

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
HELD ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2011
AT 5:15 P.M. IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
121 SW FLAGLER AVENUE
STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

**Mayor Jeffrey Krauskopf
Vice Mayor James Christie Jr. (ABSENT)
Commissioner Michael Mortell
Commissioner Eula R. Clarke
Commissioner Troy A. McDonald**

Also in attendance were:

**City Manager Paul J. Nicoletti
City Attorney Michael D. Durham
City Clerk Cheryl White**

Mayor Krauskopf delivered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Commission.

TENTATIVE BUDGET AND PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. City Manager – Explanation of the change in the proposed millage necessary to fund the FY 2011-2012 City's General Fund Budget, as required by The Florida Legislature.**

City Manager Nicoletti gave a brief powerpoint presentation to the public and Commission.

Dorothy Zaharako, Financial Services Director explained two items on tonight's agenda regarding the employee health insurance, and employee wellness center. She introduced Anna Marie Studley managing director of the Gehring Group.

Anna Marie Studley of the Gehring group gave a brief overview of the Employee Wellness Clinic.

- 2. General Public – Comments and questions from the general public regarding the proposed tentative budget and proposed millage rate.**
- 3. City Commission – Discussion by the City Commission and the City Manager of any questions or amendments to the proposed tentative budget.**

Mayor Krauskopf noted the comment made by Laurel Kelly regarding the decrease in Ad Valorem for next year.

City Manager Nicoletti said he would anticipate adjusting the millage if that was the case. He did not see any other way.

4. City Commission – Adoption of tentative millage rate resolution for FY 2011-2012 recomputed in light of any changes to the proposed budget.

a. RESOLUTION 72-2011 Adopting the Tentative Millage Rate for the Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORTELL: MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 72-2011

SECOND: COMMISSIONER MCDONALD

ROLL CALL

MAYOR KRAUSKOPF	YES	VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE	ABSENT
COMMISSIONER CLARKE	YES	COMMISSIONER MCDONALD	YES
COMMISSIONER MORTELL	YES		

5. City Manager – Announcement that the adopted tentative millage rate does not exceed the rolled back rate and in fact is less than the rolled back rate.

City Manager Nicoletti noted the tentative millage rate for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year shall be 4.3329 per thousand of assessed property value. The rollback rate exceeds the tentative millage rate by 8%, this is a decrease in the property tax rate as tentatively adopted.

6. City Commission – Adoption of tentative budget resolution for FY 2011-2012, including any changes made to the proposed City budget.

a. RESOLUTION 73-2011 Adopting the Tentative Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2011, and ending September 30, 2012.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORTELL: MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 73-2011

SECOND: COMMISSIONER MCDONALD

ROLL CALL

MAYOR KRAUSKOPF	YES	VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE	ABSENT
COMMISSIONER CLARKE	YES	COMMISSIONER MCDONALD	YES
COMMISSIONER MORTELL	YES		

7. City Manager – Announces the second and final public hearing on the final millage rate and the final annual budget on September 26, 2011 at 5:15 p.m.

City Manager Nicoletti announced the second and final public hearing on the final millage rate and the final annual budget is on September 26, 2011 at 5:15 p.m. here in the City Commission Chambers.

ADJOURNMENT 5:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

Cheryl White, CMC, City Clerk

Jeffrey A. Krauskopf, Mayor

**Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission
Meeting This 26th Day September 2011.**