

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 5, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on March 5, 2013 at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman Ryan Bell
Comm. Chad Johnson
Comm. John Meeks
Comm. Danny Stevens
Comm. Mike Joyner

Also present were:

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

Comm. Bell called the Meeting to order at 9:03 A.M. Comm. Johnson gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	110853-11012
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,207,112.15
ROAD	118,677.79
SHIP	11,112.87
NSP	47,696.00
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	6,000.00
TRANSPORTATION	2,450.60
911	14,000.00
COURT FACILITIES	14.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	101.21
EMS	10,974.81
FIRE	16,551.29
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	6,642.59
CDBG	28,309.73
UTILITIES	2,343.54
DRUG TASK FORCE	1,605.70
ADD COURT COSTS	1,298.42
CAPITAL PROJECTS	28,771.23
LANDFILL	68,918.18
TOTAL	\$1,572,580.11

MINUTES

The Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on February 19, 2013 were presented for Board approval.

Due to corrections needing to be addressed, Comm. Johnson made a motion to Table the minutes. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

VETERANS ADVOCATE FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

David J. Elliott, National Director

Introduction of V.A.F and a brief description of services to the community. -Not Present-

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Fred Moody

A. Presenting Letter of Agreement with Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A. for EMS, Fire Protection, Road Maintenance and Solid Waste Assessment Programs.

Mr. Moody presented a Letter of Agreement with Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A. for EMS, Fire Protection, Road Maintenance and Solid Waste Assessment Programs for Board approval. Mr. Moody pointed out the rates have not increased for the second consecutive year and will remain at \$35,500.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Letter of Agreement with Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A. for EMS, Fire Protection and Solid Waste Assessment Programs with the understanding the fees for the Road Maintenance Program will be discussed at a later date. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval to advertise a Request for Proposal (RFP) soliciting proposals from qualified firms to provide an impact fee study to update its transportation impact fee and develop a fire facilities impact fee for the County.

Mr. Moody requested Board approval to advertise a RFP soliciting proposals from qualified firms to provide an impact fee study to update its transportation impact fee and develop a fire facilities fee for the County.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the request to advertise a RFP soliciting proposals for an impact study fee as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Presenting proposed appointments to the local RESTORE Act Advisory Committee.

Mr. Moody presented proposed appointments to the local RESTORE Act Advisory Committee as follows:

Levy County Commission Chairman	Ryan Bell
Levy County Board Employee	Shenley Neely
Levy County School Board Member	Chris Cowart
Higher Education Institution (College or University)	Marilyn Ladner
Aquaculture Industry	Leslie Sturmer
Experience in Economic Development Efforts	David Pieklik
Tourism Industry	Dan Wilson
At-large Citizen Member	Andrew Gude
Workforce Development/Job Creation Industry	(not selected at this time)

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the proposed appointments to the local RESTORE Act Advisory Committee as presented contingent upon their acceptance and the appointment by the School Board of Chris Cowart at their meeting. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

D. Request to ratify Resolution 2013-14; A resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, expressing its support that the Designation of the Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern (RACEC) continue to apply to the North Central Florida region incorporating Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor and Union Counties (including the cities, towns and communities within each); providing support that all Enterprise Zones in these counties and communities continue to exist; providing support for the continuation of all staffing grant funding for the North Florida Economic Development Partnership (NFEDP) through funds appropriated by the Florida Legislature and administered through the State of Florida Department of Economic Opportunity; and providing for an effective date.

Mr. Moody requested ratification of Resolution 2013-14 as stated above. Two letters of support were approved at the last meeting for the North Florida Economic Development Partnership and it has been requested a Resolution be approved to accompany the letters.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to Ratify Resolution 2013-14 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- E. Request a motion to accept a settlement of the Final Judgment regarding Dorlinda Gilham (Case# 38-2011 CF 635A) in the amount of \$6,764.98. This amount represents court costs and interest of \$888.78, jail fees and interest of \$5,876.20.

Mr. Moody requested the Board accept a settlement of the Final Judgment regarding Dorlinda Gilham (Case # 38-2011 CF 635A). A Partial Satisfaction of Judgment has been prepared by Atty. Brown accepting the amount of \$5,876.20 for jail fees. There are fees due to the Clerk of Court which cannot be negotiated in the amount of \$888.78, which consists of \$847 in Fines and \$41.78 in interest.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to accept the Settlement and approve the Partial Satisfaction of Judgment as presented acknowledging the amount offered and accepted by the Clerk of Court which represents the non-negotiable fine amount and interest. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- F. Direction for conducting a workshop amending the hours for the sale of alcohol; time and location.

Mr. Moody requested direction from the Board for a time and location to conduct a workshop amending the hours for the sale of alcohol in the County. The workshop scheduled for today had been canceled due to public concern of the time the workshop was scheduled.

After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to put this item on the Agenda for April 2nd. At this time, the Board will decide if a Workshop and then a Hearing or if just a Hearing will be necessary.

Mr. Rutter, owner of Sun-Ray and Jill, Manager of Willards Restaurant & Lounge spoke to the Board stating they are in favor of the extended hours to serve alcohol.

Marie Strange stated her concerns of the time of day if a Public Hearing is to be set.

NON-AGENDA ITEM

Mr. Moody requested the Board hear a non-agenda item.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to hear a non-agenda item. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Johnson votes NO.

Jacqueline Martin presented to the Board a list of applicants for the Director position at Building & Zoning and requested a date and time for interviews.

The Commissioners agreed to conduct interviews of the three (3) applicants meeting the minimum requirements on March 7th, beginning at 9:30 A.M.

CORRESPONDENCE

Karen Blackburn

Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council is requesting approval of the appointment of Heather Davis as Alternate to serve in the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation category on the Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board.

Mrs. Martin requested on behalf of Mrs. Blackburn approval of the appointment of Heather Davis as alternate to serve in the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation category on the Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board as requested by the Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Heather Davis as alternate to serve in the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation category on the Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dana Sheffield spoke to the Board regarding the settlement of the Final Judgement item spoken of earlier in the meeting. He asked what amount of the jail fees sent to Judgement are collected.

Mr. Shipp responded it was a small amount actually collected on this type of fee.

SHIP

Shenley Neely, Planning Director

Request a motion to approve Subordination Agreement for Barbara K. Leathers – PS #457.

Ms. Neely requested Board approval of the Subordination Agreement for Barbara K. Leathers – PS #457. Ms. Shenley stated this is a SHIP participant refinancing her home to take advantage of a lower interest rate. The refinancing bank is requesting the County remain as the second mortgage-holder.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the Subordination Agreement for Barbara K. Leathers – PS # 457 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

Request the adoption of Resolution 2013-13 authorizing an employee firefighter training program; authorizing the County Coordinator, or his designee to execute firefighter Memoranda of Understanding on behalf of the County; to implement such program.

Mr. Knowles requested Board adoption of Resolution 2013-13 authorizing an employee firefighter training program; authorizing the County Coordinator, or his designee to execute firefighter Memoranda of Understanding on behalf of the County; to implement such program.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-13 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Knowles also informed the Board of the Public Relations item from the Public Relations Grant on display in the lobby.

ROAD

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

A. Request permission to purchase a backhoe.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to seek bids for the purchase of a backhoe for the Road Department.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the request to seek bids for the purchase of a backhoe. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request commission opinion of roads to be considered for applications to the SCRAP, SCOP and CIGP road grants.

Mr. Greenlee requested the Commissioners contact him with roads in need of resurfacing as the time to submit applications to SCRAP, SCOP and CIGP grants is coming up soon.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Johnson stated he had received a letter from Lynetta Griner of Usher Land & Timber requesting to be placed on the next agenda regarding a Bill in the House and Senate to do away with the State having tree nurseries. Andrews Nursery in Chiefland would be affected by this decision if approved. She will be requesting Board support to encourage the House and Senate to vote against this Bill.

Chairman Bell asked if Mr. Moody could report of the RESTORE Act meeting he had recently attended in his place in Pensacola.

Mr. Moody reported Franklin County has now joined so all 23 Gulf Coast County's are now a part of the Gulf Coast Consortium. He also reported of other information from the meeting to the Board. The next meeting will be on Legislative Day, April 5th in St. Petersburg. He stated the Board would need to identify projects for Levy County and be ready to present them when funds become available.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 10:31 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Ryan Bell