

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
DECEMBER 17, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on December 17, 2013 at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman Ryan Bell  
Comm. John Meeks  
Comm. Mike Joyner  
Comm. Danny Stevens  
Comm. Chad Johnson

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown  
County Coordinator – Fred Moody

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

**EXPENDITURES**

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

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>113856-114010</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	882,284.26
ROAD	122,086.90
PAL LIBRARY	858.02
TRANSPORTATION	2,781.21
911	19.99
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	1,307.03
EMS	24,955.99
FIRE	28,319.96
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,192.84
CDBG	399.17
UTILITIES	1,045.68
IMPACT FEES - EMS	1,068.75
CAPITAL PROJECTS	10,901.92
LANDFILL	50,558.52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,128,795.24</b>

**MINUTES**

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on November 5, 2013 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on November 5, 2013 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair for the County Commission Board and update on Board Appointments for 2014.

Comm. Bell requested appointments for Chairman, Vice-Chairman and updates on Board appointments from the Commissioners for the calendar year 2014.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to re-appoint Comm. Bell as Chairman for 2014. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to re-appoint Comm. Johnson as Vice-Chairman for 2014. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **Canvassing Board**

Comm. Bell stated he cannot serve on the Canvassing Board so someone would need to replace him. It is a requirement to have two (2) Commissioners on this Board.

Comm. Meeks and Comm. Joyner agreed to serve on the Canvassing Board.

### **Department Appointments**

Comm. Stevens made a motion to leave all Department Appointments "as is". Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **Department Committees**

Comm. Stevens made a motion to leave all Department Committees "as is". Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **Transportation Department**

#### **SHIP/Water**

#### **Canvassing Board**

Comm. Stevens made a motion to appoint Comm. Meeks to work with the Transportation Department and he would take the SHIP/Water Department. Comm. Stevens added he would serve on the Canvassing Board in place of Comm. Joyner. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **BETH GORDON**

Discussion regarding the proposed Sabal Trail Transmission Pipeline for methane gas to be built in Levy County.

Ms. Beth Gordon spoke to the Board regarding the proposed Sabal Trail Transmission Pipeline for methane gas to be built in Levy County. Sabal Trail, LLC, which is owned by Spectra Energy in partnership with FP & L is proposing to run a 36 inch pipeline through Levy County. She asked if there is anything the Board could do to prevent the pipeline from coming through this county or to ensure the safety of the citizens.

The Commissioners advised Ms. Gordon they have been looking into the pipeline project. Comm. Joyner offered the name of a contact person Ms. Gordon could speak with to get additional answers to her questions.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **COUNTY COORDINATOR**

Fred Moody

On behalf of the SHIP Department, request approval to subordinate SHIP Rehab case #127, Booker T. Mann.

Mr. Moody requested on behalf of Ms. Neely Board approval of the Subordination Agreement on SHIP Rehab Case #127, Booker T. Mann.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the Subordination Agreement on SHIP Rehab Case #127, Booker T. Mann. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

David Knowles, Director

- A. Request Board approval for the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Equipment from Ten-8 Equipment on quote #Q139049 dated November 26, 2013.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval for the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Aparatus (SCBA) equipment from Ten-8 Fire Equipment, the sole source provider.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase of Self Contained Breathing Apparatus Equipment as requested from Ten-8 Equipment. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval to purchase a new server with software installed.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval to purchase a new server in the Public Safety office with software installed.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase of a new server as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request approval from the Board and Chairman's signature on the RescueNet Road Safety Products Contract.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval of the Chairman's signature on the RescueNet Road Safety Products Contract. The approval of two (2) ZOLL RescueNet Road Safety units was previously approved at the November 5<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Chairman's signature on the RescueNet Road Safety Products Contract as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Request approval from the Board and Chairman's signature on the Emergency Air Transport Services Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN).

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval and the Chairman's signature on the Emergency Air Transport Services Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN). This certificate is necessary for the Air Methods helicopter and crew to operate a base in Levy County.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve with the Chairman's signature the Emergency Air Transport Services Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Knowles stated he is working with Bruce Greenlee and the Road Department to get the fire training building from Dunnellon to the Public Safety complex.

## **MIRACLE VISION TABERNACLE OUTREACH CENTER, INC.**

Carl Carnegie, Pastor

Discussion about sidewalk for Vision Christian Academy.

