

BUDGET HEARING

SEPTEMBER 9, 1996

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida held an advertised Budget Hearing on Monday, September 9, 1996 at 6:00 P.M, in the Commission Boardroom of the Walton County Courthouse.

The following Board members were present: Chairman Gordon Porter, Vice-Chairman Virginia D. Pridgen, and Commissioner Gerald Wilkerson. Commissioner Rosier Cuchens, Jr. and Commissioner Charles C. Harris were absent. Ronnie Bell, County Administrator, was also present.

Chairman Porter called the meeting to order and stated that there is a 6.87% increase in millage over the rolled-back rate necessary to fund the proposed budget. The budget increases are as follows: General Fund, 3% Salary Increase, Health Insurance, Fire Departments, Medical Examiner, Medicare, Road and Bridge, and Fine and Forfeiture.

Chairman Porter called for public comment.

George Lucas, Eastern Lake Property owner, had a question with his tax notice and the assessment of his property. Chairman Porter directed him to speak with the Property Appraiser's office.

Motion by Commissioner Wilkerson, second by Vice-Chairman Pridgen, to adopt the tentative millage. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Wilkerson Aye, Pridgen Aye, Porter Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Wilkerson, second by Vice-Chairman Pridgen, to adopt the tentative 1996-97 proposed budget. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Wilkerson Aye, Pridgen Aye, Porter Aye.

There being no further business, Chairman Porter adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED: _____

Gordon Porter, Chairman

ATTEST: _____

Catherine King, Clerk