

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
February 27, 2014 9:00 a.m., Commission Board Room
1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428

DISTRICT 1 Alan T Bush Chairman	DISTRICT 2 Joel Pate Vice-Chairman	DISTRICT 3 Charles Brock	DISTRICT 4 Todd Abbott	DISTRICT 5 Lynn Gothard
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- I. PROCLAMATION – Deputy Taylor
 - A. Call to Order – Chairman Bush
 - B. Invocation/Pledge – County Coordinator Corbin/Chairman Bush
- II. ADOPT THE AGENDA – **Commissioner Pate offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to adopt the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.**
- III. ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES - **Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gothard and carried to adopt the minutes for 1/23/2014, Regular Meeting.**
- IV. NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE – Attorney Goodman read the Board approved public comment statement.

Sandra Young, 4053-B Dorch Circle, Vernon, addressed the Board in reference to the road conditions on Dorch Circle, which have been in that condition since July 2013.

Chairman Bush responded to Sandra Young advising there is a requirement of permits to fix the road. The county is looking at contracting the work out allowing county employees to continue routine maintenance.

Mr. Dallas Carter advised the status of right-of-way, and road plans.

Chairman Bush advised Sandra Young he would like her to speak with Mr. Dallas Carter, County Engineer Knauer, and County Coordinator Corbin.

- V. CONSENT AGENDA –
 - A. Request approval for the Clerk of Court to pay vouchers for January 2014 totaling \$2,148,965.72
 - B. Move Board Meeting scheduled for March 27 to March 20
 - C. December Christmas Holidays – Move the Christmas Holiday on December 24 to December 26. The county will be open on December 24.

Commissioner Brock expressed concern about the increase in vouchers.

Chairman Bush pulled item C. from the agenda.

Commissioner Pate offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to approve the agenda with the removal of item C.

VI. AGENDA ITEMS

- December Christmas Holiday – Chairman Bush referenced a displeasure he received and asked if anyone else had received any in reference to the change.

No other Commissioners expressed displeasure.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to change the Christmas Holiday schedule.

Ruth Brooks, Human Resource asked for it to be clarified the motion is for December 2014 holiday only.

- Courthouse Video provided by The Gouling Agency – Chairman Bush – The video was watched later in the meeting.
- “Fair Share” Donation Request for New Veterans Transportation Van – Chairman Bush advised Washington County’s fair share has been identified as \$1,394.62. **Commissioner Pate offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to approve the above donation. The motion carried unanimously.**
- Dixie Phonics Music Proclamation – Chairman Bush addressed the Board Herbert J. Kuntry has requested Washington County Board declare Dixie Phonics as a cultural and artistic manifestation of music unique to Washington County. **Commissioner Pate offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brock and carried to approve the Dixie Phonics Music Proclamation. The motion carried 4 to 1 with Commissioner Gothard voting no.**

The Board/Public viewed a video of the Courthouse.

After the video, Chairman Bush provided some updates and advised some would be included in the video.

- City of Chipley requesting a Letter of Support to the Florida Department of Transportation regarding SR 77 Chipley Alignment Alternatives Project is re-initiated **Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to develop a letter to the Department of Transportation supporting the realignment, looking at the alignment alternatives for Washington County. The motion carried unanimously.**

Mr. DeRuntz advised the Board he has requested the Department of Transportation come before the Board to present a presentation.

County Coordinator Corbin advised there is a town meeting set up for May 20, 3 – 7 p.m., at the Washington County Recycling Center.

Chairman Bush clarified it is for the Wausau realignment.

- Johnny Evans and associated position (FT) – Commissioner Brock

Mr. Dallas Carter advised the Board, moving Greg Wood to Johnny’s previous position and Johnny to the supervisor position would be around an additional \$9,798.00 that was not budgeted.

Commissioner Gothard offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to make it into a full time position.

Commissioner Brock addressed the Board there is a backhoe position open that he does not want filled temporary.

Deputy Clerk Brantley asked for clarification.

Chairman Bush advised it would be making the supervisor position permanent, which is Johnny; Greg Wood would be grader appointment would be permanent rather than temporary.

- Driveways and Permitting – Mr. Dallas Carter provided the Board information in reference to cost of driveways. The Board decided to table the subject until the March workshop.

County Attorney Goodman clarified what the resolution should include which is the grading dirt roads cost per hour and the second is the potential to construct a private driveway from the connector point between the county road and private property line.

- VII. COUNTY ENGINEER – CDBG Resolution - County Engineer Knauer advised the Board he needed approval of a resolution for CDBG.

Chairman Bush advised the non-agenda audience portion would have to be opened for the above resolution.

Blue Lake - County Engineer Knauer advised the Board to meet the current building code the floor at Blue Lake would have to be raised 1.8 feet, which he advised is not possible.

County Engineer Knauer suggested the option of converting Blue Lake back to a pole barn.

County Coordinator advised the Board on the flood insurance quotes he had received for Blue Lake which are 1) Standard Flood \$440.00 per year and 2) Auto Owners Insurance \$1,859.00 per year.

Finch Fire and Water provided a quote to clean up Blue Lake of \$34,482.00. The quote would have to be re-done because the period has lapsed.

County Engineer Knauer also suggested to the Board to demolish the current Blue Lake structure and build a new one on the higher ground where the restrooms are located.

State Road 77 Road Closures - County Engineer Knauer advised the Board he had received a request for the above road closure by The Department of Transportation.

Chairman Bush advised County Engineer Knauer he would include the above item when he opens the non-agenda section again.

Falling Waters Road Stakeout – County Engineer Knauer asked for verification to have the work done.

The Board did not have any objections.

Bruner Dairy Road – County Engineer Knauer advised the Board that nothing could be done until permits are received. Bruner Dairy Road has not been submitted to the Army Core and DEP for permitting.

The Board discussed options that would give the landowner relief.

Chairman Bush agreed that County Engineer Knauer would call DEP and the Army Core and advised them of the situation. If that fails the Board will opt to cut the road into and close it.

County Engineer Knauer advised Chairman Bush the language of the road closure requested by the Department of Transportation needs to be, close the intersection of Houston Road at state road 77 on the east side and the other is Watford Circle at State Park Road and 77.

Chairman Bush reopened the non-agenda section for Road Closures and the CDBG resolution in Orange Hill.

There were no comments from the public.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to approve the resolution for the CDBG grant. The motion carried 4 to 1, with Commissioner Brock voting no.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gothard and carried to approve the road closures on Highway 77 at Watford Circle and Houston Road. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Bush advised the maximum is 60 days.

- VIII. BID AWARDS – Mold Remediation – Finch Fire and Water - \$26,156.09 – **Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Gothard and carried to approve the bid from Finch Fire and Water. The motion carried unanimously.**
- IX. COUNTY COORDINATOR - None
- X. Clerk – Clerk Bazzel was not present. Executive Assistant, Tammy Kelly was present and did not have any comment.
- XI. DEPUTY CLERK - None
- XII. COUNTY ATTORNEY - Attorney Goodman advised the Board it has been brought to his attention funding might be available through CRA up to the amount of \$150,000.00 to be paid over a couple of years for the tearing down of the courthouse.

Mr. Ted Everett offered to answer any questions the Board may have. He advised the Board the process would be initiated by a letter from the County/Chairman requesting CRA check to see if funds are available.

Attorney Goodman advised the Board he would draft a letter.

- XIII. **ADJOURN – Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brock and carried to adjourn.**

Deputy Clerk Brantley

Chairman Bush