



SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 5:05 P.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS ABBOTT, BROCK, CARTER, PATE AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. INTERIM COUNTY MANAGER STEVE JOYNER, CLERK LINDA COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE GLASGOW WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF HADDOCK PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. ROGER HAGAN OFFERED PRAYER WITH CHAIRMAN PATE LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CHAIRMAN PATE STATED THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING WAS TO HOLD THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING TO DETERMINE THE MILLAGE RATE AND ADOPT THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012. THE PUBLIC HEARING WAS ADVERTISED VIA THE TRIM NOTICES SENT TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

CHAIRMAN PATE STATED THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012, IS 20.586 PER CENT LESS THAN THE 2010/2011 BUDGET. THE MSBU PROPOSED BUDGET IS INCLUDED IN THE TENTATIVE BUDGET AND TOTALS \$653,380. THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE IS SET FOR 8.9195 MILS WHICH IS LOWER THAN THE ROLL BACK RATE OF 9.9178. THE ROLL BACK RATE WOULD HAVE GENERATED THE SAME AMOUNT OF REVENUE AS THE 2010-2011 MILLAGE RATE OF 8.9195.

CHAIRMAN PATE ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE OF 8.9195 MILS. THERE WAS NO RESPONSE.

CHAIRMAN PATE ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE ON THE BOARD WHO HAD ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE OF 8.9195 MILS. COMMISSIONER ABBOTT SAID HE WAS PLEASED THE BOARD AGREED NOT TO RAISE THE MILLAGE RATE.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE 8.9195 MILLAGE RATE AS THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012.

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COMMISSIONER ABBOTT OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TOTTALLING \$33,073,337 AS THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2012.

COMMISSIONER CARTER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ABBOTT AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADVERTISE THE SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE TENTATIVE BUDGET AND A NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2011 AND TO HOLD THE FINAL PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 27, 2011 AT 5:05 P.M.

THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 WAS CONCLUDED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK THANKED ALL THE PEOPLE THAT WERE INVOLVED WITH THE BUDGET; ALL THE DEPARTMENT HEADS IN THE COUNTY THAT WORKED DILIGENTLY PREPARING THEIR BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED BACK TO JULY 28TH WHEN THE BOARD DECIDED TO NOT INCREASE THE MILLAGE RATE. HE THANKED THE BOARD AND ALL THE PEOPLE WHO WORKED ON THE BUDGET; THEY DID A GREAT JOB.

COMMISSIONER ABBOTT OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

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DEPUTY CLERK

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CHAIRMAN