

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
APRIL 19, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on April 19, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman Danny Stevens  
Comm. Marsha Drew  
Comm. Ryan Bell  
Comm. Chad Johnson

Also present were:

Clerk of Court – Danny J. Shipp  
County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown  
County Coordinator – Fred Moody  
Assistant to the County Coordinator – Dick Tummond

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Bruce Greenlee gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXPENDITURES**

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

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>104504-104662</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	409,655.96
ROAD	253,845.83
SHIP	13,075.00
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	70.62
TRANSPORTATION	801.01
COURT FACILITIES	6,954.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	272.90
EMS	35,537.31
FIRE	200,762.85
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	3,466.41
UTILITIES	2,276.35
ADD COURT COSTS	2,989.03
LANDFILL	85,505.21
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,015,212.48</b>

**MINUTES**

Approval of minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held April 5, 2011.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held April 5, 2011 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **DANNY STEVENS, CHAIRMAN**

### A. Certificate of Recognition for Mr. Bill Brown of The Children's Table.

Comm. Stevens presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mr. Brown on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners for his work with The Children's Table. Mr. Brown spoke of his recent trip to Washington D.C. where he was a finalist for a Congressional Medal of Honor. He stated he is a representative of the many people who have volunteered over the years and recognized Chelsea Twombly and her mother, Cheryl Twombly for their help and dedication to The Children's Table.

## **LEVY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

Carol McQueen

### A. Requests Board approve recommendation by the Tourist Development Council.

Mrs. McQueen stated the Tourist Development Council met on March 29<sup>th</sup> and are requesting Board approval to continue using the existing advertising grant award program for 2011-2012 cycle, and beginning with the 2012-2013 cycle to have developed an advertising and marketing plan incorporating grant award funds into a Levy County Advertising Marketing Plan to include event promotion.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the new program direction as stated by Mrs. McQueen. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Major Evan Sullivan

### A. Request to amend budget.

Major Sullivan spoke on behalf of Sheriff Smith and requested Board approval to move the remaining budgeted salary for this year from two positions from the Corrections side to Communications in the amount of \$41,157.18. The two positions are a Corrections Assistant and the other is a Corrections Officer. Major Sullivan stated the salary amount being moved will be for hiring two new dispatchers.

Major Sheffield stated the numbers of inmates have been lower than in the past, averaging around 160 so they are not utilizing the new pod to house inmates. If the number of inmates were to reach 170, they would need to shift some over to the new pod. This would require more staff.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the transfer of funds as requested to hire two new dispatchers. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Stevens requested Major Sheffield to keep the Board abreast with updates on inmate population.

Major Mike Sheffield

### A. Inmate Subsistence Fee/F.S. 951.033

Major Sheffield requested Board approval for the Sheriff's Department to charge a \$20 subsistence fee & \$1 per day fee to inmates after first appearance if they are not released.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the \$20 initial subsistence fee and \$1 per day fee as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **TOWN OF INGLIS**

George O'Bier, Zoning & Code Enforcement Officer

### A. Request from Town of Inglis to waive fees for disposal of solid waste at sanitary landfill.

George O'Bier introduces Mayor Williams, the new mayor of Inglis.

Mr. O'Bier requested the Board to allow fees to be waived for solid waste disposal for the Town of Inglis. Mr. O'Bier explained the Town of Inglis has been granted permission to tear town and remove several old abandoned structures in Town as a part of a beautification program.

Comm. Stevens stated if the Board chooses to go this route, it would be in the County and the Landfills best interest to handle this on a case by case basis. He also suggested the Town of Inglis consider using a construction and demolition company.

Rod Hastings stated there is a great expense to the county to dispose of house debris and suggested a construction and demolition company as they charge a reasonable fee per load.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **COUNTY COORDINATOR**

Fred Moody

- A. Update on EMS Director position.

Mr. Moody gave an update to the Board on the EMS Director position. He stated if the Board wanted to restructure the position, now would be the time to do so. He suggested combining the position as a Fire Coordinator and EMS Director as an Emergency Services Director or Safety Director requiring some certifications of EMS and Fire. Mr. Moody requested from the Board a job description to present for advertising at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

Terri NesSmith spoke from the audience.

The Board members agreed to review the current job description and make any additions or changes to bring a definite job description to advertise at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Heather Lombardo

- A. Request approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Homeland Security, Levy County, Florida and Employee Relations, Inc. for participation in the Employment Eligibility Verification Program (E-Verify).

