Public Hearing August 30, 2018 9:00 A.M.

The Board of Commissioners of Candler County held a public hearing on Thursday, August 30, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commissioners' boardroom at 1075 East Hiawatha Street, Suite A, Metter, Georgia.

The purpose of the hearing was to obtain citizen input regarding the increase of the tentatively adopted millage rate of 8.44% for both the incorporated and the unincorporated areas.

Those attending were Glyn Thrift, Chairman; Brad Jones, Vice-Chairman; Wayne Culbertson, Commissioner; David Robinson, Commissioner; Donny Wells, Commissioner; Bryan Aasheim, Administrator; Maranda K. Lank, Clerk; Kendall Gross, County Attorney; and Carvy Snell, The Metter Advertiser. Guests attending were Candler County Sheriff John Miles and Captain Justin Wells, Candler County Clerk of Court, Jenny Grimes; Citizens attending the Public Hearing were David Rhoney, Theresa Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Slater, Dixie Odom.

After introductory remarks by Chairman Thrift, he opened the floor for comments from the citizens.

David Rhoney expressed concern and recommended eliminating unused tax exempted property and put this excess property back on the tax base.

Alton Slater expressed concern about the County supporting the Boys and Girls Club. Mr. Gross and Vice-Chairman Jones replied the Boys and Girls Club are supported through private donations and not through the County.

Vice-Chairman Jones requested the Metter Advertiser print the correct percentages in reply to Bobby Odom's comment from the previous 9:00 a.m. Public Hearing on August 23, 2018. Mr. Aasheim also clarified the capital asset purchases through the Sheriff's Office, which property taxes do not buy vehicles, ambulances, motor graders or other capital equipment.

The second Public Hearing concluded at 9:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maranda K. Lank,

County Clerk