

**Board of County Commissioners
Regular Board Meeting
December 3, 2007**

The Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County, Florida met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Ed Brimner presiding. Present were Commissioners George Green, Howard Kessler, Brian Langston. Also, present were County Attorney Ron Mowrey, County Administrator Ben Pingree and Deputy Clerk Evelyn Evans.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was provided by Commissioner Ed Brimner.

(CD6:00) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The County Administrator pulled item #7 from the Agenda. Commissioner Kessler added an announcement for Awards and Presentations.

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to approve the Agenda with the stated changes. Second by Commissioner Brimner. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

(CD6:02) Wakulla County Court House Open House

Courthouse open house on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 from 5:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.

(CD6:04) Swearing in Ceremony for Incoming Chairman & Vice Chairman

Judge Jill Walker was present to swear in Ed Brimner as Chairman and George Green as the Vice-Chairman for 2007-2008.

(CD6:08) Presentation by Chairman Brimner

Plaque presented to Commissioner Langston for his dedication and hard work as Chairman.

Commissioner Brimner gave a summary of the Board's achievements for the past year.

Reorganization of Board

(CD6:20) CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Minutes – November 19, 2007 Regular Meeting

The Board approved option #1 for approval of the minutes of the November 19, 2007 Board Meeting.

2. Approval of Payment of Bills and Vouchers Submitted for October 25, 2007 through November 7, 2007

The Board approved option #1, approval for the payment of bills and vouchers for November 14-28, 2007.

3. Request to Schedule Workshop for Continued Review of Policy Number 07-01 – Rules of Procedure for Meetings of the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners for January 7, 2008 at 5:00p.m.

Approval to schedule Workshop for January 7, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

4. Request Board Consideration to Appoint Planning Commissioners for 2008
Each Board member will provide appointee's name and contact information to the Planning Department no later than January 4, 2008.

5. Buckhorn Village – Community Development Block Grant Program – Response Letter to Monitoring Visit and Proposed Transition Plan for Section 504 Permanent Compliance

This item is pulled for discussion.

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of item 5 that is pulled for discussion. Second by Commissioner Langston. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

(CD6:21) 5. Buckhorn Village – Community Development Block Grant Program
Commissioner Kessler made a motion to approve Consent Agenda item 5, Buckhorn Village, Community Development Block Grant Program, Option #1, approve the Chairman to sign the monitoring response letter to the Florida Department of Community Affairs, Community Development Block Grant Program and approve the three-year Transition Plan. Second by Commissioner Langston. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

(CD6:25) 1. Hugh Taylor – CCOW sponsoring public records forum on 12-13-07, editorials in Wakulla New on 11/8 and 11/29 regarding public records request and Martin Luther King Road.

(CD6:27) 2. Al Shylkofski – Rebutting comments made by Commissioner Brimner after his Swearing in ceremony

(CD6:30) 3. John Trice – HUD Housing

(CD6:32) 4. Larry Roberts – commenting on letter that the Board sent to the Forestry Service regarding the closing of roads in the National Forest.

PLANNING AND ZONING

(CD6:33) 6. Final Plat Application FP07-09
Request to re-plat Lots 88 and 89 of The Hammocks Subdivision to be known as Hemlock Corner Subdivision. This property is located on the corner of Songbird Avenue and Hemlock Way. The property owner is Ben Boynton and the agent is Penny McKinney.

Commissioner Langston made a motion to approve Final Plat Application FP07-09. Second by Commissioner Green. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

7. Final Plat Application FP07-10

Request to re-plat Lot 22 of Hunters Glenn Subdivision, to be known as Shiloh Subdivision. This property is located on River Plantation Road, north of Coastal Highway. The property owners are Harry Spear, John and Elizabeth Stone and S. W. and Lois Darna. The agent is Harry Spear. **pulled from the Agenda

(CD6:37) 8. Rezoning Application R07-13

Request to rezone a 27.16+/- acre tract from AG (Agriculture) and RR-5(Rural Residential) to C-2 (General Commercial). This is the first of two required hearings in front of the Board of County Commissioners. This property is located on Crawfordville Highway, south of Whiddon Lake Road and north of the Geo Golf site. The property owner is Hudson Land Co-op and the agent is Mark Hudson.

