

Hernando County

Board of County Commissioners

Budget Hearing

Final Budget Hearing Minutes

September 23, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

Attendee Name Title **Brian Hawkins** Chairman

Jerry Campbell Vice Chairman

John Allocco Second Vice Chairman

Rvan Amsler Commissioner Steve Champion Commissioner

Albert Bertram Office of Management and Budget Director

Toni Bradv **Deputy County Administrator**

County Attorney Jon Jouben County Administrator Jeffrey Rogers

Nienke Osinga **Deputy Clerk** Heidi Prouse **Deputy Clerk**

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

Motion

To approve the Agenda.

RESULT: ADOPTED MOVER: Steve Champion **SECONDER:** John Allocco

Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Champion and Amsler AYE:

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Proofs of publication were noted for the Notice of Proposed Tax Increase, Budget Summary and the Notice of Public Hearing to consider adoption of the Final Budget and assessment rolls for FY 2025-26 for various Municipal Service Benefit Units.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS

Update Regarding FY 2025-26 Final Budget

Budget Director Albert Bertram announced the final millage rates (a), the rollback rates (b), and the percentage increase over the rollback rates (c), as follows: General Fund - (a) 5.8891, (b) 6.1660 and (c) -4.49%; Transportation Trust Fund - (a) 0.8091, (b) 0.7735 and (c) 4.60%; Health Unit Trust Fund - (a) 0.1054, (b) 0.1054 and (c) 0.00%; Emergency Medical Services Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) - (a) 0.9100, (b) 0.8700 and (c) 4.60%; and Stormwater Management MSTU - (a) 0.1139, (b) 0.1089 and (c) 4.59%.

There Board accepted public input pertaining to the final budget.

Comm. Campbell temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

Chairman Hawkins temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

Resolution Setting FY 2025-26 Countywide Millage Rates

Mr. Bertram announced the final millage rates as follows: General Fund - 5.8891; Transportation Trust Fund - 0.8091; and Health Unit Trust Fund - 0.1054.

Motion

To adopt Resolution No. 2025-162.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Ryan Amsler

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYE: Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Champion and Amsler

Resolution Setting FY 2025-26 Municipal Service Taxing Unit Millage Rates

Mr. Bertram announced the final millage rates as follows: Emergency Medical Services Municipal Service Taxing Unit (MSTU) - 0.9100; and Stormwater Management MSTU - 0.1139.

Motion

To adopt Resolution No. 2025-163.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Ryan Amsler

SECONDER: John Allocco

AYE: Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Champion and Amsler

Resolution Setting FY 2025-26 Non-Ad Valorem Assessments and Budgets for Municipal Service Benefit Units

The Board accepted public comment pertaining to Non-Ad Valorem Assessments and Budgets for Municipal Service Benefit Units.

Motion

To adopt Resolution No. 2025-164.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Ryan Amsler

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYE: Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Champion and Amsler

FY 2025-26 Directed Payment Program Letter of Agreement and Intergovernmental Transfers Questionnaire for Local Provider Participation Fund

Mr. Bertram announced that the Board had adopted Resolution No. 2025-111 Setting FY 2025-26 Non-Ad Valorem Assessment for Local Provider Participation Fund at the June 24, 2025, Board of County Commissioners Budget Hearing.

There was no public input.

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: John Allocco

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYE: Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Champion and Amsler

Resolution Adopting FY 2025-26 Final Budget

The Board accepted public input pertaining to the Final Budget.

Motion

To adopt Resolution No. 2025-165.

(Note: The Motion pertained to adoption of the final budget of \$993,180,713 as announced by Budget Director Albert Bertram.)

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Ryan Amsler

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYE: Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Champion and Amsler

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.