

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 18, 2018**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on December 18, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman John Meeks
Comm. Matt Brooks
Comm. Rock Meeks
Comm. Lilly Rooks
Comm. Mike Joyner

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Coordinator – Wilbur Dean

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

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	132924-133082
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	152,752.37
ROAD	46,682.87
SHIP	29,800.00
MOSQUITO CONTROL	406.82
TRANSPORTATION	11,973.88
COURT FACILITIES	5,747.81
MISC GRANTS	7,769.17
EMS	96,525.50
FIRE	9,484.53
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	4,796.75
UTILITIES	1,186.42
CAPITAL PROJECTS	5,780.00
LANDFILL	3,919.67
TOTAL	\$ 376,825.79
 EFT/ACH PAYMENT	 \$ 291,401.52

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board Meetings held on October 2, 2018 and October 16, 2018 were presented for approval.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the Regular Board minutes for meetings held on October 2, 2018 and October 16, 2018 with corrections as stated. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Renate Cannon inquired of the status of the remodeling of the old Bronson High School buildings into office space for several of the elected officials and the County Commissioners meeting location.

Comm. John Meeks gave information on what had been done and plans for what is to be done to make the space usable. He stated the first priority is to get the constitutional officers moved.

Terry Witt asked where the new commission meeting room would be and if a speaker system would be installed to project the voices of the Commissioners. Comm. John Meeks stated the auditorium would most likely be the new meeting room and improvements would be made to make the room suitable.

SOLID WASTE – PUBLIC HEARING

Rod Hastings

- A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2018-069 providing a three (3) year notice to allow Levy County to consider providing solid waste collection services through the authorization of one or more franchises, through the County or through some other governmental provider.

Mr. Hastings introduced Evan Rosenthal of Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson who spoke to the Board.

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

Members of the audience who spoke were: Dana Miller, Renate Cannon, Terry Witt, Jack Schofield, Sallie Ann Collins, Linda Cooper, Charles Register, and William Hamby.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2018-009 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks. MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Ordinance 2018-009 regarding solid waste collection services in Levy County, licensing solid waste haulers and providing flow control.

Atty. Brown read the title of Ordinance 2018-009 into public record.

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

Members of the audience who spoke were: Renate Cannon, Waste Pro representative Dana Miller, Jack Schofield, Linda Cooper, Charles Register, Terry Witt and William Hamby.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-069 changing the effective date for compliance to June 1st as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks. MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY COORDINATOR

- A. Requesting Board approval of a Letter of Support for the North Florida Economic Development Partnership submittal of a Rural Regional Development Grant application for 2019.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Letter of Support as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of a MOU between Levy County and the University of Florida, Board of Trustees, and Exhibit "A".

Ed Jennings spoke to the Board regarding the MOU answering questions by Comm. John Meeks.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the MOU as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Dean reported of meeting he attended of the Middle and Lower Suwannee River, Withlacoochee River Taskforce concerning the number of overflows at the Valdosta sewer plant recently.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Alice LaLonde, Administrative Manager

Wilbur Dean requested on behalf of Alice LaLonde Board approval of Resolution 2018-081 amending the Repair/Maintenance Building budget for FY 2018-2019. Mr. Dean stated this amendment in the amount of \$15,000 is to appropriate funds for the C32 LAP Sidewalk grant.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-081 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

LIBRARY

Jeanine Turner, Library Services Coordinator

Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2018-080 amending the final budget for FY 2018-2019 as a result of unanticipated funds in the amount of \$17,000 received through the Library Services and Technology Grant in the 2018-2019 Final Budget.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-080 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE

Jimmy Jones, Director

Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2018-081 amending the Repair/Maintenance building budget for FY 2018-2019. Mr. Jones explained this amends the Repair/Maintenance Building budget in the amount of \$8,000 by transferring funds from Capital Outlay Reserves to re-roof four (4) roofs at the Department of Public Safety.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-081 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and MOTION CARRIES.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

John MacDonald, Director

- A. Requesting Board approval of a MOA between the State Division of Emergency Management and the Levy County BOCC.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the MOA as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of an Interlocal Agreement between the Levy County Board of County Commissioners and the Levy County School Board concerning the use of facilities and reimbursement of emergency shelter costs.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Requesting Board approval of Subgrant Modification Z0355-3 for a FEMA funding increase of \$149,236.15.

