The scheduled Called Meeting of the Tift County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Vice Chairman Sherry Miley on Tuesday, June 18, 2013, at 12 Noon in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Administrative Building. Member of the commission present including Vice Chairman Miley were Commissioners Buck Rigdon, Donnie Hester and Robert Setters. Chairman Thompson was absent. Commissioner Mike Jones and Commissioner Melissa Chevers are present via telephone due to them both being out of town at the time of the meeting.

Vice Chairman Miley called to order the Called Business meeting of the Tift County Board of Commissioners at 12 o’clock Noon.

**Agenda Items:**

**A. Set Tentative Millage Rate for 2013:** Leigh Jordan, Finance Director stated that the Tentative Millage rate for 2013 needs to be set as follows: 12.183 Mils for the Incorporated and Unincorporated areas of Tift County and .312 Mils in the Unincorporated Areas, TyTy and Omega in the Special Tax District. This is no increase in taxes from the 2012 Millage Rate and the budget is balanced based on this Millage Rate. Motion was made by Commissioner Hester to set the Tentative Millage Rate for 2013 at 12.183 Mils for the Incorporated and Unincorporated areas of Tift County and .312 Mils in the unincorporated area, TyTy and Omega in the Special Tax District, seconded by Commissioner Setters. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Adopt 2013-2014 Operating Budget for Tift County:** Motion to adopt the 2013-2014 Operating Budget for Tift County as presented was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Chevers. The General Fund Budget is $24,641,832.

Chairman Thompson is now present at the meeting.

**C. Property & Liability Insurance Renewal for July 1, 2013 through July 1, 2014:** The County Clerk advised the Board that we just received the renewal premium for Property and liability Insurance renewal for July 1, 2013 through July 1, 2014. The approval must be back to ACCG prior to midnight June 30, 2013 is the reason this was added at the last minute to the Agenda. She noted that there is a slight increase in the premium, we received the same $5,000 Safety Credit as we do each year and this year the Dividend Credit is $42,583 which is less than last year which also adds to the increase. With all of that the final renewal premium is $327,778. A portion of that is reimbursed to the County from the Development Authority and the Library. Motion to approve the Property & Liability Insurance Renewal for July 1, 2013 through July 1, 2014 in the amount of $327,778 was made by Commissioner Rigdon, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments:

Commissioner Hester thanked the staff for all the hard work for getting us a balanced budget without having to increase the millage rate. We see to be doing more work with less so, “somebody is doing something right.”

The County Manager also spoke about the hard work from the Finance Department and the Sheriff has stepped up to the plate with his first budget and has really done his part to hold the line on his budget figures. He stated that his staff deserves more of the credit than he does.

Motion to go into Executive Session for a personnel matter was made by Vice Chairman Miley, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to close Executive Session was made by Commissioner Hester, seconded by Commissioner Rigdon. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn was made by Vice Chairman Miley, seconded by Commissioner Hester. Motion carried unanimously.