

February 16, 2010

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010

The Board of County Commissioners in and for Wakulla County met for a Regular Scheduled Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2010 with Chairman Howard Kessler presiding. Present were Commissioners Mike Stewart, Lynn Artz, Alan Brock, and George Green. Also, present were County Administrator Ben Pingree, County Attorney Heather Encinosa and Deputy Clerk Evelyn Evans.

Invocation provided by Commissioner Stewart

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Brock

(CD5:01) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Stewart – Request to add Corn Hydro Dam under Commissioner Discussion items

Commissioner Kessler passed the Gavel to Commissioner Stewart for duration of meeting

Commissioner Artz – Request to add Park Board under Commissioner Discussion items

County Attorney – Request to pull item (7) from the Consent Agenda, brief update on item (11), and one item for her regular agenda

County Administrator – under Awards and Presentations add introduction of Management Intern

Commissioner Kessler moved to approve the Agenda with changes/additions, second by Commissioner Brock and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

PUBLIC HEARING

(CD5:04) 1. Request Board approval to conduct the Public Hearing and adopt a Resolution of Intent to Use the Uniform Method of Collection for Assessments to fund Neighborhood Improvements, Facilities, and Programs.

Commissioner Brock moved to conduct the public hearing and adopt the Resolution of Intent to use the Uniform Method of Collection for Assessments to fund Neighborhood Improvements, Facilities, and Programs. Second by Commissioner Kessler and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

(CD5:05) Award of Commendation to Chief Love – Plaque presented by Commissioner Stewart

(CD5:09) Announcement of Wakulla County providing additional medical care for Haiti victims – Commissioner Kessler

(CD5:10) Presentation by Rob McGarrah, City of Tallahassee regarding Hydro Dam Spillway Modification Project Update

(CD5:42) Presentation by City of Tallahassee regarding plans for upgrading its Wastewater Treatment Facilities

(CD6:06) Presentation by Maria Williams, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission regarding Bear Safety Guide

(CD6:22) Management Internship – Introduction of Eric Eddy who is interning for two days a week in the County Office

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Brock moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of item (6) that is pulled for discussion. Second by Commissioner Green and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

2. Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2010 Regular Board Meeting

Approved

3. Approval of Payment of Bills and Vouchers Submitted for January 28, 2010 – February 10, 2010

Approved

4. Request Board approval to proceed with bidding out Phase One Scope of Work for Courthouse Renovations Tabled to March 1, 2010 Board Meeting

5. Request Board consideration and approval to accept the donation of a 1989 Skyline 66 foot singlewide trailer for Public Safety Training and authorize the Bill of Sale

Approve – acceptance of a donated 1989 Skyline 66 foot singlewide trailer for Public Safety Training and authorize the Bill of Sale

7. Request Board approval to advertise and schedule a Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance amending the Comprehensive Sewer Ordinance - pulled

8. Request Board approval of the proposal from Jones Edmunds & Associates, Inc. to prepare the Wakulla County Otter Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Permit Renewal – Tabled to future Board Meeting

9. Request Board approval for Road Closing for the St. Patrick’s Day Parade on Saturday, March 13, 2010

Approve – Road closing for the St. Patrick’s Day Parade on March 13, 2010

10. Request Board approval/support of County Inmate Medical Bill Resolution

Approve – Support of Senate Bill 218 and House Bill 319

18. Request Board approval to apply for a grant through Congressman Boyd’s District Healthcare Council Initiative

Approve – Project for consideration by the 2nd Congressional District Healthcare Council for Federal funding

19. Request Board approval of the Revised Road Preparation Contract with Coastal Construction of Wakulla, Inc., approve the Work Authorization for Gavin Road, and Authorize the Chairman to execute

Approve – Revised Road Paving Preparation Contract with Coastal Construction of Wakulla, Inc., approve the Work Authorization for Gavin Road, and authorize the Chairman to execute

CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

(CD6:25) 6. Request Board approval to transfer funds to purchase the Software & Hardware necessary to execute the Paperless Agenda System

Commissioner Kessler moved to approve utilizing the existing Administration budget due to the reduction in paper costs and other costs that are associated with the present system and not transfer funds from the Reserve Account. Second by Commissioner Green and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

GENERAL BUSINESS

(CD6:32) 11. Request Board approval of the Bulk Wastewater Agreement between Talquin and Wakulla County - update

(CD6:35) 12. Request Board approval of the Mandatory Wastewater Connection Financing Agreements and Wakulla County Sewer Connection Application, and delegate authority to the County Administrator to execute on behalf of the County

Commissioner Kessler moved to approve the form Mandatory Wastewater Connection Financing Agreements (10-year and 2-year) and Wakulla County Sewer Connection Application, delegate the authority to the County Administrator to execute same on behalf of the County and to direct staff to bring back any non-residential hardship cases to the Board on a case-by-case basis. Second by Commissioner Artz and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

(CD6:52) 13. Request Board ratification of the 2010 Board Priorities & Action Plans to accomplish the established priorities

Commissioner Artz moved to ratify the 2010 Board Priorities and Corresponding Action Plans and direct staff to submit quarterly updates on each priority issue. Second by Commissioner Kessler and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

(CD6:55) 14. Request Board direction on required repairs needed to the Wakulla County Welcome Center in Panacea (public safety hazard due to burst pipes and water spraying on open electrical elements causing a safety hazard)

Commissioner Brock moved to direct the County and Waterfronts to work co-operatively together along with the Engineer and Ben's Team over the next two weeks on an action plan. To bring a proposal of how this can be done collectively to the next Board Meeting, with cost estimates included. In addition, Staff will bring back an analysis of other capital projects in this budget year that could forestall or would not allow tapping of the Reserve. Alternate proposals may be one-cent sales tax, impact fees etc. Second by Commissioner Green and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

(CD7:40) 15. Request ratification of Board discussion taken during the Land Quality Workshop

Commissioner Kessler moved to Ratify the Board Discussion taken during the January 14, 2010 Land Quality Workshop. Second by Commissioner Artz with Commissioners Kessler, Artz and Green voting in favor, Commissioners Stewart and Brock opposed, and the motion carried, 3/2.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

(CD7:49) 1. Garland Burdette – cost of sewer hook-up and appreciation to the Board for helping the homeowners

(CD7:51) 2. Hugh Taylor – Old Courthouse Lease with Chamber of Commerce

(CD7:55) 3. Tom Jacobs – Wants to object and halt the spillway modification at the C. H. Corn Hydroelectric Power Plant in Tallahassee

(CD8:01) 4. Steve Stephens – Problems with his property flooding on Whiddon Lake Road

(CD8:04) 5. Pam Portwood – Requesting access to the Welcome Center in order to retrieve items and working on the temporary re-location of the Welcome Center

COMMISSIONER AGENDA ITEMS

16. COMMISSIONER KESSLER

(CD8:05) 1. Consideration of "Citizens to be Heard" on Agenda Outline

Commissioner Kessler moved to start the item "Citizens to be Heard" as near as possible to a time-period between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., or in the event that it is a short meeting ending before the specified time, the Citizens will be heard at the end of the meeting. In addition, staff and attorney will update Policy 07-01. Second by Commissioner Green and the motion carried unanimously, 5/0.

17. COMMISSIONER ARTZ

(CD8:10) 1. Possible purchase of properties – 3 lots on E. J. Stringer Road in Wakulla Gardens
Discussion only at this time

County Attorney

(CD8:27) 1. Ben Boynton/Flowers Subdivision

Mr. Boynton has paid the \$43,500.00 monies due to Wakulla County regarding the sewer force main

County Administrator

(CD8:28) 1. Mr. Pingree commented on his pleasure in working with individual Commissioners outside of the office on their issues of importance and his working lunches with the Chairman. He also spoke of the fond memories he had of his fifth grade teacher Ruth Dix of Crawfordville. Ms. Dix passed away on February 15 and her viewing and service will be on Thursday, February 18, at Harvey Chapel in Crawfordville.

Discussion Issues by Commissioners

(CD8:30) Commissioner Kessler

1. Discussion regarding assisting Oystermen and pursuing this plight with the Legislative Delegation to see if they can offer some help and relief.
2. The Swine Show is Saturday, February 20, 2010
3. Flooding of Steve Stephens home on Whiddon Lake Road – Staff to look at the situation to determine if it is a County matter or whether it is a civil action

(CD8:34) Commissioner Brock

1. Concerns from citizens regarding the Old Courthouse Lease - this item is on the next County Commission Agenda asking for Board Direction.
2. Visit Wakulla website www.visitwakulla.com

(CD8:36) Commissioner Artz

1. Current size of the Park Board – A request to add more people to the Park Board with all in agreement and staff will bring an amended Park Board Resolution back at a future date.

(CD8:38) Commissioner Stewart

1. Request to hold a Workshop on the Corn Hydro Flow Dam and the County Attorney will investigate to see what the situation is and attempt to get standing.
Commissioner Kessler moved to hold a Workshop regarding the Corn Hydro Flow Dam on Thursday, March 11, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. Second by Commissioner Artz and the motion carried, 5/0.

(CD8:46) Commissioner Green

1. Martin Luther King Parade is schedule for Saturday, February 20, 2010 at 11:00 a.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

