

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
APRIL 5, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on April 5, 2016 at 9:00 A.M. in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman John Meeks  
Comm. Rock Meeks  
Comm. Danny Stevens  
Comm. Lilly Rooks  
Comm. Mike Joyner

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown  
County Coordinator – Fred Moody  
Danny J. Shipp – Clerk of Court

Chairman John Meeks called the Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Comm. gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXPENDITURES**

Comm. made a motion to approve the following expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. and the MOTION CARRIES.

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>123211-123344</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	1,530,878.69
ROAD	89,696.41
SHIP	14,390.04
PAL LIBRARY	34,321.00
TRANSPORTATION	14.00
911	12,560.17
COURT FACILITIES	265.10
EMS	17,543.32
FIRE	5,582.14
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	270.43
UTILITIES	4,238.62
DRUG TASK FORCE	1,750.00
IMPACT FEES - PARKS	1,174.91
CAPITAL PROJECTS	4,741.59
LANDFILL	79,288.61
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,796,715.03</b>
 <b>EFT PAYMENT</b>	 <b>\$ 33,557.04</b>

**MINUTES**

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on March 8, 2016 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on March 8, 2016 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michael Gaither asked for everyone to keep his daughter in their thoughts as she is leaving today going to South Africa for a six-month deployment with the Air Force.

## **PUBLIC HEARING BULDING AND ZONING**

Bill Hammond, Director

Atty. Brown did swearing in of audience members wishing to speak regarding the items to be presented.

Comm. John Meeks asked if any of the Commissioners had ex-parte communication regarding the items to be presented. Comm. Rooks stated she had ex-parte communication regarding the Hardship Variance.

A. Request approval of Hardship Variance 01-16, Robert Barnhill, Jr.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of Hardship Variance 01-16, Robert Barnhill, Jr. to allow a second dwelling for a caregiver.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak for or against the Hardship Variance. There were none.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Hardship Variance 01-16 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval of Preliminary Plat 01-16 of "Williston Cedar Farms."

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of Preliminary Plat 01-16 of "Williston Cedar Farms."

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone in the audience wishing to speak for or against the Preliminary Plat as presented.

Kay Gaither requested a copy of the Preliminary Plat.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Preliminary Plat 01-16 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **NATURE COAST BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

David Pieklik

A. Presenting Regular Activities report for February-April.

Mr. Pieklik presented the regular activities report of the Nature Coast Business Development Council for February-April highlighting key developments in this quarter.

B. Requesting approval of two (2) Board members, Chris Cowart and Joyce Wilson for consideration that are County-appointed vacancies.

Mr. Pieklik requested Board approval of two (2) NCBDC Board members, Chris Cowart and Joyce Wilson which are County-appointed vacancies.

Ron Grant asked if these vacancies were advertised and Mr. Pieklik answered yes they were.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the two (2) NCBDC Board members, Chris Cowart and Joyce Wilson as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

**DRINDA MERRITT, MAYOR OF INGLIS  
DEBRA WEISS, MAYOR OF YANKEETOWN**

Request for help from Tisha Whitehurst with a grant for Feasibility Study for Regional Waste Water/Storm Water and also a grant for Economic Impact Analysis.

Mrs. Merrit spoke to the Board and requested assistance from Mrs. Whitehurst, Grant's Coordinator for a Feasibility Study for Regional Waste Water/Storm Water and also a grant for Economic Impact Analysis. She and Mayor Weiss have spoken to Mrs. Whitehurst and she has agreed to assist with the Board's permission.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to allow Mrs. Whitehurst to assist with the Town of Inglis and the Town of Yankeetown's submission of a grant for a Feasibility Study for Regional Waste Water/Storm Water and also a grant for Economic Impact Analysis as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **INGLIS RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE**

Ruth A. Ruppert

Requesting approval to provide traffic control/support for Memorial Day Parade to be held on Monday, May 30, 2016 in Inglis starting at 11:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Ms. Ruppert requested Board approval for traffic control/support for a Memorial Day Parade to be held on Monday, May 30, 2016 in Inglis starting at 11:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve providing traffic control/support for the Inglis Memorial Day Parade on May 30, 2016 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Jacqueline Martin, Manager

Present proposed Amendment to the Worxtime Service Agreement for reporting requirements of the Affordable Care Act.

Ms. Martin requested Board approval of the proposed Amendment to the Worxtime Service Agreement for reporting requirements of the Affordable Care Act. This Amendment releases the Property Appraiser's Office, the Tax Collector's Office, the Clerk's Office, and the Supervisor of Election's Office from this Agreement. These offices will assume Affordable Care Act reporting requirements.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Amendment to the Worxtime Service Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **LANDFILL**

Benny Jerrels, Director

Request approval of Resolution 2016-021, authorizing Chair to sign application for "Consolidated Small County Solid Waste Management Grant" and appointing the Director of Solid Waste as authorized representative under the grant.

Mr. Jerrels requested Board approval of Resolution 2016-21 authorizing the Chairman to sign the application for the "Consolidated Small County Solid Waste Management Grant" and appointing the Director of Solid Waste as authorized representative under this grant. Mr. Jerrels explained this grant has been applied for and received in the past and this year's grant will be in the amount of \$90,909.00.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-21 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **NON-AGENDA ITEM/LANDFILL**

Mr. Jerrels requested the Board hear a non-agenda item.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to hear a non-agenda item. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Jerrels requested Board approval to utilize part of the grant funds to purchase two (2) Gravely mowers by using the State Bid price of \$22,078.40 to be purchased from Lane’s Yardware.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase of two (2) mowers reimbursable by grant funds as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

**TOURIST DEVELOPMENT**

Carol McQueen, Director

Presenting Levy County Tourist Development Council’s Recommendations for Tourist Development Council vacant seat: Two Accommodation Seats and Two Tourism Industry Seats are vacant.

Mrs. McQueen requested Board approval of the Levy County Tourist Development Council’s recommendation to appoint the following people to the Levy County Tourist Development Council:

Accommodation Seat	Kathy Carver, owner of Mermaid’s Landing
Accommodation Seat	Open – No applications received, still seeking someone
Tourism Industry Seat	Daryl Kirby, owner of Kirby Family Farm
Tourism Industry Seat	Tracey Ann Allen, co-owner of Tiger Island Hog Hunts – TABLED
Government Seat	Chairman John Meeks
Government Seat	Williston City Councilman Danny Etheridge
Accommodation Seat	Heidi Schweibert, Two-Hawks Hammock (pending acceptance)

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the recommended individuals as listed above to the Levy County Tourist Development Council as requested including Heidi Schweibert, if offer is accepted. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mrs. McQueen also stated several upcoming events in Levy County: Williston FFA Clay Shoot and the Wild Hog Canoe and Kayak Race on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, Chiefland FFA Alumni Rodeo, Farmers Markets in Cedar Key and Inglis, Cedar Lakes Woods and Gardens event in Williston April 30<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Alesha Renaudo

- A. Presenting first Quarter Report for FY 2016.

Mrs. Renaudo presented the Quarterly Report to the Board for the first quarter ending 12-31-15.

- B. Presenting the FY 2015-2016 first quarter write-off’s to the Board for approval.

Mrs. Renaudo requested Board approval for the first quarter write-off’s for the Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$15,217.02.

Questions were asked by Joseph Lander, Terry Witt, Toni Collins and James Campbell.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the first quarter write-off’s for the Department of Public Safety as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Rooks votes NO.

**ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Alice LaLonde, Office Manager

Mrs. Lalonde gave an update to the Board of a one-year extension which had been granted for the Shell Mound Road Grant until June 30<sup>th</sup> 2017.

- A. Request approval of Resolution 2016-012: Construction and Maintenance Agreement with FDOT for the resurfacing of CR 241 from CR 335/NE 75<sup>th</sup> Street to the Alachua County Line in Levy County, FL.
- B. Request approval of Resolution 20616-16: Endorsing the delivery of a project for Bridge 340010 at CR 456 (Gulf Blvd.) at Daughtry Bayou FDOT.

- C. Request approval of Resolution 2016-17: Endorsing the delivery of project for Bridge 34011 at CR 456 (Gulf Blvd.) at Lewis Pass by FDOT.
- D. Request approval of Resolution 2016-18: Endorsing the delivery of a project for Bridge 340014 at "C" Street, Cedar Key Channel by FDOT.
- E. Request approval of Resolution 2016-19: Endorsing the delivery of a project for Bridge 340050 at C339 at the Waccasassa River by FDOT.
- F. Request approval of Resolution 2016-020: Endorsing the delivery of a project for Reconstruction of CR 241 from CR 335/NE 75<sup>th</sup> to Alachua County line by FDOT.
- G. Request approval of Resolution 2016-01: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for a SCOP grant for Re-Surface/Widening of CR 343/NE 60<sup>th</sup> Street in Levy County, FL.
- H. Request approval of Resolution 2016-02: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for a SCOP grant for Re-Surface/Widening of CR 40A/SE 193<sup>rd</sup> Place in Levy County, FL.
- I. Request permission to authorize the execution of an agreement with FDOT for a SCOP grant for Re-Surfacing of Hardee Street, Cobb Street and Blitch Street in Levy County, FL. – **TABLED** -
- J. Request approval of Resolution 2016-14: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for a SCOP grant for Re-Surfacing of Hardee Street, Cobb Street and Blitch Street in Levy County, FL. – **TABLED** -
- K. Request approval of Resolution 2016-15: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for SCRAP grant for Re-Surfacing of NW 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Clay Landing Road in Levy County, FL.

