

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



117 Putnam Drive, Suite A ♦ Eatonton, GA 31024

Mill Rate Public Hearing

Minutes

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 ♦ 6:00 PM

Putnam County Administration Building – Room 203

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at approximately 6:00 PM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 203, Eatonton, Georgia.

PRESENT

Chairman Billy Webster
Commissioner Gary McElhenney
Commissioner Daniel Brown
Commissioner Jeff Wooten

ABSENT

Commissioner Bill Sharp

STAFF PRESENT

County Attorney Adam Nelson
County Manager Paul Van Haute
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

Opening

1. Call to Order

Chairman Webster called the Public Hearing to order at approximately 6:03 p.m. (Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes on minute book page _____.)

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2. Presentation of Proposed 2022 Mill Rate (staff-CM & Fin)

County Manager Van Haute gave a PowerPoint presentation on the mill rate history and proposed millage rate for 2022.

(Copy of presentation made a part of the minutes on minute book pages _____ to _____.)

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3. Comments from the Public

Ms. Karen McGinnis commented that property values going up should mean millage rate goes down.

Dr. Steve Hersey commented that government spending is taxation, \$1.6M adjustment to budget needed to bring millage rate to the rollback rate or take money out of the fund balance instead of cutting the budget.

Ms. Jennifer Ray commented that money should be taken out of savings instead of raising taxes, should use social media for look for volunteer firefighters, and look at ways to save trash costs.

Mr. Phillip Uzzo protested the planned increase in property taxes and hopes that all board members vote against it.

Ms. Pamela Tibbits commented that she agrees with all that has been said, it's frustrating when you don't have kids but have to pay school taxes and say no to raising property taxes.

4. Comments from Commissioners and/or Staff

None

Closing

5. Adjournment

Chairman Webster adjourned the Public Hearing at approximately 6:21 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Billy Webster
Chairman

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