

BUDGET WORKSHOP

JULY 13, 1988

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, met in a workshop session to discuss the proposed 1988-89 budget on July 13, 1988, at 9:00 A.M.

The following Board Members were present: Chairman Joe R. Griffin, Vice-Chairman Sam Pridgen, Commissioner W.F. Miles, Commissioner Robert G. Fleet, and Commissioner Edward D. Armbruster. The County's Administrative Supervisor, Mr. Ronnie Bell, was also present.

Chairman Griffin opened the workshop by beginning discussion on the proposed General Revenue portion of the budget. The County Commissioners' salaries were increased by state legislature. Under the heading, "other salaries and wages" under General Government Services, \$40,000.00 was removed and placed in the "contingencies" fund in anticipation of several lawsuits the County will be faced with during the new budget year.

The Board continued to review all budget proposals from the various departments within the General Revenue portion. The following department heads were asked to appear before the Board to justify their requested budget increases: Mr. William Fountain, Property Appraiser; Mrs. Catherine King, Clerk of Courts and County Comptroller; Mr. Clyde Wells, Circuit Court Judge; Mrs. Nellie Thompson, Supervisor of Elections; Mr. Phil MacMillian, Veteran's Services Officer; Dr. Howard Currie, Walton County Health Department; Mr. Freddie Baker, Council on Aging; Mr. Mack Baker, Farmers Home Administration; Mr. Bruce Ward, Agriculture Agent; and Mr. Dec Currie, Purchasing Department.

Other changes within the proposed General Revenue budget were the combining of all four Ambulance Services - DeFuniak, Freeport, South Walton, and Paxton; and the combining of the Walton-DeFuniak Library and Coastal Branch Library.

The Board requested Mrs. Martha Walden, Deputy Clerk, to figure a 3% pay increase across the board for all employees who are paid out of the General Revenue budget.

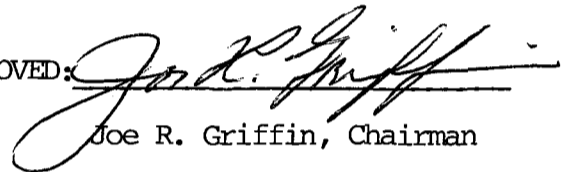
The County Transportation Trust Fund was reviewed and no changes were discussed.

The Board agreed to ask Mr. Quinn MacMillian, Sheriff, to appear before the Board to review his budget with them.

There was further discussion regarding the Debt Service Fund, Mosquito Control State Fund, Capital Project Fund, Section 8 Housing Fund, Tourist Development Tax Fund, and the North Walton Mosquito Control Fund. No changes were discussed.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Miles, to adjourn the budget workshop until 9:00 A.M. tomorrow morning, July 14, 1988. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Armbruster Aye, Fleet Aye, Miles Aye, Pridgen Aye, Griffin Aye.

APPROVED:


Joe R. Griffin, Chairman

ATTEST:


Catherine King, Clerk