Mrs. Lalonde requested Board approval of:

- Resolution 2016-012, Construction and Maintenance Agreement with FDOT for the resurfacing of CR 241 from CR 335/NE 75<sup>th</sup> Street to the Alachua County Line by FDOT.
- Resolution 2016-16, endorsing the delivery of a project for Bridge 340010 at CR 456 (Gulf Blvd.) at Daughtry Bayou by FDOT.
- Resolution 2016-17, endorsing the delivery of project for Bridge 34011 at CR 456 (Gulf Blvd.) at Lewis Pass by FDOT.
- Resolution 2016-18, endorsing the delivery of a project for Bridge 340014 at "C" Street, Cedar Key Channel by FDOT.
- Resolution 2016-19, endorsing the delivery of a project for Bridge 340050 at C339 at the Waccasassa River by FDOT.
- Resolution 2016-020, endorsing the delivery of a project for Reconstruction of CR 241 from CR 335/NE 75<sup>th</sup> to Alachua County line by FDOT.
- Resolution 2016-01; authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for a SCOP grant for Re-Surface/Widening of CR 343/NE 60<sup>th</sup> Street in the amount of \$1,236,000.
- Resolution 2016-02, authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for a SCOP grant for Re-Surface/Widening of CR 40A/SE 193<sup>rd</sup> Place in the amount of \$1,140,300.
- Resolution 2016-15, authorizing the execution of an agreement with FDOT for SCRAP grant for Re-Surfacing of NW 110<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Clay Landing Road in the amount of \$312,185.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve items A-H and item K as listed above. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- L. Request approval of Resolution 2016-022: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of FL for a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement at Dennis Creek in conjunction with the widening and re-surfacing of C326/SW 78<sup>th</sup> Place (Shell Mound Road).

Mrs. Lalonde requested Board approval of Resolution 2016-022 authorizing the execution of an agreement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida for a Sovereignty Submerged Lands Easement at Dennis Creek in conjunction with the widening and re-surfacing of C326/SW 78<sup>th</sup> Place (Shell Mound Road). Mrs. Lalonde stated the balance remaining on this grant is \$962,472.45.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-22 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Sheriff McCallum spoke to the audience regarding recent burglaries in the county and encouraged everyone to be cautious and to call 911 if they see anything strange or suspicious in their neighborhood.

Toni Collins reminded everyone of the Old Florida Celebration of Arts this Saturday and Sunday in Cedar Key. Mrs. Collins announced the historic Isaac Hardee house in Chiefland has been purchased and is being moved to a new location in Chiefland to be restored to its original state.

Terry Witt asked if there had been a decision made regarding DPS employee raises. This question was addressed by Mr. Moody. He advised Mr. Witt he could obtain a copy of the latest information received by the Board office.

Katie with the Town of Bronson reported the next Farmer’s Market in Bronson will be on May 7<sup>th</sup>, which is the same day as the Blueberry Pageant. The Blueberry Parade is on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and the Blueberry Festival is on May 14<sup>th</sup> beginning with the 5K at 7:00 A.M.

**COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS**

Comm. Joyner commented on the Congressional District proposed changes.

Comm. Rooks spoke of recent meetings she has attended with FDOT regarding the bridges in Cedar Key.

Comm. Rock Meeks reported the Suwannee River Fair went well. He reminded everyone of the Wild Hog Canoe Race coming up on April 23<sup>rd</sup> which is also the same day as the Williston FFA skeet shoot. He also invited everyone to attend any of the local Youth League baseball games on the weekends.

Comm. John Meeks reported of the North Central Florida Planning Council meeting he attended last Thursday.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:28 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEVY COUNTY, FL

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Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

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Chairman, John Meeks