

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING  
September 22, 2008

The Board met this date in Regular Session. Present were Chairman Felix "Skeet" Joyner, Commissioners Danny Monroe III, J.N. Tuten Jr, Eugene Hall and Jerry Sutphin. Also present were County Coordinator Roy Schleicher, Clerk of Court Kirk Reams, and County Attorney T. Buckingham Bird.

1. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the millage rate of 8.3226 was tentatively adopted.
2. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that a 2/3 vote was needed to raise millage rate to 10 mills if the Board so desired.
3. Citizen Edward Smith voiced his complaint about mosquito control spraying, the lack of activity by the Sheriff's Department in regards to crime and also raised questions about tax assessment. Chairman Joyner stated that the Board sets the millage rate, but does not set assessed value.
4. On motion by Commissioner Tuten, seconded by Commissioner Sutphin and unanimously carried, the budget of \$29,333,876 was tentatively adopted.
5. Chairman Joyner wanted to go on record regarding the high cost of the jail (principal and interest amounts).
6. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams explained that the budget increase was due to nearly \$9 million of reimbursable road projects due to Tropical Storm Fay and state funding.
7. Chairman Joyner announced the final budget hearing for September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 5:05 p.m.
8. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk