

**Budget Hearing**  
**Commission Board Room**  
**Dixie County Courthouse**  
**214 NE Hwy 351, Cross City, FL 32628**  
**September 05, 2024 – 5:30 PM**

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**COMMISSIONERS**

Jody Stephenson, District 1, Vice Chairman  
Daniel Wood, District 2  
Mark Hatch, District 3  
Jamie Storey, District 4, Chairman  
David Osteen, District 5

**STAFF**

Paul Gainey, County Manager  
Martha McCaskill, Administrative Asst/Grant Coordinator  
Chana Watson, County Attorney  
Barbie Higginbotham, Clerk of Court  
Verna Wilson, Chief Deputy Clerk  
Brenda Royal, Chief Financial Officer  
Joannie Morse, Deputy Clerk  
Victoria Darkow, Deputy Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board Meeting/Workshop was called to order at 5:33 PM by Commissioner Storey.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG**

The Invocation was led by Commissioner Hatch and the Pledge to the American Flag was led by Commissioner Hatch.

Chief Financial Officer Brenda Royal presented the 2025 Budget Revenue and Expenditure Recap for Dixie County, Florida.

She stated that the appropriations and revenue estimate for the budget of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 is \$87,084,847.00.

***Motion to approve Resolution 2024-77 Establishing the Tentative Millage Rate for Fiscal Year Commencing October 01, 2024, made by Commissioner Hatch. Seconded by Commissioner Osteen. Board approved at 5:35 PM.***

***Motion to approve Resolution 2024-78 Adopting Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 made by Commissioner Hatch. Seconded by Commissioner Osteen. Board approved at 5:38 PM.***

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONCERNS**

No public comments and concerns presented.

**ADJOURN**

*Commissioner Osteen made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.*

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA



*Jamie Storey*  
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Jamie Storey, Chairman

*Barbie Higginbotham*  
Barbie Higginbotham, Clerk-Auditor

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