

The Brooks County Board of Commissioners met for a Special Called Meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room located at the Brooks County Office Building. Commissioners present were: Mr. James Maxwell, Chairman; Mr. Patrick Folsom, Vice Chairman; Mr. Willie Cody; and Ms. Myra Exum. Mr. Rhett Rowe was not present. Others present were: Ms. Jessica McKinney; Administrator; and Ms. Patricia Williams; County Clerk; and County Attorney, Mr. James Burchett.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING – Chairman called meeting to order.

1. Millage Rate – Tax Commissioner provided millage rates to the Board to consider. The gross total revenue to be levied (before rollback) \$7,471,887. The net millage rate for incorporated would be 15.413; which would be a .926 increase; and for unincorporated is 13.743; which would be an increase of .448. This would create a difference of 1.374 millage rate increase. Tax Commissioner presented other options for the Board to for consideration. After lengthy discussion, the Board tabled setting the millage rate until Monday, July 29th, when the FY2019-2020 budget is complete, on a motion by Ms. Exum; seconded by Mr. Folsom. Vote was unanimous.

2. General Obligation Bonds (GO Bonds) v. Local Bank Lending – Board discussed GO Bonds v. Local Bank Lending. Acquiring a GO Bond would require travelling to Atlanta. Local banks lending would be similar to GO Bonds. Board authorized Administrator to get with local banks and see what they can offer; and get back with the Board.

3. Approval on Capital Expenditures

- Vehicle for Road Department – the vehicle for Road Supervisor was placed in the current budget; but has not been approved. The vehicle amount has increased by \$1,500; the cost now is \$47,488. This item was tabled on the motion by Ms. Exum; seconded by Mr. Cody. Vote was unanimous.
- County Administrator Vehicle – Administrator has inquired with dealerships regarding a vehicle; and found one in the price range in Vidalia, GA. The vehicle is a 2019 Ford Explorer has 16,000 miles, warranty; and will deliver for free. Original price was \$36,392; but reduced to \$35,500. The Board unanimously tabled this item until the budget is finalized on the motion by Ms. Exum; seconded by Mr. Cody.

4. Property/Facility Use Agreement – Administrator presented the Agreement to the Board for review regarding the deposit. After discussion, the Board tabled this item, authorized Administrator to get with County Attorney; make changes; rewrite and present to the Board; on the motion by Mr. Folsom; and seconded by Mr. Cody. Vote was unanimous.

Adjournment

Ms. Exum made the motion to adjourn special called at 7:05 p.m.; Mr. Folsom seconded.

Ms. James Maxwell, Chairman
Ms. Jessica McKinney, Administrator
Ms. Patricia A. Williams, County Clerk