

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 8, 2019**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on January 8, 2019 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
Clerk of Court – Danny J. Shipp

Chairman John Meeks called the Meeting to order at 9:02 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	133083-133206
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,298,450.88
ROAD	72,535.54
MOSQUITO CONTROL	287.43
TRANSPORTATION	2,852.03
911	15,056.42
COURT FACILITIES	2,181.27
MISC GRANTS	9,893.48
EMS	33,064.90
FIRE	7,886.32
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	1,305.96
UTILITIES	570.54
CAPITAL PROJECTS	57,430.00
LANDFILL	168,257.92
TOTAL	\$ 1,669,772.69
 EFT/ACH PAYMENT	 \$ 580,370.89

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on November 6, 2018 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Board meeting held on November 6, 2018 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Berger, asking Board’s position on the Williston Hospital and asked if they had some kind of contingency plan if the owner should decide to walk away.

Comm. Brooks responded to Mr. Berger’s inquiry and was asked by Comm. John Meeks to be the point person for any new developments with the Williston Hospital.

PUBLIC HEARING - IMPACT FEE REVIEW

Wilbur Dean, County Coordinator

Presenting the Impact Fee Review Hearing 2019-001 for applicant Steven Crews to the Board. Pursuant to Section 47.120 of the Levy County Code of Ordinances, Steven Crews requests a review hearing before the Board regarding Road and EMS Impact Fees in the total amount of \$6,165.

Atty. Brown administered swearing in of audience for any of the following three (3) Public Hearing items.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was any ex-parte. Ex-parte communication concerning the Impact Fee Review Hearing was declared by Comm. Rooks, Comm. Rock Meeks, and Comm. John Meeks.

Evan Rosenthal representing Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson spoke to the Board concerning the request by the applicant Mr. Crews. Mr. Rosenthal requested the Board deny Mr. Crews' request to waive the Road and EMS Impact Fees.

Applicant Steven Crews then spoke to the Board expressing concerns of a difference in the amount he was quoted previously for the amount he would be responsible for concerning impact fees.

Bill Hammond spoke regarding the amount quoted to Mr. Crews, stating the amount previously given was before final plans were submitted and was an estimate based on what Mr. Crews stated at the time.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak for or against the item as presented. Those in the audience who spoke regarding this item were: Renate Cannon and Terry Witt.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to Deny the request to waive Impact Fees for Impact Fee Review Hearing 2019-001. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

BUILDING & ZONING/PUBLIC HEARING

Bill Hammond, Director

- A. Requesting Board approval of Hardship Variance (Ha.Va. 03-18) for Ryan Marion, who is petitioning the Board for a Hardship Variance to allow a second dwelling in order for his parents to help take care of him. Parcel No. 00470-007-00.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak for or against the item as presented. There were none.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Hardship Variance (Ha.Va. 03-18) as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Hardship Variance (Ha.Va. 04-18) Gail Epstein petitioning the Board for a Hardship Variance to allow a second dwelling in order for her sister to help take care of her. Parcel No. 20353-000-00.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak for or against the item as presented. There were none.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Hardship Variance (Ha.Va. 04-18) as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEWBERRY ENGINEERS, INC.

Bill Menadier, PE, Sr. Project Manager

Mr. Menadier provided an update on the Bird Creek Boat Ramp proposed improvements and gave information about the January 23, 2019 Community Meeting which will be held at the Inglis Community Center beginning at 6:00 P.M.

LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE – 911 ADDRESSING

Mike West, 911 Coordinator

Requesting Board approval on the Amendment to Public Safety Products Sales/Installation/Maintenance Agreement. This amendment brings the agreement with CenturyLink into compliance with FBI/CJIS security policy.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Amendment to Public Safety Products Sales/Installation/Maintenance Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

NATURE COAST BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

David Pieklik, Executive Director

Requesting Board approval of EDF (Economic Development Funds) Agreement for Dolphin Outdoor Power Equipment of Bronson. Per the established Ordinance creating the Economic Development Fund and a previously agreed upon EDF Application, the proposed Agreement would authorize payment of a one-time grant for improvements made through the project.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the EDF Agreement for Dolphin Outdoor Power Equipment of Bronson as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Alicia Renaudo

Mrs. Renaudo requested on behalf of Chief Harrell, Board approval on the Physio Control Service Plan for two (2) LP15 devices (heart monitors) and approval for the County Coordinator or his/her designee to renew the Service Plan annually.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Physio Control Service Plan approval to renew the Service Plan annually as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Alice LaLonde, Administrative Manager

- A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-001 to support the Agreement for C32 Sidewalk Project and approve Alice LaLonde executing the Agreement in electronic format.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-001 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-002 authorizing the execution of a Transportation Alternative Program Application with FDOT for a feasibility study for a bike path on C40.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-002 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Discussion on NW 110th Street (LCR 201) survey and construction for the developers of Strawberry Fields RV Park. Mrs. LaLonde stated it is her suggestion for the Levy County Road Department to straighten the portion of the road to follow the existing survey markers and to approach the developers regarding the hiring of a private contractor to pave the 2,000 ft. of roadway alongside the RV Park.

The Board agreed by consensus to move forward with the Road Department straightening the road and approaching the developers about hiring a private contractor to pave the 2,000 ft. of roadway alongside the RV Park as suggested by Mrs. LaLonde.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

John MacDonald, Director

Requesting approval and signature by the Board on Sub-grant Modification Z0355-5, which increases funding from the original contract by \$9,458.04.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve with the Chairman's signature Sub-grant Modification Z0355-5 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Merritt stated the South Levy Marketplace will take place on Saturday, January 26th.

Terry Witt asked if the Board voted to change the meeting times for the meetings following a Monday Holiday. Mr. Dean stated this was done when they adopted the meeting schedule and Comm. John Meeks offered to provide Mr. Witt with a copy.

Linda Cooper asked when an update would be given on the new building at Animal Services. Comm. Rooks responded an update would be given at an upcoming meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Brooks stated he will be continuing the Florida Association of County's Education for Advanced County Commissioner Training this Thursday and Friday in Gainesville. Comm. Brooks stated he will be in Tallahassee on January 16th for a Rural Economic Development Academy. On Saturday, January 19th, the Ministerial Faith Alliance has sent an invitation to everyone for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade in Williston which will begin at 10:00 A.M. ending at Cornelius Williams Funeral Home where a service will follow at 11:00 A.M. Comm. Brooks stated the 6:30 P.M. Black Tie Gala will be held at the Williston Middle/High School.

Comm. Rock Meeks spoke Florida's Amendment 1, regarding the use of Conservation Funds to purchase a certain amount of properties. He stated there is a group, "Florida Forever" looking to purchase some properties, one of which lies within Levy County. Comm. Rock Meeks expressed concerns if this purchase is made stating the property would no longer be on the Tax Roll.

Mr. Dean stated this purchase would only affect the potential revenue for development as only the development rights would be sold. The taxes for the land itself would still be collectable.

Comm. John Meeks stated the next meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be on January 22nd at 6:00 P.M. Comm. John Meeks state other night meetings will be on the ones following President's Day, February 19th, Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Other upcoming events and meetings Comm. John Meeks spoke of were:

A Community Workforce Economic Development Steering Committee conference call tomorrow with the NACO Board at 2:00 P.M.

An Executive Director meeting next Thursday for the Gulf Consortium to discuss other revenue streams.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:34 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks