

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 2, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on December 2, 2014 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 Administrator – Fred Moody

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

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	117943-118077
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,356,725.88
ROAD	96,171.67
SHIP	2,009.25
TRANSPORTATION	10,450.35
911	11,865.74
COURT FACILITIES	916.88
EMS	84,250.78
FIRE	17,457.07
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	6,489.29
CDBG	22,133.88
UTILITIES	641.68
CAPITAL PROJECTS	14,094.06
LANDFILL	76,622.63
TOTAL	\$ 1,699,829.16

MINUTES

Regular Meeting November 18, 2014. – TABLED -

LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Robert McCallum, Sheriff

Request signature of Chairman on the Affidavit to the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification form.

Sheriff McCallum requested Board approval and the Chairman’s signature on the Affidavit to the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification form.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Chairman signing the Affidavit to the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification form. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Sheriff McCallum spoke of scamming in the county and wanted to make everyone aware of this and encouraged anyone who suspects someone of this activity to call the Sheriff's Department.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

COUNTY COORDINATOR

Fred Moody

- A. Update on the Nature Coast Shellfish United Meeting of October 23, 2014.

Mr. Moody gave an update on the Nature Coast Shellfish United Meeting of October 23, 2014 and a follow-up meeting is scheduled for this Thursday, December 4th at 1:00 P.M. at the Dixie County EOC office.

- B. Update on Grants Coordinator and Veterinarian applications.

Mr. Moody gave an update regarding the position of Grants Coordinator and Veterinarian applications stating both are now closed. There was one application received for the Veterinarian position and the applicant will be interviewed this afternoon. Seven (7) applications were received for the Grants Coordinator position and six (6) meet qualifications. He asked if the Board would like to be involved in the hiring process. The Commissioners agreed by consensus to have staff handle the hiring process.

Mr. Moody mentioned a position for an Assistant County Coordinator. The possibility of hiring a lobbyist person or firm was also discussed.

Questions concerning the Veterinarian applicant were asked by Ms. Cason and Lucille Reese.

LEVY COUNTY TRANSIT

Connie Conley, General Manager

- A. Request Board approval of the Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Program Grant (RCAP) for the purchase of one (1) bus at 100% in the amount of \$79,490.00.

Mrs. Conley requested Board approval of the Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Program Grant for the purchase of a bus at 100% in the amount of \$79,490.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve grant as mentioned above for the purchase of a bus at 100% in the amount of \$79,490 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request direction to coincide with or clarify authorization granted in resolutions for FDOT/FTA transportation grants to allow Chair to carry out actions authorized in the resolutions.

Mrs. Conley requested direction to coincide or clarify authorization granted in resolutions for FDOT/FTA transportation grants to allow the Chairman to carry out actions authorized in the resolutions.

Dr. Juanita Terrell spoke concerning this item.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to keep the process as it is currently by getting Board approval. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request Board approval of Title VI Plan including all appendices and authorizing Transit Department Director to finalize dates, pagination, table of contents, and correct formatting and spelling within Policy.

Mrs. Conley requested Board approval of a Title VI Plan including all appendices and authorizing the Transit Department Director to finalize dates, pagination, table of contents, and correct formatting and spelling within Policy.

Questions were asked by Renate Cannon, Terry Witt and Dana Sheffield.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve a Title VI Plan as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Request Board approval of Resolution 2014-61 authorizing the signing and submission of grant application 5311 for operational funds in the amount of \$350,000.

Mrs. Conley requested Board approval of Resolution 2014-61 authorizing the signing and submission grant application 5311 for operational funds in the amount of \$350,000.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-61 authorizing the signing and submission of Grant Application 5311 for operational funds in the amount of \$350,000 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

- E. Request Board approval of Resolution 2014-62 authorizing the signing and submission of grant application 5339 for capital funds in the amount of \$85,000 to purchase one (1) 22' bus.

Mrs. Conley requested Board approval of Resolution 2014-62 authorizing the signing and submission of Grant Application 5339 for Capital Funds in the amount of \$85,000 to purchase one (1) 22' bus. Mrs. Conley stated this is the first year they will be submitting for the 5339 Grant and it is a 100% Grant.

