

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Special Meeting
May 9, 2022 - 9:00 AM
R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice - Womack Building Columbus, NC
Columbus, NC
MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Melton, Vice-Chairman Beiler, and Commissioner Moore. Also in attendance were County Manager Pittman, Clerk to the Board Tipton, media, and citizens. Commissioner Yoder, Commissioner Overholt, and Attorney Berg were absent.

Absent: Overholt, Yoder

1. Call to Order - Chairman Melton.
2. Invocation - Chairman Melton.
3. Pledge of Allegiance - Vice-Chair Beiler.
4. Approval of Agenda - Motion to approve or amend the agenda.

Commissioner Moore moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Vice-Chairman Beiler and the motion carried unanimously.

Absent: Overholt, Yoder

5. Agenda Item(s)

A. Presentation of FY 2022/23 Balanced Budget – Manager Pittman.

Manager Pittman thanked Sandra Hughes, Finance Director, and her staff for helping to put together the budget information and presented the recommended, balanced budget for the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 to the Commissioners for their review and consideration.

He read the first page of the budget message:

"I hereby submit the following recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 in the amount of \$38,786,324.00. The budget is balanced in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act. The recommended tax rate for the 22-23 fiscal year is .5143 and does not include a real property rate tax increase for Polk County Local Government Operations. As in prior years, this year's budget does use fund balance appropriation to balance the budget, specifically for capital and other one-time expenses. We have another year of experience at a higher rate of sales tax collection which is positive. I feel comfortable anticipating a small growth of sales tax allocations, but we will need to keep in mind that if our projections aren't sustainable due to a fluctuating economy, we will need to go to fund balance next year and re-evaluate spending as a result in the next fiscal year (23-24)."

Manager Pittman reiterated that the recommended budget does not include a

real property tax increase for Polk County Local Government Operations. He said it does contain a proposed 5% employee increase effective the first pay period in August.

Absent: Overholt, Yoder

- B. Schedule Public Hearing to receive citizen comment on the FY 2022/23 Budget on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 5:00 pm in the R. Jay Foster Hall of Justice in the Womack Building located in Columbus, NC.

Vice-Chairman Beiler moved to schedule the public hearing as stated, seconded by Commissioner Moore, and the motion carried unanimously.

Absent: Yoder, Overholt.

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6. Commissioner Comments

The Chairman and Commissioners collectively thanked Manager Pittman and staff for their hard work.

Absent: Overholt, Yoder

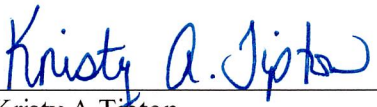
7. Adjournment

Commissioner Moore moved to to adjourn, seconded by Vice-Chairman Beiler and the motion carried unanimously.

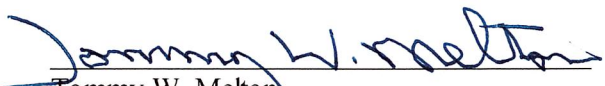
Absent: Overholt, Yoder

Attest:

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Kristy A Tipton
Clerk to the Board



Tommy W. Melton
Chairman