

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 5, 2019**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on February 5, 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

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.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	133364-133485
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,364,577.76
ROAD	37,854.38
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	9,493.93
TRANSPORTATION	161.90
911	15,056.42
COURT FACILITIES	3,795.59
MISC GRANTS	2,654.23
EMS	8,836.93
FIRE	3,017.65
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,125.29
UTILITIES	10,063.44
IMPACT FEES - EMS	3,796.28
LANDFILL	3,194.86
TOTAL	\$ 1,464,628.66
 EFT/ACH PAYMENT	 \$ 303,210.08

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on December 4, 2018 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on December 4, 2018 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comm. Joyner spoke to everyone by phone explaining he will be participating by phone for the next several meetings due to an accident.

Atty. Brown informed the audience of the legality of Comm. Joyner appearing by phone for the meetings.

Renate Cannon thanked the Road Department for getting CR236 re-striped.

BUILDING & ZONING – PUBLIC HEARING

Atty. Brown swore in members of the audience wishing to speak regarding either of the items to be presented by Mr. Hammond.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was any ex-parte communication by any of the Commissioners. All Commissioners reported no ex-parte communication.

Bill Hammond, Director

- A. Petition No. PP 04-18. McMillen Surveying/Loren Nichols petitioning the Board for a Preliminary Plat of “Trackside West”.

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

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the Preliminary Plat of “Trackside West” as presented. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES

- B. Petition No. FP 03-18. Shawn and Barbara Tyler petitioning the Board for a Final Plat of “ALL4U”.

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

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Final Plat of “ALL4U” as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Donald and Margaret Hunt requesting the Board’s approval of Ordinance 2019-002 (CA03-18) approving the rezoning of 25 acres more or less from Forestry/Rural Residential to Single Family Residential.

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

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-002 (CA03-18) as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Atty. Brown read the Ordinance title into public record.

WATER DEPARTMENT – PUBLIC HEARING

Jim Jones, Director

- A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-003 adopting and putting into effect a schedule of water rates, fees and charges for customers of University Oaks Water System. The schedule is listed below:

Monthly base rate for water usage (no gallonage allowance)	\$ 12.38	New customer deposit charge	\$ 15.00
Water usage rate per 1,000 gallons	\$ 3.97	Hook-up fee	\$ 15.00
Late payment charge	\$ 10.00	Reconnect fee	\$ 50.00
Meter installation fee	\$500.00		
Return check charge	Amount County is charged by bank (if any)		

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-003 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Audience members Linda Cooper and Terry Witt spoke regarding this item.

B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-004 adopting and putting into effect a schedule of water rates, fees and charges for customers of Manatee Utilities Water System. The schedule is listed below:

Monthly base rate for 8,000 gallons water usage	\$ 25.00
Water usage rate per 1,000 gallons	\$ 1.00
Late payment charge	\$ 10.00
Meter installation fee	\$500.00
New customer deposit charge	\$100.00
Hook-up fee	\$ 15.00
Reconnect fee	\$ 40.00
Facility Charge for Capital Improvements	\$ 10.00
Return check charge	Amount County is charged by bank (if any)

Atty. Brown stated after verifying with Mr. Jones the Facility Charge for Capital Improvements of \$10.00 would be removed from the schedule of fees for Manatee Utilities.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-004 with the amendment as stated by Atty. Brown. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Those in the audience who spoke regarding this item were: Toni Collins and Jack Schofield.

CLERK OF COURT

Donna Cicale, Deputy Clerk

Requesting Board approval of disposal of assets by donation to Jesus Is Ministries, authorized by Clerk, to free up storage space.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve donations of assets to Jesus Is Ministries as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Audience members who spoke regarding this item were: Terry Witt, Drinda Merritt, Linda Fugate, Sandy Haddock and Toni Collins.

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Wilbur Dean

A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-006 supporting the joining of the National Stepping Up Initiative supporting Meridian Behavioral Healthcare, Inc. efforts through the Criminal Justice Mental Health and Substance Abuse Grant.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-006 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-011 relating to County participation in and administrative actions related to processes for tax certificates, tax deeds, list of lands available for sale and escheated properties.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-011 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Audience members who spoke regarding this item were: Linda Fugate, Tax Collector and Jack Schofield.

- C. Requesting Board ratification of the Addendum dated January 16, 2019 executed by the Chairman on January 28, 2019 to the Engagement Letter dated August 21, 2007 between Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC and Levy County, FL.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to ratify the Addendum to the Engagement Letter between Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC and Levy County as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Requesting Board approval for Turnkey Asbestos Abatement Management at the former Bronson High School buildings number one (1) and fourteen (14) from GLE Associates, Inc. The estimated fee for services is \$19,800.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the proposal from GLE Associates, Inc. to allow Alachua Environmental Services, Inc. to remove and dispose of asbestos materials in the former Bronson High School as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT

Alicia Tretheway, Coordinator

- A. Requesting Board approval of the ranking of the top three (3) proposers from the Professional Services Committee and to authorize negotiations with the top ranked proposer. The Professional Services Committee Ranking is listed below:

1. Dewberry Engineers, Inc.
2. DRMP
3. JonesEdmunds

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the ranking from the Professional Services Committee and to authorize negotiations with the top ranked proposer as presented. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-010 amending the final budget in the amount of \$50,000 for FY 2018-2019 in order to begin construction at the old Bronson High School property.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-010 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Requesting Board approval of the General Services Administration (GSA) Domain Registration Letter allowing access for use of the GSA Advantage for both the Disaster and Cooperative Purchasing Programs.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the GSA Domain Registration Letter as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Requesting Board approval of the Amendment to the Agreement between Levy County and New River Technology, LLC.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the Amendment to the Agreement between Levy County and New River Technology, LLC as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- E. Requesting Board approval of the Business Associate Agreement between Levy County and New River Technology, LLC.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Business Associate Agreement between Levy County and New River Technology, LLC as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- F. Requesting appointment of one member of the Board or a designee to sit on the Audit Selection Committee.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to appoint Comm. Brooks to the Audit Selection Committee. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mrs. Tretheway gave an update of website ADA compliance for the Board of County Commissioners website.

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

Tisha Whitehurst, Director

Requesting Board appointment of Wendy Brennan to the TDC Accommodation Owners/Managers vacant seat; term expires 4/15/2020.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to appoint Wendy Brennan to the TDC Accommodation Owners/Managers vacant seat as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mrs. Whitehurst gave an update to the Board regarding RESTORE Act funds.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Casey Duquette, Administrative Field Manager

- A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2019-012 accepting Fee Simple Deed from the School Board of Levy County, FL for property consisting of road and road right of way known as CR 511 AKA NE 42nd Place, Levy County, FL.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-012 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of an Agreement with the Town of Inglis to have refuse containers located along the right of way adjacent to CR40.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve an Agreement with the Town of Inglis to have refuse containers located along the right of way adjacent to CR40 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dana Sheffield spoke to the Board informing them of the Cross City Airport Car Show coming up on April 27th. Mayor Merritt.

Terry Witt questioned when Mr. Hastings would be presenting the information on the proposed satellite garbage collection sites. Comm. John Meeks stated he is scheduled to present his information at the February 19th meeting.

Mayor Merritt announced the South Levy Marketplace will take place on the 23rd.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Rooks spoke of several events and upcoming meetings she will be attending:

1. A meeting next week with representatives from the City of Cedar Key concerning the Library contract.
2. A ceremony observing Black History Month will take place on February 15th in the courthouse lobby at 9:30 A.M.
3. The Homecoming Parade for Creekside Christian School in Otter Creek will be on February 15th at 11:00 A.M.
4. FWC meeting in Gainesville on February 20th and 21st.

Comm. Rock Meeks stated the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Recreation and Parks has announced a joint public meeting in which everyone is invited, coming up on Wednesday, February 27th from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. to be held at the Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, Senator George Kirkpatrick

Marine Laboratory in Cedar Key. The general subject matter to be considered will be for the public to provide input on the 10 year management plan update for the Waccasassa Preserve State Park, Cedar Key Scrubs State Preserve.

Comm. John Meeks spoke of:

1. A public meeting held recently in Inglis concerning the Bird Creek Boat Ramp, which was well attended.
2. Attended and reported of the progress of a RESTORE Act meeting on the 31st.
3. Attended a Planning Council meeting on Thursday, January 24th and reported a Proclamation was issued recognizing the Town of Otter Creek, which has been incorporated for 50 years this year.
4. Work Out on the Waterfront will take place on March 16th in Cedar Key.
5. The Cedar Key Arts Festival wins national recognition and has been ranked #7 in the top 10 Arts Fairs in America and #2 in the Favorite Small Town Art Fairs.
6. This upcoming Saturday will kick off the 4th Annual Speed Week at the Bronson Motor Speedway.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:55 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks