

**WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES FROM PUBLIC HEARING HELD JUNE 30, 2008 AT 9:30 A.M.**  
**ON PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR**  
**BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008**

The White County Board of Commissioners held a public hearing on the proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008. Present were: Chairman Chris R. Nonnemaker, Post 1 Commissioner Joe R. Campbell, Post 2 Commissioner Craig Bryant, County Manager Alton Brown, Chief Financial Officer Vickie Neikirk, and County Clerk Jean Welborn.

Chairman Nonnemaker called the public hearing to order. Vickie Neikirk, Chief Financial Officer, presented the proposed budget (see attached). Ms. Neikirk expressed her thanks to her staff, all Department Heads and Elected Officials for their assistance. She also expressed her thanks to Shanda Smallwood for getting all the personnel data together.

Teresa Stansel asked the Board of Commissioners if they thought that the proposed budget was fiscally responsible in view of the fact of the upcoming currency problems.

Commissioner Campbell stated that it was the best budget that they could come up with.

Commissioner Bryant stated that it was not the budget that he wanted; that he had not wanted a tax increase; that this budget preparation was the hardest one that he had had to deal with.

Chairman Nonnemaker stated that he was opposed to the budget for reason that everyone was faced with record gas prices and increased food costs; that he felt that a tax increase at this time was not appropriate; that he felt that there were some things that they could have done to maintain the budget; that a tax increase in the next couple of years was inevitable; that they had held the line for five years.

There being no further comments, Commissioner Bryant made a motion to adjourn to the Called Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Campbell.

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Chris R. Nonnemaker, Chairman

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Joe R. Campbell, Post 1

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Craig Bryant, Post 2

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Jean Welborn, County Clerk