

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES
BUDGET WORK SESSION
July 28, 2016
9:00 AM**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commission Chairman Anthony Dove
District 1 Commissioner Stanley Thomas
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis
District 4 Commissioner John Pethel, Sr.
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

District 2 Commissioner Dewitt "Pete" Bond

MEDIA PRESENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Kathy Figueroa, Finance Director
Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk

Chairman Dove called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Item No. 1. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on an agenda item.

There were no statements or remarks.

Item No. 2. Budget Work Session to discuss 2017 budget.

Chairman Dove advised the Board of a slight increase in SPLOST and LOST compared to this time last year. He also advised the Board that TAVT continues to go down.

The Board discussed the projected 2017 expenditures, including a three percent cost of living increase for elected officials and employees, the current fund balance, health insurance options, property values, new business coming to Madison County and various millage rate scenarios. The Board agreed to schedule August 18, 2016 at 9:30 am for the first public hearing on the millage rate remaining the same.

Item No. 3. Statements and Remarks from Citizens on any matter.

There were no statements or remarks.

Item No. 4. Adjourn

On motion by Commissioner Pethel and second by Commissioner Escoe the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 11:15 am.