

# **Board of County Commissioners**

## **Agenda Request**

Date of Meeting: March 2, 2009

Date Submitted: March 17, 2009

To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Commissioner Kessler

Subject: Request Board Approval to Direct Staff to Develop an Expansion to the Memorandum of Understanding between Wakulla County and University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service

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### **Statement of Issue:**

This agenda item requests Board approval to direct staff to prepare an expansion of an existing MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between Wakulla County and the University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service for a County owned building and possible out building at the Northeast corner of the intersection of Clark Drive and Walker Street.

### **Background:**

More than 5 years ago the County purchased a small house at the intersection of Walker Street and Clark Drive. There existed a problem with a lift station located close to the house at the time. Since then the lift station problem has been corrected. The house has remained vacant and unused since that time.

### **Analysis:**

The 4-H Club, newly established in Panacea, has as its focus the teaching of marine biology to the youth of Wakulla County and neighboring counties. They are temporarily meeting at the Women's Club on Otter Lake Road in Panacea. They share this facility with others. They need to have a place of their own where they can set up aquariums in order to observe and do their experiments. There may be issues concerning bringing the building up to code that need to be addressed in the MOU. It is the intent that grants, volunteer labor and supplies play a significant role in readying this building for use. The building may also be used for other County and extension related activities that do not interfere with the principle activities of the Pana "Sea" ers.

### **Options:**

1. Direct staff to develop an expansion to the Memorandum of Understanding presently existing between Wakulla County and University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service University of Florida Cooperative Extension Service.
2. Board Direction.

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**Recommendation:**

Option #1

**Attachment(s)**

1. Existing MOU