A public hearing and special meeting of the City Commission of the City of Apalachicola was held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 6:00 PM at the Apalachicola Community Center, #1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida.

Present: Mayor Van Johnson, Commissioner Jimmy Elliott, Commissioner Brenda Ash, Commissioner Mitchell Bartley, Commissioner Frank Cook, City Administrator Lee Mathes, Deputy Clerk Janelle Paul

Visitors: David Meyer, Oryan Speed, Caty Greene, Sally Williamson, William Cox, Robert Graham, David Adlerstein

Public hearing opened by Mayor Johnson.

**PUBLIC HEARING – FY 2016-2017 BUDGET**

Commissioner Ash read the following statement:

City of Apalachicola 201602017 Fiscal Year budget information:

- General Fund: 2,076,323
- Enterprise Fund: 1,657,010
- Total Budget: 3,733,333

Proposed Millage Rate: 9.3543
Rolled Back Rate: 9.1089
Proposed Millage Rate is a 2.69% increase of the Rolled Back Rate

The second Public Hearing and Special Meeting for final adoption of the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year budget will be held on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Apalachicola Community Center, #1 Bay Avenue.

Discussion held regarding water and sewer tap fees and requirements to offer reuse water to citizens.

No further public comments.

Public hearing closed and special meeting opened by Mayor Johnson.
SPECIAL MEETING

TENTATIVELY ADOPT FY 2016-2017 MILLAGE RATE – RESOLUTION 2016-13

Ms. Mathes read Resolution 2016-13 by title as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA LEVYING THE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017, STATING THE PERCENTAGE BY WHICH THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED EXCEEDS THE ROLLED BACK RATE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion to tentatively adopt FY 2016-2017 millage rate at 9.3543 mills made by Commissioner Ash, second by Commissioner Bartley.

Motion carried 5 to 0.
Voting Aye: Elliott, Ash, Bartley, Cook, Mayor Johnson
Voting Nay: None

1ST READING ORDINANCE NO. 2016-02 – TENTATIVELY ADOPT FY 2016-2017 BUDGET

Ms. Mathes read Ordinance No. 2016-02 by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA ADOPTING THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Motion to tentatively adopt FY 2016-2017 budget made by Commissioner Ash, second by Commissioner Cook.

Motion carried 5 to 0.
Voting Aye: Ash, Bartley, Cook, Elliott, Mayor Johnson
Voting Nay: None

Commissioner Elliott inquired about installation of individual meters for the live aboard houseboats at Battery Park Marina.

Sally Williamson stated the ditches along Bay Avenue needed cleaning. Also, a “No Swimming” sign needs to be reinstalled at Battery Park Marina.
There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

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Van W. Johnson, Sr., Mayor

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Janelle Paul, Deputy Clerk