MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD ON JULY 24, 2024 AT 10:00 AM IN THE BEN HILL COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM LOCATED AT 321 DEWEY MCGLAMRY ROAD

Those present for the meeting were as follow:

Chairman
Vice-Chair
Commissioner
Commissioner
Commissioner
County Clerk

Commissioner Daniel Cowan was not present.

Chairman Steve Taylor called the meeting to order.

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Bennie Calloway seconded the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, Commissioner John Mooney, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion.

## Public Hearing/2024 Millage Rate Increase

Chairman Steve Taylor stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to announce Ben Hill County that the Commissioners are not taking the rollback; but are keeping the millage rate the same as last year at 14.687%.

County Manager Michael Dinnerman stated the County has new growth. The \$138,000 increase will come from new growth that consists of new houses and renovations. The \$210,000 increase will come from reassessment or inflation. The increase total is \$348,000, which is less than a half mil.

## **Public Comments**

Allen Conger asked if the millage rate will change?

Chairman Taylor answered no, the millage rate was 14.687 last year and it will be 14.687 this year.

Vice-Chair Hope Harmon made a motion to suspend the Public Hearing to enter Executive Session for Personnel. Commissioner John Mooney second the motion; which passed with Vice-Chair Hope Harmon, Commissioner John Mooney, Commissioner Bennie Calloway, and Chairman Steve Taylor all voting for the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

\_\_\_\_\_Steve Taylor, Chairman

\_\_\_\_Donna R. Prather, County Clerk