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AUGUST 3, 2021

GINGER LITTLETON BOARDROOM

TENTATIVE BUDGET WORKSHOP – 4:30 P.M.

**FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED MILLAGE LEVY
AND THE TENTATIVE BUDGET 5:01 P.M.**

Present: School Board Chair Steve Moss, Vice Chair Pamm Chapman, School Board Members: Winston Chester, Jerry Register and Brenda Ruthven, Superintendent Bill Husfelt and School Board Attorney Franklin Harrison.

Budget Workshop

The workshop was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Chair Moss. James Loyed, Executive Director of Business Support Services gave a PowerPoint presentation on the tentative budget covering the following:

- Budget Calendar
- Millage
 - ◆ Millage Levy Comparison
 - ◆ Millage Levy Revenue
 - ◆ Millage Levy
 - ◆ Proposed Millage Impact on Homeowners
 - ◆ Rolled-Back Millage Rate
- Budget
 - ◆ Budget Components by Fund
 - ◆ District Summary Budget Comparison
 - ◆ General Fund Appropriations by Object
 - ◆ General Fund Appropriations by Fund
 - ◆ Budget Highlights

The Board Members were given the opportunity to comment and ask questions.

The workshop concluded at 4:59 p.m.

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE TENTATIVE 2021-2022 BUDGET – 5:01 P.M.

Present: School Board Chair Steve Moss, Vice Chair Pamm Chapman, School Board Members: Winston Chester, Jerry Register and Brenda Ruthven, Superintendent Bill Husfelt and School Board Attorney Franklin Harrison.

The hearing was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Chair Steve Moss.

Chair Moss stated that the Board was in session for the purpose of hearing from the public concerning the tentative millage levy and tentative budget and for the Board to adopt a Tentative Millage Levy and a Tentative Budget.

Board Attorney Harrison advised that Section 1011.03(5), Florida Statutes, requires that the School Board hold a public hearing to adopt the Tentative Budget pursuant to Section 200.065, Florida Statutes. The hearing shall be primarily for the purpose of hearing requests and comments from the public regarding the budget and proposed tax levies and to explain the budget. The adoption of the budget and the millage levy shall be by separate votes.

Prior to the conclusion of the hearing, the School Board shall amend the Tentative Budget as it sees fit, adopt the amended Tentative Budget, re-compute its proposed millage rate, and publicly announce the percent, if any, by which the re-computed proposed millage rate exceeds the rolled-back rate.

The general public shall be allowed to speak and to ask questions prior to adoption of any measure by the Board. The Board shall adopt its tentative millage rate prior to adopting its Tentative Budget.

The first issue to be discussed shall be the percentage increase in millage over the rolled-back rate necessary to fund the budget. The proposed millage necessary to fund this Tentative Budget exceeds the rolled-back rate by 5.83 percent. The School Board is required to levy 3.5990mills as Required Local Effort to participate in the Florida Education Finance Program and receive \$83,848,437 in State Education funds. The Required Local Effort is .1210 mills less than the mills levied in the previous fiscal year. Additionally, the Superintendent has proposed a total Discretionary Millage of .7480 mills to support the General Fund Budget and a levy of 1.5000 mills for Capital Outlay Projects. The funds derived from Capital Improvement Tax are to be used exclusively for construction and remodeling; maintenance, renovation and repair; motor vehicle purchases; new and replacement equipment, computer and device hardware and operating system software necessary for gaining access to or enhancing the use of electronic and digital instructional content and resources, and enterprise resource software; payments for educational facilities and sites due under a lease-purchase agreement; payment of loans approved pursuant to F.S. 1011.14 and 1011.15; payment of costs of compliance with environmental statutes and regulations; payment of premiums for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure the educational and ancillary plants of the district.

The total proposed millage levy is 5.8470 mills which is .1210 mills less than the 2021 levy of 5.9680. The Required Local Effort which is required by the State has

decreased by 3.25% and represents approximately six tenths of the total proposed taxes.

The second issue to be discussed is the Tentative Budget. The general public shall be allowed to speak and ask questions prior to adoption of any measures by the School Board.

The Board Members were given the opportunity to ask questions and then Chair Moss opened the floor up to members from the public who wanted to address the Board on the millage rate and/or the tentative budget.

No one from the public asked to speak.

James Loyed, Executive Director of Business Support Services, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the tentative budget covering the following:

- What is the Rolled-Back Rate?
 - ❖ The millage rate that will, after the value of new construction is deducted, produce the same amount of revenue as the previous year.
- Rolled-Back Millage Rate
 - ❖ Tax revenue increase over Rolled-Back Rate
 - ❖ The FY 2021-22 Rolled-Back Rate is 5.5247 mills.
 - ❖ The proposed Millage Rate is 5.8470 mills.
 - ❖ The proposed Millage Rate is 5.83% more that the Rolled-Back Rate

A. Adoption of Proposed Millage Rate

Register made the motion that the School Board adopt a millage rate of 5.8470 mills to support the 2021-2022 District Summary Board which includes 3.5990 mills Required Local Effort; a Basic Discretionary Millage of .7480 mills to support the General Fund; and 1.5000 mills as a Capital Improvement Tax to be used construction and remodeling; maintenance, renovation and repairs; motor vehicle purchases; new and replacement equipment, computer and device hardware and operation system software necessary for gaining access to or enhancing the use of electronic and digital instructional content and resources, and enterprise resource software; payments for educational facilities and sites due under a lease – purchase agreement; payment of loans approved pursuant to F.S. 1011.14 and 1011.15; payment of costs of compliance with environmental statutes and

regulations; payment of premiums for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure the educational and ancillary plants of the district. Second by Chapman. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Tentative District Summary Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Chapman made the motion to adopt the Tentative District Summary Budget for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year in the amount of \$535,029,676. Second by Chester. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Resolution No. 22-01 – A Resolution of the Bay County School Board Adopting the Tentative Millage Rate for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Attorney Harrison read Resolution 22-01.

Motion by Register to adopt Resolution 22-01, a Resolution of the Bay County School Board Adopting the Tentative Rates for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, second by Chapman. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Resolution No. 22-02 – A Resolution of the Bay County School Board Adopting the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022

Attorney Harrison read Resolution 22-02.

Motion by Chapman to adopt Resolution 22-02, a Resolution of the Bay County School Board Adopting the Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, second by Chester. Motion passed unanimously.

The public hearing adjourned at 5:24 p.m.



Steve Moss, Chair



Bill Husfelt, Superintendent