

December 30, 2024
Special Called Council Meeting @6:00 PM
Butler Fire Department
(Joint Meeting with BOE, TC Board of
Commissioners & City of Reynolds)

Present

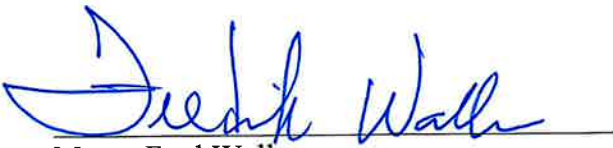
Mayor Fred Waller
Hiram Couch Tommy Beeland
Danny Peed

Media Present


TC News

A joint meeting was held on Monday, December 30th at 6:00 PM at the Butler Fire Department with attendees from the City of Butler, Taylor County Board of Commissioners, City of Reynolds and the Taylor County Board of Education. Kenny Colson with the Georgia Department of Revenue gave a presentation on House Bill 581, which imposes a floating homestead exemption on every city, county and school board in Georgia. When the bill goes into effect on January 1, 2025, every municipality, county and school board will automatically be “in”, and those wishing to “opt out” will have until March 1st, 2025 to do so. While counties already have a homestead exemption, municipalities and school boards do not. HB581 will create an additional “floating” homestead exemption for the county.. For small entities, HB581 could cause significant impacts for those who choose to stay “in” since most counties, cities and school boards need every bit of the income from property taxes to conduct operations. It was discussed that this could cause an increase to the millage rate to cover the floating homestead exemption.

There was no decision or vote taken, as this meeting was for informational purposes and all entities will discuss HB581 further during their regular meetings in January.



Mayor Fred Waller



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