

**SPECIAL MEETING  
2011/2012 TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING  
LAKE HELEN CITY COMMISSION  
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
SEPTEMBER 7, 2011  
7:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

**A BUDGET MEETING** of the City Commission of the City of Lake Helen, Florida was called to order by Mayor Snowden at approximately 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Snowden, Commissioners Burton, Lane and Robbins. Commissioner Basso was absent. Also present were City Administrator Don Findell and City Clerk Nancy Wilson.

The invocation was given and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Commissioner Lane**.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

*Mayor Snowden announced a tentative millage rate of 5.9870 mils, which is a .61% decrease over the rolled back rate of 6.0237 mils.*

*Overview and discussion of FY2011-2012 Tentative Budget*

City Administrator Findell said this second draft of the budget differs from the first in that the revenues section of the General Fund Budget reflects ad valorem revenues that would be generated if the tentative millage rate proposed by the Commission (5.9870 mils) at the budget review session was adopted. This second draft estimates the departmental costs associated with implementing a 3% wage adjustment for those employees who are participants in the Florida Retirement System and who are now required by the state to contribute 3% of their wages to the Florida Retirement System. A comparison of the first draft of the FY2011/2012 budget expenses with second draft FY 2011-2012 expenses indicates that the cost of implementing an employee wage adjustment to offset the required 3% FRS contribution would be \$9,500 in the General Fund budget; \$3,750 in the Water Utility Fund budget; \$850 in the Stormwater Utility Fund budget and \$4,700 in the CAC restaurant budget.

*Consideration of Ordinance 2011-08 on first reading, establishing the millage rate for Fiscal Year 2011/2012.*

**Mayor Snowden** read the ordinance by title:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN, FLORIDA, SETTING THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN MILLAGE RATE ON AD VALOREM TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.**

The hearing was opened then closed upon receiving no audience requests for input.

**Commissioner Burton made a motion** to approve Ordinance 2011-08 on first reading.  
**Commissioner Robbins seconded**

**All zone Commissioners present and the Mayor voted yes**

*Consideration of Ordinance 2011-09 on first reading, appropriating funds for Fiscal Year 2011/2012.*

**Mayor Snowden** read the ordinance by title:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN, FLORIDA, APPROPRIATING CERTAIN SUMS OF MONIES FOR THE USES AND PURPOSES SET FORTH FOR**

**THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2011, THROUGH, AND INCLUDING, SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, (FY 2011/2012).**

The hearing was opened then closed upon receiving no audience requests for input.

**Commissioner Burton made a motion to approve Ordinance 2008-09 on first reading**

**Commissioner Lane seconded**

**All zone Commissioners present and the Mayor voted yes**

*Consideration of date for final budget hearing. The City Commission previously set the date for September 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers.*

**Commissioner Lane made a motion** to keep the previously established date of September 26, 2011 at 7:00pm for the final budget hearing.

**Commissioner Burton seconded**

**All zone Commissioners present and the Mayor voted yes**

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm**