

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
JULY 19, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on July 19, 2016 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. Joyner 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. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CHECK NUMBER	124227-124468
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,074,154.33
ROAD	51,145.93
SHIP	11,760.00
PAL LIBRARY	4,688.94
MOSQUITO CONTROL	203.78
TRANSPORTATION	1,077.51
911	9,520.22
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
EMS	40,554.57
FIRE	140,082.25
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	70.33
UTILITIES	2,148.70
ADD COURT COSTS	2,698.06
LANDFILL	80,767.20
MSBU'S	174,674.79
TOTAL	\$ 1,593,561.61

CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM

Martha Garcia-Baker
Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2015 audited financial statements.

Mrs. Garcia-Baker gave a presentation to the Board of the Fiscal Year 2015 audited financial statements from Carr, Riggs and Ingram, the County’s independent audit firm stating it was a good audit and there were no deficiencies.

INGLIS RESIDENTS

Pam Willis, Eldridge Fowler

- A. Communicate information to County Commissioners in relation to the flooding in Inglis/Yankeetown area.

Ms. Willis and Mr. Fowler spoke to the Board providing a slideshow presentation of the newly upgraded culverts in the Inglis/Yankeetown area and thanked the Road Department for their work.

B. Inquire any planned future flood related prevention activities and expected commencement dates.

Ms. Willis and Mr. Fowler inquired of any future flood related prevention activities in the Inglis/Yankeetown area.

After discussion, Mr. Moody stated he would schedule a site visit.

MILLS ENGINEERING

Andrew Carswell, Alice LaLonde

Present bid summary for C326 (Shell Mound Road) SCOP project. – **TABLED** -

DIANE MARCHAND-ANIMAL ORDINANCE REQUEST

Ms. Marchand spoke to the Board and requested implementation of Ordinances for animal and livestock shelter, dog tethering restrictions and more funding for Ag. Division to provide a place for seized animals.

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Fred Moody

Mr. Moody gave an update to the Board of the offer made to Lamar Stegall for the position of DPS Director stating Mr. Stegall had declined the offer. Mr. Moody requested direction from the Board. It was agreed by the Board to offer the position to the 2nd ranked candidate, James Harrell.

TRANSIT

Connie Conley, Director

Request approval for Service Agreements for Creekside Christian and Nature Coast Middle School.

Ms. Conley requested Board approval of the Service Agreements for Creekside Christian and Nature Coast Middle Schools.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Service Agreements as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Matt Weldon, Director

Request approval to renew lease with the Bureau of Public Land Administration – Cedar Key Dock.

Mr. Weldon requested Board approval to renew the Submerged Land Lease from March 24, 2016 to March 24, 2021 with the Division of State Lands, State of Florida, Department of Environmental Protection granting use of property known as Cedar Key “Big” Dock, a parcel of sovereignty submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico, Levy County, Florida.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the renewal of Lease as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

PLANNING

Shenley Neely, Planning Director

Request the Board to set a date for a Public Hearing on the “Transmittal” of Comprehensive Plan Amendments to Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

Ms. Neely requested a date to be set by the Board for a Public Hearing on the “Transmittal” of Comprehensive Plan Amendments to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. Ms. Neely requested the date be set sometime after the Planning Commission’s regular October 3, 2016 Public Hearing meeting.

The Board agreed to schedule a Public Hearing on October 18, 2016 immediately following the regular Board meeting.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

John MacDonald, Director

Request approval to terminate Tropical Storm Colin Local State of Emergency Declaration.

Mr. MacDonald requested Board approval to officially close and terminate the Tropical Storm Colin Local State of Emergency Declaration.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve termination of the Tropical Storm Colin Local State of Emergency Declaration as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Alesha Renaudo, Assistant to Public Safety Director

Request approval from the Board to renew the Service Agreement with Replay Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$8,248.00 for the recorder for the ECOM radio system. – **TABLED** -

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Alice LaLonde, Administrative Office Manager

Request approval to amend P.O. 31755 for the purchase of an Eager Beaver Paver Special Trailer to increase from \$62,468.00 to \$67,678.00 for the correct ramps.

Mrs. LaLonde requested Board approval to amend P.O. 31755 from \$62,468.00 to \$67,678.00 due to a communication error with the sales representative with Beard Equipment. Mrs. LaLonde explained the wrong ramps were included on the first quoted price and the difference is \$5,210.00 to get the correct ramps.

The Commissioners agreed to Table this item until the company can be contacted regarding the price increase for the ramps.

Mrs. LaLonde informed the Board of the bridge work to begin on CR339 July 25th. She stated a portion of CR339 from SR27 to CR320 will be closed from July 25th until August 18th for the repair work to be done.

After discussion in the Budget Workshop, Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the increase to the Purchase Order by the requested \$5,210.00. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Collins also stated there is a candidate forum scheduled for this Saturday in Williston from 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Mayor Merritt reminded everyone of the South Levy Marketplace happening this weekend and of the “Stuff the Bus” event taking place to provide school supplies for area students returning to school.

Nancy Winninger reminded everyone of the clean-up scheduled for this weekend in Williston.

Scott Lippman stated the new Williston Middle/High School will be opening for classes August 10th.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. John Meeks read into public record a letter signed by all of the Commissioners to the Levy County Sheriff's Department employees expressing appreciation for their service.

Comm. Joyner stated there is a reading program scheduled for this Saturday at the Inglis Food Lion from 11:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M.

Comm. Rooks stated she is trying to meet with citizens in each municipality listening to their interests and concerns for the county.

Comm. Stevens stated there will be a school supply give-a-way on August 6th at 2:00 P.M. at the Williston Elementary School.

Comm. John Meeks stated he and Comm. Stevens both serve on the Canvassing Board and since they have opposition, two new Commissioners will need to be appointed.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to appoint Comm. Rock Meeks and Comm. Rooks as the alternate to the Canvassing Board. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. John Meeks stated the Bronson Farmers market will be on Saturday, August 3rd at 8:30 A.M.
Comm. John Meeks gave an update of the DOT assessment of SR 24 concerning the area near the Bronson Speedway which the Commissioners had requested.

Comm. John Meeks spoke of the letter which had been written to DOT regarding the SR 24 issue and the I-75 expansion project.
Atty. Brown stated due to comments brought up in today's meeting, there may be some changes to the letter before sending it to DOT.

The meeting recessed at 10:53 A.M.
The meeting reconvened at 11:18 A.M.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Jared Blanton spoke to the Board and gave an overview of the budget pointing out options to make the budget balance.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:51 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks