

# Board of Commissioners of Spalding County Regular Meeting Wednesday, October 7, 2020 10:00 AM Room 108, Annex Building

The Spalding County Board of Commissioners held a Special Called Meeting in Room 108 of the Spalding County Annex on Wednesday, October 7, 2020, beginning at 10:07 a.m. with Chairperson Gwen Flowers-Taylor presiding. Commissioners James Dutton and Rita Johnson were present for the meeting. Commissioners Bart Miller and Donald Hawbaker were absent from the meeting. Also present were County Manager, William P. Wilson, Jr., Assistant County Manager, Michelle Irizarry, County Attorney, James Fortune and Kathy Gibson, Executive Secretary to record the minutes.

I. **OPENING (CALL TO ORDER)** by Chairperson Gwen Flowers-Taylor.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES AND ALL OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

# II. INVOCATION

Invocation was delivered by Commissioner James Dutton, District 2.

## III. PLEDGE TO FLAG

Commissioner Rita Johnson, District #3, led the pledge to the flag.

### IV. AGENDA ITEMS –

1. Consider adoption of the 2020 Tax Levy.

William Wilson, County Manager, advised we have advertised the five-year history as required. We are adopting the rollback millage rate so we did not have to have three public hearings as we have done in the past. This produces a balanced budget and we are happy to go with the rollback rate and rollback taxes this year.

Chairperson Flowers-Taylor then asked what the average reduction would be for a household.

Chairperson Johnson advised that she believes it is a 2.4% reduction on a \$100,000 home which would reflect a \$15,09 reduction in the tax.

Mr. Wilson advised that the Griffin-Spalding School System also adopted the rollback which is a reduction of 1.966% on a \$100,000 home which would reflect a \$12.76 reduction in tax. They adopted this millage rate last night.

Chairperson Flowers-Taylor stated she feels the citizens of Spalding County would like to know the total that would equate to.

Mr. Wilson stated that on a \$100,000 home with the standard \$2,000 Homestead

Exemption it is a savings of \$15.09 on the County and \$12.70 on the School Board which is a total of \$27,85 or a 2% reduction in taxes due to the County Commissioners and the Board of Education adopting the rollback millage rates.

Motion/Second by Dutton/Johnson to adopt the 2020 Tax Levy as presented by staff. Motion carried unanimously by all.

# V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second by Johnson/Dutton to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 a.m. Motion carried unanimously by all.