



**Columbia County Board of Commissioners  
Public Hearing on Millage Rate  
Minutes of Tuesday, August 06, 2024 at 6:00 PM  
Evans Government Center Auditorium, Evans, Georgia**

Present at the meeting included:

Chairman Douglas R. Duncan, Jr.  
Vice Chairman Connie M. Melear  
Commissioner Don Skinner, Sr.  
Commissioner Alison G. Couch  
Commissioner Michael W. Carraway  
County Manager Scott Johnson  
Deputy County Manager Matt Schlachter  
Deputy County Manager Glenn Kennedy

Division Directors:  
Leanne Reece – Internal Services  
Scott Sterling – Planning Services  
Paul Scarbary - Development Services  
Kyle Titus - Engineering Services  
John Luton - Community Services  
Chief Jeremy Wallen - Fire Services  
Michael Blanchard - Technology Services  
Stacey Gordon - Water Utility Services  
County Staff

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

*Chairman Duncan called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.*

**B. ROLL CALL / QUORUM**

*Chairman Duncan declared a quorum with five Commissioners present.*

**C. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*Chairman Duncan presented the August 06, 2024 agenda.*

**D. PUBLIC HEARING**

**(D1) Millage Rate Hearing**

*County Manager Johnson presented the 2024 Tax Digest current versus proposed worksheet, portion of property taxes levied in 2024, and the calculation of the rollback rate. He stated that the Board has proposed 5.084 mills which is lower than advertised.*

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

*Chairman Duncan adjourned the public hearing at 6:03 p.m.*

Douglas R. Duncan, Jr., Chairman

Patrice R. Crawley, County Clerk