

**MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AUGUST 21, 2008**

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a **Budget Workshop** on Thursday, August 21, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida, with the following member's present to-wit:

Commissioner Tommy Langford, Chairman
Commissioner Sharon A. Langford, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Randy Durden
Commissioner Kenrick Thomas
Commissioner D. Ray Harrison, Jr.

Others in Attendance

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court; Jacki Johnson, Finance Director; Patty McCagh, Board Secretary; Georgia Mills, Deputy Clerk, Finance; Ron McQueen, County Administrator; Julee Brideson, Administrative Assistant; John McPherson, County Attorney; John Ayers, Gilchrist County Journal; Chief Perez, Public Safety; Justin Watson, Road Department Superintendent; Billy Cannon, Road Department; Diane Rondolet, Code Enforcement Officer; Julie Harrison, Manager, Hart Springs; Major Stroupe, Veterans Administration; Marvin Weaver, County Extension; Sheriff David Turner, Captain Tony Cruse, Jeannine Pfannschmidt, Adm. Assistant, Chief Harvey Montgomery, Chief Roger Hemond, and two deputies all from Gilchrist County Sheriff's Office; Bryant Frye, Rob Willis, Robert Roux, Daniel Slaughter, and Alan Mikell.

Call to Order

Chairman Langford called this Budget Workshop to order at 3:02 p.m.

The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the FY 08/09 proposed budgets for the Road Department, Sheriff's Department and other Board Departments.

Agenda Change

There was a request to change the agenda as presented, asking to allow a discussion on an Emergency Declaration to be addressed at the being of the meeting.

Public Safety

- **Tropical Storm Fay:** Chief Perez gave an update on tropical storm Fay. He also presented a resolution declaring a State of Emergency for Gilchrist County, in preparation of the arrival of Fay, currently a tropical storm.

Chairman Langford read the resolution declaring a state of emergency.

Chief Perez recommended that the Board approve Resolution 2008-59, Emergency Declaration.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve Resolution 2008-59, Declaring a State of Emergency in Gilchrist County, Florida. Motion carried 5-0.

Budget Recap

Ms. Jacki Johnson presented a Budget Recap including changes that took place after August 11, 2008, including current adjustments for Gas Tax and other tax revenues and TRIM Compliance Options.

Budget Reviews

Road Department Budget: Mr. Justin Watson, Road Department Superintendent, addressed the Board and presented a proposed budget. He reviewed and discussed each line item with the Board.

Mr. Watson will re evaluate proposed budget and bring back a revised proposed FY2008-2009 budget for the Boards' consideration.

Sheriff's Department Budget: Sheriff David Turner addressed the Board and recapped the issue of the overall increase included in the proposed budget for FY 08/09 for the Gilchrist County Sheriff Total Budget. He also presented for the Boards' consideration, a quote for workers comp insurance; the Board took no action.

The Board reminded the Sheriff that they had requested that *all* departments figure their proposed budget for FY2008-2009 with a 5% reduction from FY2007 budget. The proposed budget submitted by the Sheriff did not reflect a 5% reduction. The Sheriff explained why the proposed budget he submitted does not include the 5% reduction as the Board had requested. Discussion took place...

The Board made no changes in the proposed budget that was submitted by the Sheriff.

Other Board Departments

County Extension: Mr. Marvin Weaver addressed the Board requesting that \$1500.00 be taken out of Travel & Per Diem (5400) and put into Vehicle Allowance (54004) for the purpose of fuel costs. The Board agreed to consider his proposal.

Other Departments

The Finance Department had provided for the Boards' review, additional handouts on each of the Other Departments proposed budget for FY2008-2009. Those departments included the following:

- 2411 Code Enforcement
- 7210 Hart Springs Park
- 1110 General Government
- 1920 Courthouse Operations
- 1930 Other Buildings
- 2410 Protective Services
- 5310 Veterans Services
- 3720 Soil & Water
- 7110 Library Services

The Board took no action on making changes to any of the proposed budgets at this time.

Budget Workshop

The Board set the next budget workshop for Tuesday, September 2, 2008, at 3:00 p.m. This meeting will be advertised as a 'Special Meeting'. The proposed agenda will include the FY 08/09 proposed budgets for the Road Department, Special Projects and discussion on the millage rate.

Adjourn

With there being no further business/discussion, this Budget Workshop was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Approved:

Tommy Langford, Chairman

Attest:

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court