

OFFICIAL MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING
August 9, 2012, 10:00 a.m.
2012 Tax Millage

The Thomas County Board of Commissioners met on the above date in for a Public Hearing at 10:00 a.m. at the Emergency Services Center, with the following board members present:

J. Elaine Mays, Chairman, Dist. 8
Merrill E. Baker, Jr., Dist. 1
Mark NeSmith, Dist. 4
Mary Jo Beverly, Dist. 6

Moses L. Gross, Vice-Chairman, Dist. 2 (absent)
Kenneth E. Hickey, Dist. 3
Hershel P. Ansley, Dist. 5
Phillip V. Brown, Dist. 7

Staff present was Michael J. Stephenson, County Manager and M. Twink Monahan, County Clerk. Chris Hurst, WPAX Radio and Patti Dozier, Times-Enterprise, were also present.

Chairman Mays called upon Dewitt Rehberg who gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Mays opened the public hearing to receive input from citizens concerning the 2012 Tax Millage increase.

County Manager Michael Stephenson gave a presentation of the County's millage history, unexpected expenses and revenue deductions, annual fund expenses and revenues, budget cut history, roll-back explanation and millage comparison to like populated counties. This information was distributed to all citizens present.

Chairman Mays called for comments.

The chairman recognized the following citizens who would like to see no increase in millage rates for a variety of reasons:

Dewitt Rehberg, Thomasville; Gene Price, Thomasville; Edna Hardy-Hill, Thomas County; Tony Herring, Thomas County-Boston; Chris Maroney, Thomas County-Ochlocknee; Robert Martin, Thomas County; Cora Williams, Thomas County-Boston; Mildred Smith, Thomasville; Edward Marshall, Boston; Lynette Hitt, Thomasville; Jerry Mills, Thomas County; Roger Walker, Thomas County; Calvin Kinard, Thomas County.

Chairman Mays closed the Public Hearing at 11:20 a.m.



J. Elaine Mays, Chairman



M. Twink Monahan, County Clerk