

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA  
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING  
September 20, 2022**

The Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. with Vice Chair Nick Maddox presiding. Present were Commissioners Kristin Dozier, Brian Welch, Carolyn Cummings, and Rick Minor. Also present were County Administrator Vincent Long, County Attorney Chasity O’Steen, and Clerk to the Board Beryl H. Wood. Chairman Proctor was not present.

Vice - Chair Maddox called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was provided by Vice -Chair Nick Maddox.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- None

**CONSENT**

- None

**SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS, 6:00 P.M.**

**1. Second and Final Public Hearing for Adoption of the FY 2022/2023 Final Millage Rates and Final Budgets**

Vice-Chair Maddox announced that this was the second and final of the required public hearings on the Leon County budget for fiscal year 2022/2023. Citizens who wished to speak in person should fill out a speaker card. Citizens who registered to provide virtual comments can speak prior to the Board taking a vote. He requested County Administrator Long to read into the record language concerning the final budget for fiscal year 2022-2023.

County Administrator Long stated that there were no speakers for public comment. He read into the record the following:

The proposed aggregate millage rate is 8.8144 mills, which is 4.68% over the aggregate rolled back millage rate of 8.4060 mills. Ad valorem revenues will increase due to an upturn in property values and will be used to support sustaining a high-quality level of essential services countywide. Commissioners, you have provided the necessary budget guidance during the budget development process for the tentative budget and all direction provided in the various agenda items and workshops during the budget process have been

included in the 2022/2023 final budget. However, if you desire, Commissioners, staff is still prepared to provide a brief presentation on the budget if necessary.

Vice-Chair Maddox asked for and received the following motions:

*Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Minor, for approval of Option 1: Adopt, via Resolution 22-39, the final FY 2022/2023 Countywide millage rate of 8.3144 mills. The motion carried 5-0.*

*Commissioner Minor moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Cummings, for approval of Option 2: Adopt, via Resolution 22-40, the final FY 2022/2023 Countywide budget. The motion carried 5-0.*

*Commissioner Welch moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Dozier, for approval of Option 3: Adopt, via Resolution 22-41, the final FY 2022/2023 Emergency Medical Services MSTU millage rate of 0.5000 mills. The motion carried 5-0.*

*Commissioner Cummings moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Welch, for approval of Option 4: Adopt, via Resolution 22-42, the final FY 2022/2023 Emergency Medical Services MSTU budget. The motion carried 5-0.*

#### **COMMENTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **County Attorney O’Steen:**

- None

##### **County Administrator Long:**

- None

#### **COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **Commissioner Dozier:**

- Recognized the retirement of Dr. Lionel Henry, Leon County’s first black pediatrician, after faithfully serving the community for 40 years. She discussed his impact in the community.

##### **Commissioner Minor:**

- None

##### **Commissioner Cummings:**

- None

**Commissioner Welch:**

- None

**Vice-Chair Maddox:**

- Acknowledged County Administrator Long for being recognized as the 2022 recipient of the International City/County Management Associations (ICMA) Award for Career Excellence at the recent ICMA annual conference in Columbus, Ohio.

**RECEIPT AND FILE:**

- None.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

**LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ATTEST:



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BY: Nick Maddox, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gwen Marshall Knight", is written over a horizontal line.

BY: Gwen Marshall Knight, Clerk of Court  
& Comptroller, Leon County, Florida