

July 20, 2017
Workshop
Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met in a Workshop on the above date with the following members present: Commissioner Danny Powell, Commissioner Bobby Sasnett and Commissioner Clint Erickson, Chairman of the Board.

Jeff Goodman, County Attorney, and Wesley Adams, County Coordinator, were present.

Angie Purvee, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Chairman Erickson called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. Wesley Adams led the prayer and pledge.

Jeff Goodman, County Attorney, opened the discussion about the Local Option Gas Tax, the six cents gas tax used for road repairs and improvements, which is divided between the County and all the municipalities. The discussion included the following:

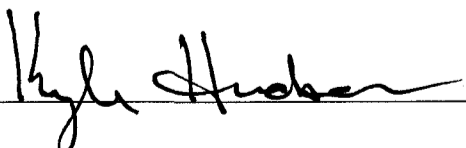
- Past interlocal agreement used to determine disbursement of the funds
- Ponce de Leon unsatisfied with their portion of the tax
- Carr, Riggs and Ingram hired by the County to conduct an audit according to the statutory formula
- Response to request for records from the municipalities
- Interlocal agreement distribution versus statutory formula distribution
- Response from each municipality present

The following citizens were present to discuss this topic:


- James Sims, Mayor of Bonifay
- John Hagans, Town of Esto
- Tony Watson, Town of Noma
- Ron Farrington, Mayor of Ponce de Leon
- Tammy Melerine, Town Clerk for Ponce de Leon
- Dawn McArdle, District Director for Congressman Matt Gaetz

The County and each municipality present agreed to a new disbursement of 85% to the County, 9.5% to City of Bonifay, 1% to Esto, 2.5% to Ponce de Leon, 1% to Noma and 1% to Westville. This new agreement will be in place for 5 years and require all parties to keep records in order to implement the Statutory formula at the end of that period. Attorney Goodman will prepare and present the new interlocal agreement for approval at the next regular session.

There being no further business at this time the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.



Clerk



Chairman