

MINUTES OF THE FY 2026 - 2027 BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE FLORIDA, HELD AT 2775 GARRISON AVENUE, August 18, 2026, AT 11:00 A.M.

The following were present: Mayor Buzzett, Commissioners Hoffman, Kerigan, Langston and Lowry. City Manager Jim Anderson, City Clerk Charlotte Pierce, Deputy Clerk Leigh Salter, Financial Director Tiffany Giddens, Police Chief Jake Richards, Public Works Director John Grantland, Wastewater Treatment Plant Manager Riley Wolf, and Surface Water Treatment Plant Manager Larry McClamma were also present.

The purpose of the Workshop was to review the FY 2026 – 2027 Budget.

City Manager, Jim Anderson, reminded everyone of the City's First Budget Public Hearing will be held at 5:01 P.M. on Thursday, September 10, 2026. The proposed millage rate includes 0.500 increase from 3.5914 to 4.0914 as a starting point for budget development.

Mr. Anderson asked that the Commissioners check their schedules to have the Final Budget Hearing on September 22, 2026, at 5:01 P.M.

2026 / 2027 Budget

Mr. Anderson reviewed the overall budget and stated it is currently balanced using the Millage Rate of 4.0914 and no increase to Water and Sewer Rates.

Commissioner Hoffman asked for a more detailed accounting of BP and COVID Funds in the upcoming budget.

Mr. Anderson shared that after talking with Dewberry it would be better for the City to pay the mitigation fees to the FDEP than purchase mitigation coupons.

Budgeting and large ticket items for the Surface Water Plant, Public Works, and the Wastewater Plant were discussed. Impact and tap fees, gas prices, chemical costs, repair and maintenance, overtime, aging computer systems, pumps and grinder pumps have an impact on each department. Mr. McClamma also discussed the need for a tractor.

Riley Wolf asked to shift some funds in his budget for overtime, a side by side vehicle for the spray fields, pumps and pipes, lagoon maintenance, and noted he is working on possible help for odors at the headworks.

Citizens to be Heard

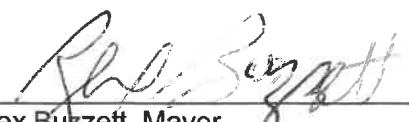
No one from the Public attended the Meeting.

Discussion Items by Commissioners

The next Budget Workshop will be held on Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 11 A.M.

There was no additional business to come before the Commission and Mayor Buzzett adjourned the meeting at 11:55 A.M.

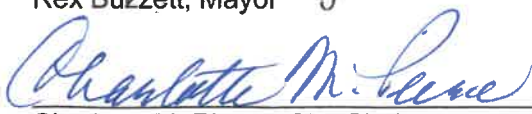
Approved this 1st day of September 2026.



Rex Buzzett, Mayor

9/1/26

Date



Charlotte M. Pierce, City Clerk

9/1/26

Date