

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 3, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on September 3, 2013 at 9:00 AM in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room, with the following Commissioners present:

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

Also present were:

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

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

EXPENDITURES

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

CHECK NUMBER	112692-112829
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	982,501.14
ROAD	122,403.46
SHIP	29,441.00
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	403.87
TRANSPORTATION	846.82
911	14,870.61
COURT FACILITIES	10.00
PROGRESS ENERGY	383.32
EMS	27,623.37
FIRE	14,233.67
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	346.31
CDBG	1,567.50
UTILITIES	1,537.07
IMPACT FEES - RD DIST IV	31,718.05
CAPITAL PROJECTS	3,169.00
LANDFILL	22,450.78
TOTAL	\$ 1,253,505.97

PUBLIC HEARING
BUILDING & ZONING

Comm. Bell asked if any of the Commissioners had ex-parte communication with any of the petitioners. There were none.

Atty. Brown performed swearing in of those in the audience wishing to speak for or against the petitions presented.

Bill Hammond, Director

- A. Ha. Va. 2-13: Michael A. Silvernell petitioning the Board for a Hardship Variance to allow a second dwelling in order for his brother to help care for him on parcel of land located in Florian Heights Unit 2, Lot 13, Section 31, Township 12 S, Range 18 E, in Levy County. Said parcel contains 6.31 acres more or less and is located within an "RR" Rural Residential zone. Situs Address: 13051 NE 45th Street, Williston, FL 32696.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of Ha. Va. 2-13, a Hardship Variance applied for by Michael A. Silvernell.

Comm. Bell asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the Hardship Variance as presented. There were none.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Ha. Va. 2-13, a Hardship Variance applied for by Michael A. Silvernell as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Ha. Va. 3-13: Alfred Romagnolo petitioning the Board to amend an existing Hardship Variance to include his wife Nancy Romagnolo. This parcel is located in B and R Unit 5, Lot 1, Block 12, Section 32, Township 12 S, Range 18 E, in Levy County. Said parcel contains 3.5 acres more or less and is located within an "RR" Rural Residential zone.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of Ha. Va. 3-13, amendment to an existing Hardship Variance for Alfred Romagnolo.

Comm. Bell asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the Hardship Variance as presented. There were none.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve Ha. Va. 3-13, amendment to an existing Hardship Variance for Alfred Romagnolo as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Ha. Va. 4-13: Richard and Carolyn Berryhill petitioning the Board for a Hardship Variance to allow a second dwelling in order for their son to help care for them and their disabled daughter on a parcel of land located NW ¼ of the SW ¼ less the E ½ of the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ in Section 36, Township 14 S, Range 15E, in Levy County. Said parcel contains 35 acres more or less and is located within an "FRR" Forestry/Rural Residential zone. Situs Address: 251 SE 74th Place, Inglis, FL 34449.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of Ha. Va. 4-13, a Hardship Variance applied for by Richard and Carolyn Berryhill.

Comm. Bell asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the Hardship Variance as presented. There were none.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Ha. Va. 4-13, a Hardship Variance applied for by Richard and Carolyn Berryhill as presented. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Request approval of Resolution 2013-38 adopting a schedule of permit fees and service charges for permits, reviews, and services provided by the Levy County Development Department; providing for repeal of Resolution 2007-24, Resolution 2010-04 and Resolution 2012-26; providing for repeal of conflicting fee schedules; providing an effective date.

Mr. Hammond requested Board approval of Resolution 2013-38, adopting a schedule of permit fees and service charges for permits, reviews, and services provided by the Levy County Development Department and the Levy County Road Department; providing for repeal of Resolution 2007-24, Resolution 2010-04 and Resolution 2012-26; providing for repeal of conflicting fee schedules and providing an effective date.

Comm. Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-38 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CLERK OF COURT

Danny Shipp, Clerk

Request selection of new Value Adjustment Board (VAB) members. - TABLED –

LEVY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Barbara Locke, Administrator

Request approval of a Contract Agreement between Levy County Board of County Commissioners and the State of Florida Department of Health for operation of the Levy County Health Department Contract Year 2013-2014.

Ms. Locke requested Board approval of the annual Contract Agreement between Levy County Board of County Commissioners and the State of Florida Department of Health for operation of the Levy County Health Department for contract year 2013-2014.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the annual Contract Agreement between Levy County BOCC and the State of Florida Department of Health as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

911 ADDRESSING

Mike West, 911 Coordinator

Request Board Chair's signature for the CenturyLink product and services agreement.

Mr. West requested approval for Chairman Bell to sign the CenturyLink Product and Services Agreement. This Agreement provides for maintenance on the PSAP equipment. The cost for the maintenance is covered entirely by a Rural County Grant received from the State of Florida E911 Board.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Chairman Bell to sign the CenturyLink Product and Services Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Bobbie Smith

"Proclamation for Constitution Week" presentation.

Mrs. Smith, representing the Gainesville Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution requested Board approval of Proclamation 2013-43, recognizing the week of September 17 through September 23, 2013 as Constitution Week.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve Proclamation 2013-43 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

LIBRARY

Lisa Brasher, Director

Request approval of State Aid to Libraries Grant Agreement.

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

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

PLANNING

Shenley Neely, Director – TABLED -

Request to approve Annual Reports to be submitted to Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

A. Request approval from the Board and the Chairman's signature on the Occupancy Agreement between Levy County and Air Methods Corporation.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval and signature of the Chairman on the Occupancy Agreement between Levy County and Air Methods Corporation. This Agreement will allow Air Methods to operate a helicopter and medical flight crew out of the LCDPS Complex.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on the Occupancy Agreement between Levy County and Air Methods Corporation as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval to donate two (2) surplus fire engines to Lafayette County Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval to donate two (2) surplus fire engines to Lafayette County Volunteer Fire Department. The following are engines which can be removed from service and donated after receiving the updated equipment from Marion and Citrus Counties:

FT4 1989 Ford KME FT29 1989 Ford KME

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve donation of two (2) surplus fire engines to Lafayette as requested. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Request approval to accept reimbursement funds from Workforce Connection for the recent Levy County Firefighter II graduates.

Mr. Knowles requested Board approval to accept reimbursement funds from Workforce Connection in the amount of \$13,893.33 which covers 50% of supplies, training and transportation of the graduates for the class.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to accept reimbursement funds from Workforce Connection for the recent Levy County Firefighter II graduates. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

D. Quarterly Report presentation.

Mr. Knowles presented the Department of Public Safety Quarterly Report to the Board.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

A. Request the approval for the reprioritized paving list.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval of the reprioritized paving list.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to approve the reprioritized paving list as presented. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval to deed Central Florida Electric County owned right of way to place power poles.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval to deed Central Florida Electric County owned right of way to place power poles.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve deeding Central Florida Electric County owned right of way as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

TOURIST DEVELOPMENT

Carol McQueen, Director

A. Request approval of Agreement between Levy County Board of County Commissioners and World Publications, LLC, through its Sport Fishing Magazine Division – referred to as “Sport Fishing Television” for the production of an Editorial Show, featuring one destination – Cedar Key.

Mrs. McQueen requested Board approval of an Agreement between Levy County BOCC and World Publications, LLC. The cost will be \$10,000 to be paid in four (4) equal installments of \$2,500 each.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Agreement between Levy County BOCC and World Publications, LLC as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Request approval of Levy County Tourist Development Council’s recommendation to enter into an Agreement with Helicon Press to produce a Kayak Fishing TV Show in Yankeetown in an effort to bring visitors to Levy County for overnight stays and a vacation destination.

Mrs. McQueen requested Board approval for Levy County to enter into an Agreement with Helicon Press to produce a Kayak Fishing TV Show in Yankeetown in an effort to bring visitors to Levy County for overnight stays and vacation destinations. There will be two (2) episodes at 20 minutes each in Yankeetown and the surrounding area produced. The Levy County Visitors Bureau will reimburse Helicon Press for The Kayak Fishing Show host and videographer: air and land travel, accommodations, and captain/support boat and fuel up to the budgeted amount of \$6,000. Reimbursements will be made after the first airing of each of the two (2) episodes of The Kayak Fishing Show in 2014.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Agreement with Helicon Press to produce a Kayak Fishing TV Show as requested. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mrs. McQueen informed the Board of upcoming events in Levy County and provided flyers for the public.

