

The Turner County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing for FY 2015-2016 Budgets on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. at the Turner County Agricultural Center with Commissioners Denham and McCard present for the meeting. Commissioners Burgess, Calhoun and Hall were not present for the Public Hearing. Staff present were Mary J. Wynn, County Manager and Latrice Wilson, County Clerk. Others present were Sheriff Andy Hester, Chief Deputy Charles Dean and Janet Winter, Elections Superintendent.

Chairman McCard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Sheriff Hester gave the invocation.

Chairman McCard opened the Public Hearing at 6:01 p.m. stating the purpose of the Public Hearing. Chairman McCard gave a brief statement stating the Proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget does not call for a tax increase. He also stated we are able to provide health insurance to the County employees again without requiring employees and officials to pay a portion of the premium. However, this may not be the case going forward if premiums continue to rise. We are not approving additional full-time positions to the payroll for this upcoming year. With the cost of health insurance and other fringe benefits provided, we just did not see where we could afford to. Part-time employees should be kept at below thirty hours per week to avoid offering health insurance to the employee. This is according to the Health Care Reform Act effective January 2016.

Chairman McCard asked if there was anyone present who wanted to speak in favor of the budget. He then asked if anyone who wanted to speak against the budget.

There being no further comments, the Budget Hearing adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

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Sam McCard, Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Latrice L. Wilson, County Clerk