

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
June 26, 2014, Regular Meeting - Commission Board Room
1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5
Alan Bush Chairman	Joel Pate Vice-Chairman	Charles Brock	Todd Abbott	Lynn Gothard

I. PROCLAMATION - Sgt. Hagans

Chairman Bush, Commissioner Pate, Commissioner Brock, Commissioner Abbott, and Commissioner Gothard were present at the meeting. Also attending were County Attorney Goodman, County Coordinator Corbin, Clerk Bazzel, and Deputy Clerk Brantley.

A. Call to Order - Chairman Bush

B. Invocation - County Coordinator Corbin/Chairman Bush

II. PUBLIC HEARING - Damaged Road Ordinance - Michael J. DeRuntz,

Senior County Planner advised the Board the ordinance was advertised as previously requested by the Board. The ordinance pertains to damage on roads caused by any particular individuals or companies being the responsibility of that individual/company.

Chairman Bush opened the public section for comment. There were no comments. The public hearing section of the meeting was closed.

III. ADOPT AGENDA

1. Rolling Pines Road - Addition by Commissioner Gothard
2. Waiver for Impact Fee - Addition by Commissioner Brock
3. Contracting of the writing of the Public Assistance Contract -
Chairman Bush
4. Letter from Citizen - Addition by Commissioner Abbott

The Board discussed the letter and County Coordinator Corbin advised it was for informational purposes.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brock and carried to adopt the agenda with the additions.

IV. ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES

May 8, 2014 Special Meeting

May 21, 2014 Workshop Meeting

May 29, 2014 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Pate offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brock and carried to adopt the above minutes.

- V. NON AGENDA AUDIENCE - Effective October 1, 2013, Florida Statute 286.0114 mandates that "members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a Board or Commission." Each individual shall have three (3) minutes to speak on the proposition before the board.

County Attorney Goodman read the approved Board statement as to how the Commissioners request this section be conducted.

Rita Jones, 4053 Dorch Circle, spur off Dorch Circle, advised the Board there are six parcels of land located in this section that all have the same address. She asked the Board to consider a request for a lane name change as well as suggesting the following names:

Mallard Pond Road

Magnolia Trace

Dogwood Lane

She advised she has spoke with the other landowners who are in support.

Attorney Goodman advised the Board to direct County Coordinator Corbin, Michael J. DeRuntz, Senior Planner and himself to address the above matter.

Chairman Bush closed the non-agenda section.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Request approval for the Clerk of Court to pay vouchers for May 2014 totaling \$1,667,357.46
- B. Damaged Road Ordinance
- C. Transmission Re-Build

- D. FEMA - 4138-DR-FL Extension
- E. Emergency Management Funding Agreement
- F. SHIP Contract with West Florida Planning Council for the 2014-2015 year
(Commissioner Abbott asked for item F. to be pulled from the consent agenda)

Commissioner Brock spoke on speeding up the process when Public Works equipment is down.

The Board discussed speeding up the process with a couple suggestions with one being to hold a special meeting or authorize the County Coordinator's with a spending limit increase per situation.

- G. October Board Meeting - Move October 23, 2014 Board Meeting to October 22, 2014 due to the FACT RISK Management Conference being held the 23 and 24 of October.
- H. Joint Workshop with Washington County Planning Commission July 16, 2014
- I. SGQ Agreements with West Florida Planning Council June 2014 - September 2014
- J. Request for Proposal Uniform Services Advertisement
- K. Recommendation for Gordon and Associates Inspections, LLC to perform Washington County Building Inspector Services
- L. Animal Services of West Florida Contract
- M. Approval to advertise bid request for FEMA projects pending County Attorney approval
- N. Tax Certificates
Attorney Goodman requested item N. pulled.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brock and carried to approve the agenda with the removal of items F. and N to be discussed later.

VII. AGENDA ITEMS

- SHIP Contract with West Florida Regional Planning Council 2014-2015 - Commissioner Abbott asked for clarification as to what was decided.
Attorney Goodman advised he was under the impression to enter into the 2014-2015 agreement for a time to be determined to see if it would be staffed internally or left external.
Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to approve the 2014-2015 SHIP contract with West Florida Regional Planning Council.

- Tax Certificate - Attorney Goodman provided the Board with information/history on tax certificates. Previously all tax certificates regardless of the assessed value are filed to obtain a deed. The cost to obtain is a little over half the assessed value of the property.
He advised the Board he and the Clerk suggest, based on the current assessments it is in the best interest of the Board to waive the taxes owed essentially in 2006 to effectuate the 2006 tax certificate and any property less than \$1,500.00.
Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to approve item N., Tax Deeds.

- Florida Department of Health - Holly Holt, Washington County Health Department Interim Administrator, requested the concurrence of the Board for Karen Johnson to be the next Administrator of the Florida Department of Health.