CITY OF CHIEFLAND

Teresa Barron, Vice Mayor

Chief James Harris, and Gene Stockman

Request for annual Fee-for-Service Contract increase, Certificate of Need for Chiefland Fire Rescue ALS-non transport vehicle, and an additional ambulance stationed at Chiefland.

Ms. Barron spoke to the Board and requested an increase of \$35,000 to match Chiefland’s contribution toward the support of the fire service provision, both within the City and District 7. Chief Harris and Gene Stockman also spoke.

Martin Reed, Chiefland resident also spoke requesting increased funding for Chiefland.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to keep the amount for the Chiefland Fire Contract the same as last year at \$199,000. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the votes were as follows:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Comm. Stevens	Comm. Meeks
Comm. Joyner	Comm. Bell
	Comm. Johnson

The MOTION FAILS.

Jason Kennedy representing the Town of Bronson spoke to the Board expressing a concern of the issue being one of “political satisfaction”.

Susan Harris spoke to the Board questioning an item Mr. Stockman referred to earlier.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to give an additional \$5,000 to Chiefland annually to match the Williston base amount and give a one-time amount of 6%, equal to around \$12,000 based on the current amount budgeted to Chiefland to be used for equipment and materials payable by P.O.’s and invoices which will go through Chief Knowles for approval. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the votes were as follows:

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Comm. Meeks	Comm. Stevens
Comm. Johnson	Comm. Joyner
Comm. Bell	

The MOTION CARRIES.

Ms. Barron requested Board approval to provide the City of Chiefland a Certificate of Need for a non-transport advanced life support vehicle.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to deny the request for the City of Chiefland for a Certificate of Need for a non-transport ALS vehicle. Second was made by Comm. Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Ms. Barron requested Board approval of an Addendum to the Contract for the City of Chiefland to receive quarterly payments at the beginning, rather than the end of each quarter.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to keep the Contract as is with the City of Chiefland, sending quarterly payments at the end of each quarter, rather than the beginning. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Chief Harris requested on behalf of Ms. Barron, Board approval to replace the ambulance at the Chiefland station which had been taken out of service several years ago.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to leave the decision to place ambulances in locations in the county at the discretion of the Board with the advisement of the Public Safety Director. The motion dies for lack of second.

No action was taken by the Board for this item.

SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT

Sheriff McCallum spoke to the Board and thanked them as well as Atty. Brown for their efforts regarding the event scheduled in Williston. The Injunction was granted and after speaking with the event organizer, Sheriff McCallum stated it was cancelled with full cooperation.

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS

Comm. Johnson informed everyone of the upcoming Levy County Education Foundation Beast Feast to be held on October 26th at Black Prong. He will be contacting Leslie Sturmer for the availability of clams for the Commissioners to serve.

Comm. Joyner stated he will not be able to attend the Final Assessment Meeting next Wednesday evening, September 11th.

Comm. Meeks stated the Secretary of Transportation will be in Chiefland at the Gathering Table Restaurant on September 13th for a luncheon to discuss upcoming plans.

Comm. Bell requested appointment of Jolie Davis to the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee.

Comm. Meeks made a motion to appoint Jolie Davis to the RESTORE Act Advisory Committee. Second was made by Comm. Johnson and the MOTION CARRIES.

Atty. Brown stated the position Ms. Davis will fill should be changed to an at-large position, rather than a jobs creation position.

Comm. Bell requested a time to be set for a short meeting on September 30th to pay year end bills. The Commissioners agreed upon the time of 9:00 A.M.

Renate Cannon asked Comm. Meeks what the status was of the NFBA. Comm. Meeks answered he had not been contacted of any upcoming meetings.

Ms. Cannon also asked who determines where ambulances are to be stationed in the county. Comm. Stevens and Comm. Bell answered it was determined by the Board with the direction of the Public Safety Director.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:24 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Ryan Bell