

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OCTOBER 18, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on October 18, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

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

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 A.M. Mr. 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. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>106172-106324</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	908,766.23
ROAD	208,070.10
SHIP	10,800.00
TRANSPORTATION	50,538.80
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	13,249.17
EMS	94,363.77
FIRE	106,632.82
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	1,914.49
UTILITIES	1,093.99
COMMUNICATION	30,218.06
ADD COURT COSTS	461.90
CAPITAL PROJECTS	7,916.87
LANDFILL	70,989.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,505,030.69</b>

**MINUTES**

The following sets of minutes were presented to the Board for approval:

Regular Meeting held September 6, 2011  
Public Hearing held September 8, 2011  
Public Hearing held September 19, 2011

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the above listed sets of minutes as presented with changes as explained by Chanda Jordan, Minutes Clerk. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **VFW**

Bruce McInnis, Commander VFW Rebel Post #5625

- A. Request approval of Proclamation 2011-55 recognizing Veteran's Appreciation Week, November 6-12, 2011.

Mr. McInnis and Susan Haines requested Board approval of Proclamation 2011-55 recognizing Veteran's Appreciation Week, November 6-12, 2011. Mrs. Haines then read the Proclamation in to public record.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Proclamation 2011-15 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **AGENDA POLICY**

Renate Cannon

- A. Request amendment of Agenda Policy of 2/06/2001, to limit the motion to hear a non-agenda item to definite emergencies only.

Mrs. Cannon spoke to the Board and requested an amendment of the Agenda Policy of 2/06/2001, to limit the motion to hear a non-agenda item to definite emergencies only.

The Commissioners agreed they need to be more aware of this issue, but did not wish to make a change to the Agenda Policy at this time.

## **LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Patty Galyean

- A. Request approval and signature on the Certificate of Acceptance for the 2012 Application of the Levy County Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force 20 Grant, through Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Justice Assistance Grant program, \$60,300.00.

Mrs. Galyean requested Board approval and signature on the Certificate of Acceptance for the 2012 Application of the Levy County Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force 20 Grant through the FDLE, Justice Assistance Grant program in the amount of \$60,300.

Comm. Bell made a motion for approval and signature on the Certificate of Acceptance for the 2012 Application as requested. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **LEVY COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR**

Linda Fugate, Levy County Tax Collector

- A. Request to allow Tax Collector to retain \$125,000 of Operating expenses.

Mrs. Fugate requested Board approval to retain \$125,000 of their Operating expenses until the first distribution of taxes comes in around mid-November.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the Tax Collector retaining \$125,000 of their Operating expenses as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **TOWN OF YANKEETOWN**

Dawn Marie Clary, Mayor of Yankeetown

- A. Request Board approve County Road 40 be designated as "Follow That Dream Parkway" from the Yankeetown/Inglis line to the gulf in memorial of the Elvis Presley movie "Follow That Dream" which was filmed at Yankeetown in 1967.

Ms. Clary requested Board approval of Resolution 2011-57 for CR 40 to be designated as "Follow That Dream Parkway" from the Yankeetown/Inglis line to the Gulf. She stated the Town of Yankeetown will pay for all signage.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-57 for CR 40 to be designated as "Follow That Dream Parkway" as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PORT CITRUS PROJECT**

Brad Thorpe, Citrus County Administrator

A. Presentation on the proposed Port Citrus project.

Citrus County Commissioner and Commissioner of the Port Authority, Dennis Damato presented information to the Board members regarding Port Citrus as the central sewer and water issues may be of mutual interest to both counties. Mr. Damato also asked the Board if they would consider joining the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority. He invited the Commissioners to attend one of the Water Authority's upcoming meetings. The next meeting is Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 P.M. at the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council in Ocala. Mr. Damato then introduced Brad Thorpe, Citrus County Administrator and Port Director. Mr. Thorpe gave information on how Port Citrus came to be and the opportunities this could present to the area.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jeff Harris, Levy County Schools Foundation, President, thanked the Commissioners for their support of the Beast Feast event held recently which raised over \$6,500 and had over 225 people attending. Mr. Harris stated the Foundation is a non-profit organization raising money for all Levy County public schools. Support is offered in the form of reading programs, classroom grants for innovative teaching ideas and scholarships for graduating students.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

Anne Bast Brown

A. Consideration of an offer to settle the payoff of a SHIP Second Mortgage and Rehabilitation Cost Promissory Note for Connie L. Harper and James Colt Caldwell, and, if accepted, approve a Satisfaction of Mortgage contingent on receipt of settlement of funds from Case Home Finance, LLC, the first mortgage.

Atty. Brown presented for Board consideration an offer to settle the payoff of a SHIP Second Mortgage and Rehabilitation Cost Promissory Note for Connie L. Harper and James Colt Caldwell, and, if accepted, approve a Satisfaction of Mortgage contingent on receipt of settlement of funds from Case Home Finance, LLC, the first mortgage. The payoff amount is \$3,000.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to accept the offer to settle the payoff as presented and approve a Satisfaction of Mortgage. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **COUNTY COORDINATOR**

Fred Moody

A. Present request from Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners to provide their leachate hauling service at \$330.00 per load; approximately 2 or 3 times per year.

