

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 18, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on January 18, 2011 at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman Danny Stevens
Comm. Marsha Drew
Comm. Ryan Bell
Comm. Chad Johnson

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Coordinator – Fred Moody
Assistant to the County Coordinator – Dick Tummond

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Bruce Greenlee gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	103628-103773
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,027,591.24
ROAD	668,468.49
SHIP	298.71
TRANSPORTATION	6,200.40
COURT FACILITIES	77.95
PROGRESS ENERGY	2,473.86
EMS	89,096.03
FIRE	68,231.75
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,818.80
UTILITIES	206.12
COMMUNICATION	7,391.10
ADD COURT COSTS	439.90
LANDFILL	59,442.38
TOTAL	\$ 1,932,736.73

MINUTES

Approval of minutes for the regular meetings held December 21, 2010 and January 4, 2011.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meetings held on December 21, 2010 and January 4, 2011 with amendments to the December 21, 2010 meeting as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

SPRINGS AND WATER SUPPLY

Annette Long

A. Presentation of educational materials relating to our springs and water supply.

Annette Long gave information to the Commissioners and presented them each with a copy of the book "Mirage" written by Cynthia Barnett as well as a copy of the DVD "Water's Journey." She also gave a printout to each Commissioner and spoke about concerns of our water resources. On February 9th from 9:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Tommy Usher there will be a Springs Working Group meeting and she invited the Commissioners to attend.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Bill Henderson

A. Discuss Cedar Key Bridges.

Mr. Henderson from the Florida Department of Transportation, Lake City office spoke to the Board regarding their request to look at four bridges in Levy County in need of repair or replacement.

Brandi Vittur spoke to the Board regarding the three bridges in Cedar Key in question: the C Street Bridge, the bridge over Daughtry Bayou on CR 456, and the Lewis Pass bridge on CR 456.

The repair recommendation for the C Street bridge is to install Crutch Bents which will improve the load rating and add 20-25 years of service life. The cost of this project would be approximately \$300,000.

The replacement option would be done through staged construction. This would eliminate load rating issues and add approximately 50 years of service life. The cost of this project would be approximately \$838,000.

The repair option for the CR 456 bridge over Daughtry Bayou is to sandblast, clean, repair rebar and recast the concrete which will add 10-15 years of service life. The cost for this project would be approximately \$1,176,000.

The replacement option would require temporary construction easements and would add approximately 50 years of service life. The cost of this project would be approximately \$4,245,221.

The repair option for the CR 456 bridge over Lewis pass is to install structural pile jacket with cathodic protection which would add 20-25 years of service life. The cost for this project would be approximately \$100,000.

No replacement alternative was recommended at this time.

Rick Valeer from Florida Department of Transportation spoke regarding the bridge on CR 326 over the Waccasassa River. He stated the State would replace this 160' bridge with a larger bridge of 180'. It will also be widened and 8' shoulders will be added and the travel lanes will be 12'.

Mr. Henderson stated this project will be fully funded by the State and construction will begin in 2015 but there is no funding for the Cedar Key bridges at this time.

Scott Hamilton spoke regarding the process for selecting bridges to be repaired or replaced.

911 ADDRESSING

Chris Sheppard,

A. Request Board approval of and signature on the GeoComm Dispatch Mapping Support Project Agreement with a cost of \$9,980.00.

Mrs. Sheppard requested Board approval and signature on the GeoComm Dispatch Mapping Support Project Agreement

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the GeoComm Dispatch Mapping Support Project Agreement and to allow the Chairman to sign. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

Desiree Painter, General Manager

A. Request approval to submit with authorizing Resolution, FY 2011/2012 US Section 5310 Grant Application.

Ms. Painter requested Board approval of Resolution 2011-01 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5310 Grant Application. This is an 80/10/10 Grant in the amount of \$72,928, of which the County's portion is \$7,293. These funds will be used this year for the purchase of security equipment to monitor the area where busses are parked in the evenings.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-01 authorizing FY 2011/2012 US Section 5310 Grant Application. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval to submit with authorizing Resolution, FY 2011/2012 US Section 5311 Grant Application.

Ms. Painter requested approval of Resolution 2011-02 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5311 Grant Application. This is a 50/50 soft match grant used to offset payroll expense in the amount of \$324,716 of which the County's portion is \$162,358.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-02 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5311 Grant Application. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request approval to submit with authorizing Resolution, FY 2011/2012 US Section 5317 Grant Application.

Ms. Painter requested approval of Resolution 2011-04 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5317 Grant Application. This is a 50/50 soft match grant used to provide transportation service to the disabled population of the County in the amount of \$87,824 of which the County's portion is \$43,921. A fare of \$1 per trip is charged to the rider.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-04 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5317 Grant Application. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Superintendent

- A. Request Board Direction regarding Paving on LCR 206.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board direction regarding paving on LCR 206. He stated Whitehurst Construction is already in place and he asked them to give an estimate on resurfacing this road. The cost for this project would be \$17,400. Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval of Whitehurst Construction to resurface LCR 206.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve Whitehurst Construction to resurface LCR 206 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

SOLID WASTE

Rod Hastings, Solid Waste

- A. Request permission to purchase a new Mack tractor for hauling garbage from the transfer station to New River.

Mr. Hastings representing Benny Jerrels in his absence requested Board approval to purchase a new Mack tractor for hauling garbage from the transfer station to New River. The County's portion will be \$32,996 using the 2010-2011 Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement. The Grant will pay \$70,588 of the total cost of \$103,584.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the purchase of a new Mack tractor as presented. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

CORRESPONDENCE

Heather Lombardo

- A. Notification of a Public Hearing for Andrews Wildlife Management Area scheduled for Thursday, January 27, 2011 in Fanning Springs at 7:00 P.M.

Mrs. Lombardo stated the Board office had received a request from the Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission to announce a Public Hearing for the Andrews Wildlife Management Area to be held Thursday, January 27, 2011 at the City of Fanning Springs office from 7:00 P.M. 9:00 P.M.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve notification of the Public Hearing as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

SHIP/WATER

Dick Tummond

- A. Proposed write-off uncollected bills for University Oaks Water System for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009.

Mr. Tummond requested the Board approve the proposed write-off of uncollected bills for University Oaks Water System for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009 in the amount of \$1,259.46.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the proposed write-off of uncollected bills for University Oaks Water System for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Satisfactions of Mortgages.

Mr. Tummond requested Board approval of the following Satisfactions of Mortgages:

Shirley Young	\$15,000
Johnny A. and Nita A. Martin, Sr.	\$12,500

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the Satisfactions of Mortgage as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Johnson stated he had attended the Broadband Authority meeting last Wednesday and indicated there is concern with in-kind contributions from counties and whether or not those contributions were obtained through Federal funding. Otherwise this is on schedule and should be in the construction phase by the middle of March.

Comm. Drew stated she had attended the Citrus County Task Force meeting and had requested notification of any future meetings. The focus of the meeting was environmental issues such as water quality in Lake Rousseau and the lower Withlacoochee River. A topic of interest discussed was minimum daily flows on the rivers, which she felt was something to keep an eye on.

Jack Schofield spoke in regard to the minimum daily flow issue.

Comm. Drew stated she had attended the Fire Sub-Committee meeting and reported the meeting went well.

Comm. Drew announced the Wild Hog canoe race is coming up April 30th and challenged any of the Commissioners to a race.

Comm. Bell gave information on the Andrews Wildlife meeting he recently attended. He also stated he is working on cash flow report with University Oaks and Manatee Utilities to present to the Commissioners at a later date.

Comm. Bell also stated he rode with the EMS unit Med 2 yesterday and was able to see first hand how they operate and stated he plans to ride again with Med 4 at a later date.

Comm. Stevens stated the 30th of this month is the one year anniversary of having the Ten Commandments placed at the Courthouse. There will be a circle prayer at 3:00 P.M. on that day.

Comm. Stevens added Levy County has a Water Resolution in place to prevent water from this county leaving its borders except for the need of fire suppression.

The meeting recessed at 10:16 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:09 P.M.

WORKSHOP

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

Connie Conley

D. Request approval to submit with authorizing Resolution, FY 2011/2012 US Section 5316 Grant Application.

Ms. Conley requested Board approval of Resolution 2011-03 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5316 Grant Application. This is a 50/50 match Grant in the amount of \$203,234, of which the County's portion is \$101,617. This allows them to provide transportation to individuals for job training and runs seven days a week. The rider pays a \$1 per trip fee to ride.

Comm. Drew made a motion to Resolution 2011-03 for FY 2011/2012 US Section 5316 Grant Application as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

NABORS, GIBLIN & NICKERSON / GOVERNMENT SERVICES GROUP

Non-Ad Valorem Assessments Programs

Mr. Moody stated the purpose of the Workshop is to give the newer Commissioners a better understanding of how these programs work and introduced Ms. Encinosa.

Heather Encinosa from Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson gave a brief legal overview of the material given to the Commissioners.

Jeff Rackley, Senior Project Manager from Government Services Group spoke about the four programs in which GSG works with the County: Fire, EMS, Road Maintenance and Solid Waste.

EMS and Fire Assessment methodology was discussed in detail. The Commissioners expressed an interest in looking at a tier system for assessments as it seems with the current system in Levy County the commercial businesses are being hit the hardest. The Commissioners are interested in achieving a reasonable solution.

Members of the audience who spoke were:

- Larry Feldheusen
- Barney Cannon
- Renate Cannon

Mr. Rackley and Ms. Encinosa indicated they would work on this system and notify the Commissioners of an estimated cost before proceeding.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:08 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Danny Stevens