Pastor Carnegie spoke to the Board of a concern for students walking to and from the Vision Christian Academy. He asked if the Board could construct a sidewalk along the North side of CR 335 to give students a safe place for walking or bicycling.

The Commissioners agreed for Mr. Greenlee to research this and come back to the Board with cost and feasibility of what could be done. The two (2) options discussed were construction of a sidewalk or paved bike trail.

## **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

Discussion of cost for the 6115 Trimming Tractor that was approved at the Capital Improvement Meeting on November 19, 2013.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to purchase a 6115 trimming tractor with attachments from AgPro on State Contract in the amount of \$133,191.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the purchase of a 6115 trimming tractor with attachments as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Barney Cannon spoke to the Board regarding the gas pipeline issue.

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Comm. Johnson announced February 1<sup>st</sup> is the date for the Levy County Education Foundation Gala.

Comm. Joyner thanked the press for their reporting of the fly by night roofing individuals.

Comm. Stevens wished a Merry Christmas to everyone.

Comm. Meeks stated "Wreaths Across America" was a success. The North Florida Broadband meeting held on December 11<sup>th</sup> was also successful. Comm. Meeks also wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Comm. Bell

A. Discussion of SW 164<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Comm. Bell gave an update to the Board of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's approval of an extension on the Tarafa project.

Comm. Bell asked for input from the Commissioners regarding adding SW 164<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Cedar Key to the paving list.

Comm. Johnson stated he would abstain from voting on this item due to a conflict of interest.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to place SW 164<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the paving list. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Johnson did not vote.

The meeting recessed at 10:01 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 10:11 A.M.

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PRESENTATION**

Capital Improvement Presentation update and ranking of Capital Improvements.

### **Levy County Tax Collector**

Mr. Moody spoke to the Board regarding the purchase by Linda Fugate, Levy County Tax Collector, of property in Williston. He stated there would be a cost savings with regard to title insurance if Mrs. Fugate transfers the property after the purchase to the Board. Mr. Moody requested the Board formally accept the transfer after the closing for tracking purposes.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to accept the building purchased by Linda Fugate, Levy County Tax Collector at the time of closing. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **Parks and Recreation**

Mr. Moody spoke to the Board regarding the Wacasassa channel markers and reported of a company called Preble-Rish, Inc., Consulting Engineers & Surveyors which could assist with the issues relating to the channel markers. They offered a proposal in the amount of \$7,100 to do the initial work if the Board is willing to waive the bid procedures. Upon completion of their work, bids could be requested for a contractor to get the project started.

Atty. Brown stated if estimated construction cost of the project would exceed \$300,000, the bid process could not be waived.

Mr. Moody responded the estimated cost reported to him by Mr. Weldon would be around \$38,000.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to waive the bid process and authorize the Chairman to sign the Agreement upon review by Atty. Brown. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

**Building and Zoning**

Comm. Bell stated Building and Zoning will be purchasing two (2) vehicles this fiscal year, 2013-2014, and two (2) additional vehicles in 2014-2015 fiscal year.

**Construction/Maintenance**

The Commissioners discussed replacement of the courthouse front doors, replacement of windows and replacement of the backup generator and the possibility of obtaining a grant for assistance with these expenses. The estimated costs for repairs provided to Mr. Moody by Jimmy Jones are listed below:

Replacement of 50 windows	\$ 75,000
Upgrade Generator	\$225,000
Elevator upgrade	\$195,000

Comm. Meeks stated the amount of \$10,000 had been given for the cost of replacing the front entry doors to the courthouse.

The Board agreed by consensus to make the replacement of the front entry doors top priority before any of the other above listed items.

The Board agreed to have Mr. Moody speak with Mark Johnson at Emergency Management about seeking a grant to help with the expense of window replacement.

The Commissioners discussed the possibility of new Courthouse and Health Department construction on the 23 acres purchased by the Board.

The Commissioners discussed the advantages and disadvantages of constructing a stand-alone storage facility at the Landfill or purchasing the property and building where the business, M & M equipment existed to offset storage rental expense.

It was requested for Mr. Jones to bring information back to the Board following the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in January on the cost of constructing a building for storage.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:58 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, Ryan Bell