

PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

SEPTEMBER 20, 2010

FINAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in special session with the following members present: Chairman Carmen L. McLemore, Vice Chairman Warren J. Yeager, Jr., and Commissioners Billy E. Traylor, Bill Williams and Nathan Peters, Jr.

Others present were: County Attorney Tim McFarland, Clerk Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk Finance Officer Carla Hand, Deputy Clerk Kari Summers, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier, Building Official Lee Collinsworth, E9-1-1 Coordinator Ben Guthrie, Grant Writer Towan Kopinsky, Gulf County Extension Agent Roy Lee Carter, Mosquito Control Director Mark Cothran, Planner David Richardson, Solid Waste Director Joe Danford, Sheriff Joe Nugent, Sheriff's Office Major Bobby Plair, and Veteran's Service Officer James Kennedy.

Chairman McLemore called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m., E.T.

2010-2011 PROPOSED BUDGET

Upon request by Chairman McLemore, Clerk Norris made the following report to the Board:

1. The proposed Aggregate millage rate based on the tentative budget changes is 6.0730, which does not include the Current Millage Levy for Voted Debt Service for the Gulf and Interior M.S.T.U.'s, stating that this is a 22.13% decrease below the current 2009-10 Aggregate Rolled Back Rate of 7.7988, and this is \$2,668,009 less in Ad Valorem taxes.
2. The County-wide Tentative Millage Rate is 5.7679. Clerk Norris reported that the millage rate adopted requires the majority vote of the Board (3 of 5), and compliance with the voting requirements will be measured by the vote on final adoption of the levy of the millage.
3. The General Fund Cash Carry Forward amount is \$7,194,771 (\$5,668,718 unrestricted and \$1,526,053 restricted cash), stating that this is budgeted as a source of funds in the General Fund Budget.
4. The St. Joseph Fire Control tentative millage is .4000 mils, and the Tupelo Fire Control, Howard Creek Fire Control, Overstreet Fire Control districts are .5000 mils each, which require a majority vote of the Board (3 of 5).

5. The Voted M.S.T.U. Debt Service rates are 9.5747 mills for Gulf Front, and 4.2978 mills for Gulf Interior, stating that the Voted Debt Millage rates are not subject to the rolled back rate limitations.

RESOLUTION #2010-27 / CASH CARRY FORWARD – GENERAL FUND & MOSQUITO CONTROL FUNDS

Upon presentation by Clerk Norris, Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt a resolution to carry forward unspent 2009-2010 funds for Public Works and E.M.S. in the General Fund, and for additional grant revenue in the Mosquito Control Fund. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-27

WHEREAS, the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, anticipates additional cash carry forward in the General Fund and additional state aid revenue in the Mosquito Control Fund for the 2010-2011 fiscal year that was not included in the tentative budget; and

WHEREAS, said additional revenue will be used for General Fund and Mosquito Control Fund expenditures in fiscal year 2010-2011;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the 2010-2011 tentative budget be increased as follows:

GENERAL FUND (INCLUDES PUBLIC WORKS)

REVENUE:

Balance Brought Forward/Cash:

104398-99000 Balance Brt Forward: Cash- Public Works	\$ 100,000.00
00198-99000 Balance Brt Forward: Cash- EMS	\$ 3,812.00

EXPENDITURES:

PUBLIC WORKS:

Financial & Administrative:

281513-64001 Equipment > \$5,000	\$ 15,000.00
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Fleet Maintenance:

28151912-12000 Salaries	\$ 42,500.00
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Road & Street Facilities:

281541-12000 Salaries	\$ 42,500.00
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EMS:

Gulf EMS:

51626-64000	\$ 3,812.00
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MOSQUITO CONTROL FUND

REVENUE:

10334-61000 State Aid	\$ 18,742.00
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EXPENDITURES:

42362-64000 Equipment \$ 18,742.00

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners, this the 20th day of September, 2010.

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-28 / GENERAL FUND – E.M.S.

Upon presentation by Clerk Norris, Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt a resolution for additional E.M.S. revenue in the General Fund for 2010-11. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-28

WHEREAS, the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, anticipates additional EMS revenue in the General Fund for the 2010-2011 fiscal year that was not included in the tentative budget; and

WHEREAS, said additional revenue will be used for Gulf and Wewahitchka EMS expenditures in fiscal year 2010-2011;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the 2010-2011 tentative budget be increased as follows:

GENERAL FUND

REVENUE:

Charge for Services:

00142-60000 Ambulance Fees-PSJ \$ 28,634.00

00142-60001 Ambulance Fees-Wewa \$ 56,535.00

Less 5%:

00197-98000 Less 5% \$ (4,259.00)

EXPENDITURES:

EMS Department - Wewahitchka:

In agreement with EMS Budget Proposal #2 \$ 53,708.00

EMS Department – Gulf:

In agreement with EMS Budget Proposal #2 \$ 27,202.00

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED by the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners, this the 20th day of September, 2010.

(End)

A.C.F. STAKEHOLDERS

Chairman McLemore discussed that the A.C.F. Stakeholders have done a great job, but the County does not have available funds at this time to donate the \$5,000.00 requested by David McClain. Commissioner Williams discussed the possibility of locating the funds in other line items later in the year. Commissioner Yeager discussed the possibility of in-kind services.

Chairman McLemore called for public comment. There was no public comment.

RESOLUTION #2010-29 – COUNTY-WIDE MILLAGE RATE

Clerk Norris reported that the current County-wide Millage Rate is 5.7679, and the Aggregate Millage Rate is 6.0730 which are 22.13% less than the current year Aggregate Rolled-Back of 7.7988. Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt the proposed resolution. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-29

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida on this date intends to adopt a Resolution setting forth the budget for the fiscal year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, for proper funding of said budget, it is necessary to levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable property within the County;

WHEREAS, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation with Gulf County has been certified by the County Property Appraiser to the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County as \$1,560,496,835.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt a millage rate of 5.7679 mills (General Fund / 5.7679) to be levied County-Wide upon the taxable property within Gulf County, Florida, to be levied against the 2010 property rolls.

That the Current Year Aggregate Millage Rate of 6.0730 mills is 22.13 percent less than the Current Year Aggregate Rolled-Back Rate of 7.7988.

That copies of this Resolution be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010 by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-30 / COUNTY-WIDE BUDGET

Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting the County-Wide budget for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-30

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, after due consideration for the needs of the people of said County, has ascertained the amount of funds required for a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and held public hearings allowing all citizens a chance to be heard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt the budget as contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as the official budget for the fiscal year 2010-2011.

That copies of this Resolution containing said budget be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010 by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-31 / ST. JOSEPH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT MILLAGE RATE

Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting a millage rate of .4000 for the St. Joseph Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-31

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida on this date intends to adopt a Resolution setting forth the budget for the St. Joseph Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, for the proper funding of said budget, it is necessary to levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable property within the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt a millage rate of .4000 for the St. Joseph Dependent Special Fire District.

That copies of this Resolution be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-32 / ST. JOSEPH FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT BUDGET

Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting the budget for the St. Joseph Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-32

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, after due consideration for the needs of the people of said County, has ascertained the amount of funds required for a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and has held public hearings allowing all citizens a chance to be heard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, does hereby adopt the budget as contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as the official budget for the St. Joseph Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011.

That copies of this Resolution containing said budgets be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-33 / TUPELO FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT MILLAGE RATE

Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting a millage rate of .5000 for the Tupelo Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-33

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida on this date intends to adopt a Resolution setting forth the budget for the Tupelo Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, for the proper funding of said budget, it is necessary to levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable property within the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt a millage rate of .5000 for the Tupelo Dependent Special Fire District.

That copies of this Resolution be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-34 / TUPELO FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT BUDGET

Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting the budget for the Tupelo Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-34

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, after due consideration for the needs of the people of said County, has ascertained the amount of funds required for a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and has held public hearings allowing all citizens a chance to be heard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, does hereby adopt the budget as contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as the official budget for the Tupelo Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011.

That copies of this Resolution containing said budgets be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-35 / OVERSTREET FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT MILLAGE RATE

Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting a millage rate of .5000 for the Overstreet Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-35

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida on this date intends to adopt a Resolution setting forth the budget for the Overstreet Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, for the proper funding of said budget, it is necessary to levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable property within the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt a millage rate of .5000 for the Overstreet Dependent Special Fire District.

That copies of this Resolution be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-36 / OVERSTREET FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT BUDGET

Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting the budget for the Overstreet Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-36

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, after due consideration for the needs of the people of said County, has ascertained the amount of funds required for a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and has held public hearings allowing all citizens a chance to be heard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, does hereby adopt the budget as contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as the official budget for the Overstreet Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011.

That copies of this Resolution containing said budgets be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-37 / HOWARD CREEK FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT MILLAGE RATE

Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting a millage rate of .5000 for the Howard Creek Fire Control District for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-37

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida on this date intends to adopt a Resolution setting forth the budget for the Howard Creek Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, for the proper funding of said budget, it is necessary to levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable property within the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt a millage rate of .5000 for the Howard Creek Dependent Special Fire District.

That copies of this Resolution be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-38 / HOWARD CREEK FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT BUDGET

Commissioner Traylor motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting the budget for the Howard Creek Fire Control District for fiscal year 201-11. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously, as follows: Commissioner Peters voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, and Chairman McLemore voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-38

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, after due consideration for the needs of the people of said County, has ascertained the amount of funds required for a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and has held public hearings allowing all citizens a chance to be heard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, does hereby adopt the budget as contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as the official budget for the Howard Creek Dependent Special Fire District for the fiscal year 2010-2011.

That copies of this Resolution containing said budgets be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 5 Commissioners voting "yes" and 0 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

**RESOLUTION #2010-39 / MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNITS (M.S.T.U.)
MILLAGE RATES**

Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting millage rates of 9.5747 (Gulf Front) and 4.2978 (Gulf Front Interior) for the M.S.T.U.s for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed 4 to 1 as follows: Commissioner Traylor voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, Chairman McLemore voted yes, and Commissioner Peters voted no.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-39

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida on this date intends to adopt a Resolution setting forth the budget for the Municipal Service Taxing Units for fiscal year 2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, for proper funding of said budget, it is necessary to levy an ad valorem tax upon the taxable property within the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida does hereby adopt the following **voted debt service** millage rates for the Municipal Service Taxing Units:

Cape San Blas Gulfside	9.5747
Cape San Blas Gulfside Interior	4.2978

That copies of this Resolution be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010 by 4 Commissioners voting "yes" and 1 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

RESOLUTION #2010-40 / MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNITS (M.S.T.U.) BUDGET

Commissioner Yeager motioned to adopt the following resolution adopting the budget for the Gulf Front and Gulf Front Interior M.S.T.U. for fiscal year 2010-11. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed 4 to 1 as follows: Vice Chairman Yeager voted yes, Chairman McLemore voted yes, Commissioner Williams voted yes, Commissioner Traylor voted yes, and Commissioner Peters voted no.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-40

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, after due consideration for the needs of the people of said County, has ascertained the amount of funds required for a budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has given due notice as required by law, and has held public hearings allowing all citizens a chance to be heard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

The Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida, does hereby adopt the budgets as contained in Exhibit "A" attached hereto as the official budgets for the Municipal Service Taxing Units for the fiscal year 2010-2011.

That copies of this Resolution containing said budgets be spread upon the public records of Gulf County, Florida.

THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTED this the 20th day of September, 2010, by 4 Commissioners voting "yes" and 1 Commissioners voting "no".

(End)

Chairman McLemore called for public comment. There was no public comment.

There being no further business, and upon motion by Commissioner Yeager, the meeting did then adjourn at 5:15 p.m., E.T.

**CARMEN L. MCLEMORE
CHAIRMAN**

ATTEST:

**REBECCA L. NORRIS
CLERK**