

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 5, 2010**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on January 5, 2010, at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

Chairperson Nancy Bell
Vice Chairperson Danny Stevens
Comm. Marsha Drew
Comm. Lilly Rooks
Comm. Chad Johnson

Also present were:

Clerk of Court – Danny J. Shipp
County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Coordinator – Fred Moody
Assistant to the County Coordinator – Dick Tummond

Chairperson Bell called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM. Comm. Bell gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPENDITURES

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

| CHECK NUMBER | 99968-100040 |
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| FUND | AMOUNT |
| GENERAL REVENUE | 1,105,923.11 |
| ROAD | 28,496.42 |
| LIBRARY | 291.16 |
| PERMANENT MOSQUITO | 359.92 |
| TRANSPORTATION | 526.46 |
| 911 | 345,361.55 |
| EMS | 3,010.32 |
| FIRE | 7,193.99 |
| TOURIST DEVELOPMENT | 263.39 |
| UTILITIES | 394.97 |
| COMMUNICATION | 3,334.95 |
| LANDFILL | 4,482.74 |
| TOTAL | \$ 1,499,638.98 |

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular meeting held November 17, 2009 were presented for approval. Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIED.

The minutes for the Regular meeting held December 8, 2009 were presented for approval. Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIED.

CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON ELECTION

Comm. Rooks commended Comm. Bell for her leadership in the past year as Chairperson and made a motion to re-appoint her as the Board Chairperson and Comm. Stevens as the Vice-Chairman. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

ZONING

Rob Corbitt,

A. HaVa. 4-09, Hardship Variance

Mr. Corbitt presented Hardship Variance HaVa. 4-09 to the Board for approval. The Hardship Variance is to allow for a second dwelling on the property owned by James and Janet Sharpe in order for their children to care for them.

Comm. Bell called for public comment. There was none.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the Hardship Variance. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval of Resolution 2010-04 amending Resolution 2007-24, Adopting Amendments to Schedule of Permit Fees and Service Charges for Services provided by the Levy County Development Department.

Mr. Corbitt stated this Resolution provides for repeal of conflicting fee schedules and provides an effective date. Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-04 amending Resolution 2007-24. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

LEVY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

Carol McQueen introduced Carolyn Cohen of Chiefland to everyone and provided information about her new book about Levy County. Ms. Cohen spoke about her new book "Levy County, Images of Florida". It focuses on the builders, founders and sites of Levy County. She stated the books are available at local stores.

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

Desiree Painter, General Manager

A. Request approval to submit w/authorizing resolutions the FY 2010-2011 Section 5311 (operating expenses) grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation.

Ms. Painter requested approval to submit with authorizing resolutions the FY 2010-2011 Section 5311 operating grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation. Ms. Painter stated this is a 50/50 soft match grant in the amount of \$400,000.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-01 for the FY 2010-2011 Section 5311 operating grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval to submit w/authorizing resolutions the FY 2010-2011 Section 5310 (capital equipment) grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation.

Ms. Painter requested approval to submit with authorizing resolutions the FY 2010-2011 Section 5310 capital equipment application to the Florida Department of Transportation. Ms. Painter stated this is an 80/10/10 hard match grant in the amount of \$70,529 to be used for the purchase of a generating system for the transit building and one E-350 Club Wagon van.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-02 for the FY 2010-2011 Section 5310 capital equipment application to the Florida Department of Transportation. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Request approval to submit w/authorizing resolutions the 2010-2011 Section 5316 (operating and capital expenses) grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation.

Ms. Painter requested approval to submit with authorizing resolutions the 2010-2011 Section 5316 operating and capital expenses grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation. Ms. Painter stated this is a 50/50 soft match for operational and 80/20 hard match for capital equipment grant in the amount of \$350,000 to be used for job access reverse commute.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2010-03 for the 2010-2011 Section 5316 operating and capital expenses grant application to the Florida Department of Transportation. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

D. Request approval of the 5316 Joint Participation Agreement for capital with 80/20 hard match.

Ms. Painter requested approval of the 5316 Joint Participation Agreement for capital with 80/20 hard match in the amount of \$89,291 with a 10% match with a date change.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the 5316 Joint Participation Agreement for capital with date change. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

D. Request approval of the 5316 Joint Participation Agreement for operational expenses 50/50 soft match.

Ms. Painter requested approval of the 5316 Joint Participation Agreement for operational expenses 50/50 soft match in the amount of \$187,500 with changes.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the 5316 Joint Participation Agreement for operational expenses with changes. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Superintendent

A. Request adoption of Resolution 2010-05 to schedule a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 2, 2010 at 9:00 A.M. for the closure of Lacoocha Street as requested by Petitioners Foster Periccioli and Nezmer and Patricia Calzolari.

Mr. Greenlee requested adoption of Resolution 2010-05 to schedule a Public Hearing as stated above.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-05. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Phillips of Cedar Key Bed & Breakfast spoke about starting a private bus company with a goal of servicing five counties. His vision is to provide upscale transportation on busses equipped with restrooms and galleys. The busses will also have T.V. monitors as well as wi-fi and GPS tracking.

Mr. Moody stated Gerald Heathcoat, Mayor of Williston, inviting the Board to a workshop on Thursday, January 14, 2010 from 4:30 to 6:00 P.M. at the R.V. Crossings in Williston with the Florida League of Cities Special Legislative Workshop for the Suwannee River League of Cities.

Mr. Moody stated FACT is hosting a series of workshops at several UF/IFAS extension offices.

Mr. Moody stated the Levy County Health Department still has the H1N1/Swine Flu vaccine available and will be available at the Courthouse Thursday, January 7, 2010 from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. for anyone interested in getting the vaccine at no charge.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Bell reminded everyone interviews will be held today at 1:00 P.M. for Library Services Director.

Comm. Stevens reminded everyone there will be fundraisers coming up in Williston in March and April at Rhino Outdoors. The Sporting Clay's Fundraiser for both the Williston FFA and Tri-County Pregnancy Center are planned again for this year.

Comm. Drew questioned Mr. Corbitt about the County's CRS rating changing from an 8 to a 7, which corresponds to insurance rates going down. She thanked Mr. Corbitt for his work on this.

Comm. Drew also stated she will be co-sponsoring a Census Bureau Job Fair January 16, 2010 at Inglis/Yankeetown Lions Club from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. For every person in Levy County who does not sign up when they receive their application, the county loses \$3,600.

Comm. Drew stated the Withlacoochee Gulf Preserve, a 400 acre wilderness park in Yankeetown has partnered with Disney to do a "Give a Day – Get a Day Program". If you volunteer your time to help clean up the park, Disney will give you a day free at their park. To participate, you would go online to sign up. This was so popular, it is now full. She suggested if anyone has any ongoing projects where volunteers could come in to do work, it might be something to check into.

Comm. Drew also announced today is Mr. Moody's Birthday.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:13 AM.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairperson, Nancy Bell