

JUNE 16, 2011

The Board of County Commissioners, Manatee County, Florida, met in SPECIAL SESSION in the Administrative Center, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, Florida, at 6:02 p.m.

Present were Commissioners:

Carol Whitmore, Chairman
John R. Chappie, First Vice-Chairman
Lawrence E. Bustle, Jr., Second Vice-Chairman
Michael Gallen, Third Vice-Chairman
Robin DiSabatino
Donna Hayes
Joe McClash

Also present were:

Ed Hunzeker, County Administrator
Susan G. Romine, Board Records Director,
representing R. B. Shore, Clerk of Circuit Court

AGENDA

Agenda of June 16, 2011.

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ANIMAL SERVICES

Ed Hunzeker, County Administrator, stated at the June 9, 2011, Work Session, Animal Services was “flagged,” which means that two Commissioners want to discuss an item in greater detail. The Commissioners wished to discuss a possible expansion of the adoption program, not reducing the funding, as the budget reflects a slight increase in funding for FY 2011-12.

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BUDGET FY 2011-12

Jim Seuffert, Financial Management Director, presented slides highlighting Property Tax Values; Countywide Millage Rates; Recommended Rates; Comparison of Taxes; Debt Service; Revenue by Source; Appropriation by Function; Staffing Summary by Department; Employees of Board of County Commissioners Per One Thousand Population; FY 2011-12 Tax Revenue Reduction; and Animal Services. Refer to www.mymanatee.org for the entire budget.

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Public Comment

Becky Canesse, Just for Girls Executive Director, requested continued support by the Board and presented their Annual Report.

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Angel Colonnese, LouNell Costas, Laurie Crawford, Animal Services Advisory Board Chairman, **Barb Keegan**, Canine Castaways volunteer, **Kristeen Ezell, Denise Deisler, Mary Lupi, Sheila Hatt, Sue Kolze**, Animal Network Vice-President, **JoAnn Swan, Aly Francey, April Larsen, Michelle Sampson**, Give Me Shelter Pet Adoption President, **Scott Clulow, M.D., Becca Whitten, Eloise Eibe**, and **Faye McNeil**, commented on the downtown dog walking services; emails from Commissioner; “No Kill” Community; kiosk in downtown adoption center; possible thrift shop; animal rescues; animals comfort someone who is ill; etc.

Discussion: Pet shelters; dog parks; budget process; no discussion regarding cutting Animal Services budget; adopt a resolution supporting “No Kill”; possible outsourcing; meeting regarding animals, June 20, 2011, Administration Building; book called “Redemption” explains the “No Kill” philosophy; misinformation to public; hotline for correct information; etc.

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Beverly Neville, representing Anna Maria Island Library, requested continued support for the libraries. In December 2012, the Library will celebrate its 30th anniversary. [BC201106016DOC002](#)

MEETING ADJOURNED

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Adj: 6:58 p.m.
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Minutes Approved: July 26, 2011