D. Requesting Board approval of Subgrant Modification Z0355-4 for a FEMA funding increase of \$93,235.40.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Subgrant Modification Z0355-3 and Subgrant Modification Z0355-4 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT

Alicia Tretheway, Coordinator

Requesting Board approval of bid award to Pave-Rite, Inc. for widening and resurfacing of C40A (SE 193rd Place). Mrs. Tretheway stated Pave-Rite was the lowest bidder out of five (5) companies at \$1,279,184.08. There is a SCOP Grant in the amount of \$1,140,300 and the remaining funds have already been appropriated. The bids received were as follows:

DAB Constructors, Inc.	\$1,394,444.44
Pave-Rite, Inc.	\$1,279,184.08
V.E. Whitehurst & Sons, Inc.	\$1,398,612.13
Art Walker Construction, Inc.	\$1,754,334.00
Anderson Columbia Comp., Inc.	\$1,534,912.29

After discussion, Comm. Joyner made a motion to Table this item for further review due to the bid amounts being so different.

The motion dies for lack of a Second.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to award the bid for widening and resurfacing of C40A (SE 193rd Place) as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES 4-1. Comm. Joyner voted NO.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Mitch Harrell, Director

Requesting Board approval and the Chairman’s signature on the DOH EMS Matching/Rural Grant to help with funding to obtain mechanical CPR (LUCAS) devices.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the DOH EMS Matching/Rural Grant with the Chairman’s signature as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

SHIP

Marlon Gayle, Housing Planner

A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2018-082 adopting technical amendments to the Levy County Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP).

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-082 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Toni Collins asked if there was a way to find out what is on the agenda prior to a meeting.

Comm. John Meeks responded there are instructions on the website for the public to call for a copy with the corresponding backup to be emailed to them.

Mayor Merritt stated the South Levy Marketplace will be open for business this Saturday.

Inglis Mayor, Jack Schofield reported the Inglis/Yankeetown Christmas Parade and Festival was a success.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. John Meeks requested a motion be made for the selection of Chairman and Vice Chairman for the County Commission Board and requested an update on the Board appointments for 2019.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to re-appoint Comm. John Meeks as Chairman and Comm. Brooks as Vice Chairman for 2019. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Commissioner appointments to various outside committees/groups were discussed.

Comm. John Meeks

Canvassing Board
RESTORE Act
Gulf Coast Consortium
Small County Coalition Board of Directors
Tourist Development Board of Directors
Transportation Disadvantaged
Value Adjustment Board
North Florida Regional Planning Council
Middle & Lower Suwannee River
& Withlacoochee River Task Force
Resiliency Florida Board of Directors

Comm. Rooks

Nature Coast Oyster Alliance
Small County Coalition Board of Directors

Comm. Rock Meeks

Greenways and Trails
Florida Leaders Organized for Water
Nature Coast State Trail

Comm. Joyner

Value Adjustment Board
Canvassing Board
County Agent Advisory Board
Levy County Jail Diversion Planning Committee

Comm. Brooks

Transportation Disadvantaged-Alternate
Career Source (CLM)
Nature Coast Business Development Council
North Fla. Economic Partnership Board of Directors

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Commissioner appointments to the outside committees/groups as listed above. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Commissioner appointments to Departments were then discussed.

Comm. John Meeks

Courthouse Space – Board Chairman
Emergency Management
Finance/Insurance – Board Chairman
Human Resources – Board Chairman
Legal
Maintenance/Construction
Public Safety
Tourism Development
Transit

Comm. Rooks

Animal Services
Library

Comm. Rock Meeks

Parks/Mosquito Control
Road
Water/SHIP

Comm. Joyner

Ag. Center
Development (Building & Zoning)

Comm. Brooks

Planning
Plat Review
Solid Waste (Landfill)
Veterans

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Department appointments as listed above. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. John Meeks reported of the “Wreaths Across America” event held recently at Rosemary Hill Cemetery in Bronson was a success and was well attended.

Comm. Joyner announced the live Nativity Scene at Morriston Baptist Church will be on December 23rd and 24th beginning at 6:00 P.M.

Comm. Rooks reported of the Yankeetown dinner and auction she attended recently. Comm. Rooks reported of a ribbon cutting she attended on December 10th at Lone Cabbage Reef.

Comm. Rooks thanked Mayor Merritt for the Town of Inglis for offering to help Animal Services with housing several dogs for them.

Comm. Brooks reported he had recently attended a meeting of the North Florida Economic Development Partnerships Board of Directors in Lake City. Comm. Brooks stated there will be a “Cookies with Santa” event this evening in Williston at the Heritage Park pavilion. The “Bed Race” which was scheduled to take place right before the Christmas Parade will also take place this evening at 5:50 P.M. on the street directly in front of the Ivy House restaurant. “Cookies with Santa” will follow.

Comm. Brooks stated he had previously asked a representative from the Florida Institute of Government to present a strategic plan for Levy County and this will be coming after the first of the year due to the holidays and scheduling conflicts.

Comm. Rock Meeks reported the Chiefland Christmas Festival and Parade went well and was well attended.

The Commissioners wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:37 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks