

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 19, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on August 19, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room of the Levy County Courthouse with the following Commissioners present:

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

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Administrator – Fred Moody

Comm. Bell called the Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Comm. Johnson gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Comm. Meeks.

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	11662-116849
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	150,376.68
ROAD	279,054.45
SHIP	24,490.00
PAL LIBRARY	10,029.20
TRANSPORTATION	33,871.60
911	6,429.00
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	869.32
EMS	70,981.51
FIRE	73,274.00
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	5,333.84
CDBG	37,240.80
UTILITIES	7,991.21
DRUG TASK FORCE	6,300.00
ADD COURT COSTS	607.26
DEBT SERVICE	528,123.75
CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,856.93
LANDFILL	85,483.02
TOTAL	\$ 1,322,327.57

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on July 22, 2014 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on July 22, 2014 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Renate Cannon commented on an article written in the Levy County Journal on August 14th in which Mr. Knowles stated two (2) new ALS non-transport trucks were purchased with a combination of EMS and Fire funds. She asked if it was legal to use Fire funds for EMS.

Comm. Bell answered if a piece of equipment is used for both EMS and Fire, both can fund the purchase.

LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Sheriff Robert McCallum

Request approval and signatures for the 2015 Byrne Grant application to supplement the Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force by signing the Certification Form stating that an EEOP is on file and to submit the application for the amount of \$46,990.00.

Sheriff McCallum requested Board approval and signatures for the 2015 Byrne Grant application to supplement the Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Force by signing the Certification Form which states an EEOP is on file. The amount of the application is in the amount of \$46,990.00.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve with signatures the 2015 Byrne Grant application as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CITY OF CHIEFLAND

Mary Ellzey, City Manager

Request approval to provide the City of Chiefland with a Letter of Support for their application to the Florida Department of Economic Development for the Competitive Florida Technical Assistance Program Grant.

Ms. Ellzey requested Board approval of a Letter of Support for the application by the City of Chiefland to the Florida Department of Economic Development for the Competitive Florida Technical Assistance Program Grant. Ms. Ellzey stated this grant program could be a good funding tool for the city to hire an engineer, architect or planner to assist in designing a revitalization project.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to provide the City of Chiefland with a Letter of Support as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Steven Minnis, Director of Governmental Affairs

Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D, Executive Director

State of the Resource and Payment in Lieu of Taxes presentation.

Ms. Shortelle provided a State of the Resource presentation to the Board and presented a check for Payment in Lieu of Taxes in the amount of \$30,401.84.

ELLZEY FAMILY

Brooke Ellzey Willis

Ms. Willis requested Board approval of Resolution 2014-38 for roadway dedication for Deputy Atticus Haygood Ellzey who was killed in the line of duty on January 28, 1945. The portion of roadway to be dedicated will be on US HWY 19/98 from its intersection with North Otter Creek Avenue to its intersection with SE 1st Avenue in Otter Creek.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-38 for roadway dedication for Deputy Atticus Haygood Ellzey as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

Fred Moody, County Coordinator

Mr. Moody requested on behalf of Ms. Days Board approval to appoint Bernadette Preble as an alternate to serve in the Department of Elder Affairs category of the Levy County Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to appoint Bernadette Preble as alternate to serve in the Department of Elder Affairs as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

Connie Conley, General Manager

- A. Request approval for extension of Medicaid Non-Emergency Transportation (NET), those trips that are being billed to the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, will be extended from September 30 to December 31, 2014.

Ms. Conley requested Board approval for an extension of the Medicaid Non-Emergency Transportation (NET) Program Subcontracted Transportation Provider Agreement for trips billed to the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged from September 30th to December 31, 2014.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the extension of Medicaid Non-Emergency Transportation as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval and signature for the Medicaid Waiver Services Agreement and attachment between the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and Levy County Board of County Commissioners.

Ms. Conley requested Board approval and signature for the Medicaid Waiver Services Agreement and attachment between the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and Levy County Board of County Commissioners.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve with signature the Medicaid Waiver Services Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Presentation of the Triennial Bus Transit System Safety and Security Review conducted by FDOT.

Ms. Conley presented to the Board results of the Triennial Bus Transit System Safety and Security Review conducted by FDOT reporting they are in compliance with no discrepancies.

PLANNING

Shenley Neely, Planning Director

- A. Request approval of a Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Drew Myhree, PA #521, in the amount of \$12,555.00 .

Ms. Neely requested Board approval of a Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Drew Myhree, PA #521, in the amount of \$12,555.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Drew Myhree as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval of a Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Brittani B. and Darrel Q. Smith, PA #522, in the amount of \$11,935.00.

Ms. Neely requested Board approval of a Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Brittani B. and Darrel Q. Smith, PA #522, in the amount of \$11,935.00.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Brittani B. and Darrel Q. Smith as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Request approval of SHIP Annual Reports to be submitted to Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

Ms. Neely requested Board approval of the SHIP Annual Reports to be submitted to the Florida Housing Corporation.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the SHIP Annual Reports to be submitted to the Florida Housing Corporation as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

