MINUTES

North Broward Hospital District Board of Commissioners
1700 Northwest 49th Street, Suite #150, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33309

FIRST PUBLIC TAX HEARING
5:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 8, 2020

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners First Public Tax Hearing of the North Broward Hospital District was held at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, via WebEx video conference.

1. NOTICE
Official notice and agenda of this meeting is attached to the Minutes, as EXHIBIT I and EXHIBIT II, as presented for consideration of the Board.

2. CALL TO ORDER
There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Gregoire at 5:30 p.m.

3. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Stacy L. Angier.

4. BOARD MEMBERS
Commissioners Present: Commissioner Nancy W. Gregoire, Chair
Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Vice Chair
Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Secretary/Treasurer
Commissioner Christopher T. Ure
Commissioner Ray T. Berry

Senior Leadership
Additionally Present: Gino Santorio/President/Chief Executive Officer, Alan
Goldsmith/Chief Administrative Officer, Alex
Fernandez/Chief Financial Officer, Linda
Epstein/Corporate General Counsel, Jerry Del Amo/Deputy General Counsel

5. GOVERNOR’S EXECUTIVE ORDER ANNOUNCEMENT
“This tentative millage and budget meeting is being conducted through communications media technology in accordance with the Governor’s Order No. 20-69, as extended by Executive Order No. 20-179, and section 120.54(5)(b)2 of the Florida Statutes. This meeting is open to the public, and the public who are able to attend this meeting via WebEx conference platform, as well as through telephone conference call. The access information is currently posted on Broward Health’s website. All the requirements of Florida’s Sunshine Law are still in effect, including the memorialization of minutes. In addition, all of the procedural requirements of holding the public millage and budget hearings found in section 200.065, Florida Statutes, will be followed, and the

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public will be given an opportunity to ask questions and address the Board as to their concerns regarding the District’s FY21 proposed millage rate and operating budget as we proceed through this hearing.

6. **TOPIC OF DISCUSSION**

6.1. Consider approval of the 2020/2021 Millage Rate for the North Broward Hospital District – presented by Gino Santorio, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Santorio requested the Board’s consideration to approve the proposed millage rate for FY21 and noted that the millage rate adopted for FY20 was 1.0324 mills. The current rolled-back rate for FY21 was 0.9854 mills. The proposed millage rate advertised in the TRIM notice for FY21 was 1.2889 mills.

It was furthered recommended that the Board adopt 1.0324 mills as the millage rate. This would result in a 4.8% increase over the rolled-back rate. Mr. Santorio noted that the specific purposes for which ad valorem tax revenues were being increased was related to what was discussed earlier that day in the Finance Committee meeting. He reported that a very aggressive budget was put together with tough but attainable goals aimed at maintaining the highest level of quality while keeping the burden on taxpayers down. Mr. Santorio also noted that specific purposes for which ad valorem tax revenues were being modestly increased were impacted by the current medical economic environment. Mr. Santorio stated that additional information could be provided, if the Board so required.

Chair Gregoire opened the floor for public comments, in which there were none.

**MOTION** It was **moved** by Commissioner Angier, **seconded** by Commissioner Waugh, that:

The Board of Commissioners tentatively adopt the FY21 millage rate for the North Broward Hospital District at 1.0324 mills as provided in Resolution FY21-03, which you all received and should have reviewed prior to this meeting, and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 200 of the Florida Statutes.

Chair Gregoire opened the floor for discussion and public comments:

- Public Speaker 1 shared her concern regarding the proposed millage rate and thanked the Board for including the community regarding the new fiscal year budget discussion.
- Public Speaker 2 also shared her concerns and asked whether multiple tax authorities had cross-communication regarding tax rates.
Motion confirmed by roll-call vote:

YES Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Vice Chair
YES Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Secretary/Treasurer
YES Commissioner Ray T. Berry
NO Commissioner Christopher T. Ure
YES Commissioner Nancy W. Gregoire, Chair

Motion carried 4/1.

