

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 7, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on June 7, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. in the Meeting Room of the Levy County Annex Building with the following Commissioners present:

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

Also present were:

County Attorney – Nicolle Shalley
County Coordinator – Wilbur Dean

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

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	145531-145541, 145544-145693
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,741,603.30
ROAD	161,135.15
SHIP	33,025.00
MOSQUITO CONTROL	1,722.66
TRANSPORTATION	108,889.90
911	16,320.25
COURT FACILITIES	11,157.41
MISC GRANTS	172,735.53
EMS	13,865.15
FIRE	60,834.70
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,546.70
UTILITIES	2,470.22
BLDG INSPECT & SAFETY	1,194.13
IMPACT FEES - PARKS	5,910.00
SHERIFF FED EQUITABLE SHARE	3,500.00
CRIME PREVENTION	1,827.10
ARPA 2021	7,675.00
CAPITAL PROJECTS	198,531.25
ROAD IMPRV & RESTORE	322,774.47
LANDFILL	43,357.15
TOTAL	\$ 2,911,075.07

AMB SUPPLY, INC. (DBA LEVY JONES) EXPENDITURES

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the following AMB Supply, Inc. (DBA Levy Jones) expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Brooks abstained from voting.

CHECK NUMBER	145543
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	756.80
EMS	204.60
FIRE	204.60
TOTAL	\$ 1,166.00

LCNR EXPENDITURES

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the following LCNR expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. John Meeks abstained from voting.

CHECK NUMBER	145542
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	2,040.11
ROAD	245.85
TRANSPORTATION	14.17
MISC GRANTS	49.74
EMS	83.97
FIRE	38.97
UTILITIES	187.14
CAPITAL PROJECTS	217.41
LANDFILL	307.86
TOTAL	\$ 3,185.22

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the agenda with no changes. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Diane Garte requested the Commissioners consider establishing the requirement of a permit for the removal of any healthy tree larger than 40" in diameter.

LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Bobby McCallum, Sheriff

Request for County to provide funding and to move forward with bid process for repairs for Jail roof and air handlers for the Levy County Jail. Col. Sheffield then spoke to the Board of the time sensitive repairs needed.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion for the Sheriff's Department to move forward with the bid process for repairs to the Jail roof and air handlers as requested, pending review of bid documentation by Mrs. Tretheway, Procurement Coordinator. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Tammy Jones

Requesting Board approval to relocate Precinct 5 back to the original location at the Willow Sink precinct located at 6731 NW 100th St, Chiefland, FL 32626.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the relocation of Precinct 5 back to its original location at the Willow Sink precinct as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

LEVY COUNTY COORDINATOR

Wilbur Dean

- A. Present Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with LIUNA Local 530. The proposed MOU provides for a wage increase effective May 21, 2022. The MOU has been ratified by Northeast Florida Public Employees, Local 630, Laborers International Union of North America. Mr. Dean stated the wage increase is for all exempt and non-exempt employees.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the MOU with LIUNA Local 630 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2022-26 amending the final budget for fiscal year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$692.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-26 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2022-27 approving application for a Resilient Florida Planning Grant from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; providing direction and authorization to the County Coordinator or designee; and providing an effective date.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-27 as requested. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Mitch Harrell, Director

Requesting Board approval and the Chairman's signature on Resolution 2022-25. This will appropriate \$602,266 from the Reserves of the Capital Projects and Replacement Fund to the EMS Fund as an interfund loan to be repaid at 2.5% interest to cover the cost of purchasing 2 new ambulances.

Jared Blanton spoke to the Board giving further explanation of the financing option presented.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-25 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

SHIP

Marlon Gayle, Housing Planner

Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2022-24 approving the Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) for the Fiscal years 2022-2023, 2023/2024 and 2024/2025 submitted to Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-24 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Rooks spoke of the proposed changes to US HWY 19 at the intersection of NW 140th Street, North of Chiefland. Comm. Rooks stated she expressed her concerns to FDOT of the emergency vehicles crossing US HWY 19, as the proposed changes will create longer response times for response to emergency calls.

Comm. Rooks then made a motion to have a letter prepared to send to FDOT encouraging them to add a traffic light to the intersection of US HWY 19 and NW 140th Street, instead of the proposed change to the median. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

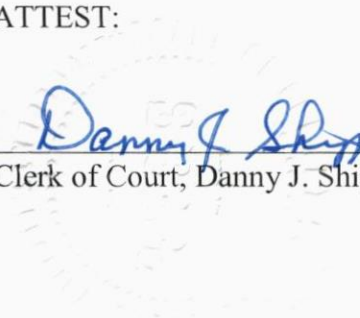
Comm. Brooks stated the Chiefland Watermelon Parade and Festival was well attended. Comm. Brooks announced the Williston for the Independence Day Celebration will take place on July 2nd beginning with the parade at 5:00 P.M., followed by fireworks at Horseman's Park at dark.

