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**TOWN OF WHITE SPRINGS**

*“On the Bank of the Suwannee River”*

***MINUTES***

***Monday, September 26, 2022***

***First Tentative Budget Hearing 2022-23***

***6:30p.m.***

***Town Hall Chambers***

Call to Order: Tentative Budget 2022-23. Mayor Rivers call the meeting to order at 6:30p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mayor Rivers, Vice-Mayor J. Williams, Councilor LaRita McCallum and Councilor Mary Berry. Absent: Councilor Nicole Williams.

Mayors announced that there were copies on the back table of the tentative budget. She also stated that there had been one changed made from the prior workshops. TM George added $4500 for the position of Code Enforcement/Building Inspector, found on page 5 in the General Budget. Mayor Rivers then went line by line through the tentative budget.

TM George stated that because of the sweepstakes the town can hire 4 firemen and 2 more maintenance workers to assist in the day-to-day operations. The rates for the firemen would be $16. She also stated that the town was released from the “consent order” from the state, which is tremendous news.

Mayor Rivers asked the council how many mills would be proposed this budget year? Vice-Mayor J. Williams stated that 6 mills would be fair and reasonable. The remaining councilors stated the same. Mayor Rivers called for a motion to accept the tentative budget as printed and the millage rate proposed to go up to 6 mills. Vice-Mayor J. Williams made the motion to accept tentative budget and proposed millage rate and Councilor LaRita McCallum seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Mayor Rivers stated that the Final Budget Hearing is scheduled for Thursday, September 29th at 6:30 p.m.

Adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

**IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE TOWN COUNCIL, WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE THAT PERSON MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) PERSONS NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS SHOULD CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK’S OFFICE NOT LATER THAN THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.**

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| Town Manager, Town Clerk, or Designee |

**Vanessa George, Town Manager – Audre’ J. Ruise, Town Clerk**

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