

MINUTES OF THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 COUNTY-WIDE BUDGET
HELD SEPTEMBER 23, 2010
BOARD CHAMBERS, FIRST FLOOR, ESCAMBIA COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX
221 PALAFOX PLACE, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
(5:03 p.m. – 5:51 p.m.)

Present: Commissioner Grover C. Robinson, IV, Chairman, District 4
Commissioner Kevin W. White, Vice Chairman, District 5
Commissioner Wilson B. Robertson, District 1
Commissioner Gene M. Valentino, District 2
Commissioner Marie K. Young, District 3
Mrs. Lisa N. Bernau, Chief Deputy Clerk, representing the
Honorable Ernie Lee Magaha, Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller
Mr. Larry M. Newsom, Interim County Administrator
Mrs. Alison Rogers, County Attorney
Mrs. Patricia L. Sheldon, Clerk and Comptroller's Administrator of Financial Services
Mrs. Doris Harris, Deputy Clerk to the Board
Mrs. Judy H. Witterstaeter, Administrative Assistant, County Administrator's Office

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1-2. Call to Order/Purpose of Meeting/Procedures for Addressing the Board

Chairman Robinson called the Second Budget Public Hearing to order at 5:03 p.m.

3. Confirmation of Public Notice

The Board was advised by Patricia L. Sheldon, Clerk & Comptroller's Administrator of Financial Services, that the 5:01 p.m. Public Hearing for consideration of the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 was advertised in the Pensacola News Journal on September 18, 2010, in the *Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule September 20 – September 24, 2010 – Legal No. 1487117*, and the *Notice of Budget Hearing, Legal No. 1487773*, and the *Budget Summary County of Escambia – Fiscal Year 2010/11, Legal No. 1487774*, were advertised in the Pensacola News Journal on September 21, 2010.

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4. 5:01 p.m. Public Hearing

A. Presentation of Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011

The Board was advised by Judy H. Witterstaeter, Administrative Assistant, County Administrator's Office, as follows:

- (1) This is the second of two required Public Hearings for the Board to adopt the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget;
- (2) At its first Public Hearing held September 9, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners adopted the Tentative Millage Rates and Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011; the law requires that prior to consideration of the Final Budget, an explanation of the "Rolled Back Rate" be provided and entered into the records; the "Rolled Back Rate" is a computed millage rate that would generate the same amount of ad valorem tax dollars as the prior Fiscal Year, based on the proposed Year's tax roll, excluding new construction;
- (3) The millage rates tentatively approved by the Board on September 9, 2010, are 6.9755 mills for the Countywide millage rate and .6850 mill for the Sheriff's Law Enforcement MSTU (*Municipal Services Taxing Unit*); the aggregate of these millage rates proposed for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 is 5.62% below the "Rolled Back Rate" certified by the Property Appraiser; this represents the percentage decrease in property taxes tentatively adopted by the Board;
- (4) Staff has recommended one amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Tentative Budget; this amendment, for a decrease of \$291,478, is for recommended adjustments to the Tentative Budget; and
- (5) The revised Budget will result in a balanced unified Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 of \$377,317,198, which is 2.67% more than the adopted Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Budget of \$367,489,211.

B. Public Forum (Speakers)

Jim Von Lorenz
David Bear
George Hawthorne
Jim Hizer

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C. Adoption of the Final Millage Resolution

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, adopting the *(Final)* Millage Resolution (*R2010-177*), as presented in the agenda backup, of 6.9755 mills for the Countywide millage rate and .6850 mills for the Sheriff's Law Enforcement MSTU (*Municipal Services Taxing Unit*) for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

D. Adoption of Resolution Amending Final Budget

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, adopting the Resolution (*R2010-179*) approving Supplemental Budget Amendment, Budget Adjustment, amending the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Tentative Budget, in the amount of (\$291,478), for the following funds:

- General Fund (001)
- Escambia County Restricted Fund (101)
- Economic Development Fund (102)
- Mass Transit Fund (104)
- Tourist Development Fund (108)
- Other Grants and Projects Fund (110)
- Fire Protection Fund (143)
- E911 Operations Fund (145)
- Transportation Trust Fund (175)
- MSBU Assessment Fund (177)
- Solid Waste Fund (401)
- Internal Service Fund (501)

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E. Adoption of the Final Budget Resolution

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried 4-1, with Commissioner Robinson voting "no," adopting the Final Budget Resolution (R2010-178) of \$377,317,198, for Fiscal Year 2010-2011, with the changes made regarding the Escambia County Health Facilities Authority, with the help of the Sheriff's Department (*the Health Facilities Authority rejected the request for \$200,000 funding for Escambia Community Clinic and the Sheriff has agreed to allocate \$150,000 from his fuel budget and return \$50,000 to the County at the end of Fiscal Year 2009-2010 to fund the Escambia Community Clinic*).

ACE Funding

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, approving to restore the funding for ACE (*Arts, Culture and Entertainment, Inc.*) to the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 level of \$150,000, as requested by David Bear (*with the increase difference to be funded from the 4th Cent Tourist Development Tax reserves*).

5. Adoption of SRIA Annual Budget

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, approving the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Annual Budget for the Santa Rosa Island Authority.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Robinson declared the Second Budget Public Hearing of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

Ernie Lee Magaha
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

By: _____
Grover C. Robinson, IV, Chairman

Deputy Clerk



Approved: October 7, 2010