

MINUTES OF A CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD JULY 11, 2005.

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a regular meeting of Monday, July 11, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida, with the following members present to-wit:

Commissioner Mitchell Gentry, Chair
Commissioner Randy Durden, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Sharon Langford
Commissioner Kenrick Thomas
Commissioner Tommy Langford

Others in attendance were: Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Circuit Court; Janice Wasson, Deputy Clerk; Jacki Johnson, finance; Ron McQueen; John Ayers; Sheriff David Turner; Damon Leggett, Property Appraiser; Marilyn Bruce, Tax Collector; and Susan Bryant, Supervisor of Elections.

Call to Order:

Chairperson Gentry called the workshop to order at 4:00 p.m.

Tax Collector: (1/9) Marilyn Bruce requested a transfer of \$2,000 from Personal Services to Operating Expense.

Motion by Commissioner Sharon Langford, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford, to approve fund transfer of \$2,000 from Personal Service to Operating Expense for Tax Collector. Motion carried unanimously with a 5-0 vote.

Ms. Bruce presented the Board with a 2005-2006 Budget, and discussed the increase in Personal Services, Office Supplies, and the addition of line item for Tax Collector's Association Dues of \$2,800. The Board requested justification for the \$8,000 Capital Outlay within the 2005-2006 Budget, and requested a break down at a later date.

The Board calculated a 5.74% increase from last year.

Property Appraiser: (1/462) Damon Leggett presented the Board with a 2005-2006 Budget. The Board discussed the additional position being requested. He stated that 95% of the expense had been absorbed within his budget, and that the majority of the line items decreased and that he would only be requesting a 2% increase. Mr. Leggett stated that his Budget will be received back from Tallahassee any day, and that a break down of the Capital Outlay be presented as soon as it is received. Mr. Leggett advised the Board that his Budget is also submitted and approved by Department of Revenue.

The Board calculated a 2% increase from last year.

Supervisor of Elections: (1/640) Susan Bryant presented the Board with a 2005-2006 Budget, and reviewed each line item. Ms. Bryant discussed the Early Voting exercised by the County, and other services provided to the voters within the County. The Board questioned the difference of his figures and the figures on the handout, and Ms. Bryant commented that the discrepancy was a calculation error.

The Board calculated a 3.59% increase from last year.

Clerk's Report: (1/1271) Mr. Gilliam presented the Board with a 2005-2006 Budget, and discussed the increases. The Board discussed if the insurance increase was included, and \$1,000 increase per employee.

The Board calculated a 1.73% increase from last year.

Sheriff: (1/1465-2/908) Sheriff David Turner presented the Board with a 2005-2006 Budget. The Board discussed the Byrne Grant Budget, V.O.C.A. Grant, Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund, and General Fund Budget (Law Enforcement, Communications, Judicial, and Corrections). The Board discussed the increase in salary, and the total number of employees at the Sheriff Office.

The Board calculated an overall 13.53% increase, (Law Enforcement – 18.96%; Communications – 12%; Corrections – 5.2%; and Judicial – 9.33%)

Supervisor of Elections: (2/911) Susan Bryant presented an updated comparison for the Board.

Open Floor Discussion: (2/958) The Board had an open floor discussion regarding the budget submittals.

Purchase of Property/Library: (2/1375) Commissioner Durden raised the issue of purchasing land for the library, and stated that Mr. Kinsey has agreed to stand by the original agreement of \$10,000 if the County pays the closing costs. He recommended that this issue be addressed at the next scheduled meeting.

Board Projects Budget Workshop: (2/1415) Mr. Gilliam advised the Board of the list of items to be addressed during the budget projects workshop, and requested input from the Board as to the information requested. The Board discussed bringing the School Board back to discuss the land swap due to the latest survey information.

Travel Expense: (2/1718) Chairperson Gentry raised the issue of the travel expense not being sufficient to cover the actual cost.

County Planner: (2/1940) Mr. McQueen advised the Board of the position being filed, and stated that he would include information in the next agenda packet for the Board.

Budget Requests: (2/2145-3/128) The Board commented on the forms of requests being used by Board Departments.

Adjournment: (2/146)

There being no further business, the Workshop was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

Mitchell Gentry, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk