

August 2, 2016

JASPER, FLORIDA

REGULAR SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Meeting Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Robert Brown, Randy Ogburn, Beth Burmam, Buster Oxendine and Josh Smith, a full Board being present. Also present was County Attorney John McCormick, County Coordinator Louie Goodin and Attorney Cliff Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Ogburn and led in prayer by John McCormick with the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Chairman Ogburn.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the Consent Agenda. Second was made by Commissioner Burnam, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

SHIP / CDBG PROGRAM – STATUS REPORT

Ship Administrator Spencer Nabors presented the Board with a status report of the current CDBG and Ship projects. Mr. Nabors discussed with the Board the application from Howard McDonald for an emergency well repair and recommended to the Board the bid from Roundman's in the amount of \$1,000.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the bid of Roundman's in the amount of \$1,000 for the emergency pump repair for Howard McDonald as recommended by Mr. Nabors. Second was made by Commissioner Oxendine, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Nabors also discussed the Theodore Lee project in which Maurice Perkins was the low bidder; however, after further discussion with Mr. Perkins regarding the bid amount, Mr. Perkins requested to pull the bid. As a result of

the action by Mr. Perkins, Mr. Nabors recommended that the bid be awarded to Florida Homes in the amount of \$60,991.00.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to award the bid for the Lee project to Florida Homes in the amount of \$60,991.00 as recommended by Mr. Nabors. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. Nabors also discussed the Emergency application from Wyonas Cribbs to pump out septic tank and install 375 ft. of drain field and recommended that the bid be awarded to L&G General in the amount of \$2,095.00. Chairman Ogburn also advised the Board that the invoice for ITC in the amount \$5,000 will be placed in the regular bills.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to award the bid for the Cribbs project to L&G General in the amount of \$2,095. Second was made by Commissioner Burnam, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

ROAD PAVING PROJECTS – STATUS REPORT

Engineer Greg Bailey gave the Board a status report on the current road projects.

SW 107th / SW 55th Drive – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that a meeting with FDOT, staff and the School District will be Wednesday, at 3:00 p.m. Chairman Ogburn announced that there may be more than one (1) Commissioner in attendance for the meeting.

LOVES BYPASS – Mr. Bailey stated that staff is still in the process of working on the right-of-way for the Loves Bypass. Attorney Cliff Adams explained the process and requested permission from the Board to hire John Besey to perform the appraisal for the right-of-way property. The Board agreed by unanimous consent.

SW 79th DRIVE – Mr. Bailey stated that the project limits for SW 79th Drive have been approved by FDOT.

SW 59th DRIVE / NW 23rd Blvd. – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that the SW 59th Drive and NW 23rd Blvd. bid documents are ready to be let for the paving projects and will be before the Board at the next meeting for final

approval.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the FDOT supplemental agreements for SW 79th Drive and NW 23rd Blvd. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the resolution for the amendment to the Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

REVIEW OF EMS BILLING COLLECTIONS STATUS / PERFORMANCE - INTERMEDIX

County Coordinator Louie Goodin presented the Board with an EMS billings / collections analysis for InterMedix showing a collection rate of 45%; however, the last four (4) months the collection rate has increased. The Board discussed complaints from customers that with proper billing would have been collectable. EMS Director Toby Witt explained the EMS billing process with InterMedix and stated that he has researched other billing options for the county that are being utilized by other small counties. After a lengthy discussion, the Board agreed to all InterMedix to improve the billing service with staff continuing to closely monitor the reports. The Board also directed legal staff to review the contract with InterMedix in order to be able to determine the future of the EMS billing. The Board also requested that InterMedix be present for the next Board meeting.

Mr. Witt gave the Board an update on the EMS service and grants.

HAMILTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Economic Development Director Susan Ramsey was not in attendance.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK – STATUS REPORT

Veteran Service Officer Bo Beauchemin gave the Board a status report on the Veterans Memorial Park. Mr. Beauchemin reminded the Board about the Health Fair and Open Enrollment. Mr. Beauchemin stated that the landscaping of the park is still underway and that there will be additional Flags placed in honor of the different branches of the military. Mr. Beauchemin also presented the Board with information for a donor plaque for the Board to

approve. The Board after a brief discussion agreed with the donor plaque but stated that everything that has taken place with the park is about the Veterans and their families. Mr. Beauchemin then read a resolution for the benefit of the Board and public proclaiming April 7th as Purple Heart Day and announced the political rally at the VFW on August 18th.

DISCUSSION OF PROJECT BARK

County Coordinator Louie Goodin stated that pending the survey for the easement that all the title objections as stated by attorney Jay Willingham will be addressed by PCS Phosphate within the next few days. Mr. Goodin also stated that he is continuing to discuss the future intentions of Project Bark.

SABAL TRAIL – DISCUSSION OF RESPONSE FROM ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS

Chairman Ogburn advised the Board and public that the Army Corp. of Engineers response to the Sabal Trail Pipeline construction has been received and is available in the Clerk's Office for review. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed to issue a letter thanking the Corp. for their response but also state the Board's concerns with the environmental impact.

APPROVE BILLS

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve the bills (vouchers 117917 – 118105 and checks 052055 – 052148) and the addition of the ITC invoice in the amount of \$5,000. Second was made by Commissioner Burnam, motion carried with a unanimous vote. Commissioner Oxendine stated that the bills contain invoices from Norfolk Southern; however, he has nothing to do with that portion of the company as an employee.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- County Coordinator Louie Goodin advised the Board of the FAC workshop regarding the upcoming changes with the Department of Labor / Overtime rules and regulations.

- Commissioner Brown questioned staff as to the preparedness of the community in wake of the Zika virus, to which Mr. Goodin stated that Emergency Management and the Health Department are staying on top of the situation.
- Commissioner Smith questioned staff as to the possibility of allowing the Road Department to make hydraulic hoses.

Chairman Ogburn recessed the Board meeting at 10:15 a.m.

Chairman Ogburn reconvened the Board meeting at 1:30 p.m.

2016-2017 BUDGET WORKSHOP

County Auditor Ken Daniels gave the Board an overview of the 2016-2017 budget.

- Motion by Commissioner Oxendine to make the following changes:

1. Reduce Gas, Oil and Lube (Fire Control) from \$5,500 to \$5,000.
2. Reduce Bellville Vol. Fire Dept. aid from \$18,500 to \$17,000.
3. Reduce Crossroad Vol. Fire Dept. aid from \$25,000 to \$22,000.
4. Reduce Meridian Behavioral from \$33,210 to \$22,500.
5. Reduce Repairs and Maintenance (Rec) from \$40,900 to \$36,500.
6. Reduce Court Administration from \$11,046 to \$9,092.
7. Reduce State Attorney Funding from \$37,895 to \$32,712.
8. Reduce SOE Operation Exp. from \$45,865 to \$42,150.
9. Reduce SOE Capital Outlay from \$1,000 to \$0.
10. Reduce Road Dept. Communications from \$7,500 to \$5,000.
11. Reduce Road Dept. Utilities from \$14,700 to \$13,364.
12. Reduce Road Dept. Maint. of Equip. from \$145,200 to \$132,000.
13. Reduce Road Dept. Gas, Oil and Lube from \$363,000 to \$200,000.
14. Reduce Road Dept. Road Materials from \$99,825 to \$90,750.

Second was made by Commissioner Burnam, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

➤ Motion by Commissioner Oxendine to make the following changes:

1. Reduce Building Dept. (truck) from \$28,200 to \$0.
2. Reduce Landfill Dept. (truck) from \$25,000 to \$0.

Second by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

The Board announced that the next budget workshop would be on August 16, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. The Board directed staff to have James Bell (Road Dept.), Henry Land (Emergency Management), Ms. Betty Lawrence (Library) and Sheriff Reid (if needed) present for the next workshop.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Ogburn adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

RANDY OGBURN, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

