

**MADISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
AUGUST 30, 2017  
4:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Commission Chairman John Scarborough  
District 1 Commissioner Lee Allen  
District 2 Commissioner Tripp Strickland  
District 3 Commissioner Theresa Bettis  
District 4 Commissioner John W. Pethel, Sr.  
District 5 Commissioner Jim R. Escoe, Sr.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**MEDIA PRESENT:**

None

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Rhonda S. Wooten, County Clerk

Chairman Scarborough called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

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

Chairman Scarborough asked if anyone would like to speak regarding the agenda items.

James Ashworth, Edwin Croy, Mary Hunt and Donna Ashworth addressed the Board regarding the tax increase. Tax Commissioner Lamar Dalton discussed possible future tax exemptions for the elderly.

**Item No. 2. Consider County Millage Rate.**

On motion by Commissioner Allen and second by Commissioner Bettis the Board voted to set the millage rate at 13.290 for the unincorporated area and 14.744 for the incorporated area. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis and Escoe voted YES. Commissioner Pethel voted NO.

**Item No. 3. Consider resolution to combine the School Board, ID&BA and County Millage Rate.**

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Strickland the Board approved the resolution to combine the School Board, ID&BA and County Millage rate. The vote was as follows: Commissioners Allen, Strickland, Bettis and Escoe voted YES. Commissioner Pethel voted NO.

**Item No. 4. Adjourn**

On motion by Commissioner Bettis and second by Commissioner Strickland the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 4:40 p.m.