

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
APRIL 17, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on April 17, 2012 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. Comm. Johnson gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXPENDITURES**

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

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>107763-107886</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	360,517.68
ROAD	10,858.08
SHIP	771.05
NSP	33.25
TRANSPORTATION	1,140.41
911	15,010.07
COURT FACILITIES	93.81
PROGRESS ENERGY	728.45
EMS	35,668.48
FIRE	72,661.84
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	4,867.52
CDBG	49.45
UTILITIES	906.21
ADD COURT COSTS	3,833.26
LANDFILL	10,101.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 517,241.05</b>

**TOURIST DEVELOPMENT**

Carol McQueen, Director

Requesting approval of Tourist Development Council's recommendation for one new TDC Vacant seat appointment and re-appointment of four members for an additional term.

Mrs. McQueen spoke to the Board and informed everyone of the upcoming Kayak Fishing Tournament coming up April 21<sup>st</sup> in Yankeetown, the Wild Hog Canoe Race on April 28<sup>th</sup> and the Cedar Key Arts Festival on April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. McQueen then introduced Capt. Rick Lefiles and requested Board approval of appointing him to the Tourist Development Council's vacant seat on the recommendation by the TDC.

Comm. Drew made a motion to appoint Capt. Rick Lefiles to the TDC as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mrs. McQueen requested approval of the Board to re-appoint the remaining four members to the TDC:

Comm. Stevens	Chris Brown
Norm Fugate	Kathy Carver

After discussion of the selection process for TDC Board members Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the recommendations as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Bell votes NO.

## **COUNTY ATTORNEY**

Atty. Brown requested approval of the Board for a non-agenda item.

Comm. Johnson made motion to hear a non-agenda item as requested by Atty. Brown. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

Atty. Brown requested a decision by the Board regarding participation in the litigation challenging HB 5301, the recently adopted Medicaid legislation. The Florida Association of Counties Board of Directors voted at a recent meeting to appear as a plaintiff in a lawsuit challenging Chapter 2012-33, the recent legislation governing Medicaid and revenue share withholding and to hire special counsel from the firm, Bryant, Miller & Olive. Levy County's share to participate in the litigation would be \$1,000.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve participation in the litigation as presented. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- A. Requesting approval of settlement Claim Form in BellSouth Repair Claim Litigation and authorize Chair to sign Claim Form.

Atty. Brown requested approval of the settlement with BellSouth regarding a class action lawsuit and authorize the Chair to sign the Claim Form.

Comm. Drew made a motion to accept the settlement as presented and authorize the Chair to sign the Claim Form. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request direction regarding solid waste licensing, flow control, and franchising and, if applicable, approval of proposal of Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson for legal services for completion of licensing ordinance, flow control regulations, and notice procedure for privatization of solid waste collections and disposal.

Atty. Brown requested direction on whether it desires to pursue licensing of solid waste haulers, flow control provisions, and statutory notice with an eye towards future franchising and, if so, requested approval of NGN for the required services.

After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to TABLE this item until the next meeting to get more information.

## **COUNTY COORDINATOR**

Fred Moody

Presenting an amendment to the Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson Agreement regarding the EMS Tax Assessment Program.

Mr. Moody presented and requested Board approval of the amendment to the Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson Agreement regarding the EMS Tax Assessment Program. This will increase the amount to Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson by \$7,175.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the amendment to the agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Mark S. Johnson, Director

Requesting permission to purchase new computers for Emergency Operations Center, replacing obsolete computers.

Mr. Johnson requested Board approval to purchase new computers for Emergency Operations Center, replacing obsolete computers. This purchase will be funded by the Emergency Management Performance Grant, which is a non-matching grant.

The bids received for (5) desktop computers are as follows:

Havoc PC	\$7,995.53
TigerDirect	\$9,163.62
Dell	\$8,765.00

The bids received for (13) laptop computers are as follows:

Howard Technology	\$12,147.98
CDW-G	\$12,284.85
HP	\$19,136.00

Mr. Johnson stated his recommendation is to purchase the (5) desktop computers from Havoc PC and the (13) laptop computers from Howard Technology. Four of the existing computers will be given to Building & Zoning for Damage Assessment, four will be given to the Library Department, two will go to the Board office and there will be three available if another department has a need for them.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the purchase of computers as recommended by Mr. Johnson. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

David Knowles, Director

Requesting approval to submit a series of grant applications for the Florida Department of Health EMS Rural Matching Grant. These grants require the signature of Board Chairman.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval to submit a series of grant application for the Florida Department of Health EMS Rural Matching Grant. There are ten grants, nine of which are for EMS and one is for Levy County Fire/Rescue.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve all of the Grant Applications as presented. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Comm. Johnson

Requesting Board approval of the Interlocal Agreement relating to the establishment of Florida Leaders Organized for Water (FLOW).

Comm. Johnson gave a report of the FLOW organization to the Board and made a motion for the Board to approve the Interlocal Agreement making Levy County a participant. The following counties and municipalities have representatives currently participating in the FLOW organization:

Alachua County	Lafayette County	Town of White Springs
Bradford County	Suwannee County	City of High Springs
Clay County	Levy County	City of MacClenny
Columbia County	Taylor County	Hamilton County
Dixie County	Town of Branford	
Gilchrist County	City of Keystone Heights	

Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Bell then made a motion to appoint Comm. Johnson to serve on FLOW organization. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Johnson gave a report of the last Broadband meeting.

Comm. Johnson gave information regarding an upcoming event, Cycle for Education Foundation, which will take place this Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. All money received will be used for Classroom Grants.

Comm. Drew gave information on the first annual Nature Coast Challenge Kayak & Canoe Fishing Tournament taking place this Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> in Yankeetown.

Comm. Bell stated the Cedar Key Art Festival will be on April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Comm. Stevens stated the Tri-County Pregnancy Center fundraising event this Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at Rhino Outdoors.

Comm. Stevens stated he had a meeting last week with the newly appointed Chief Judge and Atty. Brown and report this change will head things in a brand new direction in how Court Administration operates. He stated he was assured conflicts will soon be going away if they haven't already.

Renate Cannon thanked Comm. Stevens for sending the letter to the former Chief Judge.

Evan Sullivan invited everyone to attend the awards ceremony at the Sheriff's Office on April 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 A.M.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:09 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEVY COUNTY, FL

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Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

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Chairman, Danny Stevens