

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JANUARY 20, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on January 20, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman John Meeks
Comm. Rock Meeks
Comm. Danny Stevens
Comm. Lilly Rooks
Comm. Mike Joyner

Also present were:

Danny J. Shipp – Clerk of Court
County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Administrator – Fred Moody

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

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	118430-118579
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	78,404.70
ROAD	202,360.01
SHIP	18,875.00
PAL LIBRARY	6,306.18
TRANSPORTATION	1,574.24
COURT FACILITIES	1,997.13
PROGRESS ENERGY	2,104.75
EMS	53,277.45
FIRE	54,339.70
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	14,820.08
UTILITIES	2,608.07
ADD COURT COSTS	607.26
CAPITAL PROJECTS	4,353.56
LANDFILL	6,888.74
TOTAL	\$ 448,516.87

MINUTES

The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on December 2, 2014 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on December 2, 2014 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Gaither questioned the Board regarding the advertising rates for delinquent tax notices.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

Presenting Appreciation Awards for Dixie Auto Salvage, LKQ, and Levy County Shop Manager, Charlie Bedford. – TABLED –

COUNTY AGENT

Albert Fuller, Director

- A. Request approval for a purchase order giving permission to use funds designated for a different equipment item to replace a boat motor.

Mr. Fuller requested Board approval to use funds designated for a storage building at the extension office for the purchase of a new boat motor to replace an existing motor which has become financially unfeasible to repair.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the use of funds designated for the purchase of a storage building at the extension office to be used for the purchase of a new boat motor as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval for a quote for a boat motor.

Mr. Fuller requested Board approval to purchase a boat motor from Suwannee Shores Marina in the amount of \$4,700 per the quote received. The motor will be used on the pontoon boat used for marine education purposes as a second backup motor.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the purchase of a Mercury 40 hp boat motor from Suwannee Shores Marina in the amount of \$4,700 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

NATURE COAST BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

David Pieklik, Director

October-December progress report.

Mr. Pieklik gave a progress report for the Nature Coast Business Development Council for the quarter of October-December, 2014.

FLORIDA DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

Marlon Clements, Bureau Chief

Request approval for a permanent (year round) office space at the Levy County Agricultural Extension Office.

Barry Gaffney spoke on behalf of Marlon Clements requesting Board approval for a permanent (year round) office space at the Levy County Agricultural Extension Office. He stated there is a need to have a permanent office space due to the requirements of the Food Safety Modernization Act and the number of audits they are required to do in this area.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services using the office space they had been occupying at the Ag. Center on a permanent basis pending contract/lease documents to be approved by Atty. Brown. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

Connie Conley, General Manager

- A. Request approval of a Service Agreement with Suwannee River Economic Council for transportation for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

Mrs. Conley requested Board approval of a Service Agreement with Suwannee River Economic Council for transportation for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 in the amount of \$12,474.70.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Service Agreement with Suwannee River Economic Council as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Renate Cannon and Sallie Collins spoke regarding this item.

- B. Request approval to purchase Stretcher Equipped Bus from the fully executed grant agreement for the Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Program Grant, (RCAP Grant) in the amount of \$79,400.00 to be reimbursed at 100%.

Mrs. Conley requested Board approval to purchase a stretcher equipped bus from the fully executed grant agreement for the Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Program Grant (RCAP Grant) in the amount of \$79,400, to be reimbursed at 100%.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase of a stretcher equipped bus from the fully executed grant agreement for the Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Program Grant (RCAP Grant) as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

LIBRARY

Lisa Brasher, Director

Request approval to accept a donation of 19 children's computers from a Florida State Library program.

Ms. Brasher requested Board approval to accept a donation of 19 children's computers provided by the State Library and AWE Learning.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to accept the donation of 19 children's computers as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

Request approval of Resolution 2015-06 authorizing the execution and recording of a county deed to transfer county interest in property (borrow pit #9) to the State of Florida Department of Transportation for State Road purposes to construct or improve State Road 55 (US 19).

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval of Resolution 2015-06 authorizing the execution and recording of a county deed to transfer county interest in property (borrow pit #9) to the State of Florida Department of Transportation for State Road purposes.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-06 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sallie Collins asked about the paving of a road in Steeplechase Farms, 114th. She asked if this road was going to be paved in 2015 and if there was a way to look up the list of roads to be paved on the Board’s website.

Comm. Meeks advised Ms. Collins she could contact the Road Department Office for this information.

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS

Comm. Rooks thanked the Chairman for a job well done with the Legislative Delegation meeting held recently.

Comm. Stevens thanked Chief Knowles and Chief Bloom for the vehicle provided for the parade Saturday.

Comm. Rock Meeks reported of the education classes he had recently attended for new Commissioners.

Comm. John Meeks spoke of the Legislative Delegation meeting and how Levy County as well as many other small counties will be paying more of the Medicare cost-share. Levy County’s portion will increase to 18% by 2018.

Mr. Moody commended Mrs. Conley on her efforts at the Legislative Delegation meeting regarding the Medicaid funding for the Transit Department. He also spoke of the Oystermen meetings held recently.

Dana Sheffield asked about the County’s portion which they will be required to pay for Medicare cost-share.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 9:48 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks