

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MAY 5, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on May 5, 2015 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:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Coordinator – 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.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	119389-119554
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,386,555.72
ROAD	172,540.67
PAL LIBRARY	7,896.15
TRANSPORTATION	41,775.81
911	11,845.25
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	30.36
EMS	20,757.79
FIRE	81,482.31
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,303.01
UTILITIES	46,833.76
LANDFILL	28,854.07
TOTAL	\$ 1,800,889.90

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on March 17, 2015 were presented for approval. – TABLED -

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

Carol McQueen, Director

Request review of City of Williston’s Resolution to recommend City Councilman Danny Ethridge to the ‘open’ position for City Government Seat. This seat was vacated by Councilman Cal Byrd. Seat is scheduled to expire on 4/16/2016.

Mrs. McQueen requested the Board appoint Williston City Councilman Danny Etheridge to the vacant government seat on the Levy County Tourist Development Council.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to appoint Danny Etheridge to the Levy County Tourist Development Council as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mrs. McQueen invited everyone to stop by the reception table set up in the lobby recognizing Tourism Week.

PUBLIC HEARING

Swearing-in of audience members was administered by Atty. Brown.

Comm. John Meeks asked the Commissioners if they had any ex-parte communication with any of the petitioners.

Comm. Rooks and Comm. Stevens stated they had ex-parte communication with all petitioners. Comm. John

Meeks stated he also had ex-parte communication with all petitioners.

Planning Department

Shenley Neely

Request the Board proceed to adopt Ordinance 2015-03, amending the future land use map of the County's Comprehensive Plan on approximately .75 acres of land. The proposal is to change the land use designation from Urban Low Density Residential (LDR) to Commercial (C).

Ms. Neely requested the Board adopt Ordinance 2015-03 amending the future land use map of the Comprehensive Plan on approximately .75 acres of land and read the Ordinance Title into public record.

Clay Sweger, a land planner with EDA Engineers-Surveyors-Planners, Inc., representing the current property owner, Drummond Community Bank, spoke to the Board stating there was interest by a business wishing to buy the property for the purpose of establishing a business which creates high-tech safety devices for fuel pipelines. This would be a light industrial type of activity done inside the building.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the item as presented.

Questions were asked by Renate Cannon, Toni Collins, Juanita Pickens Terrell and Terry Witt.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-03 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Development Department

Bill Hammond

- A. Request the Board to proceed to adopt Ordinance 2015-04, approval for Drummond Community Bank, rezoning .75 acres more or less located in Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, Levy County, Florida from Forestry/Rural Residential (F/RR) to Moderately Intensive Commercial (C-3), Petition CZ 15-01; providing for exclusion from codification; providing an effective date.

Mr. Hammond requested the Board adopt Ordinance 2015-04 as stated above and relating to the item previously approved. This item pertains to rezoning the property from Forestry/Rural Residential (F/RR) to Moderately Intensive Commercial (C-3).

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the item as presented.

Toni Collins asked for clarification of "exclusion from codification" and was answered by Atty. Brown.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-05 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request the Board to approve SE 15-01, Drummond Community Bank petitioning the Board for a Special Exception to allow the assembly and distribution of proprietary safety gauges (for installation within fuel pipes) for the petroleum industry, on a parcel of land located in Drummond Estates, Block B, N178' of the E 185' of Lot 1, in Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, in Levy County. Said parcel containing .75 acres more or less. This parcel is located within the Chiefland Municipal Service District.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of SE 15-01, Drummond Community Bank petitioning the Board for a Special Exception to allow the assembly and distribution of proprietary safety gauges (for installation within fuel pipes) for the petroleum industry, on a parcel of land located in Drummond Estates, Block B, N178' of the E 185' of Lot 1, in Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, in Levy County. Said parcel containing .75 acres more or less. This parcel is located within the Chiefland Municipal Service District.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the item as presented.

Questions were asked by Renate Cannon and Art Maruna.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the Order to Approve for SE-15-01 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request the Board to proceed to adopt Ordinance 2015-05, approving a rezoning for Carol Jean Kearns, rezoning 7.54 acres more or less located in Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, Levy County, providing for exclusion from codification; providing an effective date.

Mr. Hammond requested the Board adopt Ordinance 2015-05, approving rezoning for Carol Jean Kearns, rezoning 7.54 acres more or less located in Section 26, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, Levy County, providing for exclusion from codification; providing an effective date. The property owner wishes to subdivide the property into one (1) acre parcels.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the item as presented.

Questions were asked by Toni Collins.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2015-05 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Request the Board to approve PPV 15-01 S & S Farms and Leland and Vicki Ritter, petitioning the Board as joint applicants for a Partial Plat Vacation of Fugate's Addition No. 2 to Williston, Section 18, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, Levy County Florida.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of PPV 15-01, S & S Farms and Leland and Vicki Ritter, petitioning the Board as joint applicants for a Partial Plat Vacation of Fugate's Addition No. 2 to Williston, Section 18, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, Levy County Acres.

