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- in the pipeline the homestead ballot initiative approved, we will have to come up to find a way to fill that shortfall. If at all avoidable to avoid raising taxes. I can't tell you categorically, something wont come up that justifies it. But I can tell you off elected, I don't like paying anymore than I have to as homeowner end business owner. Hand in hand, in look at how to balance budget or run board with finite amount of revenue, you have to cut spending. I want to focus there on cutting things that won't impact people in this county.
- 2) 3 priorities? Short term, the tax shortfall as a result of prop 1 is critical. The state of IRL, we are right off the river in District 2. I see it all the time, it is literally and figuratively close to home to me. We need to keep from deteriorating further. I have ideas of relatively inexpensive options available. Local company, ORCA, test nitrates, etc. federally funding but not enough to test local. We could support them and other groups to match funds in near term. No silver bullet. But near term address so not long term problem. Infrastructure is number 3. Roads and bridges in district 2. Maintenance that has to be done. Been deferred beyond the point of reason. In terms of economic development, have to have sound infrastructure in place. Parents owned art store off 434, sink hole on 434 and it ruined their business and had to close up. City knew about and didn't want to fix it and spend money in short term, at peril of the long term.
- 3) Charter cap? I don't believe it is unconstitutional. Soundly based. When it gets appealed, not everyone agrees. I believe the tax cap is constitutional.
- 4) Budget cuts? general, greater transparency on county commission. Palm Bay has their budget online. I think thats great. Disincentives pet projects, because any time shine light on budget process it cant be bad. Specific, focus on needs v wants. Anything public safety I would not cut. Includes mosquito control etc. parks and rec, I love them, but I think they can take a hit if we need to save funds. moreover, after serving on boards, I trim overhead as much as I can. Purchasing equipment cheaper than leasing, people sign without looking at aggregate cost to community. Not micromanage, but be cognizant of contracts at county level.
  - 1) Have not met with county staff yet. And don't want anyone to be in a position to sacrifice relationship with whomever may win.
- 5) Blue ribbon transportation report. Road bridges sewers are high priority for me. Other areas where we can cut without having drastic impact on community, need to be cut.
  - 1) Impact fees and additional gas tax as a general rule no, unless it will put us in bankruptcy.
- 6) Balance environment with property owners rights. I live near IRL. Unless you are in HOA you should be by and large free to do what you want with your land. But micromanagement and bureaucracy not something I am in favor of. But regulating fertilizer bans etc, that is important for everyone.
  - EELS what do the voters think? If voters agree with me, they will support me. A lot of things not implemented how they were proposed. I think CRA's in concept were great, but not the thought process behind it.
- 7) Save our lagoon tax I'm not in favor of taxing unless we ensure the money raised is going to the issue at heart. ex. Lottery funding. I have concerns along same lines with respect to lagoon tax. It passed. Is what it is. should not result in money being diverted that would have otherwise go there.

- 8) CRA's crux of it is not all CRA's are created equal. Some do good job. Others do not. Funding issues, determine how treated. All audited fully and by third party. See how they have achieved their stated goals. Those that achieving their goals continue. On other hand if squandering resources, and not meeting goals, be revamped or sunset.
- 9) EDC? With a greater degree of specificity and transparency, I would not be opposed. In its current form I could not support it. My general view with incentive grants, if we bring new business to county, have to off set costs to the benefits. Benefits of newly generated revenue from the build, instead of getting money up front. Neal disputed his understanding of how the programs work. to me the points in which they get funds is earlier than I would like. Neal it is an abatement of future taxes. They don't get cash up front. They don't get money. We should sit down and talk so you can understand how they work.
  - 1) In my line of work I work with all socioeconomics of people, and nothing wrong listening to and understanding points of view. I see this as full time work, I am not an expert of everything under the sun.
- 10) TDT crux of it is, I look at things rather than item by item. Do we have an issue with the budget. Answer is yes. Can we cut the expenses. If we can't then we look at increasing taxes and revenues. Whether it is tax on visitor or resident, it is still a form of taxation, and if it is avoidable to being mismanaged. I don't have major issue with how its being spent. I don't think catastrophic issue with how it is being used.
  - 1) I have issue with it. Disagree, with taking funds from locally and funneling through Tallahassee, they don't know our needs as well.
- 11) Path to victory over next 30 days. I declined to answer a few because I don't see my answers changing your endorsement. I am not going to give away my plan. I can tell you I know the timeline and am planning on putting \$75-100k in my account, and my plan is to spend significantly in the coming weeks to offset the name id of my opponent. If there are any allegations against me I will respond to that. A lot of direct mailers and in person activity. I don't like to delegate. In my practice, I don't use paralegals by and large. If I'm signing my name to something, I want to have drafted the whole thing. Critical judgements and strategy I want to oversee. But at this juncture I am handling myself. Local republicans helping me with decisions. In terms of my daily practice, politics does not by and large come up. I have been committee man for county REC and officer in trump club, but this is new ground for me. I am not interested in checks from businesses or individuals. Maybe from parents, I wont take it from me from anyone not related to me by blood or marriage.
- 12) Why so late? My grandmother says, "shit or get off the pot" and I was at the point I had to and I have been thinking about for a while. Crux of it is, make a subjective call, brevard county bar association in existence for 60years. I can tell you within recent memory, I am the youngest president of the group, and my age not an issue. I don't think my age in opposed to opponent not an issue. Why not in four years? I don't know whats going to be in 4 years. where I am in life financially, personally, and otherwise seemed to be a smart decision. I wanted to offer the republican voters another option in the race.

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