

LAKELAND AREA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

Directors:

City of Lakeland Commissioner Glenn Higgins (Chairman)
Polk County Commissioner Sam Johnson (Vice-Chairman)
City of Lakeland Commissioner Jim Verplanck (Secretary)
Polk County Commissioner Bob English
City of Lakeland Commissioner Gow Fields

Executive Director: Danny Ours
Attorney: Ben Darby

Chairman Glenn Higgins called the August 12, 2008, Lakeland Area Mass Transit District Board of Directors Public Hearing to order at 5:04 p.m.

Roll Call. Commissioner English, Fields, Higgins, Johnson, and Verplanck were present at the time of the Roll Call. Quorum was called.

Agenda Item #1 – FY 08-09 Millage Rate

Chief Financial Officer Sheila Thompson requested approval of Resolution #08-15 – FY08-09 Millage Rate of .5000. Mr. Ben Darby briefed the Board on the voting requirements concerning majority and super majority.

Agenda Item #2 – Public Comments

Chairman Higgins opened the floor to public comments on the FY 08-09 Millage Rate. No one addressed the Board at this time. Chairman Higgins closed the floor to public comments.

Agenda Item #3 – Staff Recommendation

Commissioner Verplanck moved for approval of Resolution # 08-15 – FY 08-09 Millage Rate with a rate of .5000, which is a -6.26% change from the Aggregate Rolled Back Rate. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioner English	Yes
Commissioner Fields	Yes
Commissioner Higgins	Yes
Commissioner Johnson	Yes
Commissioner Verplanck	Yes

Agenda Item #4 – FY 08-09 Budget

Ms. Thompson presented Resolution #08-16 – FY 08-09 Budget. The Budget reflects an increase of 11% in Revenues and 9% in Operating Expenses over the FY 07-08 Budget. The Budget also reflects the approved 2% Cost of Living Adjustment and .5000 Millage Rate.

Agenda Item #2 – Public Comments

Chairman Higgins opened the floor to public comments on the FY 08-09 Budget. No one addressed the Board at this time. Chairman Higgins closed the floor to public comments.

Agenda Item #3 – Staff Recommendation

Commissioner Verplanck moved for approval of Resolution # 08-16 – FY 08-09 Budget. Commissioner Fields seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Commissioner English	Yes
Commissioner Fields	Yes
Commissioner Higgins	Yes
Commissioner Johnson	Yes
Commissioner Verplanck	Yes

Chairman Higgins adjourned the Public Hearing at 5:09 p.m.