

CALLED BOARD MEETING

PRESENT: **DAVID SIKES, ALFRED CASON, WENDELL HUGH DIXON (Via Phone), TOMMY ROLLINS, JOHN M. JONES AND HELEN HARRIS.**

Call to Order: Chairman Sikes called the Called Board Meeting to order at 9:03 A.M.

Invocation: Commissioner Cason gave the Invocation.

Approve Agenda: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to approve the Agenda.

Commissioner Cason made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Resolution Approving County Millage Rate: Manager Jones stated in the Commissioners Packet was a review of the five year history of Toombs County Corporated and Unincorporated areas and the process of creating a millage rate for the year. The resolution with the Gross of a County Tax Digest of \$1,012,675,098.00, with a levy gross Maintenance and Operation Millage rate of 9.7230, the roll back of 2.533 as a millage equivalent of the sales tax proceeds received by the county and the Board of Commissioner of Toombs County would establish a Net Millage Rate of 7.1900 for the Tax Year of 2024. Management recommends the board to approve this resolution and authorize the Chairman to sign the resolutions.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the Chairman to sign the resolution to set a gross millage rate of 9.7230 with a rollback of 2.533 mills. The net millage rate is set at 7.19. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Resolution Approving Toombs County Development Authority Millage Rate: Manager Jones stated there was a Referendum that was passed many year ago by the citizens of Toombs County that would levy a tax of 1.000 millage tax to be utilized for Economic Development by the Toombs County Development Authority. Management recommended the Toombs County Board of Commissioner to pass this Resolution for the Toombs County Development Authority for a gross millage rate of 1.0000 mills and authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the Chairman to sign the Resolution to levy a tax of 1.000 Mills for the Development Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Resolution Approving the Toombs County Board of Education Millage Rate: Manager Jones stated, the Board of Education is not authorized to levy taxes, therefore the Board of Commissioners have to do this. Toombs County Board of Education has certified a millage rate tax levy of 14.000 for educational purpose for the tax year of 2024. Management recommended the Board to authorize the Chairman to sign the resolution to levy the millage rate of 14.000 millage rate that was requested by the County's School Board.

Commissioner Cason made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Rollins to approve the Chairman to sign the Resolution to levy a tax of 14.000 Mills on behalf of the Toombs County Board of Education. Motion carried unanimously.

Consideration of Approval of Engine Manager Jones stated, one of the County's Ambulances has a blown motor. The proposal for the engine to be replaced is \$24,000. Management recommended

Replacement on EMS Ambulance: to the Board to approve the replacement of the engine in the amount of \$24,000 and pay for the repair with SPLOST funds.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to approve the replacement on the Ambulance motor in the amount of \$24,000 and to pay with SLPOST funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session - Legal Chairman Sikes request a motion to go into Executive Session.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to Go into executive session at 9:10 AM.

Adjournment from the The Executive Session: Chairman Sikes requested a motion to adjourn from the Executive Session.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to adjourn from the Executive Session.

At this time Chairman Sikes asked if there was a motion to engage into a binder with Oliver Maner, LLP for potential litigation.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to engage into a binder with Oliver Maner, LLP for potential litigation.

Adjournment: Chairman Sikes asked for a motion to adjourn from the Called Board Meeting.

Commissioner Rollins made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Cason to adjourn from the Called Meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m.

David Sikes, Chairman

Attest: _____
Helen Harris, County Clerk