

**FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES  
TOWN OF JUPITER  
TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP  
JUPITER COMMUNITY CENTER  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2016**

Mayor Wodraska called the meeting to order at 6:32 P.M.

Roll Call: Mayor Todd R. Wodraska; Councilor Ron Delaney; Councilor Jim Kuretski; Councilor Wayne R. Posner; Town Manager Andrew D. Lukasik, Assistant Town Manager Lori Bonino and Town Clerk Sally M. Boylan. Vice-Mayor Ilan G. Kaufer was absent.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Mr. Jeff Sabin, of Waste Management, mentioned the letter he had written to Tom Driscoll, Director of Engineering Parks & Public Works, to negotiate the Solid Waste Collection Agreement.

**1. Discussion of Operating Budget, Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) Update, and Preliminary Community Investment Program (CIP) Budget.**

Mr. Lukasik discussed the options to maintain or reduce the millage rate and gave an update on the Operating Budget.

He said there were no significant changes from the June workshop for Water, Stormwater, or Building funds.

Mr. Lukasik reviewed the organizational growth rate and stated the Town proposed an increase of fourteen positions for fiscal year 2017.

Mr. Lukasik reviewed the five-year budget forecast and stated an additional \$1,000,000.00 in sales tax revenue would transfer to the general fund due to the retirement of a sales tax bond in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021.

Mr. Lukasik discussed some of the CIP Projects and Police Department operating expenses.

Mr. Lukasik reviewed the general fund proposed budget and recommended the reduced millage rate option.

Council and Staff discussed police service levels on the beach and in parks.

**1. Discussion of Operating Budget, Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) Update, and Preliminary Community Investment Program (CIP) Budget.**

Councilor Kuretski said he didn't want it implied that he was committing to the annual tax increases or annual salary increases.

Mr. Lukasik mentioned the proposed budget assumed the millage rate discussed at the last workshop and Council and Staff discussed carry forward balances.

Mr. Lukasik discussed an email from the Florida East Coast Railway regarding anticipated improvements to the crossing at Riverside Drive.

Mr. Lukasik gave an overview of the financial impacts of the CIP. He explained the projection for the upcoming fiscal year expenditures was 12.2 million with a total five year CIP of 79 million dollars. He stated there would be a deficit at the end of the five years due to beach renourishment dollars unless the Town decided not to pursue the issue.

Councilor Kuretski believed the Town should develop a potential list of projects to use if the proposed sales tax increase passed during the November election.

Mr. Lukasik briefly discussed open space land acquisitions.

Councilor Kuretski asked what the increase was in 2020 and 2021 for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Mr. Villella stated the increases were utility based.

Councilor Kuretski felt several infrastructure projects on page three could be potential Tax Referendum items. He also requested contributions be added to page five for Pine Gardens South stormwater improvements.

Councilor Kuretski asked that roadway projects be identified by fiscal year on pages eight and nine. He and Mr. Driscoll discussed intersection improvements, grant opportunities and expediting projects listed on pages 44 and 45.

Council and Staff discussed Right of Way acquisition balances on page 51 and Councilor Kuretski mentioned information he would pass on regarding ADA crossover ideas for the project on page 63.

Councilor Kuretski said as in past years, he did not support the Community Broadband project on page 81. He felt it was just a way to grow Government.

**1. Discussion of Operating Budget, Priority Based Budgeting (PBB) Update, and Preliminary Community Investment Program (CIP) Budget.**

Councilor Kuretski asked for Town criteria as to what neighborhoods would receive Town subsidized benefits for the fiber optic network project on page 83. Mr. Villella gave some examples and explained revenues would be generated.

Council and Staff discussed Tax Referendum criteria for projects listed on pages 84 and 85.

Councilor Kuretski used the utilities maintenance program on page 109 as an example to suggest funds with significant balances for projects that were backlogged should go a year without earmarking. He also questioned Palm Beach County's obligation for certain watermain maintenance. Mr. Brown explained right of way and easement criteria.

Councilor Kuretski felt the scope of work for certain neighborhoods should be identified on Page 161, for utilities and stormwater asset management. He asked for some clarification on the hazard mitigation for Elsa and Paulina Roads. Mr. Brown, Director of Utilities, stated there was no functional drainage and it needed to be constructed.

Councilor Posner inquired about the drainage concerns on Center Street. Mr. Brown stated one solution could be to divert the water north of Center Street which flowed through the Seminole Avenue pump station into a newly created outfall.

Mayor Wodraska asked why artificial turf was being proposed at Abacoa Park. Mr. Lukasik stated it allowed the Town to always have one park open. He explained the artificial turf took slightly less maintenance than regular turf.

Mr. Lukasik discussed the three millage rate options; Option A, a flat millage rate midway between flat and rollback at 2.4121, recommended at the last workshop; Option B, the flat millage rate at 2.4834 and Option C, the millage rate that held a \$350k Homestead flat at 2.4633.

Mr. Lukasik said Staff recommended Option C, at 2.4633. This would provide some flexibility in investing and no Ad Valorem increase.

Councilor Kuretski said Option C was an eight percent increase and Option A was a 5.7 percent increase. He said he preferred Option A.

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Councilor Posner said he would like to see a lower rate as Councilor Kuretski stated. He said it appeared the middle rate, Option C would provide some cushion, which he preferred.

Mayor Wodraska mentioned the result of the Penny Sales Tax would determine if the Town needed to move in a different direction.

Majority of Council agreed with Option C. (WP, RD, TW)

Councilor Kuretski asked if there was an update on Fire Rescue. Mr. Lukasik said he would include the report in the Council's weekly update.

Mr. Villella said the rate was 2.0035 and last year it was 1.9823. Mr. Lukasik said Fire Rescue charged the Town by the amount of equipment sent, not per call.

Majority of Council agreed to consider a contribution of \$30k to the Andrew "Red" Harris Artificial Reef Foundation. (TW,WP,RD,JK)

**ADJOURN** - 9:17 P.M.

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Sally M. Boylan, Town Clerk

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Todd R. Wodraska, Mayor