July 23, 2015

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, MADISON, GEORGIA, MET THIS DAY IN A SPECIAL CALLED MEETING.

PRESENT: Chairman Andrew A. Ainslie, Jr., Vice-Chairman Philip Clack and Commissioners Ellen Warren, Donald Harris and Ron Milton

STAFF: County Manager Michael Lamar and County Clerk Jane Laseter

The Special Called Meeting convened at 3:00 P.M. Invocation was given by Commissioner Harris.

PUBLIC HEARING – MILLAGE RATE INCREASE
The proposed millage rate for Morgan County for FY2016 is 11.31 or 1.82 mills higher than last year. County Manager Michael Lamar presented historical information including millage and fund balance. He also reviewed cost saving measures the County has taken and necessary expenditure increases.

This is the third public hearing for the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 millage rate increase. The following people spoke in opposition to the increase:

George Warren, 699 East Avenue, Madison, GA
Bob Baldwin, 3101 Atlanta Highway, Madison, GA
Ricky McGinnis, 1201 Dixie Highway, Madison, GA
Dr. Fred Bell, 1461 Jim Thomas Road, Madison, GA
Adam Bedgood, 1201 Ponder Pines Road, Madison, GA
William Howard, 1440 Centennial Road, Rutledge, GA
Miriam Foster, Heidi Trail, Buckhead, GA
Dartha Mae Shelton, 4660 Fairplay Road, Madison, GA
Gloria Baldwin, 3101 Atlanta Highway, Madison, GA
Tony Talevski, Four Lakes Drive, Madison, GA
Grant Canteron, Morgan Estates, Buckhead, GA
Terrell Saffold, 1660 Bostwick Road, Madison, GA

The following people made comments about their understanding of the need for the rate increase and did not state they were in favor or against:

David Land, Madison, GA
Jean Dufort, Apalachee River Road, Buckhead, GA

PUBLIC HEARING – OPERATION AND EXPANSION OF MORGAN COUNTY INERT LANDFILL

County Manager Michael Lamar explained that a public hearing was being held in order to obtain the permit required for the continued operation and the expansion of the Morgan County inert landfill.

The following people spoke in favor of the operation and expansion of the Morgan County inert landfill located at 2480 Athens Highway, Madison, Georgia.

James Davie, Buckhead, GA
Laura Butler, Madison, GA
No one spoke in opposition.

**SETTING OF MILLAGE RATE**

Three public hearings have been held concerning the proposed FY2016 millage increase.

**MOTION** by Comm. Warren, seconded by Comm. Harris to approve the 11.31 mills rolled back from 14.489 mills for revenue collected from Local Option Sales Tax in the amount of $2,522,832 which is equal to 3.179 mills. Unanimously Approved.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting.

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Andrew A. Ainslie, Jr., Chairman

**ATTEST:**

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Jane S. Laseter, County Clerk

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