

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

September 28, 2020
Gov. Charley E. Johns Conference Center
1610 N. Temple Avenue
Starke, FL 32091

**IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC
(Due to COVID-19)**



Public Hearing
Adoption of Final Millage Rate and Budget for
FY2020-2021
5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner District 3 Chairman Chris Dougherty
Commissioner District 2 Vice-Chairman Kenny Thompson
Commissioner District 1 Commissioner Ross Chandler
Commissioner District 4 Commissioner Danny Riddick
Commissioner District 5 Chairman Frank Durrance

ALSO PRESENT: Rachel Rhoden, County Manager; Will Sexton, County Attorney; Alyssa Winston, Administrative Assistant; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Dana LaFollette, Accountant, Finance Department, Ian Waters, I.T. Manager; Ben Carter, Fire Division Chief.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Dougherty called the public hearing to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. FINAL MILLAGE RATE—Jim Farrell, Finance Director:

Mr. Farrell announced that a final millage rate of 9.1104 mills is broken down as follows:

GENERAL FUND	6.8664 mills
FINES & FORFEITURE FUND	2.0000 mills
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND	0.1647 mills
HEALTH DEPARTMENT TAXES	0.0793 mills

9.1104 mills needed to fund the budget is greater than the rolled-back rate of 8.7573 mills by a margin of 4.03%. 9.1104 mills is expected to generate ad-valorem tax revenue of approximately \$9,197,195.00; an increase from the prior year of \$444,026.00, due to an increase in property values.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE: None.

3. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS ON THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE: None.

4. RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINAL MILLAGE RATE OF 9.1104 MILLS FOR FY2020-2021—Will Sexton:

Mr. Sexton presented the resolution for consideration, reading it by title.

*Commissioner Riddick **MOVED to approve the resolution as read.** Vice-Chairman Thompson **SECONDED the motion.***

Chairman Dougherty performed a roll-call vote:

Commissioner Chandler: Aye

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Aye

Commissioner Durrance: Aye

Commissioner Riddick: Aye

Chairman Dougherty: Aye

THE MOTION CARRIED 5-0. ([Resolution No. 2020-41](#))

5. FINAL BUDGET—Jim Farrell, Finance Director:

Mr. Farrell announced that the total operating tentative budget, including inter-fund transfers and bond reserves is \$54,741,004.00

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE FINAL BUDGET: None.

7. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS ON THE FINAL BUDGET: None.

8. RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET OF \$54,741,004.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021—Will Sexton:

Mr. Sexton presented the resolution for consideration, reading it by title.

*Vice-Chairman Thompson **MOVED to approve the resolution as read.** Commissioner Durrance **SECONDED the motion.***

Chairman Dougherty performed a roll-call vote:

Commissioner Chandler: Aye

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Aye

Commissioner Durrance: Aye

Commissioner Riddick: Aye

Chairman Dougherty: Aye

MOTION CARRIED 5-0. ([Resolution No. 2020-42](#))

(09-28-2020 Final Hearing)

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the public hearing was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Minutes approved by BoCC at the Regular Scheduled Meeting of 11-02-2020.