September 5, 2023 Special Session Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met in a Special Session on the above date with the following members present: Commissioner Clint Erickson, Commissioner Jeff Good, Commissioner Phillip Music, Commissioner Brandon Newsom and Commissioner Earl Stafford, Chairman of the Board.

Nate Nolin, County Attorney, and David Corbin, Project Director, were present.

Angie Purvee, Finance Director, was present and kept the minutes.

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. David Corbin, Project Director, led the prayer and pledge.

The first agenda item was Agenda Additions and Deletions. No changes were made to the posted agenda. Commissioner Music offered a motion to accept the agenda with Commissioner Newsom offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to establish the tentative millage and budget. Chairman Stafford advised that the proposed millage was set at 9.4916 which is 5.61% greater than the rolled-back rate of 8.9871. The millage rate of 9.4916 is the current millage. By adopting the same rate for 2023-24 this generates a small increase in revenue which was needed to balance the General and Transportation Trust Funds. Nate Nolin, County Attorney, read Resolution 23-15 which adopts the proposed millage of 9.4916. The public was given an opportunity to ask questions regarding the millage rate and the effect on their taxes with no one responding. Commissioner Music offered a motion to adopt the resolution with Commissioner Newsom offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Resolution #23-15)

Chairman Stafford gave the public an opportunity to discuss changes to the Tentative Budget.

Commissioner Erickson offered a motion to approve the use of \$200,000 in ARPA funding to balance the 2023-2024 budget. Commissioner Music offered a second and the motion passed unanimously.

With no further discussion from the public, Attorney Nolin read Resolution #23-16 adopting a Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-24 in the amount of \$34,075,559. Commissioner Erickson offered a motion to adopt the resolution with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Resolution #23-16)

(Tentative Budget)

The Board agreed by consensus to schedule the Final Budget hearing for Monday, September 25, 2023, at 5:01 p.m.

There being no further business at this time the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Chairman