A. Request Board approval and authorization for Mr. Moody to sign the "Beyond Hoses and Helmets" agreement with the Volunteer and Combination Officers Section of International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC). As well, authorize Mr. Moody or his designee to execute future agreements with this organization.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval and authorization for Mr. Moody to sign the "Beyond Hoses and Helmets" Agreement with the Volunteer and Combination Officers Section of International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) and to authorize Mr. Moody or his designee to execute future agreements with this organization. Mr. Knowles states this agreement will allow the Department to host classes to improve the skills and knowledge of Public Safety members in Levy County.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve and authorize Mr. Moody to sign the "Beyond Hoses and Helmets" Agreement as requested and to authorize Mr. Moody or his designee to execute future agreements with this organization as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request Board approval and Chairman's signature on the Lease agreement to lease the premises owned by Harriet E. Downs, described as Lots 2 and 3, Block 74, Williston Highlands Unit 5 Replat at a cost of \$1.00 per year.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval and Chairman's signature on the Lease Agreement to lease the premises owned by Harriet E. Downs, described as Lots 2 and 3, Block 74, Williston Highlands Unit 5 Replat at a cost of \$1.00 per year for a term of 30 years. This facility will be used as a Public Safety Facility and will provide living quarters for on-duty staff.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Lease Agreement with the Chairman's signature as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Request approval to ratify payment for repairs to an EMS transport unit.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval to ratify the payment for repairs to an EMS transport unit (Unit #152) for motor replacement in the amount of \$15,617.29.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to ratify payment for repair to an EMS transport unit as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

A. Request approval for bid awards to purchase yearly bid supplies.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval for bid awards to purchase yearly bid supplies for the fiscal year 2014-2015.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the bid awards to purchase yearly bid supplies for fiscal year 2014-2015 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request permission to re-advertise for Galvanized Culvert Pipe, Porta Potty, and Safety Item bids.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to re-advertise for Galvanized Culvert Pipe, Porta Potty, and Safety Item bids as no bids were received within the time period required.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve re-advertising for Galvanized Culvert Pipe, Porta Potty, and Safety Item bids as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request permission to place roads on Paving Priority Schedule; NE 10th Street (MT107), NE 20th Street, NE 130th Avenue.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to place the following roads on the Paving Priority Schedule:

NE 10th Street (MT107)
NE 20th Street
NE 130th Avenue

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve placing the above listed roads on the Paving Priority Schedule as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Request permission to purchase guard rail from Safety Contractors.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to purchase bridge guardrail from Safety Contractors for an estimated cost of \$5,000.00.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase of bridge guardrail from Safety Contractors as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Anne Bast Brown

- A. Request approval of Probation Services Agreement with County Probation Services, Inc. for providing probation services.

Atty. Brown requested Board approval of the Probation Services Agreement with County Probation Services, Inc. for providing probation services.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the Probation Services Agreement with County Probation Services, Inc. as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request approval of Amendment to Agreement with County Probation Services, Inc. for the collection of fees by CPSI for fees owed by defendants to the County.

Atty. Brown requested Board approval of the Amendment to Agreement with County Probation Services, Inc. for the collection of fees by CPSI for fees owed by defendants to the County.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the Amendment to Agreement with County Probation Services, Inc. as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request approval to waive requirements of s.112.313(3) and 112.313(7), Fla. Stat. for Richard B. Streeter as a member of the advisory board for the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee.

Atty. Brown requested Board approval to waive the requirements of s.112.313(3) and 112.313(7), Fla. Stat. for Richard B. Streeter as a member of the Advisory Board for the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to waive the requirements of s.112.313(3) and 112.313(7), Fla. Stat. for Richard B. Streeter as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

RESTORE Act information was given by Atty. Brown to the Board. She informed the Board Levy County was the only county to receive recognition concerning comments regarding the preamble to the new rules.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Kirkland spoke briefly stating Inglis is pleased with the services provided by the Sheriff's Department.

Levy County Property Appraiser, Osborn Barker stated everyone's Proposed Tax Notices should be in the mail by Thursday or Friday of this week.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Johnson announced the Levy County Education Foundation Beast Feast is coming up October 18th. Comm. Johnson also stated he will be meeting tomorrow with Comm. Higgenbotham from Dixie County, Mike Cassidy, Dixie County Administrator, Bob Jones, Vice President of the Small County Coalition and Southeastern Fisheries regarding the Suwannee Basin oyster situation. Comm. Johnson then will be meeting with Mike Joyner with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. After speaking with Rep. Charlie Stone, Comm. Johnson stated a line item had been found in the amount of \$56,000 which may possibly be designated for this purpose.

Comm. Meeks reminded everyone to be on the lookout for children going back to school. Comm. Meeks spoke of negative comments which had been made recently relating to the efforts of the Board working with Chiefland regarding ALS.

Comm. Bell also commented regarding negative comments concerning the Chiefland ALS topic stating the Board and staff is working diligently with Chiefland to come to a positive solution.

Comm. Bell requested Board approval of Proclamation 2014-37 recognizing September, 2014 as Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Proclamation 2014-37 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Terry Witt questioned the Board regarding the Chiefland ALS topic and was answered by Comm. Bell.

LIBRARY

Lisa Brasher, Director

Ms. Brasher requested Board approval of the State Aid to Libraries Grant Agreement.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the State Aid to Libraries Grant Agreement. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

NON-AGENDA ITEM – TOWN OF BRONSON

Comm. Stevens made a motion to hear a non-agenda item from the Town of Bronson. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Johnson votes NO.

Kelly Brettel requested on behalf of the Town of Bronson stated information regarding a one-time expenditure for air-packs for the Bronson Fire Department. Mr. Knowles stated the Department of Public Safety is willing to make the one-time expenditure of \$25,000.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the \$25,000 one-time expenditure for air-packs for the Bronson Fire Department as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:27 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Ryan Bell