As a result of Mr. Santorio clarifying that the millage rate could only be reduced at the Final Tax Hearing and not increased, Commissioner Waugh and Commissioner Angier expressed that they wanted to recall their votes.

At this point, Ms. Epstein confirmed that because the roll call was in the majority, the motion could be recalled.

MOTION It was moved by Commissioner Angier, seconded by Commissioner Waugh, that the original motion be recalled and that:

The Board of Commissioners tentatively adopt the FY21 millage rate for the North Broward Hospital District at 1.2889 and adopt Resolution FY21-03 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 200 of the Florida Statutes.

Motion confirmed by roll-call vote:

YES Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Vice Chair
YES Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Secretary/Treasurer
NO Commissioner Ray T. Berry
YES Commissioner Christopher T. Ure
YES Commissioner Nancy W. Gregoire, Chair

Motion carried 4/1.

6.2. Consider approval of the Proposed Budget for the North Broward Hospital District – presented by Gino Santorio, President and Chief Executive Officer

Mr. Santorio noted that a line item(s) on the proposed budget needed to be revised to match the revised millage rate.

Mr. Fernandez, CFO, confirmed that two line items within the budget would be amended as follows: Increase the Non-Operating Revenue/Unrestricted Tax Revenue from $136,326 to
$171,500 and decrease Non-Operating Revenue/Other Non-Operating Revenue $(41.115m) to produce a balanced budget.

Chair Gregoire reopened the floor for public comments, in which there were none.

**MOTION** It was *moved* by Commissioner Ure, *seconded* by Commissioner Waugh:

Based upon statutory requirements and process criteria, that the Board of Commissioners approve the adjusted tentative budget for the North Broward Hospital District, including all its operations, for fiscal year 2021, beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 200 of the Florida Statutes, the District’s Charter, and other general law.

Chair Gregoire opened the floor for discussion.

Motion confirmed by roll-call vote:

- **YES** Commissioner Stacy L. Angier, Vice Chair
- **YES** Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Secretary/Treasurer
- **YES** Commissioner Ray T. Berry
- **YES** Commissioner Christopher T. Ure
- **YES** Commissioner Nancy W. Gregoire, Chair

Motion *carried* 5/0.

Chair Gregoire gave the public a final opportunity to speak, in which there were no speakers.

7. **FINAL AND SECOND TAX HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Final and Second Tax Hearing will be held on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 5:30 pm. via WebEx video conference.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** It was *moved* by Commissioner Ure, *seconded* by Commissioner Berry, that:

The Board of Commissioner of the North Broward Hospital District adjourned the Special Board of Commissioners’ First Tax Hearing.

Motion *carried* unanimously.

There being no further business on the agenda, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Commissioner Marie C. Waugh, Secretary/Treasurer

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RESOLUTION FY21-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH BROWARD HOSPITAL DISTRICT ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR BROWARD COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2021; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the North Broward Hospital District, pursuant to section 30 of section 3 of ch. 2006-347, Laws of Florida, as amended, provides for the North Broward Hospital District’s fiscal year to commence on July 1 and end June 30 of each calendar year;

WHEREAS, section 200.065, Florida Statutes requires the North Broward Hospital District to hold tentative and final millage and budget hearings to determine the respective millage and budget for the upcoming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within the District’s boundaries in Broward County has been certified by the Broward County Property Appraiser to the North Broward Hospital District as $147,059,945,791.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the North Broward Hospital District, that:

(1) The rolled-back millage rate for FY 2021 is 0.9854 based on the certification of taxable value provided to the Board of Commissioners.

(2) The FY 2021 tentative millage rate will be set at 1.2889 mills, which is a 30.8% increase over the rolled-back rate.

(3) This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Duly Adopted this 8th day of September, 2020.

Time Adopted 6:08 PM

By: Nancy Greigre 09/09/2020 16:26 EDT
Nancy Greigre, Chair
North Broward Hospital District

By: Marie Waugh 09/10/2020 08:57 EDT
Marie C. Waugh, Secretary/Treasurer
North Broward Hospital District

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