

MINUTES OF THE FY 2015 – 2016 BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE FLORIDA, HELD IN THE PORT ST. JOE FIRE DEPARTMENT MEETING ROOM, September 1, 2015, AT 5:00 P.M.

The following were present: Mayor Patterson, Commissioners Buzzett, McCroan, Ashbrook and Thursbay. City Manager Jim Anderson, City Clerk Charlotte Pierce, Financial Analysts Mike Lacour, Police Chief Matt Herring and Public Works Director John Grantland were also present.

The purpose of the Workshop was to discuss the FY 2015 – 2016 Budget with focus being on insurance renewal and a balanced budget.

Copies of the preliminary 2015 – 2016 Fiscal Year Budget were distributed.

Dwight Van Lierop, the City's Insurance Agent, discussed the rates and options for the coming year. Due to five claims for the previous year totaling over \$700,000 there was very little that could be negotiated about the rates for the coming year. Several options were discussed and reviewed with consensus being to raise the insurance cap to \$705 per employee for the coming year.

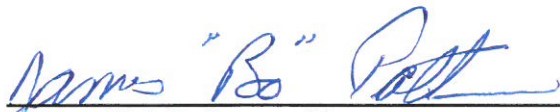
Commissioner Thursbay expressed his displeasure with Colonial Insurance and requested that an additional supplemental insurance provider be secured for Open Enrollment next week.

Mr. Lacour shared that adjustments and updates to the Budget had been made and it is balanced. He also shared the current draft Budget has no increase in AD Tax, 3% COLA for all employees; a new Police Officer at \$14.50 per hour; Increasing the Insurance Cap to \$705 per employee; very few Capital Improvements and \$10,000 for repairs to the STAC House.

Mr. Anderson reminded the Commissioners that the first Public Hearing on the Budget will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 5:01 P.M., in the Fire Department Meeting Room.

Mayor Patterson adjourned the Workshop at 5:53 P.M.


Approved this 15th day of September 2015.



James "Bo" Patterson, Mayor

9/16/2015

Date



Charlotte M. Pierce, City Clerk

9/16/15

Date