Tuesday, August 27, 1992, the Sabine County Commissioners held a public hearing in the District Courtroom at 6:00 P. M., with all members present.

Meeting was called to order by Judge Richard Smith; Brother Tracy Lane led opening prayer.

This public hearing was to discuss the proposed budget and proposed tax rate.

John Larry Hyden was the first with comments. He stated the proposed budget is a bare-bone budget, with no fat in it. Although he is against debt service, he feels the County has no choice at this time. Also he feels a \$.37 rate will not be too

Ray Tomlinson was the next to speak. He had comments about our law enforcement, and ask the court to re-consider cuts in that department. Judge Smith answered this proposed budget is larger than last year.

Raymond Daigle asked why Lake residents were never on the appraisal board. Comments were also made by W. C. Vickers.

Leonard Vaughn questioned the Commissioners about their salary and work schedule.

Mrs. Billie Baumert suggested County employees pay part of Health Insurance. She also said we should advertise for new help when we are hiring.

Thomas Hamilton, J.P., Precinct 1, said he is against debt service; he said it is not legal without a bond issue. Also he thinks this is no bare-bone budget.

In the tax rate session, Judge Hamilton, Mr. Daigle, and W. C. Vickers had comments.

Larry Hyden had comments about a capitol reserve account for the County. He said it will take at least 3 years to build one up. Also he had information concerning other counties. Newton has a .65c tax rate. They have 5 deputies and 7 jailors. Shelby County has a tax rate of .66¢, with 4 deputies, 7 jailors, 5 dispatchers, 1 secretary, and 1 jail foreman.

The four Commissioners answered questions about the bomag, gradall and other equipment.

Meeting recessed.

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