

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 19, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on June 19, 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:

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

Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Sheriff Johnny Smith gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	108305-108438
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	218,253.23
ROAD	30,366.98
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	862.17
TRANSPORTATION	45,567.21
COURT FACILITIES	148.50
PROGRESS ENERGY	672.48
EMS	44,230.35
FIRE	6,979.00
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,531.60
CDBG	9,540.00
UTILITIES	1,758.24
DRUG TASK FORCE	1,233.96
ADD COURT COSTS	550.80
LANDFILL	72,787.70
TOTAL	\$ 435,482.22

MINUTES

The following minutes for the June 5th Board of County Commissioners meeting were presented for Board approval. - TABLED -

AUDIT REPORT

Martha Garcia-Baker
Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC

Presenting 2011 Audit Report.

Mrs. Garcia-Baker presented the Audit Report to the Board for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2011.

CLERK OF COURT

Danny Shipp, Clerk of Court

Presenting a request from the 8th Judicial Circuit to continue to contract with Paul Silverman as a special foreclosure magistrate.

Mr. Shipp requested Board approval of a request from the 8th Judicial Circuit to continue to contract with Paul Silverman as a special foreclosure magistrate. The estimated time frame for this contract would be from July 1, 2012 to the end of June 2013 at a cost of approximately \$15,750.

Comm. Bell made a motion to continue contracting with Paul Silverman as a special foreclosure magistrate as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Fred Moody, County Coordinator

- A. Consider reclassifying Ms. Connie Conley from Levy County Transit Interim Director to Levy County Transit Director.

Mr. Moody requested reclassification of Connie Conley from Levy County Transit Interim Director to Levy County Transit Director.

Comm. Drew made a motion to reclassify Connie Conley as Levy County Transit Director as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request from Mrs. Toni Collins of the Levy County Historical Society for a letter of support to be included with a grant application.

Mr. Moody requested on behalf of Mrs. Collins for a letter of support to be submitted with a small matching grant application submitted by the Cedar Key Historical Society for grant funds pertaining to a survey of the Helen Dunham. This was a late 19th century sternwheeler-steamboat which once played a vital part in the development and commerce of Levy County's timber industry.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve providing a letter of support for the Cedar Key Historical Society as requested. Second was made by Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Moody reminded the Board of the following upcoming events:

LARC has challenged all political candidates to a softball game on Saturday, June 23rd at Strickland Park in Chiefland. The gates will open at 5:00 P.M. and the game will start at 7:00 P.M.

A ceremony for Sgt. Carl Campbell is scheduled for Friday June 29th at 4:00 P.M. at the train depot in Chiefland.

The Finance Department is ready to start meeting with the departments about their budgets for the upcoming year.

LIBRARY

Lisa Brasher, Director

- A. Request approval of Amendment 1 to the Auto-Graphics Contract.

Ms. Brasher requested Board approval of Amendment 1 to the Auto-Graphics Contract. Ms. Brasher explained the amendment is to eliminate the Pre-Project Consultation Visit and add an additional day of Training.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve Amendment 1 to the Auto-Graphics Contract as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Florida Celebrating 500 years in 2013.

Ms. Brasher presented to the Board a “time capsule” which had been provided to the Levy County Library by the Florida Department of State. The Department of State is coordinating “Viva Florida 500”, a statewide, year-long, multicultural commemoration in 2013. They are encouraging the Libraries to work with the County Commission to plan activities and programs in 2013 celebrate this event.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Superintendent

A. Open timber bids. (for bridge repair)

Mr. Greenlee presented a bid from Florida Forest Products in Cross City to the Board for the purchase of timber to repair the bridge on Buck Island Grade. Below are the amounts from the bid received:

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Price</u>
8	12 x 12 x 24 timbers	\$624.96 / smooth 560.28 / rough
60	3 x 8 x 24 decking board	\$100.88 / smooth or rough
66	6 x 8 x 14 stringers	\$ 98.00 / smooth or rough

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the bid as presented from Florida Forest Products. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Start yearly bid process for items for the Road Department.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to start the bid process for the following items for the Road Department:

Asphalt	Emulsion Prime Tar
Motor Oils	Galvanized Culvert Pipes
Porta Potty	Safety Items
Sod	Sign Materials
Striping	

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the Road Department starting the bid process for the above listed items for the Road Department. Second was made by Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

SOLID WASTE

Benny Jerrels, Director

Request permission to purchase John Deere 328D Skid Steer.

Mr. Jerrels requested Board approval to purchase a John Deere 328D Skid Steer and a Worksite Pro GS72 Scrap Grapple for use in the Recycling Building. Utilizing the Florida Sheriff’s Association, Florida Association of Counties & Florida Fire Chief’s Association, the bid received is listed below:

John Deere 328D Skid Steer	\$34,954.28
John Deere Worksite Pro GS72 Scrap Grapple	\$ 3,933.00

Mr. Jerrels explained \$26,424.00 will come from the 2011-2012 Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement and the remainder \$12,463.28 will be taken from the Recycling Equipment budget.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the purchase of a John Deere 328D Skid Steer and a Worksite Pro GS72 Scrap Grapple as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Johnny Smith, Levy County Sheriff
Lt. Scott Finnen
Chief Dennis Strow, Williston Police Department

Allow Williston Police Department to use \$2,077 out of countywide communication fund to pay for electronic radio pay to talk to Levy County First Responders.

Lt. Scott Finnen requested Board approval to allow the Williston Police Department to use \$2,077 from the Countywide Communication Fund to purchase radios from Williams Communications, Inc. for the Williston Police Department. The Sheriff's Office has a base station which will be used for this. The addition of these radios will allow the Williston Police Officers and dispatchers to communicate with the Sheriff's Department in the event of an emergency.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to tentatively approve the purchase of radios from Williams Communication, Inc. as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Anne Bast Brown, County Attorney

Approval of Settlement Agreement for David Lugo Maldonado, in settlement of potential foreclosure claim by County.

Atty. Brown requested board approval of a Settlement Agreement for David Lugo Maldonado, in settlement of potential foreclosure claim by the county for the SHIP mortgage in the amount of \$24,500. A settlement agreement has been negotiated with Mr. Maldonado for him to make payments of \$150 per month to the SHIP Department to reduce the balance of \$26,460 (original principal amount + 4% interest since the past 24 months), with a final balloon payment due in July of 2014.

Comm. Bell made a motion to approve the Settlement Agreement with David Lugo Maldonado as presented. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Bell

Request approval of the Twelfth Amended and Restated Agreement to Establish the Citrus, Levy, Marion Workforce Development Board ("CLM Workforce").

Comm. Bell presented and requested Board approval of the above stated Agreement. The Twelfth Amended and Restated Agreement amends the Eleventh Amended and Restated Agreement adopted by the Board on August 2, 2011 establishing up to two (2) Private Training Provider Representatives with one (1) representing not for profit training providers. The Agreement will be effective July 1, 2012.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve the Twelfth Amended and Restated Agreement to Establish the CLM Workforce Development Board. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Moody informed the Board members Karen was preparing a calendar of upcoming political events and will be sending copies out.

The meeting recessed at 9:57 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 10:08 A.M.

PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

- A. Request authorization for the Director to electronically sign for submission of Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) application.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval for the Director to electronically sign for submission of Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) application which is due by July 6th. The items requested through this grant are two new ambulances, heart monitors, communications equipment, a water tender, bunker and air packs for the fire departments in the county.

Comm. Drew made a motion to approve Mr. Knowles, the Public Safety Director to electronically sign for submission of Assistance to the Firefighter Grant application as requested. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Knowles brought three items to the Board's attention:

1. EMS is currently working with the Department of Environmental Protection Agency on the Department of Corrections facility (the old Levy Forestry Camp) and moving forward in a positive way. Currently, Legislation will not be able to turn over ownership of the property to the County, but a Lease Agreement can be done for \$300 per year, if approved.

2. EMS was awarded a \$50,000 Grant, which had been applied for earlier in the year and will be used to purchase chest compression equipment for the outlying ambulances and transport units.

3. In the past few weeks, the EMS has had some vehicle problems: two of the ambulance motors need to be replaced. Mr. Knowles has been working with Mr. Moody to determine what could be done to keep enough units up and running.

B. Request approval of the agreement for Fowlers Bluff Volunteer Fire Department to merge with Levy County Fire Rescue. Requires signature.

Mr. Knowles introduced Chief David Florance of Fowlers Bluff Volunteer Fire Department and Dr. Robert Mount of Chiefland. Mr. Knowles then requested Board approval of the Agreement for Fowlers Bluff Volunteer Fire Department to merge with Levy County Fire Rescue renaming it to Levy County Fire Station #4.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve the Agreement for Fowlers Bluff Volunteer Fire Department to merge with Levy County Fire Rescue. Second was made by Comm. Drew and the MOTION CARRIES.

The meeting recessed at 10:18 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 11:03 A.M.

AGENT OF RECORD/BROKER SERVICES FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Presentations were made from the following for Agent of Record/Broker services for employee benefits:

Bethany Schenk, BeneTek Corporation located in Orlando

Robin Riley, Brown & Brown, Public Risk Insurance Agency located in Daytona Beach

John K. Harman, Trace Milam and Patsy Stark, Compass Consulting Group, Inc., located in Jacksonville and Gainesville

Michael E. Michaelis, Don Martin Insurance, Inc. located in Williston

William W. Erwin, Sr. and Brett McMillan, Erwin Insurance Agency, Inc., located in Chiefland and Jacksonville

Upon completion of interviews by each of the providers, Comm. Bell stated he ranked his top three choices as follows:

1. Don Martin Insurance
2. Brown & Brown
3. BeneTech

Comm. Drew ranked her top three choices for providers as follows:

1. Brown & Brown
2. BeneTech
3. Compass Consulting Group

Comm. Johnson ranked his top three choices for providers as follows:

1. Brown & Brown
2. Don Martin Insurance
3. BeneTech

Comm. Stevens ranked his top three choices for providers as follows:

1. Brown & Brown
2. Don Martin Insurance
3. BeneTech

After discussion, the Board agreed to contact Brown & Brown to begin negotiation process.

Comm. Drew made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second was made by Comm. Bell and the MOTION CARRIES.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:09 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Danny Stevens