TOWN COMMISSION TENTATIVE BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

September 8, 2026, at 6:30 PM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS - 202 E. MAIN STREET, DUNDEE, FL 33838

Phone: 863-438-8330 | www.TownofDundee.com

CALL TO ORDER at 6:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Mayor Garrison

INVOCATION provided by Michelle Thompson

RECOGNITION OF SERGEANT AT ARMS, Sgt. Eason

ORDINANCE #13-08, PUBLIC SPEAKING INSTRUCTIONS provided by Mayor Garrison

ROLL CALL taken by Town Clerk Erica Anderson

PRESENT

Mayor Joe Garrison

Vice Mayor Ray Hunt

Commissioner Julia Hunt

Commissioner Annette Wilson

Commissioner Mary Richardson

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Manager Ken Cassel

Town Attorney Markeishia Smith

Town Clerk Erica Anderson

DELEGATIONS-QUESTIONS & COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR
(Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes)

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the agenda without changes, seconded by Commissioner Richardson.

The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. DISCUSSION & ACTION, RESOLUTION 26-27 TENTATIVE MILLAGE ADOPTION

Attorney Smith read the resolution title into the record. Town Manager Cassel provided the analysis.

Resolution No. 26-27 establishes the Town's tentative operating millage rate for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 at 7.9000 mills and establishes the voted debt-service millage at zero. The Polk County Property Appraiser certified the Town's gross taxable value for operating purposes at $487,547,579.

Mayor Garrison opened the floor for public comment; seeing none, the floor was closed.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve Resolution 26-27, seconded by Commissioner Richardson.

Voting in favor: Commissioner Hunt, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Richardson, Vice Mayor Hunt, and Mayor Garrison

The motion passed unanimously.

2. DISCUSSION & ACTION, RESOLUTION 26-28 TENTATIVE BUDGET ADOPTION

Attorney Smith read the resolution title into the record. Town Manager Cassel provided the analysis.

Resolution No. 26-28 adopts the Town of Dundee's tentative budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026. The resolution states total estimated revenues and appropriations of $13,199,196 and incorporates by reference the tentative budget maintained by the Town Clerk.

Mayor Garrison opened the floor for public comment; seeing none, the floor was closed.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve Resolution 26-28, seconded by Commissioner Richardson.

Voting in favor: Commissioner Hunt, Commissioner Wilson, Commissioner Richardson, Vice Mayor Hunt, and Mayor Garrison

The motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

Polk County Sheriff's Office – No report

Dundee Fire Department –No report

Town Attorney – No report

Town Clerk – No report

Town Manager – No report

Commissioners

Commissioner Wilson – thanked everyone for coming out and announced her new initiative for public outreach and will be hosting Conversations with the Commissioner. She ended by thanking the Sheriff's Office and the residents for coming out.

Commissioner Hunt – No report

Commissioner Richardson – She announced her new initiative for public engagement to take place in October.

Vice Mayor Hunt – No report

Mayor – He met with the school board on parking. He went on to request a salary study for all employees.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Anderson

Erica Anderson, Town Clerk

APPROVAL DATE: _____

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