

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WORKSHOP: UPDATED FIRE ASSESSMENT STUDY
THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2010**

The Board of County Commissioners in and for Wakulla County met for a Workshop on Thursday, July 22, 2010 with Chairman Howard Kessler presiding. Present were Commissioners Mike Stewart, Lynn Artz, Alan Brock, and George Green. Also, present were Assistant County Administrator Lindsay Stevens, County Attorney Heather Encinosa and Deputy Clerk Evelyn Evans.

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 p.m. by Chairman Howard Kessler.

The purpose of the workshop was to provide the Board with the updated Fire MSBU Assessment Study prepared by Government Services Group.

In preparation of the FY 2010/2011 budget, the Board directed staff to assess the potential of moving the salaries of our career firefighters onto the current MSBU. The Board also directed staff to include, within the assessment, the possibility of including vacant land into the assessment.

Sandi Melgarejo from Government Services Group was present and provided a Power Point presentation for the Board of the updated Fire MSBU Assessment Study.

The future of Fire Services within Wakulla County is dependent upon the costs being covered through an approved funding mechanism. With the current fiscal situation of the County, moving the staff salaries for fire protection is essential to assure an equitable distribution of these costs.

The County Attorney will prepare a Resolution with \$100.00 in the rate schedule for consideration at the August 2, 2010 Board Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.