

BUDGET WORKSHOP

July 23, 1984 and August 2, 1984

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida met in a Budget Workshop on July 23, 1984, at 9:00 A.M.

The following Board Members were present: Chairman Sam Pridgen, Vice-Chairman Bob Anderson, Commissioner W. F. Miles, Commissioner Derward Owens, and Commissioner W. L. "Billy" McLean.

Chairman Pridgen called the meeting to order.

Ms. Judy Pena, Director of the C.O.P.E. Center, appeared before the Board to present a budget request in the amount of \$45,951.00 for the operation of the C.O.P.E. Center. The Board tentatively placed \$45,951.00 in the budget for the C.O.P.E. Center.

Motion by Commissioner McLean, second by Commissioner Anderson, to approve tentatively the following budget requests:

Sheriff's Department	\$979,861.41
Property Appraiser	\$266,132.00
Tax Collector	\$175,500.00

Ayes 5, Naves 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

The Board discussed the budget request for the Water and Sewer Department. No action was taken.

The Board reviewed each budget request submitted by each department and agency.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Owens, to recess until August 2, 1984. Ayes 5, Naves 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

The Board reconvened on August 2, 1984 at 8:00 A.M. All Board Members were present.

Motion by Commissioner Owens, second by Commissioner McLean, to place \$1800.00 in the Parole and Probation Services Budget for a part time secretary. Ayes 5, Naves 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Owens, second by Commissioner McLean, to increase the Building Officials salary to equal that of the District Foremen, and the remainder of the Building Department Staff to receive a 5% salary increase. Ayes 4, Naves 1. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Naye - deserves more, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Motion by Commissioner McLean, second by Commissioner Owens, to set the Building Official's salary at \$20,000, and the three Building Inspectors at \$13,650.00 each. Ayes 5, Naves 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Art Dees, member of the Chamber of Commerce, requested the Board to budget \$28,000.00 for the Walton County Chamber of Commerce to the rapid growth of the county. The Board tentatively placed \$28,000.00 in the budget for the Chamber of Commerce.

The Board recessed for lunch.

The Board reconvened at 12:00 Noon.

Motion by Commissioner Owens, second by Commissioner McLean, to place \$35,000.00 in the budget for the Gilmore and Dunn Project, RC&D. Ayes 5, Naves 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Motion by Commissioner McLean, second by Commissioner Owens, to set the County Planner's salary at \$20,000.00. Ayes 2, Naves 3. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Naye, Anderson Naye, Pridgen Naye.

Motion by Commissioner Owens, second by Commissioner McLean, to place \$10,000.00 in the County Planning Budget to employ a secretary for the County Planner. Ayes 5, Naves 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye,

Pridgen Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Owens to place \$55,000 in the budget to the operation of the Paxton Ambulance Service. The motion died for the lack of a second.

Motion by Commissioner McLean, second by Commissioner Owens, to set the millage rate at 8.564, same as 1983-84, and ear mark the additional funds for paving projects in each district. Ayes 2, Nayes 3. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Naye, Anderson Naye, Pridgen Naye.

Motion by Commissioner McLean to set the millage rate at 7.366 and to conduct the first Public Hearing on September 17, 1984 at 6:30 P.M. Chairman Pridgen stepped down and seconded the motion. Ayes 4, Nayes 1. McLean Aye, Owens Naye - feels that the County cannot operate on this millage due to the fact that there are many roads in the county that need to be paved or resurfaced, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner McLean, to adjourn. Ayes 5, Nayes 0. McLean Aye, Owens Aye, Miles Aye, Anderson Aye, Pridgen Aye.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Sam Pridgen, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Catherine King, Clerk