

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
TENTATIVE BUDGET HEARING
September 15, 2015

The Board met this date for the tentative budget hearing. Present were Chairperson Benjamin ðBennyö Bishop, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Hines Boyd, Eugene Hall and Stephen Walker. Also present were County Attorney Buck Bird, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

ITEM 1: Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

1. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.

ITEM 2: Tentatively Adopt Millage Rate – 8.3114 mills

2. **Commissioner Boyd made a motion to reduce the millage rate to 7.99, to which Commissioner Hall seconded for discussion. The motion failed 2 to 3 (Barfield, Bishop and Walker opposed).** Chairman Bishop stated that if the trend with revenues continued for 2-3 more years, then perhaps he would support lowering the millage rate. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and carried 3 to 2 (Boyd, Hall opposed), the Board tentatively adopted the millage rate at 8.3114 mills.**

ITEM 3: Tentative Adopt Budget - \$23,296,425

3. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and carried 4 to 1 (Boyd opposed), the Board tentatively adopted the budget at \$23,296,425.** Commissioner Hall inquired if every employee would get a raise, to which County Coordinator Barwick stated no, that he and each supervisor would discuss their respective departments and document efficiencies made/how raises would be determined.

ITEM 4: Announce Final Hearing

4. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams announced the Final Budget Hearing would be held September 28, 2015 at 6 pm.
5. Chairman Bishop adjourned the tentative budget hearing.

Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk