

**NORTH BREVARD COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
OPERATING  
PARRISH MEDICAL CENTER – SPECIAL MEETING  
PUBLIC HEARING**

The Board of Directors of the North Brevard County Hospital District operating Parrish Medical Center held a special meeting and Public Hearing on September 14, 2020 at 5:01 p.m. in Conference Room 2/3/4/5, First Floor. The following members, representing a quorum, were present:

Herman A. Cole, Jr., Chairman  
Peggy Crooks (via phone)  
Elizabeth Galfo, M.D.  
Jerry Noffel  
Stan Retz, CPA  
Ashok Shah MD  
Robert L. Jordan, Jr., C.M.  
Maureen Rupe  
Billie Fitzgerald

Member(s) Absent:  
None

A copy of the attendance roster of others present during the meeting is appended to the file copy of these minutes.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Cole called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and stated that this is the first of two public hearings to establish the millage rate and budget for FY2020-2021 as required by the Laws of Florida.

**TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE**

Mr. Cole asked if there were any public comments and/or questions regarding the tentative millage rate of \$0.0000 per \$1,000 valuation. No comments or questions were presented by the public. Mr. Cole then asked for comments and/or questions from the Board of Directors regarding the millage rate of \$0.0000 per \$1,000 in valuation. No comments or questions were presented by the Members of the Board of Directors. Discussion ensued and the following motion was made by Dr. Galfo, seconded by Mr. Jordan and approved (9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions).

***ACTION TAKEN: MOTION TO APPROVE TO ADOPT THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF \$0.0000 FOR FY2020-2021.***

**Mr. Noffel raised a question as to why the District could not increase the millage rate to cover the Emergency Department deficit.**

**Mr. Retz, Dr. Shah and Ms. Crooks expressed their concern of this rate increase because proper procedures were not followed and suggested further investigation be completed. The Board could then consider the increase for the 2021/ 2022 tax next year. Discussion ensued and the following amendment to the previous motion was made. Dr. Galfo accepted the amendment to the motion. Mr. Jordan seconded the amendment to the motion. The motion failed (1 aye, 8 nays, 0 abstentions).**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION TO ESTABLISH THE MAXIMUM MILLAGE RATE INCREASE PER LAW AS IT EXISTS TODAY.**

**Discussion ensued and the following motion was made by Mr. Retz, and approved (9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions).**

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION TO ADOPT THE ORIGINAL MOTION IE TO APPROVE THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF \$0.0000 FOR FY2020-2021.**

**Mr. Bailey noted that the finance team will investigate this further to be reconsidered next year.**

### **TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FY 2020-2021**

Mr. Cole asked if there were any public comments and/or questions relative to the tentative budget for FY2020-2021 as presented. No comments or questions were presented. Mr. Cole then asked for comments and/or questions from the Board of Directors regarding the tentative budget for FY2020-2021 as presented. No comments or questions were presented by the Members of the Board of Directors. Discussion ensued and the following motion was made by Dr. Galfo, seconded by Mr. Jordan and approved (9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions).

**ACTION TAKEN: MOTION TO APPROVE TO ADOPT THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FY2020-2021 AS PRESENTED.**

### **SECOND PUBLIC HEARING**

Mr. Cole announced that the second public hearing will be held on Monday, September 28, 2019 at 5:01 p.m. by telephone conference, per the Executive Order of the Governor.

Discussion ensued and the following motion was made by Mr. Retz, and approved (9 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions).

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the public hearing adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Peggy Crooks,  
Secretary