

**MINUTES OF A BUDGET WORKSHOP OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AUGUST 10, 2009**

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a **Budget Workshop** on Monday, August 10, 2009 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 Sharon Langford, Chair
Commissioner D. Ray Harrison, Jr., Vice Chairman
Commissioner Randy Durden
Commissioner Tommy Langford
Commissioner Kenrick Thomas

Others in Attendance

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court; Jacki Johnson, Director of Finance; Patty McCagh, Deputy Clerk/Board Secretary; Georgia Mills, Deputy Clerk/Finance Department; John McPherson, County Attorney; and Ron McQueen, County Administrator;

Call to Order

Commissioner Sharon Langford called this budget workshop to order at 3:05 p.m.

Budget Update

Mr. Joe Gilliam, Clerk and Ms. Jacki Johnson, Director of Finance, presented an updated budget recap for FY 09/10 that included changes made after 8/6/2009.

**BOCC approved a 2% Cost of Living raise for all employees, effective 10/01/2009;
NO Step Plan raise**

Other Agencies

Department 6310: Ms. Johnson presented the proposed funding requests for the following agencies:

1. Meridian Health \$38,000.00 NO Change from 2009

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden, to reduce the funding request made by Meridian Behavioral Healthcare in the amount of \$38,000 by 15% (less \$5,700) making the total amount to be funded \$32,300.00. Madam Chairman called for any discussion. Discussion took place...

Additional Items

Burn Box for the Road Department: Discussion took place on the need to purchase a burn box for the Road Department to dispose of limbing debris. It was also mentioned that the department will need something to load the debris into the box. Mr. McQueen discussed the sizes and costs of these boxes.

The Board directed Mr. McQueen to meet with Billy Cannon and determine the size box needed and to bring back a recommendation on the size and cost of the purchase of a burn box.

Employee Benefits

Mr. Gilliam recommended moving forward with open-enrollment with United Health Care. **The Board agreed.**

Millage Rate Options

The Board **directed** the Clerk to go with the Millage Rate of \$8.2695

Adjourn

With no further business/discussion the Budget Workshop was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Gilchrist County
Board of County Commissioners

Sharon A. Langford, Chair

Attest:

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court