Questions were asked by Renate Cannon and Terry Witt.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-62 authorizing the signing and submission of Grant Application 5339 for Capital Funds in the amount of \$85,000 for the purchase of a 22' bus. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. Joyner excused himself from the meeting to attend a funeral.

PUBLIC SAFETY

David Knowles, Director

- A. Request Board approval and Chairman's signature on the Program Letter of Agreement between the University of Florida Board of Trustees and Levy County.

Chief Knowles thanked the Sheriff's Department for their diligence and hard work regarding an arson fire which had happened on November 24th. An arrest was made within 24 hours.

Chief Knowles requested Board approval and the Chairman's signature on the Program Letter of Agreement between the University of Florida Board of Trustees and Levy County. This agreement will allow resident Doctors from the University's Department of Emergency Medicine to participate in medical education, research, and /or patient care with LCDPS at no expense to the County.

Questions were asked by Mrs. Gaither.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve with the Chairman's signature the Program Letter of Agreement between the UF Board of Trustees and Levy County as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Request Board approval for the annual grant from the State for the improvement and expansion of EMS.

Chief Knowles requested Board approval of Resolution 2014-60 and the Chairman's signature on the 100% annual grant in the amount of \$4,900 from the State for the improvement and expansion of EMS. The funds will be used to establish a learning resource center at the Public Safety complex for employee's continuing education.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve with the Chairman's signature Resolution 2014-60 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Request authorization for Director of Public Safety to electronically sign for submission of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) application for Levy County Fire Rescue. The County's match of 5% (\$10,205.00) will come from the 2014-2015 Fire/EMS budget.

Chief Knowles requested Board approval for the Director of Public Safety to electronically sign for submission of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant application for Levy County Fire Rescue.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to authorize the Director of Public Safety to electronically sign for submission of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant application for Levy County Fire Rescue. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- D. Request Board approval to purchase four (4) additional LUCAS batteries and station chargers from Physio Control for \$5,503.28 out of the 2014-2015 Fire/EMS budget.

Chief Knowles requested board approval to purchase four (4) additional batteries and station chargers from Physio Control in the amount of \$5,503.28.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase of four (4) additional batteries and station chargers as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- E. Request Board approval to purchase an upgrade to the existing Levy County Sheriff's Office Dispatch audio recording system to accommodate the digital ICOM radio communication system from Replay Systems for \$10,670.00 out of the 2014/2015 Capital Communication budget.

Chief Knowles requested Board approval to purchase an upgrade to the existing Levy County Sheriff's Office Dispatch audio recording system from Replay Systems in the amount of \$10,670.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the purchase and upgrade to the existing Levy County Sheriff's Office Dispatch audio recording system from Replay Systems as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Bruce Greenlee, Administrative Road Superintendent

Request approval of Supplemental Agreement #1 for the C-40 Resurfacing, Financial Project 431633-1-58-01.

Mr. Greenlee requested Board approval of Supplemental Agreement #1 for the C-40 Resurfacing, Financial Project 431633-1-58-01.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Supplemental Agreement #1 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Gaither spoke to the Board regarding the interview to be done by Animal Control for a staff Veterinarian. Mr. Moody responded to her questions and concerns.

Mrs. Cannon asked questions about the excess milling from the C-40 resurfacing project.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Rooks spoke of the conference she had recently attended of the Small County Coalition and stated she had brought back information for all the Commissioners and the general public if they were interested.

Comm. Stevens reminded everyone of the Christmas Parade to take place in Williston this Saturday at 6:00 P.M. followed by the Light up Williston event.

Comm. John Meeks stated on December 13th at 11:00 A.M. the AmVets Wreaths Across America program will take place at the Rosemary Cemetery and the Jim Milton Cemetery in Bronson.

Comm. Meeks spoke of a letter he received by an individual commending the RAD Program.

Comm. Meeks spoke of the Board and Committee appointments. It was agreed to re-visit this issue at the December 16th meeting.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:24 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks