

**WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**September 19, 2017 – Final Budget Hearing – Commission Board Room**  
**1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428**

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5
Alan Bush	Charles Kent Chairman	Tray Hawkins	Todd Abbott Vice-Chairman	Steve Joyner

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I. PROCLAMATION

- A. Call to Order – Chairman Kent
- B. Invocation/Pledge – County Administrator Massey

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners met on the above referenced date with the following members present: Chairman Kent, Commissioners Bush, Hawkins, Abbott, and Joyner.

Also attending the meeting are as follows:

Jeff Massey, County Administrator  
Clay Milton, Fuqua, Milton, & Carter  
Lora C. Bell, Clerk of Court  
Risha Brantley, Deputy Clerk

Chairman Kent - The purpose of this meeting is to hold the public hearing to adopt the final millage rate, and final budgets for the Washington County Board of Commissioners, and MSBU for fiscal year 2017 – 2018. The final hearing was advertised via the Washington County News on September 16, 2017.

II. ADOPT THE AGENDA – **Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to adopt the agenda.**

III. NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE - Effective October 1, 2013, Florida Statute 286.0114 mandates that “members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity

to be heard on a proposition before a Board or Commission.” Each individual shall have three (3) minutes to speak on the proposition before the Board.

Chairman Kent - The Washington County Board of County Commissioners rolled-back rate for budget year 2017- 2018 is 9.2235. The proposed millage rate for budget year 2017 – 2018 is 9.2235, which is equivalent to the rolled-back rate, which will generate proposed taxes of \$7,719,235.00. The percentage rate over the rolled-back rate is 0.00%.

#### IV. AGENDA ITEMS

- Final Millage Rate of 9.2235 for Fiscal Year 2017 – 2018

Clay Milton, Fuqua, Milton, & Carter read the following resolution 17-19:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida on September 19, 2017, adopted Fiscal Year Final Millage Rates following a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida held a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

**WHEREAS**, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within Washington County has been certified by the county property appraiser to the Board of County Commissioners as \$836,909,538.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida that:

1. The FY 2017-2018 operating millage rate is 9.2235, which is equal to the rolled-back rate, resulting in a 0.00% increase.
2. The voted debt service millage is 0.
3. This resolution will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**Commissioner Joyner offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bush and unanimously carried by roll call vote to adopt the final millage rate of 9.2235 via resolution 17 – 19.**

- Final BOCC Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 – 2018

Clay Milton, Fuqua, Milton, & Carter, PA read the following resolution 17-20:

BUDGET RESOLUTION NUMBER 17 – 20

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida, on September 19, 2017, held a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida, set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 in the amount of \$23,465,468.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida, that:

1. The Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Final Budget be adopted.
2. This resolution will take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried 4 to 1 by roll call vote with Commissioner Abbott opposed, to adopt the budget via resolution 17 – 20 to approve the final budget excluding the MSBU budget of \$615,500.00 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, totaling \$23,465,468.00.**

- Final MSBU Budget for Fiscal Year 2017 -2018

Clay Milton, Fuqua, Milton, & Carter, PA read the following: HEADING FOR  
RESOLUTION 17 - 21

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA  
RELATING TO THE SUNNY HILLS/OAK HILLS MUNICIPAL  
SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE  
FINDINGS; PROVIDING THE SERVICES TO BE FUNDED  
WITH THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; ESTABLISHING THE  
RATE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR  
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017, PROVIDING FOR  
SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Commissioner Hawkins offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and unanimously carried by roll call vote to approve the final MSBU budget for fiscal year 2017- 2018 via resolution 17 – 21.**

- V. ADJOURN – **Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to adjourn.**

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Deputy Clerk Brantley

Date Board Approved