Chairman Bush advised Karen Johnson was selected unanimously by the committee and suggested the Board approve the recommendation.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Brock and carried to accept the recommendation for Karen Johnson to be the Washington County Health Department Administrator.

- Copier Lease Agreement - The Board discussed the option to lease or purchase. The 48-month price is \$253.90 per month and the purchase price is \$10,325.00.

Commissioner Gothard offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to approve the purchase of the copy machine and maintenance agreement pending budget availability.

- ELMS Nickel - Harold Bazzel, Interim Clerk
County Attorney Goodman addressed the Board in reference to the ELMS Nickel. The Board cannot legally effectuate the ELMS Nickel by July 1, 2014 because an ordinance process has to be completed. October 1 is the deadline.

County Attorney Goodman suggested the Board meet with the municipalities in order to discuss a written inter-local agreement.

In addition, if the Board chooses to go in this direction staff needs to be given that direction.

Bill Bogan, Bogan Public Management Co., addressed the Board in reference to the County debt as well as the county revenue that is pledged.

He asked the Board to give the Clerk, County Manager, and County Attorney authority to contact the bank holding the note on the current loan.

Mr. Bogan suggested the Board tap into additional money by considering the ELMS nickel. The money could be allocated to transportation for roads.

Commissioner Brock expressed that he does not like to earmark money. He also expressed concern about years of funding cuts.

The Board had discussion on the debt.

Attorney Goodman read the statute pertaining to the ELMS Nickel.

County Attorney Goodman advised the Board if their direction is to move forward they need direction via a vote to begin the process of coming up with an inter-local agreement and proceed forward noticing and having a public hearing on the ELMS Nickel.

Commissioner Abbott offered the above motion, seconded by Commissioner Gothard and carried.

County Attorney Goodman asked the Board to allow for Interim Clerk Bazzel, himself, related staff, and County Coordinator to enter into negotiations with the bank to renegotiate the existing loan.

Commissioner Gothard offered the above motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried.

- Rolling Pines Road - Commissioner Gothard addressed the Board in reference to drainage problems that have affected several families that live on Rolling Pines Road. Commissioner Gothard asked the Board if they were okay with continuing to pump with the pump that has been borrowed from the Florida Department of Transportation.

County Engineer Knauer advised the Board at the end of Rolling Pines there is a basin on the east side that is closed which

leaves no place for the water to go.

The Board discussed Rolling Pines drainage.

County Engineer Knauer advised the Board there is no good long-term fix to the problem. For the time being, the Board can just look to getting the water pumped down to ground level.

Chairman Bush advised to look at a lease/purchase option.

Chairman Bush tasked County Coordinator Corbin with getting another 8-inch pump, preferably on a lease to purchase option.

- Impact Fee - **Commissioner Brock offered a motion to waive the impact fee for an individual. Commissioner Abbott seconded.**

Chairman Bush requested discussion. He advised he does not want the fee waived per person. He would rather waive it for everyone if the Board wishes to waive the fee.

Mr. Gary Hartman advised there was no increase when impact fees were suspended. The permits have increased with impact fees back in effect.

Attorney Goodman suggested to leave the impact fee in effect or not but do not waive it per individual.

Commissioner Abbott rescinded his second

Commissioner Brock rescinded his motion.

Commissioner Brock offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner

**Gothard and carried to eliminate the impact fee for 12 months.
The motion carried unanimously.**

- Public Assistance Contract - Chairman Bush addressed the Board in reference to the Board having someone to write the PA contracts instead of FEMA.

Chairman Bush advised Lynne Abel, Public Safety Director she has the consensus of the Board to proceed with looking at someone to write PA contracts.

VIII. COUNTY ENGINEER - County Engineer Knauer advised the Board on the process of a current PW on a road that work has not been done on and additional PW's being added if that road was affected during the second storm event.

- Mitigation Project - County Engineer Knauer advised the Board to offer suggestions if they have any.
- Small County Incentive Program - The program is 50/50 match. The Board discussed roads to submit.

Chairman Bush advised County Engineer Knauer to bring a suggestion to the Board.

- Dorch Circle - The work on Dorch Circle is active.

IX. COUNTY COORDINATOR - County Coordinator Corbin went over the cost of recent repairs at Public Works.

The Board discussed changing County Coordinator Corbin's signing limit.

Commissioner Brock offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pate and carried to increase David Corbin's signature limit to \$20,000.00 for heavy equipment emergencies. The motion carried unanimously.

- X. INTERIM CLERK BAZZEL - None
- XI. DEPUTY CLERK BRANTLEY - None
- XII. COUNTY ATTORNEY - None
- XIII. ADJOURN - **Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by
Commissioner Brock and carried to adjourn.**

Deputy Clerk Brantley

Board Approval Date