

July 24, 2007
Statesboro, GA

PUBLIC HEARING

The Board met at 8:30 a.m. in the Community Room of the North Main Annex. Chairman Nevil, Commissioner Tankersley, Commissioner Gibson, Commissioner Thompson and Commissioner Rushing were present. Commissioner Simmons and Commissioner Jackson were absent. Staff present: County Manager Tom Couch, Staff Attorney Jeff Akins, Tax Commissioner James Deal, Tax Assessor John Scott and County Clerk Evelyn Wilson

Chairman Nevil called the meeting to order and announced the purpose of this meeting was to conduct a public hearing for the proposed property tax increase. He asked for any public comments or questions.

Ms. Mattie Lewis said she was concerned about the increase in her property taxes because she feels that the new jail construction will actually lower the value of her property.

Mr. Couch said the jail has been in this location for several years and the jail addition shouldn't diminish adjacent property values. Market demands and supply determine property values.

Chairman Nevil asked for other comments or questions. Commissioner Thompson offered a motion to close the Public Hearing. Commissioner Gibson seconded the motion and it carried, unanimously. The meeting was closed at 8:55 a.m.

J. Garrett Nevil

ATTEST