Mrs. Lombardo requests Board approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Homeland Security, Levy County, Florida and Employee Relations, Inc. for participation in the Employment Eligibility Verification Program (E-Verify). Mrs. Lombardo explained E-Verify is a program used to electronically confirm an employee's eligibility to work in the United States after completion of the Employee Eligibility Verification form. Employee Relations, Inc. completes background checks on all prospective employees and volunteers. The verifications are to be done on new employees only for a \$3.50 fee for each prospective employee.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

Rob Corbitt, Director

- A. Present proposed Ordinance for Special Events.

Mr. Corbitt requested comments from the Board on the draft Ordinance for Special Events and read the proposed Ordinance into record.

Discussion followed by the Commissioners concerning various items in the Ordinance.

- B. Request for Board of Adjustment Appointments.

Mr. Corbitt requested the Board appoint the following individuals to the Board of Adjustments:

Linda Jane Cramer  
D. Andrew Carswell  
William M. Conquest

C. Request for Licensing Board Appointment.

Mr. Corbitt requested appointing Thomas J. Inman to the Licensing Board.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the appointments to the Board of Adjustments and to the Licensing Board as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT**

Desiree Painter, General Manager

A. Request approval for amendment #1 of the US Section 5317 Joint Participation Agreement.

Connie Conley requested on behalf of Ms. Painter Board approval for Amendment #1 of the US Section 5317 Joint Participation Agreement. Ms. Conley stated this grant provides an additional \$30,000 and is a 50/50 grant. The amendment will allow for additional service to accommodate the disabled population in Levy County on weekends.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Amendment #1 of the US Section 5317 Joint Participation Agreement as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

The meeting recessed at 10:54 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 11:08 A.M.

## **PLANNING**

Shenley Neely, Planner

A. Re-appointment of Planning Commission member whose term is expiring in April, 2011. (Vaughn Lee from District 1).

Ms. Neely stated the term for Vaughn Lee, the Planning Commissioner from District 1 is expiring in April, 2011 and requested Board approval to reappointment for another 4-year term.

Comm. Drew made a motion to reappoint Vaughn Lee to the Planning Commission as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

A. Request approval to advertise Road Closing for SE 216 Terr. & SE 59 Lane in Ocala Highlands West. (Mike & Diane Joyner)

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to advertise a hearing for a Road Closing for SE 216 Terr. And SE 59<sup>th</sup> Lane in Ocala Highlands West as requested by Mike and Diane Joyner on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-15 to advertise for the road closing as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request Board action for North Florida Broadband Authority request.

Mr. Greenlee stated the North Florida Broadband Authority would like to place a storage shed on the secure compound of the Levy County Road Department and presented a Hold Harmless Agreement for approval.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the Agreement as presented. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Levy County Road Department would like to apply for the following grants:

1. SCOP-C40A (from US 19/98 to C40)
2. SCOP-C326 (from C347 to end of road)
3. SCRAP-C40E (from US 19/98 to Marion County Line)
4. SCRAP-C464 (from US 121 to SR 41)
5. CIGP-C345 (from Alt 27 to US 19/98)
6. CIGP-C347 (from US 19/98 to Alt 27)

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval for above listed grant projects with one change. Mr. Greenlee stated he had contacted Katrina Sadler at DOT and was given permission to combine C345 and C347 as one project, allowing the County to submit for an additional County Incentive Grant. Mr. Greenlee stated he would like to take the SCRAP-C464 project and switch it to a County Incentive Grant as it meets the requirements and select another candidate project for the SCRAP grant.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the grant applications with the change as presented by Mr. Greenlee. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **SOLID WASTE**

Benny Jerrels, Director

A. Requests permission to increase contract with Clean Harbors by 3% (three percent).

Rod Hastings requested on behalf of Benny Jerrels Board approval to increase the contract with Clean Harbors by 3%. Mr. Hastings stated the increase is for the cost of fuel.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the increase with Clean Harbors as presented. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Comm. Johnson attended the Broadband Authority meeting and reported Chiefland will be one of the first sites.

Comm. Drew requested Board approval of Proclamation 2011-16, recognizing May 21 through May 27, 2011 as "Safe Boating Week" and read the Proclamation into record. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Bell announced the opening of a new business on the Suwannee River on the Fowler's Bluff side. He stated it is the old Treasure Camp.

Atty. Brown gave an update on the oil spill claim deadline.

Comm. Stevens gave information to the Commissioners for their review regarding selection of the different departments for each Commissioner to work with. The Commissioners agreed to review the list and report back at the next Board meeting.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:28 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEVY COUNTY, FL

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, Danny Stevens