



LEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

T. PAGE THARP GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING

102 STARKSVILLE AVENUE NORTH, LEESBURG, GEORGIA 31763

Thursday, September 12, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

T. PAGE THARP BUILDING
OPAL CANNON AUDITORIUM

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MEETING AGENDA
Special Called Meeting

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Luke Singletary, Chairman, District 2

Chris Guarnieri, Vice-Chairman, District 4

Dennis Roland, Commissioner, District 1

Billy Mathis, Commissioner, District 3

George Walls, Commissioner, District 5

COUNTY STAFF

Christi Dockery, County Manager

Kaitlyn Good, County Clerk

Jimmy Skipper, County Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. PUBLIC HEARING

A) A Public Hearing will be held to set the millage rate.

Consideration to adopt a resolution to set the 2024 millage rate.

3. PUBLIC FORUM

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A) The Lee County Rivers Alive annual clean-up event will be **Saturday, September 21, 2024 from 9:00am to 1:00pm**. There will both be on water and on land opportunities to volunteer. A Waiver must be signed for participation. Please contact the Lee County Chamber of Commerce at (229) 759-2422 for more information.

B) The next regularly scheduled County Commission Meeting is **Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 6:00pm**.

5. ADJOURNMENT

AGENDA MAY CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Lee County is a thriving vibrant community celebrated for its value of tradition encompassing a safe family oriented community, schools of excellence, and life long opportunities for prosperity and happiness without sacrificing the rural agricultural tapestry.

Persons with special needs relating to handicapped accessibility or foreign language interpretation should contact the ADA Coordinator at 229-759-6000 or through the Georgia Relay Service 800-255-0056 (TDD) or 800-355-0135 (voice). This person can be contacted at the T. Page Tharp Building in Leesburg, Georgia between the hours of 9 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday, except holidays, and will assist citizens with special needs given proper notice of seven working days. The meeting rooms and buildings are handicap accessible.

NOTICE

The Lee County Board of Commissioners does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the Opal Cannon Auditorium, T. Page Tharp Governmental Building, 102 Starksville Ave N Leesburg, Georgia 31763 on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

CURRENT 2024 PROPERTY TAX DIGEST AND 5 YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY

		COUNTY WIDE	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
C o u n t y w i d e	V A L U E	Real & Personal	1,011,518,354	1,039,499,420	1,258,945,411	1,250,786,570	1,274,335,833	1,328,009,739
		Motor Vehicles	21,993,930	19,463,790	16,525,390	15,449,550	14,921,480	14,680,910
		Mobile Homes	5,001,710	4,823,728	5,025,918	4,888,411	5,915,184	5,871,755
		Timber - 100%	3,003,194	244,962	1,350,970	4,295,404	5,828,525	3,843,762
		Heavy Duty Equipment	140,360	48,843	42,015	10,238	56,080	187,052
		Gross Digest	1,041,657,548	1,064,080,743	1,281,889,704	1,275,430,173	1,301,057,102	1,352,593,218
		Less Exemptions	130,174,273	135,972,819	141,216,365	149,353,578	139,426,747	151,257,197
	NET DIGEST VALUE	911,483,275	930,307,924	1,140,673,339	1,126,076,595	1,161,630,355	1,201,336,021	
	R A T E	Gross Maintenance & Operation Millage	17.1130	16.8440	15.5900	15.8160	16.1060	16.0400
		Less Rollback (Local Option Sales Tax)	3.0150	2.7460	3.1600	3.4100	3.7000	3.6600
NET M&O MILLAGE RATE		14.0980	14.0980	12.4300	12.4060	12.4060	12.3800	
T A X	TOTAL M&O TAXES LEVIED	\$12,850,091	\$13,115,481	\$14,178,570	\$13,970,106	\$14,411,186	\$14,872,540	
	Net Tax \$ Increase	\$135,471	\$265,390	\$1,063,088	(\$208,463)	\$441,080	\$461,354	
	Net Tax % Increase	1.07%	2.07%	8.11%	-1.47%	3.16%	3.20%	

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH THE
2024 TAX LEVY

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF LEE

Resolved and ordered by the Lee County Board of Commissioners, State of Georgia, at a legally assembled meeting on September 12, 2024 being an advertised meeting for the said Board to establish the tax rate for the 2024 year as follows:

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS (INCORPORATED AREA)

16.04 gross mills for the expenses of general county government operations in accordance with the FY 2024-25 budget beginning July 1, 2024 and extending to June 30, 2025.

3.66 mills for the rollback of the 1% Local Option Sales Tax.

12.38 net mills for the county government operations for the incorporated area.

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS (UNINCORPORATED AREA)

16.04 gross mills for the expenses of general county government operations in accordance with the FY 2024-25 budget beginning July 1, 2024 and extending to June 30, 2025.

3.66 mills for the rollback of the 1% Local Option Sales Tax.

12.38 net mills for the county government operations for the unincorporated area.

COUNTY SCHOOL OPERATIONS

16.964 gross mills for the expenses of county school operations.

.8000 mills for the expenses of principle and interest on county-wide school bonds.

17.764 net mills for county school operations.

TOTAL

30.144 total net mills for the incorporated area (12.38 + 17.764)

30.144 total net mills for the unincorporated area (12.38 + 17.764)

.00 state millage

30.144 total mills for the incorporated area (12.38 + 17.764 + 0.000)

30.144 total mills for the unincorporated area (12.38 + 17.764 + 0.000)

Signed and adopted by the Lee County Board of Commissioners, this 12th day of September 2024.

Luke Singletary, Chairman

The above is a true and exact copy of the 2024 tax levy as appears on record in the office of the Lee County Board of Commissioners.

(SEAL)

Kaitlyn Good, County Clerk

Adopted: September 12, 2024