

**JULY 21, 2014**

**JASPER, FLORIDA**

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in special session on Tuesday, July 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Josh Smith, Robert Brown, Buster Oxendine, Randy Ogburn. Commissioner Beth Burnam was absent. Also present was County Auditor Ken Daniels, Finance Director Ruth Allen, County Coordinator Louie Goodin, County Attorney John McCormick and Attorney Cliff Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Josh Smith.

The following business was transacted:

**COUNTY TRANSPORTATION**

The Board discussed the Road Department Wage Study as presented by County Coordinator Louie Goodin.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to adopt the Road Department Wage Study after the changes as of October 1, 2014. Second was made by Commissioner Oxendine, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to make the following changes:
  1. Reduce Equipment (Used Grader / Sloper, Pick-up Truck and Genie Manlift) for a total of \$214,021.
  2. Agree to let bids for a new grader and a Rockland Sloper.
  3. Add an additional \$5,000 to the Rental Equipment line.

Second was made by Commissioner Oxendine, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Commissioner Oxendine to make the following changes:
  1. Reduce EMS Grant Expense / Income by \$17,250.
  2. Reduce Meridian by \$42,751.00.
  3. Reduce Landfill Equipment (4WD Truck) by \$25,000.
  4. Reduce Intermedix expense line from \$60,000 to \$45,000.
  5. Increase Annex Rent income to \$2,000.
  6. Delete North Florida Professional Services Contract amount of \$12,000.
  7. Reduce Jasper Police Dept. Animal Control truck in the amount of \$15,000.
  8. Reduce SVTA from \$25,768 to \$12,884.

9. Reduce Water Plant Operator fees by \$24,795.
10. Delete Enterprise Zone dues in the amount of \$4,500.

Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

- Motion by Commissioner Oxendine to make the following changes:
  1. Purchase a Pick-up Truck for the Road Department in the amount of \$25,696 and to move the existing Pick-up to the Recreation Department for their use.
  2. Purchase a 1200A Bunker/Field Rake for the Road Department.
  3. Purchase a Grass Hopper Zero Turn mower for the Road Department.

Second was made by Commissioner Ogburn, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

#### **SETTING OF MILLAGE RATE**

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to set the millage rate for the Board of County Commissioners at 10.00 mills for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. Second was made by Commissioner Oxendine, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

#### **PILOT TRAVEL CENTER RESOLUTION**

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to declare an emergency and approve the Resolution for the Pilot Travel Center based on the recommendation of legal staff. Second was made by Commissioner Oxendine, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. McCormick presented the Board with information from Attorney Robert Nabors regarding the scope of services for drafting a grant agreement and implementation of home rule tax increment for economic development initiatives for consideration by the Board.

The Board also discussed the North Florida Economic Development Partnership dues for the next fiscal year and agreed by unanimous consent to request that the Development Authority pay the dues.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Chairman Smith announced that the next Budget Workshop will be held on Tuesday, August 5, 2014 at 1:30 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting recessed at 10:16 p.m.

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JOSH SMITH, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

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GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

