

**FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING**  
**FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX**  
**SEPTEMBER 3, 2014**  
**5:15 PM**

**MINUTES**

**Commissioners Present:** Cheryl Sanders – Chairman, William Massey – Vice Chairman, Pinki Jackel, Noah Lockley, and Joseph Parrish

**Others Present:** Marcia Johnson – Clerk of Courts, Linda Phillips – Finance Director, Erin Griffith – Assistant Finance Director, Alan Pierce – Director of Administrative Services, Michael Morón – Deputy Clerk to the Board

**Call to Order (5:17 PM)**

Chairman Sanders called the Public Hearing to Order

**Public Hearing**

Ms. Griffith read a statement with budget information and the requirements for today's public hearing.

Commissioner Jackel and Mr. Pierce discussed the possible move of the Carrabelle Annex Office to a new location.

Mr. James Harris, Tax Collector, discussed some of the expenses associated with this possible move.

Chairman Sanders commented on the move and thanked Mrs. Skipper, the Property Appraiser, for suggesting that the County consider purchasing the Superior Bank building.

Mr. Pierce provided additional information on this matter.

Chairman Sanders opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Harris asked the Board to assume the maintenance of a computer server that he shares with the Property Appraiser's office so that he can meet the 2% reduction in his budget.

Mrs. Skipper stated that she needs her share of the server maintenance funds to stay in her budget which would allow her to upgrade outdated computers in her office.

Commissioner Lockley stated that because of the 2% reduction in everyone's budget, the Board will probably get these types of requests throughout the next budget year.

**Motion by Jackel, seconded by Massey, to fund the maintenance cost of \$13,608 for the shared server from General Funds, removing that cost from the Tax Collector and Property Appraiser budgets, and allow the Property Appraiser to keep her portion of that cost in her budget to upgrade computers in her office; Motion carried 5-0.**

There were no further comments from the floor.

Mrs. Griffith read the following Resolution adopting the Tentative Millage Rate.

**RESOLUTION  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING TENTATIVE MILLAGE LEVY**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN  
COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE LEVY FOR FRANKLIN  
COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 – 2015**

*WHEREAS, the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Franklin County, Florida, on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014, adopted Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Tentative Millage Rate following a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065; and*

*WHEREAS, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within Franklin County has been certified by the County Property Appraiser to the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AS \$1,650,473,326.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Franklin County, Florida that:*

*The Fiscal Year 2014-2015 tentatively adopted operating millage rate for Franklin County is 6.4296 mills which is equal to the rolled-back rate of 6.4296 mills.*

*DULY ADOPTED at a public hearing this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2014.  
Time adopted 5:43 PM*

Commissioner Jackel, Mrs. Griffith, and Mr. Pierce discussed if the \$48,455 surplus will remain in the budget or be removed.

**Motion by Lockley/ to allocate the surplus \$48,455 to the county employees as a raise;  
Motion failed for lack of a second.**

**Motion by Jackel, seconded by Massey, to adopt the Resolution as read by Mrs. Griffith  
adopting the Tentative Millage rate of 6.4296 mills; Motion carried 4-1, Lockley opposed.**

Mrs. Griffith read the following Resolution adopting the Tentative Budget.

**RESOLUTION  
FRANKLIN COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING TENTATIVE BUDGET**

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida has determined the amount of funds required for a Tentative Budget for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and has held a public hearing as required by Florida Statute 200.065, and*

*WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida, has set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 in the amount of \$46,908,884.00.*

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

- 1. The Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Tentative Budget be adopted.*
- 2. That copies of this Resolution containing the Tentative Budget be spread upon the records of Franklin County, Florida.*

*This Resolution **duly adopted** at a public hearing this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2014.  
Time adopted 5:45 PM*

**Motion by Jackel, seconded by Massey, to adopt the Resolution as read by Mrs. Griffith  
adopting the Tentative Budget \$46,908,844; Motion carried 4-1, Lockley opposed.**

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, Chairman Sanders adjourned the Public Hearing.

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William Massey, Chairman – FCBOCC

Attest:

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Marcia M. Johnson, Clerk of Courts