

**MINUTES OF THE FY 2014 – 2015 BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE FLORIDA, HELD IN THE COMMISSION CHAMBER AT CITY HALL, August 26, 2014, AT 5:00 P.M.**

The following were present: Mayor Magidson and Commissioners Buzzett. City Manager Jim Anderson, City Clerk Charlotte Pierce, Financial Analyst Mike Lacour, Public Works Director John Grantland, Police Chief David Barnes and City Insurance Agent Dwight Van Lierop were also present. Commissioners McCroan and Patterson were working and Commissioner Thursbay was unable to attend due to illness.

The purpose of the Workshop was to discuss the FY 2014 – 2015 Budget with focus being on the General Fund and City Insurance.

Copies of the preliminary 2014 – 2015 Fiscal Year Budget were distributed. Mr. Anderson noted that pages 1 - 6 are the Capital Expenses with pages 1 – 37 being the Projected Budget with line item expenditures.

Mr. Lacour noted that the proposed budget is balanced.

There will be just under a 5% increase from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida for Health Insurance for City Employees. Cost for individual coverage will be \$650.15; Employee / Spouse \$1,547.36; Employee / Children \$1,196.29 and Employee / Family \$2,028.48. There will be a total increase to the City of \$18,689. The City cap of \$700 will remain in place for the coming fiscal year.

For Fiscal Year 2014 – 2015, there will also be a Return of Premium in the amount of \$33,061.

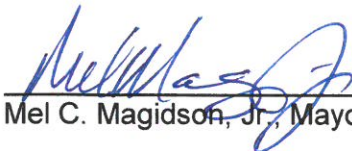
The proposed Millage will remain at 3.5914 for FY 2014 -2015 and the first Public hearing will be held on September 11, 2014, at 5:01 P.M.

Also discussed were the proposed platting of lots where Gulf Pines Hospital is and the revenue sources for this.


Mr. Anderson shared an update on the lighthouse facility. Staff is working with the St. Joseph Historical Society, Inc., to get the lighthouse open and several items still need to be addressed before this can happen. Hopes were to have a soft opening on Friday, August 29, 2014, as a test run before the Scallop Festival. Staff will keep the Board updated on the status.

The Workshop was adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2014.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mel C. Magidson, Jr., Mayor

9/5/14  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Charlotte M. Pierce, City Clerk

9/3/2014  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date