discussion regarding the millage rate. Smith questioned the need of raising the rate and whether it would be a better benefit to pass on the savings to the tax payers by not increasing the rate by the proposed 3%. Couch stated that with the increase amount being so minute that, hopefully, next year we could stick with the roll back rate and not raise the rate. Dean added that one of the reasons it has been raised for the last few years is due to all the years that the rate was actually decreased. Director Clauson advised that to accomplish the future plans for the District, it will be necessary to continue accruing funds through millage increases.

Couch then called for a motion to approve the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year proposed millage rate for fiscal year 2015/2016 set at .2230. Dean made a motion, Couch seconded and the motion passed with Smith as the only opposing vote.

At that time Couch called for a vote on the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 in the amount of \$1,629,516.00, using the millage rate of .2230, and with the carry over for a total of \$2,290,538.54. Dean made a motion for approval of the Tentative Budget, Couch seconded with Smith as the only opposing vote.

There being no further business for the First Budget Hearing, Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 5:17 P.M.

Larry Couch, Chairman

John Smith, Treasurer

Joyce Dean, Secretary

# September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Beach Mosquito Control District was called to order by Chairman Couch at 5:00 P.M. on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The regular board meeting was recessed at 5:01 P.M. and Couch moved on to the Final Budget Hearing.

## Final Budget Hearing

Couch began the meeting by announcing the first item for discussion; millage rate of 0.2230 for fiscal year 2015-2016 which is necessary and appropriate to fund the District's proposed programs and commitments that was tentatively adopted at the 1<sup>st</sup> Budget Hearing on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Couch asked if there were any questions, hearing none and having no members of the public present he moved on to the reading of RESOLUTION 15-02:

RESOLUTION 15-02: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BEACH MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT; LEVYING A 0.2230 MILLAGE RATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE. Dean made a motion to approve as presented, Couch seconded and the motion passed with Smith as the only opposing vote.

Couch then moved on to the second item for discussion: budget for fiscal year 2015-2016 of \$2,189,150.04, as advertised, which is necessary and appropriate to fund the District's proposed programs and commitments and is less than the \$2,290,538.54 tentatively adopted at the 1<sup>st</sup> Budget Hearing on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Couch asked if there were any questions, hearing none and having no members of the public present he moved on to the reading of RESOLUTION 15-03:

RESOLUTION 15-03: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BEACH MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT; ADOPTING A BUDGET OF \$2,189,150.04 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE. Dean made a motion to approve as presented, Couch seconded and the motion passed with Smith as the only opposing vote.

Couch then ended the Final Budget Hearing, resumed the regular board meeting and requested that the roll be recorded, and noted that all commissioners, Director Clauson, and Amy Myers were present.

### Approval of Minutes

Secretary Dean confirmed that everyone had received and reviewed the minutes of the meeting from August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015; and asked if there were any changes. Hearing none, she made a motion that the minutes be approved as submitted; Smith seconded, and the motion carried without dissent.

# **Financial Reports**

Treasurer Smith referenced the financial reports and commented that not a lot of new money came in, except the BP money. He questioned the amount received, \$18,839.57, and it was determined the

amount received was correct as it was the gross amount from BP less the handling fee percentage of 20-25%. It was discussed whether we would collect the \$31,640 left of the total tax revenue and it was determined that we will probably not be receiving those funds but we would be receiving the \$10,750 from the State. Smith did not have any other questions or comments and asked if anyone else had any questions regarding the P&L; hearing none he requested that the financials be filed for audit.

## Old Business

Couch then moved to Old Business, Budget (Carryover).

Clauson stated that the carry over may be more than the currently estimated \$433,883 due to the dry weather and low number of mosquitoes. A more accurate figure will be available at the end of the fiscal year. An itemized allocation of the carry over will be presented with the certified budget in the form of a budget amendment.

#### Attorney's Report

Myers advised that there was nothing to report.

#### **Director's Report**

Clauson began his report by reviewing the calendar of events scheduled for September and October of 2015; DACS inspection on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The commissioners had no comments or concerns with any of the dates and activities planned. Clauson then gave his Operations Report referring to the August 2015 activity reports compiled by Summers and Riles. Several birds have tested positive for West Nile Virus but traps are light, fewer than 10 mosquitoes, which is less than the 25 required by law to justify spraying. Due to the lack of water, mosquitoes are concentrating where water, and subsequently birds, are located causing a lot of virus activity. We will continue surveillance and to spray the areas where the virus has been detected. At the Fall meeting, Mike is giving a presentation and will discuss surveillance and what triggers an advisory.

Clauson went on to report that some dog files have been monitored but less than expected and will continue to be monitored.

Clauson then asked whether the board wanted to approve the budgeted 2% cost of living raise now or at the October Board meeting with the raise being retroactive to October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Smith asked whether the previous method of allocation of the 2% increase, \$1,000.00 to each employee with the remaining balance being awarded based on job performance, was effective and Clauson advised that it was time consuming and did not achieve the original intent. Smith made a motion to approve the 2% cost of living raise to be applied across the board to all employees effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 and Dean seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **New Business**

Couch then moved on to the new Board Meeting Dates for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. The new meeting dates for fiscal year 2015-2016 were set as follows, with the District's attorney attending once a quarter and as requested.

October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015

November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015

January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016

February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016

June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016

July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## **Announcements**

There were no announcements and no further business to come before the board, and Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 5:32 PM.

Larry Couch, Chairman

John Smith, Treasurer