

A budget workshop of the City Commission of the City of Apalachicola was held on Tuesday, August 16, 2011 at 6:00 PM in the Apalachicola Community Center, #1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida.

Present: Mayor Van Johnson, Commissioner Jimmy Elliott, Commissioner Brenda Ash, Commissioner Frank Cook, City Clerk Lee Mathes, Chief of Police Bobby Varnes

Visitors: Joe Taylor, Shirley Byrd, William Cox, George Watkins, Timmy Davis, William Creamer, Anthony Croom, Chet Turner, Michael Duhart, Deborah Guillotte, Caty Greene, Susan Clementson, Robert Osburn, John Layne, Larry Smith, David Adlerstein, Janelle Paul

Workshop opened by Mayor Johnson.

Commissioner Ash outlined proposed 2011-2012 budget. Commissioner Ash asked Ms. Mathes to research other possible health insurance options.

Fire truck payment and MSBU funds discussed.

Commissioner Ash stated the 3% employee retirement reimbursement has not been included in the proposed budget. Commissioner Ash stated that Caty Greene has requested health insurance.

Commission instructed Ms. Mathes to draft budget that included 3% base pay increase to reimburse employees the 3% retirement contribution, leave Library Board contribution the same as last year, delete social security and retirement from Library requested budget, and leave health insurance in the Library budget.

Shirley Byrd asked if a contract individual was getting health insurance.

Mayor Johnson stated the Commission is going to look out for the full time employees.

There being no further discussion, workshop adjourned.

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Van W. Johnson, Sr., Mayor

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Lee H. Mathes, City Clerk