

Ocean Highway & Port Authority

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Budget Workshop

July 30, 2019

The Ocean Highway and Port Authority of Nassau County held a Budget Workshop Tuesday, July 30, 2019 at the Ocean Highway and Port Authority Office, 86130 License Road #9, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Chairman Sturgess.

The invocation was given and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Sturgess. Roll call was conducted by Ms. Barbara Amergian. All Commissioners were present. Also in attendance was Laura DiBella, Port Director, Pierre LaPorte, Port Accountant; and Chris Ragucci, Port Operator. Jeb Branham, Port Attorney was absent from the workshop.

There was discussion regarding funding for a part time Port Director and Marketing of the Port.

Port Attorney reviewed the proposed 2019-2020 Budget. Adjustments to the 2019-2020 budget include:

Additional \$30,000 for Commissioner Salaries
Additional \$4,000 in Expenses-Office Administrator for laptop purchases for the Commissioners
Decrease to \$100 in Travel – Office Administrator.
Eliminate \$250 for GNCCC-Membership.
Decrease to \$300 for Website – hosting fees only - \$2,200 added to Salary – Office Administrator.

The draft budget as presented is currently underbudgeted by \$28,080.68. The Board asked Chis Ragucci to consider increasing the annual fee by \$30,000. Mr. Ragucci informed the Board that he can not commit to any increase due to a dry patch the Port is currently experiencing.

The workshop was adjourned at 12:21 PM.


Robert H, Sturgess, Chairman