

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 6, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on June 6, 2017 at 9:00 A.M. in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room with the following Commissioners present:

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

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Coordinator – Wilbur Dean

Chairman John Meeks called the Meeting to order at 9:04 A.M. Comm. Rock Meeks 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. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CHECK NUMBER	127506-127672
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,905,598.93
ROAD	59,889.56
SHIP	4,724.00
MOSQUITO CONTROL	142.52
TRANSPORTATION	88,769.02
911	13,563.83
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
EMS	21,858.85
FIRE	81,616.33
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	21,826.32
UTILITIES	118.36
DRUG TASK FORCE	1,000.00
IMPACT FEES - PARKS	37.48
LANDFILL	4,202.79
TOTAL	\$ 2,203,362.99
 EFT PAYMENT	 \$ 14,963.02

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on May 2, 2017 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on May 2, 2017 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Toni Collins introduced Cindy Dunkle with the Florida Department of Transportation thanking her for her help with placement of signs for the Wild Hog Canoe/Kayak Race held back in April.

Comm. Brooks recognized Hunter Kline, an employee of the Department of Public Safety for his recent nomination for the Valor Award. This comes after his quick action at a local establishment to give aid to a person in a life threatening situation while off-duty.

PUBLIC HEARING/PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Shenley Neely, Planning Department requested final adoption of the following Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) – Based Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan:

Ms. Neely requested Board approval of the Staff Report in response to the ORC (Objections, Recommendations, and Comments) Report separate.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Staff Report in response to the ORC Report as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-005, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida, amending the Transportation Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. Renate Cannon spoke to the Board. Comm. John Meeks then closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-005 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-006, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida, amending the Housing Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks then closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-006 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-007, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida, amending the Coastal Management Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. Those who spoke were Jeff Hardison and Renate Cannon. Comm. John Meeks then closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-007 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-008, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida, amending the Conservation Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-008 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-009, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida, amending the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-009 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-010, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Infrastructure Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. Those who spoke were Jeff Hardison and Lee Williams. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-010 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-011, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Future Land Use Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-011 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-012, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Intergovernmental Coordination Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-012 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-013, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Capital Improvements Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-013 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-014, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Economic Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. Those who spoke were Jeff Hardison and Renate Cannon. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-014 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-015, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Public School Facilities Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. There were none. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-015 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- Ordinance 2017-016, an Ordinance of Levy County, Florida amending the Springs Protection Element of the Levy County Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the county's evaluation and appraisal of such Comprehensive Plan pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, particularly Section 163.3191.

Comm. John Meeks opened the floor to public comment. Those who spoke were Dana Sheffield and Renate Cannon. Comm. John Meeks closed the floor to public comment.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-016 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

VIRGIL SETTLE

Mr. Settle expressed concerns of the deterioration and maintenance of NE 55th Street, the street on which he resides.

Comm. John Meeks requested Alice LaLonde and Casey Duquette send someone from the Road Department to check on the condition of this street.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY COORDINATOR

- A. Wilbur Dean requested Board approval of Memorandum of Agreement between Levy County and Florida Department of Children and Families for limited County Access to Florida online recipient integrated data access (Florida) system data as mandated by House Bill 5301.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Levy County and the Florida Department of Children and Families as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Mr. Dean requested Board approval of Resolution 2017-029 adopting a Transportation Plan for the transportation of individuals under Chapter 394, Part I, Florida Statutes, The Florida Mental Health Act a/k/a The Baker Act.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-029 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

NON-AGENDA ITEM/CITY OF WILLISTON

Comm. Joyner made a motion to hear a non-agenda item as requested by Mr. Dean. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Dean presented a request made by the City of Williston for the Board to waive tipping fees at the Landfill for the upcoming weekend in which they have a City Clean-Up planned.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve waiving of tipping fees for the City of Williston as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

ANIMAL SERVICES

- A. David Weatherford presented the quarterly report for the quarter ended March 31, 2017 to the Board.
- B. Mr. Weatherford requested Board approval to make kennel improvements using in-house help. Mr. Weatherford stated the total cost could be kept under \$10,000, which is substantially less than estimates he had received from contractors.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve kennel improvements to be done by using in-house help with a cap of \$10,000. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Dr. Esler presented an update to the Board on the new Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program.

Comments were made by the following members of the audience: Renate Cannon, Linda Cooper, Cindy Babione, Lou Jones, and Jeff Hardison.

TRANSIT

- A. Connie Conley, Director requested approval from the Board to enter into a Participating Addendum, Verizon Wireless Service Agreement for the wireless service needed for the tablets in the busses.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Transit Department entering into a Participating Addendum, Verizon Wireless Service Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Mrs. Conley extended thanks and recognized the Fraternal Order of Eagles #4194 for a donation of \$500.00 to the Transportation Department.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Matt Weldon, Director requested permission from the Board to place a bid on a 2005 Ford F-150 4x4 with 85,544 miles stated in good condition, advertised by Citrus County Mosquito Control District. Mr. Weldon stated he would like to bid \$6,000 for the truck.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve placing a bid on a 2005 Ford F-150 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

- A. Carol McQueen, Director presented a recommendation from the Levy County Development Council (TDC) to appoint two (2) new members to the Levy County Tourist Development Council. The recommendation is to appoint Williston Mayor Gerald Hethcoat and Amy Henderson, owner of the Dilly Dally Galley in Cedar Key. The term for these two seats will expire on 4/15/2020.

Comments were made by Toni Collins, Linda Cooper and Lou Jones.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve appointment of the two new members to the TDC as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Mrs. McQueen presented a recommendation from the Levy County Tourist Development Council (TDC) to approve the 2017-2018 Marketing Plan.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 Marketing Plan for the Tourist Development Council as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- A. David Peaton requested ratification by the Board of Emergency Declaration 2017-027, a Declaration by Levy County for a Local State of Emergency.
- B. Mr. Peaton requested ratification by the Board of Emergency Declaration 2017-028, a Declaration by Levy County for a Local State of Emergency.
- C. Mr. Peaton requested ratification by the Board of Emergency Order 2017-030, an Emergency Order rescinding Emergency Order 2017-019.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to ratify Emergency Declaration 2017-027, Emergency Declaration 2017-028 and Emergency Order 2017-030 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Mr. Peaton requested Board approval to accept request for proposals (RFP) for Disaster Debris Removal and Disposal Services.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to accept the RFP's for Disaster Debris Removal and Disposal Services as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- A. Atty. Anne Brown requested Board approval of Resolution 2017-026 approving PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) providers to operate in Levy County, authorizing Inter-Local Agreements with PACE providers, providing protections from liability for County, providing requirements/standards for PACE providers to meet in operation of their PACE programs in the County.

Members in the audience who spoke regarding this item were: Tax Collector, Linda Fugate, Renate Cannon and Joanie Godwin.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-026 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Atty. Brown asked the Board if they wished to be on the Board for the PACE Program. After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to refrain from being a part of the Board for the PACE Program.

B. Atty. Brown requested Board approval of a Subscription Agreement with Florida PACE Funding Agency. This Agreement approves the Interlocal Agreement with the Florida PACE Funding Agency and will allow the agency to begin providing its financing program for qualifying improvements to property owners in Levy County.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Subscription Agreement with Florida PACE Funding Agency as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following members of the audience spoke regarding the PACE Program: Cindy Babione, Mike Antiel from Renovate America, and Davesh Nirmal with Renew Financial.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Rooks requested Board approval to re-appoint Charles Hinote to the Construction Industry Licensing Board, Seat 4, expiring June 30, 2019. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Rooks reported of the Chiefland Watermelon Festival thanking all who participated.

Comm. Rock Meeks requested Board approval to re-appoint Jerry Orenchak to the Construction Industry Licensing Board, Seat 2, expiring June 30, 2019. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Joyner reported of the recent Rodeo in Williston.

The meeting recessed at 12:03 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 2:02 P.M.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Jared Blanton spoke to the Board stating only the County Departments and Constitutional Officers' budgets will be discussed today and they do not include any reserve funds. Mr. Blanton presented the budget for the Clerk of Court, which reflects a reduction of \$80,000.

Comm. John Meeks asked all County Departments to reduce their budgets by 10%. After hearing increases in budgets for the Property Appraiser, Supervisor of Elections and the Sheriff, the Constitutional Officers were asked to re-visit their budgets to keep them the same or less than last year.

The next budget meeting is scheduled for June 20th, following the Regular Board meeting.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:55 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks