

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
September 5, 2023  
5:30 P.M.  
Bradford County Courthouse  
945 North Temple Avenue  
Starke, Florida 32091

PUBLIC HEARING  
ADOPTION OF FISCAL-YEAR 2023-2024  
TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE AND TENTATIVE BUDGET

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AGENDA

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1. Public hearing called to order by Chair Diane Andrews
2. Finance Director Dana LaFollette – Presentation of tentative millage rate for fiscal-year 2023-2024

General Fund      10.0000 mills

*10.000 mills needed to fund the budget is greater than the rolled-back rate of 9.7626 by a margin of 2.4317%. 10.0000 mills is expected to generate ad-valorem tax revenue of approximately \$12,911,021.00; an increase from the prior fiscal-year of \$1,212,483.00, due to an increase in property values.*

3. Chair Diane Andrews - Call for public comments on the tentative millage rate.
4. Chair Diane Andrews – Call for commissioner’s comments on the tentative millage rate.
5. Finance Director Dana LaFollette – Presentation of a resolution adopting the tentative millage rate of 10.0000 mills for fiscal-year 2023-2024. Read title of resolution into the record.

“A RESOLUTION OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR BRADFORD COUNTY FOR FISCAL-YEAR COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

**CHAIR DIANE ANDREWS CALL FOR A MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED.**

6. County Manager Scott Kornegay – Presentation of a resolution to increase the solid waste assessment fee. Read resolution title into the record:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

- Ask for public comments; ask for comments from the board.
- **CHAIR ANDREWS: CALL FOR A MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED.**

7. Finance Director Dana LaFollette – Presentation of tentative budget for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024.

The total operating tentative budget, including interfund transfers and bond reserves, for fiscal-year 2023-2024 is: \$85,916,762.00.

8. Chair Diane Andrews - Call for public comments on tentative budget for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024.

9. Chair Diane Andrews – Call for Commissioner’s comments on tentative budget for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024.

10. Finance Director Dana LaFollette – Presentation of a resolution adopting the tentative budget of \$85,916,762.00 for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024. Read title of Resolution into the record:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE BRADFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR BRADFORD COUNTY FOR FISCAL-YEAR COMMENCING ON OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.”

**CHAIR DIANE ANDREWS CALL FOR A MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED.**

11. Finance Director Dana LaFollette – announce date for public hearing to adopt the final millage rate and budget for fiscal-year 2023-2024: Monday, September 18, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the commission meeting room.

MEETING ADJOURNED

In accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 286.0105, any person wishing to appeal a decision made by the Board of County Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at such a meeting or hearing, will need a record of the proceedings. For such purposes he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which may include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

RESOLUTION 2023 – \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, on or about September 5, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida adopted the Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 following a public hearing as required by Section 200.065, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida held a public hearing as required by Section 200.065, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the gross taxable value for operating purposes not exempt from taxation within Bradford County, Florida, as has been certified to the Board of County Commissioners by the Bradford County Property Appraiser, is \$1,291,102,087.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida finds that the adoption of the tentative levying of ad valorem taxes as accomplished by adoption of this resolution is in the best interest of Bradford County, Florida and its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida as follows:

Section 1.                    Adoption and Incorporation of Recitals.

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida adopts the above-outlined recitals and incorporates them herein as part and parcel of this resolution.

Section 2.                    Purpose and Authority for Resolution.

This resolution is adopted for the purpose of adopting the tentative levying of ad valorem taxes for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024 and is adopted pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 125, *Florida Statutes* and pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 200, *Florida Statutes*.

Section 3.                    Adoption of Tentative Millage Rate.

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida adopts, for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024, as the tentative millage rate 10.000 mills, which is greater than the rolled-back rate of 9.7626 mills by a margin of 2.4317%.

Section 4.                    Apportioned Amounts of Millage Rate.

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, in accordance with the requirement of Section 200.011(2), *Florida Statutes*, hereby notifies the Clerk to the Board, the Auditor and the Bradford County Tax Collector of the following amounts to be apportioned to the different accounts out of the total taxes levied for all purposes:

General Fund	10.000 mills
TOTAL	10.000 mills

Section 5.                    Effective Date of Resolution.

This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida.

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RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting, this 5th day of September 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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By: DIANE ANDREWS, its  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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By: DENNY THOMPSON, as  
Clerk to the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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By: RICH KOMANDO, as  
County Attorney

RESOLUTION 2023 - \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS IN BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County enacted Ordinance 87-4 on September 9, 1987, establishing a countywide special assessment for the purpose of landfill and solid waste disposal; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 87-4, Section 7C (2) grants authority to the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, "To adopt a resolution authorizing utilization of the method of collection of special assessments set forth in Section 197.0126, *Florida Statutes*, or other law of similar import, and incorporating a determination of the Annual Special Assessments to be imposed, levied, and assessed upon the owners of real property in the County;" and

WHEREAS, the division of property class was established by Ordinance 87-4 and amended by Ordinance 88-3; and

WHEREAS, an increase of 67% to all established property classes shall be applied; a chart providing the assessment by class is attached hereto as Appendix A

WHEREAS, A notice of Public Hearing was published on August 24, 2023, and August 31, 2023, in accordance with the requirements of Ordinance 87-4, Section 7C (2); a copy of which advertisement is attached hereto as Appendix B; and

WHEREAS, A letter regarding the notice was mailed to each property owner based on the 2023 tax rolls is attached hereto as Appendix C; and

WHEREAS, A public hearing was held on September 5, 2023, after 5:00 PM and all interested persons have been heard and considered, as required by Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida as follows:

Section 1.                      Adoption and Incorporation of Recitals

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida adopts the above-outlined recitals and incorporates them herein as part and parcel of this resolution.

Section 2.                    Collection of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida amends the special assessment relating to the collection and disposal of solid waste and recyclable materials as set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 3.                    Severability

All resolutions or portions of resolutions in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4.                    Effective Date of Resolution

This resolution shall be effective October 1, 2023, following adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida on September 5, 2023.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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By: DIANE ANDREWS, its  
Chairman

ATTEST:

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By: DENNY THOMPSON, as  
Clerk to the Board

RESOLUTION 2023-\_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2023 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, on or about September 5, 2023 the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida held a public hearing regarding the adoption of a tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024, as required by Section 200.065, *Florida Statutes*; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for said budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$85,916,762.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida finds that the adoption of the tentative budget for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024, as accomplished by adoption of this resolution, is in the best interest of Bradford County, Florida and its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida as follows:

Section 1.                    Adoption and Incorporation of Recitals.

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida adopts the above-outlined recitals and incorporates them herein as part and parcel of this resolution.

Section 2.                    Purpose and Authority for Resolution.

This resolution is adopted for the purpose of adopting the tentative budget for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024 and is adopted pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 125, *Florida Statutes* and pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 200, *Florida Statutes*.



Section 3.                    Adoption of Tentative Budget.

The Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida adopts, for Fiscal-Year 2023-2024, as the tentative budget, \$85,916,762.00.

Section 4.                    Effective Date of Resolution.

This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Bradford County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting, this 5th day of September 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA

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By:     DIANE ANDREWS, its  
         Chairman

ATTEST:

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By:     DENNY THOMPSON, as  
         Clerk to the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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By:     RICH KOMANDO, as  
         County Attorney