

**MINUTES
TOWN OF JUPITER ISLAND
TOWN COMMISSION 2ND BUDGET HEARING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2025**

TIME: Friday, September 19, 2025 – 5:01 PM
PLACE: Town Hall Island Room – 2 Bridge Rd., Hobe Sound, FL
PRESENT: Present were Mayor Penny Townsend, Vice Mayor Marshall Field VI, and Commissioners Anne Scott, Patricia Warner and Joseph Taddeo. Also present were Town Manager Robert Garlo (remotely), Town Clerk Kimberly Kogos, Town Attorney Thomas Baird and IT Director Bill Sutton.

AGENDA

1. Pledge of Allegiance*

Mayor Townsend called the meeting to order.

2. Open Public Hearing*

- a.** Discussion — Percentage Change in Proposed Millage Rates Over/Under the Rolled-Back Rates Necessary to Fund the FY 2025-2026 General Fund Operating Budgets

Director Pazanski began the public hearing by announcing the General Fund final FY 2025-2026 millage rate at 2.8259, with an 8.29% increase over the rolled back rate. He noted this millage will generate \$10,800,744 in budgeted Ad Valorem revenue to cover the operating and capital costs of the Town.

- b.** Discussion of the FY 2025-2026 General Fund Operating Budgets

Director Pazanski reviewed the final 2025-2026 Budget Revenues and estimated Expenditures in the amount of \$13,587,227. He also reviewed the final FY 2025-2026 Electric Debt Budget at \$802,512 with a millage rate of .2100, the final Christmas Fund Budget at \$212,000, the final Beautification Fund Budget at \$100,000, and the final Conservation Fund Budget at \$50,000.

- c.** Public Comments

Mayor Townsend opened the floor to public comments. There was no public comment.

3. Close Public Hearing*

Mayor Townsend closed the Public Hearing at 5:31pm.

4. Resolution No. 936 - Adopt Final FY 2025-2026 General Fund Millage Rates

Commissioner Warner inquired about the percentage rate increase over the rolled back rate. Director Pazanski provided clarification.

Mayor Townsend read Resolution 936 by title.

MOTION: *Commissioner Field/Commissioner Taddeo moved to approve Resolution 936 as presented.*

ACTION: *Motion Passed 5-0*

5. Resolution No. 937 - Adopt Final FY 2025-2026 General Fund Operating Budgets
Mayor Townsend read Resolution 937 by title.

MOTION: *Commissioner Field/Commissioner Taddeo moved to approve Resolution 937 as presented.*

ACTION: *Motion Passed 5-0*

6. Collective Bargaining Agreements

Director Pazanski informed the Commission that the Public Safety Department ratified the Collective Bargaining Agreements last night. He reviewed the Collective Bargaining Agreements, including the wage increases, pension changes, and overtime changes.

Commissioner Taddeo inquired about the change in retirement ages. Director Pazanski confirmed the change would be from age 65 to 50, and would be effective immediately.

- a. Resolution No. 943 - Ratification of Public Safety Dept./ Police Benevolent Assoc. Collective Bargaining Agreement - Sergeants

Mayor Townsend read Resolution 943 by title.

MOTION: *Commissioner Warner/Commissioner Taddeo moved to approve Resolution 943 as presented.*

ACTION: *Motion Passed 5-0*

- b. Resolution No. 944 - Ratification of Public Safety Dept. / Police Benevolent Assoc. Collective Bargaining Agreement - Corporals, Public Safety Officers & Dispatch

Mayor Townsend read Resolution 944 by title.

MOTION: *Commissioner Taddeo/Commissioner Field moved to approve Resolution 944 as presented.*

ACTION: *Motion Passed 5-0*

7. Development Review Board*

- a. Member Vacancy

Mayor Townsend informed the Committee that Bonnie Schiralli declined to serve on the new Development Review Board (DRB). Mayor Townsend proposed moving Alternate Member Deane Blazie to a Regular Member and adding Christina Kemper Gidwitz as an Alternate Member to the DRB. Discussion ensued among the Commission, and a consensus was reached for both requests.

8. Other Items*

Mayor Townsend provided a brief review of the Town Coffee meeting. She confirmed December 16th and 17th as Town Commission dates, noting that Commissioner Field will host the December Town Coffee.

Quorum procedures discussion for the DRB will be deferred to the October meeting. Discussion ensued among the Commission about the first meeting of the DRB. No date was confirmed.

Mayor Townsend adjourned the meeting at 5:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Kogos, Town Clerk