

Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Request

Date of Meeting: May 5, 2009

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To: Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board

From: Benjamin H. Pingree, County Administrator
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Subject: Request Board Approval of a Resolution Required by the Florida Boating Improvement Program (BPIP) Grant Through the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)

Statement of Issue:

This agenda item requests Board approval of a Resolution (Attachment #1) required by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP) for applications submitted for funding on April 2, 2009 in accordance with the Board's approval on March 3, 2009 (Attachment #2).

Background:

On March 3, 2009, the Board approved staff to submit an application for funding under the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), Florida Boating Improvement Program (FBIP). A requirement of the FWC is an adopted Resolution by the governing Board authorizing the Project Manager has the authority to apply for and administer the grant on behalf of Wakulla County.

Analysis

Staff submitted an application to the FWC for 3 projects for a total combined funding request of \$200,000. However, the project for the boom hoists for the Rock Landing Boating Facility was not pursued at the suggestion of the FWC. This project was viewed as not having a favorable chance of receiving funding. Additionally, staff asked a professional engineer to review the initial costs estimates for the work proposed for the Newport Ramp Extension and the Lower Bridge Road projects. According to the engineer, the costs were low estimates and needed to be raised to adequately pay for the improvements or repairs proposed for these projects and to ensure against the County having to supplement the project at the end. The applications included the following three (3) projects at the funding levels noted.

- 1) Newport Ramp Extension – Applied for \$70,500 under Tier I Category:
- 2) Idle Speed No Wake Signs – Applied for \$29,500 under Tier I Category
- 3) Lower Bridge Road – Applied for 100,000 under Tier 1 Category.

The applications are currently under review by the FWC, however for completeness, the Resolution is required.

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Options:

1. Approve the Resolution authorizing that the Project Manager has the authority to apply for and administer the grant on behalf of the County.
2. Do not approve the Resolution authorizing the Project Manager has the authority to apply for and administer the grant on behalf of the County.
3. Board Direction.

Recommendation:

Option #1

Attachment(s):

1. Resolution
2. March 3, 2009 Board Minutes Evidencing Board Approval for FWC Grant Submission