

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WORKSHOP: THIRD BUDGET REGARDING THE
DEVELOPMENT OF THE FY2010/2011 BUDGET
THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2010

The Board of County Commissioners in and for Wakulla County met for a Regular Scheduled Workshop on Thursday, June 24, 2010 with Chairman Howard Kessler presiding. Present were Commissioners Mike Stewart, Lynn Artz, Alan Brock, and George Green. Also, present were County Administrator Ben Pingree, County Attorney Heather Encinosa and Deputy Clerk Evelyn Evans.

5:00 p.m. Meeting was called to order at the Community Center.

This workshop is the third of four scheduled workshops in the development of the FY2010/2011 Budget. A tentative balanced budget has to be placed on the desks of the Board of County Commissioners on July 15, 2010.

At the May 6, 2010 Workshop all of the Constitutionals were ask to cut their budgets by 4.1% and absorb all additional health care and retirement costs for their employees.

The Office of Management and Budget has worked, under Board Direction, with the staff in all departments and divisions to reduce expenditures in the proposed budget. With all of the reductions there is still a funding gap of \$1,455,253.00 between estimated revenues and requested expenditures in the General Fund.

Board direction was given to work on the budget at 8.75 millage rate and cut some of the line item funding for outside agencies that aren't state mandated funding. The Board also discussed moving Housing to the Community Center, cutting back on legal services, thermostat policy, staff furloughs, and employees absorbing some of the insurance costs and asking Constitutionals Officers for a commitment in additional cuts.

The item will come back to the Board for ratification at a later date and the last budget workshop is scheduled for August 5, 2010.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.