Mr. Moody presented a request from the Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners for Levy County Solid Waste to provide their leachate hauling service at \$330.00 per load; approximately 2 or 3 times per year. Mr. Dean had provided this service to Gilchrist County as well as to Levy County. Mr. Jerrels stated it would be possible to provide this service.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the request from Gilchrist County to haul leachate. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request authorization to complete and submit application for the Tiger Discretionary Grant with resolution.

Mr. Moody requested Board authorization on behalf of Ms. Painter to complete and submit application for the Tiger Discretionary Grant with Resolution 2011-56. The grant amount is \$1.6 million for improvements and modifications to a site. He had received a letter from Mike Campbell, General Manager at Central Florida Electric Coop. indicating the property located at 315 NW 11<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Chiefland could be available as soon as their new facility is completed.

Comm. Stevens stated he had concerns of authorizing this request as the property presented for the Transit Department Bus Maintenance Facility, the Central Florida Electric Coop property, has not yet been presented to the Board.

It was requested for Mr. Moody to call Mr. Tocknell to determine if the Grant would still be granted if the Board chose not to purchase the CFEC property. The Board will determine whether or not to make a decision on this item when Mr. Moody returns to the meeting.

The meeting recessed at 11:04 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 11:13 A.M.

After Mr. Moody returned to meeting with response from Mr. Tocknell, the Commissioners agreed they would like to have a Special Meeting next week when Ms. Painter and Mr. Tocknell can both be present. The meeting will be on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.

Comm. Johnson gave his opinion on the topic for public record since he would not be present for the meeting stating he is not in favor of spending \$1.2 million to buy property and then spend \$1.6 million for improvements when there is other county-owned property available.

- C. Kurt Spitzer and Associates proposal for redistricting services.

Mr. Moody presented and requested Board approval of the Kurt Spitzer and Associates proposal for redistricting services shared by the Board of County Commissioners and the Levy County School Board in the total amount of \$7,500.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the proposal for redistricting services by Kurt Spitzer and Associates. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

- A. Request approval for yearly Blanket Utility for New Buried Service Drop Permit between CenturyLink and Levy County.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval for yearly Blanket Utility for New Buried Service Drop Permit between CenturyLink and Levy County. This is effective 10-01-11 to 09-30-12 and is for service drops only.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the yearly Blanket Utility for New Buried Service Drop Permit as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request Board direction for a request from Cedar Key Volunteer Fire & Rescue regarding a temporary debris storage site for Cedar Key.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board direction for a request from the City of Cedar Key regarding use of a portion of the Road Department FEMA approved temporary storage site located on CR 347 in an emergency event.

Comm. Bell made a motion to move forward with the request from Cedar Key Volunteer Fire & Rescue as stated. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Request approval and signature for License Agreement for Public Road Crossing.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval and signature for License Agreement for Public Road Crossing (CR 316).

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve with signature the License Agreement for Public Road Crossing (CR 316). Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

For information to the Board, Mr. Greenlee reported about six months ago he had applied for some County Incentive Grants as well as some SCRAP and SCOP Grants for roads in the county. He stated the Florida Department of Transportation had included the SCOP Grant he had submitted for Shell Mound Road and two others, CR 40 and CR 464 in its five year work flow program.

## SOLID WASTE

Benny Jerrels, Director

A. Request Board approve the renewal of Levy County's Service agreement with Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council for fiscal year 2012.

Mr. Jerrels requested Board approval for the renewal of the Service Agreement between Levy County and Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council for the fiscal year 2012.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the Service Agreement renewal with Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council as presented. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

For information to the Board, Mr. Jerrels reported the Tire Site which had been voted on recently for construction at the Landfill is nearly completed and they will be getting the Small County Grant again this year.

## COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

**Comm. Johnson** asked everyone to keep in mind the students receiving awards and participating in the FFA National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

Comm. Johnson reminded the Board of the Chiefland High School homecoming on October 28<sup>th</sup>. The parade will be on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Williston's homecoming is on November 4<sup>th</sup> and Bronson's is on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

Comm. Johnson stated he attended a meeting of the Florida Association of Counties in Daytona last month and had started his ACC last week.

Comm. Johnson reported on a recent meeting of the North Florida Broadband. He had served on the Corrective Action Plan committee and reported he had recommended to the counsel from the attorney's hired from Washington that Government Services Group be removed from the project as well as Capital Solutions. They will meet again tomorrow at 2:00 P.M. in Live Oak but he will not be able to attend. He asked if Comm. Drew would be able to attend in his place.

**Comm. Drew** stated she will be at a NACO meeting in Savanna, Georgia from the 26<sup>th</sup> to the 28<sup>th</sup>. The Yankeetown Seafood Festival is coming up on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Comm. Bell** stated the Fowlers Bluff Annual meeting will be on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and he will not be able to attend, but Mr. Knowles has agreed to attend in his place.

The 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday of the Town of Yankeetown is coming up on the 29<sup>th</sup> and all Commissioners are invited to attend.

The Cedar Key Art Festival was this past weekend and he asked if the Board would want to continue to participate each year. If so, he can handle the arrangements.

Comm. Bell stated his red truck is available for the upcoming Veterans Day Parade if it is needed.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:26 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, Danny Stevens