

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 6, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on December 6, 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
Comm. Mike Joyner

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. Mr. Greenlee gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	106619-106725
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,178,923.44
ROAD	95,062.25
SHIP	13,260.00
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	71.97
TRANSPORTATION	307.52
911	14,000.00
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
EMS	20,781.50
FIRE	18,978.07
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	320.92
UTILITIES	438.09
COMMUNICATION	1,035.93
LANDFILL	2,353.31
TOTAL	\$ 1,345,548.00

MINUTES

The following minutes were presented for Board approval:

Budget Workshop held July 11, 2011
Budget Workshop held July 14, 2011
Regular Meeting held September 30, 2011
Regular Meeting held October 4, 2011

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

KENTUCKY COLONEL PRESENTATION

A presentation of the Kentucky Colonel Award was made by Barbara Blackburn on behalf of her husband Claude Blackburn to Lou Elliott Jones. She then explained the origin of the Kentucky Colonel Award to the Board.

VFW

Ivan Chubb requested the Board recognize the Sons of AmVets Squadron 88 for their service to our Veterans; specifically the December 3rd luncheon for homeless veterans at the Honor Residence in Gainesville. There are also plans for a wreath placement ceremony at Rosemary Cemetery in conjunction with the National Wreaths Across America to honor our deceased Veterans on December 10th at 12:00.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the Board Chairman signing a letter to the Sons of AmVets Squadron 88 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC HEARING

Tim Haines
Gray, Ackerman & Haines, PA
HUD Section 108 application.

Mr. Haines spoke to the Board on behalf of Steven H. Gray regarding a HUD Section 108 application and requested approval of a resolution approving and authorizing submission of an application with the U.S. Department of Housing. He stated Gray, Ackerman & Haines, P.A. are representing Whitestone Capital Partners on a proposed project in Ocala to build an Assisted Living Facility which will have 60 assisted living units, 40 independent living units and 20 Alzheimer's units. The planned funding for this project is about \$5 million in equity from the developer and \$14 million in guaranteed HUD loans to the developer for this project. The HUD loans will come through the CDBG. Since Levy County is a non-assessed community, unlike Marion County and the City of Ocala, it gets its funding through the State. Upon Levy County authorizing application of these funds, they can become directly available to the developer once approval is granted by the State of Florida and HUD National. The benefit to Levy County and the reason it is asked to participate in this project is:

1. Levy County is adjacent to Marion County.
2. Levy County, like Marion County is an underserved county for Senior Services.
3. By virtue of the provision of funds based upon its request, Levy County residents will get priority in the beds and units in the Senior Housing Facility, equivalent to 86%.
4. This will not compete with any private enterprises.

Comm. Stevens asks if there is anyone in the audience to speak for or against this item.

Mr. Schofield asks a question regarding the 86% available to Levy County residents

Barney Cannon stated he has doubts regarding this proposal and is against it.

The Commissioners then asked questions to Mr. Haines and the Public Hearing was closed at 9:32 A.M.

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Connie Asbell, Supervisor of Elections

- A. Appointment of County Commissioner to the Canvassing Board.

Mrs. Asbell requested approval of Comm. Bell and Comm. Stevens to be appointed to the Canvassing Board for the 2012 election cycle.

Comm. Bell made a motion the appoint Comm. Bell and Comm. Stevens to the Canvassing Board as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

911 ADDRESSING

Mike West, 911 Addressing Coordinator

- A. Request approval for the CenturyLink Evergreen Software contract. This contract provides coverage on the Evergreen for 10/23/11 – 10/22/12.

Mr. West requested Board approval of the CenturyLink Evergreen Software contract for their 911 system. The cost of the Evergreen, \$15,012.99 is covered by a grant received from the State E911 Board.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the renewal of the contract as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Fred Moody, County Coordinator

- A. Redistricting update, present proposed map.

Mr. Moody presented a proposed updated redistricting map to the Commissioners, explaining adjustments to some of the District lines.

- B. Request motion to adopt resolutions 2011-64 and 2011-65 electing to withdraw from the Public Risk Management pool.

Mr. Moody requested approval of Resolutions 2011-64 and 2011-65 electing to withdraw from the Public Risk Management pool and suggested the Board to go out for bids for both. Atty. Brown explained notifying Public Risk Management is the first step to inform them we will be going out for bids. A second notice would need to be sent in order to leave Public Risk Management and, if not, Levy County would stay in the pool.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve Resolutions 2011-64 and 2011-65 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

- A. Requesting a transfer of three Levy County Transit Supervisors' vehicles to the Department of Public Safety. All three vehicles have clear titles.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval of an agreement allowing shared usage of a Public Safety owned bariatric unit with the Transit Department and the following vehicle transfers:

Transfer from Public Safety to Road Department one surplus ambulance vehicle.

Remove from Public Safety inventory an S-10 Blazer which is no longer usable and offer it to any other Department, if they can use it.

Transfer three vehicles from Transit to Public Safety.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the vehicle transfers as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

James Shields

- A. Request approval of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Support Grant.

Mr. Shields requested on behalf of Ms. Painter Board approval of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Support Grant. Mr. Moody explained the total amount is \$69,223 and the County's portion is \$6,922.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve application of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Support Grant as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval for amendment #3 of the Medicaid Non-Emergency Agreement between the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Commission and the Levy County Board of County Commission; purpose of the amendment is a net increase of \$10,498.

Mr. Shields requested Board approval of Amendment #3 of the Medicaid Non-Emergency Subcontracted Transportation Provider Agreement between the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Commission and the Levy BOCC. Mr. Moody explained the agreement is increased by \$10,498 and the monthly breakdown is listed in the agreement.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Amendment #3 of the Medicaid Non-Emergency Subcontracted Transportation Provider Agreement as presented. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request approval to purchase three (3) vehicles from the Florida Sheriff's Association Bid Award.

Mr. Shields requested Board approval to purchase three vehicles from the Florida Sheriff's Association Bid Award. He explained these three vehicles would replace the three vehicles to be donated to the Public Safety Department.

After review of the vehicle quotes and discussion by the Commissioners, this item was TABLED with a request for comparable quotes from local vendors of basic vehicles with no extras.

- D. Request to donate one 2003 bus (wrecked and salvaged) to Suwannee Valley Transit; Gwen Pra.

Mr. Shields requested Board approval for the Transit Department to donate a 2003 bus which has been wrecked and is currently located at the Road Department to Gwen Pra at Suwannee Valley Transit.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve donation of the 2003 bus as requested to Gwen Pra at Suwannee Valley Transit. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

SHIP

Dick Tummond

- A. Request motion to approve Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Christine J. Campbell, PA #508.

Mr. Tummond requested Board approval of the Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Christine J. Campbell in the amount of \$13,260.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the Deferred Payment Loan Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

SOLID WASTE

Benny Jerrels, Director

- A. Request approval for the 2011-12 Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement for State Assistance and authorize the Chair to sign the agreement.

Mr. Jerrels requested Board approval of the Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement for State Assistance and authorize the Chair to sign the agreement. The grant amount is \$70,588.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve application of the Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement for State Assistance and authorize the Chair to sign the agreement. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Comm. Johnson reported there is now funding for broadband so this is now back up and going. The Levy County School Foundation Gala will be coming up on January 28th in Chiefland. He will give more details as the date approaches.

Comm. Johnson stated he would like to set date for a workshop for Commissioners to discuss their goals and priorities for the upcoming year. The Commissioners agreed to meet on January 3rd following the Regular Board meeting that day and each Commissioner will submit their ideas to the Board office by December 16th so it can be included with the agenda packets for the December 20th regular Board meeting for each Commissioner to review.

Comm. Bell reported there was a good turnout at the Chiefland Christmas parade held this past Saturday.

Comm. Joyner announced there would be a benefit fish fry lunch this Friday to help two families within the courthouse dealing with cancer. Donations are accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Barney Cannon spoke of ALF and stated it seems this outfit is dependent on our support to get going. He stated he would like to have the facility in Levy County, rather than Marion County.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:35 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Danny Stevens