1st of two hearings, no action to be taken tonight.

GENERAL BUSINESS

(CD6:51) 9. Comprehensive Plan – Existing Lot Density – Possible Text Revisions
Commissioner Langston made a motion to table this item until the January 2008 meeting. Second by Commissioner Green. Voting for: Langston, Green and Brimmer. Abstain: Kessler. The motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

(CD6:59) 10. Approval of an Increase of Probation Supervision Fee from \$40.00 to \$45.00 a Month

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to approve an increase of the Probation Supervision Fee from \$40.00 to \$45.00 a month for the County Probation Department. Second by Commissioner Langston. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

(CD7:05) 11. Request to Schedule Public Hearing to Consider a Proposed Revision to the Wakulla County Animal Control Ordinance

Commissioner Langston made a motion to advertise a public hearing for a proposed revision to the Wakulla County Animal Control Ordinance for January 7, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. Second by Commissioner Green. **Motion and Second Withdrawn – **This item will be continued to the January 7, 2008 meeting.

(CD7:15) 12. Ratification of Board Direction from the Solid Waste Feasibility Study Workshop

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to approve option 1 to include authorizing Jones Edmunds & Associates, Inc. and staff to move forward with development of a proposal to design and permit a new transfer station (alternative 4). Authorize staff to secure the funding necessary for this project, including a pursuit of a non ad valorem assessment and viable funding through USDA-RD grant/loan process. Approve Jones Edmunds' proposed work plan to complete the required RD Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report as attached with authorization for county payment for these services not to exceed \$61,100.00 as presented. Authorize the county Attorney to move forward with the development of the appropriate ordinances to facilitate both financial and operational changes required to move forward with this project inclusive of creating a non-ad valorem assessment with the corresponding future elimination of onsite tipping

fees for all County residences. Second by Commissioner Langston. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

(CD7:36) 13. Request for Board Approval to Accept the 2007-2008 LIHEAP Funds for \$3,764.00

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to adopt a Resolution and budget amendment for acceptance of the 2007-2008 LIHEAP Funds for \$3,764.00. Second by Commissioner Green. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

(CD7:38) 14. Ratification of Board Direction Given at the October 29, 2007 Workshop
Commissioner Kessler made a motion to approve option #1, approving the

recommendation for County staff and Eutaw Utilities, Inc. to proceed to accomplish the tasks discussed in the Workshop on October 29, 2007 and a condition that the Board receives a progress update every 6 weeks. Second by Commissioner Langston. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

(CD7:53) 15. Approval of 2008 State and Federal Legislative Appropriation Requests
This item combined with item 16.

COMMISSIONER AGENDA ITEMS

(CD8:11) 16. **COMMISSIONER LANGSTON**

Request to Re-Schedule Time of the Second Annual Board Retreat for December 4, 2007 from 6:00p.m. – 10:00p.m.

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to reschedule the Board Retreat to Tuesday, December 11, 2007 from Noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Best Western in Medart, with a Special Board Meeting taking place at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the 2008 State and Federal Legislative Appropriation Requests. Second by Commissioner Langston. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

(CD8:20) 17. **COMMISSIONER KESSLER**

Requests for the BOCC to Advertise for an Ordinance that Caps and Potentially Reduces the Number of Billboards in Wakulla County

Commissioner Kessler made a motion to direct staff to research and write a proposed ordinance to cap and reduce off-site billboards in the County and bring it back to the Board for further direction and consideration. Second by Commissioner Green. The motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

(CD8:34) Rescheduling of Timetable for Preparing Agenda and Distribution to BOCC Staff direction.

COUNTY ATTORNEY - 0

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - 0

DISCUSSION ISSUES BY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Kessler – 0

Commissioner Green read a card that he had received from Evelyn Corbin expressing her gratitude to the Board for honoring her by the adoption of a Resolution on October 15, 2007.

Commissioner Langston wished the Board and citizens a Happy Holiday with a reminder to wear seatbelts and thanked the Board for the presentation of the plaque.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.