Comm. John Meeks stated there would be a Flag Day Ceremony on June 14th on the lawn in front of the Board of County Commissioners' Annex location.

Stacey Hectus spoke to the Board inquiring if they wished to have the next Farmland Preservation Workshop on August 2nd, beginning at 6:00 P.M. This date and time was agreed upon by the Commissioners. Mrs. Hectus encouraged the Commissioners to contact her office with names of any they wished to invite.

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

ATTEST:


Danny J. Shipp
Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Rock Meeks
Chairman, Rock Meeks

APPOINTED OFFICERS (continued)

- A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency.
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IF YOU MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION EXCEPT BY DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING:

- You must disclose orally the nature of your conflict in the measure before participating.
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DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER'S INTEREST

I, John Meeks, hereby disclose that on June 7, 20 22 :

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one or more)

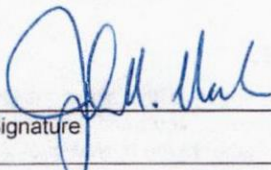
- inured to my special private gain or loss;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my business associate, _____ ;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative, _____ ;
- inured to the special gain or loss of _____, by whom I am retained; or
- inured to the special gain or loss of _____, which is the parent subsidiary, or sibling organization or subsidiary of a principal which has retained me.

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my conflicting interest in the measure is as follows:

Levy County purchases goods on a "Rotating Basis" from LCNR Enterprises, LLC a Florida Limited Liability Company, that I have an ownership interest in.

If disclosure of specific information would violate confidentiality or privilege pursuant to law or rules governing attorneys, a public officer, who is also an attorney, may comply with the disclosure requirements of this section by disclosing the nature of the interest in such a way as to provide the public with notice of the conflict.

6-7-2022
Date Filed


Signature

NOTICE: UNDER PROVISIONS OF FLORIDA STATUTES §112.317, A FAILURE TO MAKE ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR AND MAY BE PUNISHED BY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPEACHMENT, REMOVAL OR SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, DEMOTION, REDUCTION IN SALARY, REPRIMAND, OR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.

FORM 8B MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICERS

LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME Brooks, Matthew	NAME OF BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE Levy County Board of County Commissioners
MAILING ADDRESS P.O. Box 310	THE BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY OR COMMITTEE ON WHICH I SERVE IS A UNIT OF: <input type="checkbox"/> CITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNTY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER LOCAL AGENCY
CITY Bronson, FL 32621	COUNTY Levy
DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED 6/7/2022	NAME OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION: Levy County
	MY POSITION IS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ELECTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> APPOINTIVE

WHO MUST FILE FORM 8B

This form is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected board, council, commission, authority, or committee. It applies to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes.

Your responsibilities under the law when faced with voting on a measure in which you have a conflict of interest will vary greatly depending on whether you hold an elective or appointive position. For this reason, please pay close attention to the instructions on this form before completing and filing the form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 112.3143, FLORIDA STATUTES

A person holding elective or appointive county, municipal, or other local public office **MUST ABSTAIN** from voting on a measure which would inure to his or her special private gain or loss. Each elected or appointed local officer also **MUST ABSTAIN** from knowingly voting on a measure which would inure to the special gain or loss of a principal (other than a government agency) by whom he or she is retained (including the parent, subsidiary, or sibling organization of a principal by which he or she is retained); to the special private gain or loss of a relative; or to the special private gain or loss of a business associate. Commissioners of community redevelopment agencies (CRAs) under Sec. 163.356 or 163.357, F.S., and officers of independent special tax districts elected on a one-acre, one-vote basis are not prohibited from voting in that capacity.

For purposes of this law, a "relative" includes only the officer's father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law. A "business associate" means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on a business enterprise with the officer as a partner, joint venturer, coowner of property, or corporate shareholder (where the shares of the corporation are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange).

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ELECTED OFFICERS:

In addition to abstaining from voting in the situations described above, you must disclose the conflict:

PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN by publicly stating to the assembly the nature of your interest in the measure on which you are abstaining from voting; *and*

WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE VOTE OCCURS by completing and filing this form with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who should incorporate the form in the minutes.

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APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Although you must abstain from voting in the situations described above, you are not prohibited by Section 112.3143 from otherwise participating in these matters. However, you must disclose the nature of the conflict before making any attempt to influence the decision, whether orally or in writing and whether made by you or at your direction.

IF YOU INTEND TO MAKE ANY ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT WHICH THE VOTE WILL BE TAKEN:

- You must complete and file this form (before making any attempt to influence the decision) with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who will incorporate the form in the minutes. (Continued on page 2)

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- inured to my special private gain or loss;
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