Atty. Norm Fugate, representing the Petitioners spoke to the Board of PPV 15-01 and of the next item, PV 15-01.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the item as presented.

Questions were asked by Renate Cannon.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-15 regarding PPV 15-01 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- E. Request the Board to approve PV 15-01, Connie Scanlon, petitioning the Board for a Plat Vacation of "Hipp's Addition No. 1", (Plat Book 3, Page 2), in Section 18, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, in Levy County. Said parcel contains 31 acres more or less and is located within a Forestry/Rural Residential "FRR" zoning.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of PV 15-01, Connie Scanlon, petitioning the Board for a Plat Vacation of "Hipp's Addition No. 1", in Section 18, Township 13 South, Range 19 East, in Levy County. Said parcel contains 31 acres more or less and is located within a Forestry/Rural Residential "FRR" zoning.

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

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-16 regarding PV 15-01 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- F. Request the Board to approve King Road Mine, Application to Transfer Order to Approve Special Exception Application SE 3-10.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of King Road Mine, Application to Transfer Order to Approve Special Exception Application SE 3-10. Mr. Hammond explained the request is to change the name on the mining application from Tarmac America, LLC to King Road Aggregates, LLC.

Susan Stephens with Hopping Green & Sams representing King Road Aggregates, LLC spoke to the Board and gave a presentation regarding the Application.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the item as presented.

Questions were asked by Lou Elliott, Terry Witt, Ron Grant and Renate Cannon.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to adopt the Amendment to the Order to Approve as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Fred Moody

Request permission to budget increase for FAC dues 2015-16.

Mr. Moody requested Board approval for a budget increase for FAC dues for 2015-16. The amount will increase from \$4,550 to \$4,641.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the request for a budget increase for FAC dues as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Moody advised the Board the bids for the Waccasassa Bay Channel Markers project are to be received by 3:00 P.M. today. They will be opened at 3:30 P.M. in the Board office. Mr. Moody stated he may be hopes to come back to the Board with a recommendation at the May 19th meeting.

Mr. Moody advised the Board there had been 13 applications received for the Assistant to the County Coordinator received and he will be setting up interviews in the upcoming week.

NON-AGENDA ITEM

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

Comm. Joyner made a motion to hear a non-agenda item as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Moody requested the Board set a date for a Water Conservation/Shortage Ordinance Workshop. Mr. Moody explained adopting an Ordinance is required in order to receive the cost share grant in the amount of \$151,000 which will be used to update the University Oaks water system.

The Board agreed by consensus to schedule the Water Conservation/Shortage Ordinance Workshop for May 19th at 6:00 P.M.

Questions were asked by Renate Cannon.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent
Update on C326 SCOP Grant Project.

Mr. Greenlee gave an update to the Board on the SCOP grant project for C326 (Shell Mound Road).

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Joyner asked Sheriff McCallum to give an update of the Crab Fest in Williston.

Sheriff McCallum stated there were few arrests, few injuries and it was a peaceful event. Sheriff McCallum thanked staff and mutual aid from other law enforcement agencies for their work.

Comm. Rooks stated she had recently attended the FEMA meeting in Trenton and requested they come to Levy County for a meeting.

Comm. Stevens stated the Williston FFA clay shoot was a success.

Comm. Rock Meeks reminded everyone of the Pet Adoption event coming up in Bronson on the 16th. Comm. Rock Meeks stated the Rodeo in Chiefland went well and there was a large turnout.

Comm. Rock Meeks stated the CAAA tournaments will begin this Thursday.

Comm. Rock Meeks stated the Chiefland Softball team will be playing in Vero Beach tomorrow night for the State Championship.

Comm. John Meeks reported the Bronson Baseball team won the District Tournament recently and will play tonight against Hamilton County in Bronson.

Comm. John Meeks gave an update of the WRPC and reported it has now been disbanded as of the last meeting which he recently attended. He stated they will now be attending the North Florida Regional Planning Council meetings in Lake City.

Comm. John Meeks gave information regarding the RESTORE Act.

Mr. Lipman announced the National Day of Prayer is this Thursday and there will be a ceremony at the pavilion at Heritage Park in Williston at noon for those wishing to attend.

Dana Sheffield reminded everyone this Friday at 6:00 P.M. in the Fort Fanning Park there will be an outdoor family movie.

Dana Sheffield also stated on Saturday, May 16th at the Cross City Airport there will be an expo and invited everyone to attend.

NON-AGENDA ITEM

Roger Crossman requested the Board hear a non-agenda item regarding South Levy Fire Department.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to hear a non-agenda item. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Crossman requested financial assistance for the South Levy Fire Department from the Board in the amount of \$8,610. He stated there is an insurance bill in the amount of \$5,946 due by May 11th and the remainder is for other repairs.

After discussion, Mr. Crossman was advised by the Commissioners to utilize the recently issued quarterly payment from the Board, do away with unnecessary expenses and pay the insurance bill. Additional expenses may be brought back to the Board on an as needed basis.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:38 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks