

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
July 27, 2017, 9:00 a.m., BCC Meeting – Commission Board Room
1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5
Alan Bush	Charles Kent Chairman	Tray Hawkins	Todd Abbott Vice-Chairman	Steve Joyner

I. PROCLAMATION

- A. Call to Order – Chairman Kent
- B. Invocation/Pledge – Johnny Evans/Chairman Kent

The Washington County Board of County Commissioners met on the above referenced date with the following members present: Chairman Kent, Commissioners Bush, Hawkins, Abbott, and Joyner.

Also attending the meeting are as follows:

Jeff Goodman, County Attorney

Lora C. Bell, Clerk of Court

Jeff Massey, County Administrator

Risha Brantley, Deputy Clerk

II. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Small Scale FLUM Amendment – Subject Property Location – Property off of Hwy. 77, 1 mile past the Town of Wausau - Brandi Lowery, Planning Assistant addressed the Board in reference to a small scale FLUM amendment submitted by Tolbert Seiffert proposing to change the land use from agricultural/silvicultural to commercial.

The planning commission recommends approval based on staff recommendations and recommended conditions.

Speaking on the FLUM amendment were Commissioners Abbott and Joyner.

B. Large Scale FLUM Amendment – Subject properties located on Hwy. 79 and Hwy. 279 - Jim Town, Business Evaluation and Appraisal addressed the Board in representation of Washington Square Holding Corporation in reference to a large scale amendment (transmittal).

Jim Town provided an overview of the future intent for the property.

Speaking on the large scale FLUM amendment were Commissioners Abbott and Hawkins.

III. ADOPT THE AGENDA –

County Attorney Goodman added applying for a grant from DEO.

County Administrator Massey added the purchase lease agreement for a mixer for public works, as well as discussion on the Big Bend building.

Chairman Kent added the non-agenda section to the agenda.

Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to adopt the agenda as amended.

IV. ADOPT PREVIOUS MINUTES

June 21, 2017 – Workshop

June 22, 2017 – Board Meeting

Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott 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. – None

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Request approval for the Clerk of Court to pay vouchers for June 2017 totaling \$3,885,587.89
- B. Crime stoppers – Washington County Crime stoppers shall be the only designated agent to receive monies from the Crime Stoppers Trust Fund for Washington County
- C. EMPA Grant – Federally funded annual grant in the amount of \$105,806.00
- D. EMPG Grant – Federally funded annual grant in the amount of \$43,593.00
- E. Library Construction Grant Resolution Resubmittal – Resubmittal of public library construction grant form expansion for the Chipley facility
- F. Usery Road Sidewalk Resolution – Washington County has been approved for funding from the Florida Department of Transportation for funding to design a sidewalk from CR 280 Brickyard Road to 1st Street/Pine Ave. The resolution authorizes the Chairman to sign the supplemental agreement.
- G. Variance Request – Variance to be relieved of minor subdivision platting and review requirements under sections 6.01.00 of the Washington County, Florida Land Development Code. The subject property currently contains 2.33 acres and is located off of Bruner Dairy Road.
- H. Small Scale FLUM Amendment – Tolbert Seiffert, owner of parcel identification 00000000-00-5851-0001, 3784 Highway 77, Chipley,

Florida has submitted an application for FLUM amendment.

- I. Large Scale FLUM Amendment – Amendment from Agriculture/Silviculture, Conservation, Low Density Residential, and General Commercial to High/Medium Density Residential, Low Medium Density Residential, and General Commercial. The parcel numbers for the subject properties are 0000000-00-4632-0000 and 0000000-00-4625-0000, are located on highway 79 and highway 279 approximately a quarter mile north of the City of Vernon.
 - J. Option and Lease Agreement – Extension Campbell Park Cell Tower - 1-year
 - K. Value Adjustment Board Appointment – Citizen: Gary Hartman, and Commissioners: Tray Hawkins and Steve Joyner
 - L. Communication Committee Resolution – Revise the current resolution annual reporting will be performed in September of each year to coincide with budget cycles.
 - M. Overhead Distribution Easement – Cole – Gulf Power Easement: Jeffery E. Cole and Devon Cole
 - N. Choctawhatchee Bay Estuary Liaison – Commissioner Alan Bush will serve with Tray Hawkins being the alternate
 - O. Health Insurance Refund Monies – Funds will be earmarked to be applied towards annual insurance increases
- Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bush and carried to adopt the consent agenda.**

VII. AGENDA ITEMS

- Health Insurance Renewal/Premium for Benefit – Robin Riley, Brown and Brown Insurance addressed the Board. The county alone would mean an increase of 8%, instead of 5%. Currently the sheriff's office insurance rate separated out has not been prepared. Both entities

together show more credibility.

Speaking on the health insurance renewal/premium for benefits were Commissioners Abbott, and Hawkins.

Commissioner Bush offered a motion seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to renew the health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield leaving it combined with the sheriff's department.

Robin Riley addressed the Board in reference to a 5% increase with dental insurance, with a recommendation of Guardian at a rate decrease of 5%, and a recommendation of Guardian for vision insurance with a rate decrease of 5%.

Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to accept Guardian for dental and vision insurance.

- Voting Precinct Reduction – Chairman Kent advised the Board that the Supervisor of Election was unable to attend the meeting today. This item will be tabled until next month.
- Airport Authority Appointment – Chairman Kent passed the gavel to Vice-Chairman Abbott.

Commissioner Kent offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bush and carried to appoint Jim Town to the Airport Authority Board.

- Tentative Millage Rate -

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Joyner and unanimously carried by roll call vote to approve the rolled-back rate of 9.2235 for a total of \$7,719,235.00.

- Hazardous Material Awareness Week – Megan Polk, WFRPC Planner requested the Board approve a proclamation claiming the week of August 14th as Hazardous Material’s Awareness Week.

This item will be table until County Attorney Goodman reviews the proclamation.

VIII. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR – Johnny Evans addressed the Board.

- Lo-Boy – Johnny Evans advised the Board they have located a lo-boy truck for around \$38,000.00.

Speaking on the lo-boy truck were County Administrator Massey, and Commissioners Abbott, Bush, Joyner, and Hawkins,

Johnny Evans advised the Board the funds are available in the transportation budget.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bush and carried to purchase the lo-boy truck.

- Mixer Lease/Buyout – Johnny Evans provided information to the Board.

Johnny Evans provided the Board an update on the bush hogs and

tractors previously purchased by public works in regards to delivery.

Speaking on the equipment were Commissioners Hawkins, Abbott, and Kent, as well as County Administrator Massey.

Commissioner Joyner spoke on the mixer, which can be leased for 60-months for \$5,451.00, which can be bought out at any time. The purpose is for asphalt reclamation.

The Board held discussion on the mixer.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Joyner and carried to proceed with the governmental lease for 60-months for \$5451.03 and the buyout after 60-months for \$119,200.00.

Chairman Kent requested the status on Duncan.

Johnny Evans advised they have purchased the materials and will proceed with rebuilding.

Chairman Kent recessed the meeting from 10:03 a.m. – 10:24 a.m.

IX. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – County Administrator Massey addressed the Board on the following:

- MSBU Advisor Meeting Location – The MSBU Board voted for the Board’s consideration to approve of the board meeting in Sunny Hills.

Speaking on the MSBU meeting relocation were Commissioners Abbott,

Bush, Kent, and Hawkins.

The consensus of the Board is for the meetings to remain where they are.

- MSBU Mowing Cycles – The MSBU Board voted to increase their mowing cycles. The current contract is with Mitchel Finch’s company, Fresh Cut Lawns Plus, LLC. The board proposed 3-additional cuttings that would go through October, with the third month optional.

The chairman of the MSBU Board also requested the board look at some extra cuttings from the fountain, about a quarter of a mile in (where the road comes back together, basically at the entrance). The estimated additional cost is \$28,400.00 mowing and litter removal.

Speaking on the mowing cycles were Commissioners Abbott, Hawkins, and Joyner.

Commissioner Hawkins offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bush to approve the additional cycles for the litter removal and mowing for the Sunny Hills mowing on the current contract through Fresh Cut Lawn Care.

Chairman Kent expressed concern about what would it benefit to discuss the front section at a later time, when by that time the mowing would be exhausted.

County Administrator Massey advised the Board that includes 3 additional litter pick-ups, mowing, and the section that comes in right inside Sunny Hills for \$250.00 per off cycle.

Speaking on the additional mowing and litter pick-up were Commissioners Bush, Kent, Hawkins, and Abbott.

County Administrator Massey clarified the additional request as the boulevard mowing would mean when the contractor is not there and goes back and cuts the section from the boulevard from the fountain to where the road comes in, the section between there and hwy. 77 would cost \$250.00 per cut.

Commissioner Hawkins offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to move forward with the two additional monthly mowing's for the distance between hwy. 77 and where the road reconvenes on Sunny Hills Boulevard to coincide with the mowing's that are currently in place.

Commissioner Hawkins clarified the direction for the additional services would come from the chairman of the MSBU Board to the County Administrator and from there Freshcut would be contacted.

- MSBU Bulk Pick-up – Speaking the MSBU bulk pick –up were County Administrator Massey, and the Board.

County Administrator Massey suggested to have cost compiled by the next MSBU meeting.

- MSBU Budget – The MSBU Board voted to leave their budget the same as last year.

Commissioner Hawkins confirmed that the budget would include the 26

litter pick-ups and the same amount of mowing this year that were added to the project.

County Administrator Massey requested the Banc of America funds that are in the MSBU budget to be transferred in the MSBU contingency.

Speaking on the MSBU budget were County Administrator Massey, County Attorney Goodman, and Commissioners Abbott, Kent, Bush, and Hawkins.

- Fountains – Commissioner Bush addressed the Board in reference to discussion held about maintaining the fountains, which are owned by Deltona.

Speaking on this were County Attorney Goodman, and the Board.

The Board's direction is to see what type of agreement would be necessary with Deltona and MSBU for MSBU to maintain the fountains.

- Tentative Budget Hearing – **Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to set the tentative budget hearing on September 7, 2017 at 5:05 p.m.**
- Big Bend – County Administrator Massey asked if the Board would be interested in selling the Big Bend building. If so, he advised that he would proceed with an appraisal.

Speaking on Big Bend were Commissioners Abbott, Hawkins, and

County Attorney Goodman.

The Board's direction is for County Administrator Massey to proceed.

For informational purposes Marla Hayes, advised the Board the approximate value on public works vehicle that burned is \$25,500.00.

X. COUNTY ENGINEER – County Engineer Knauer addressed the Board.

- Bridges – County Engineer Knauer advised the Board there is an estimated 8 bridges that aren't being inspected by the Department of Transportation. He could handle the bridges not to exceed \$400.00 per bridge. An inspection report will be prepared for each one.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried for County Engineer Knauer to proceed, not exceeding \$400.00 per bridge.

- Kirkland Road - CIGP funding the full amount for Kirkland Road has been approved. 4 bidders on the project included GAC 283,847.24, Roberts and Roberts 271,500.50, C.W. Roberts 214,888.25, and Anderson Columbia 289,916.12. The construction budget for the project is \$214,644.00.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to award the Kirkland Road project to C.W. Roberts for the amount on the construction budget.

County Engineer Knauer advised the Board that he is continuing to work

with Florida Gas Transmission.

- Keenkutter – The contractors doing the work on Keenkutter offered a price of \$8,850.0 for the 20’ headwalls. They also offered a price of \$14,560.00 for the additional headwalls on the culvert that is falling in, which includes clean out, headwalls, and rip rap on both sides.

Speaking on Keenkutter were Commissioners Hawkins, Abbott, and Bush.

Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to approve the improvements for \$8,850.00.

- Roland Road – 3105 cubic yards of additional rock is needed on Roland Road.

Graham Land Company will have the work done prior to Wednesday if the Board approves the work today.

Commissioner Joyner offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hawkins and carried to use Graham Land Company to complete the project on Roland Road and close the pw out.

- Obie Street/Bonnet Pond – **Commissioner Hawkins offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bush and carried to award Obie Street and Bonnet Pond.**

County Engineer Knauer provided the Board a proposal for professional engineering services for Obie Street for \$11,970.09 and Bonnet Pond (278A) for \$141,560.00.

- Strickland Road – Strickland Road will be submitted to the Army Core of Engineers and Water Management District.

XI. CLERK – None

XII. COUNTY ATTORNEY – County Attorney Goodman addressed the Board in reference to the following:

Attorney Goodman advised the Board that he does not see anything wrong with the Board approving the Hazardous Material Awareness Week proclamation previously brought up in the meeting by Megan Polk, WFRPC Planner.

Commissioner Bush offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Joyner and carried to adopt the Hazardous Material Awareness Week proclamation.

County Attorney Goodman requested the Board's approve to apply for a \$1,000,000.00 grant to DEO for the 79 corridor project. The grant is a no match grant which would be managed by Opportunity Florida.

Ted Everett clarified the amount as \$1,900,000.00.

Commissioner Hawkins offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to apply for the \$1,900,000.00 through DEO.

- Alcohol Ordinance – Commissioner Bush addressed County Attorney Goodman referencing that the new alcohol ordinance does not reflect the timeframe/extension of hours, which was include in the previous draft.

Speaking on the alcohol draft ordinance were County Attorney Goodman and Commissioners Bush, and Hawkins.

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

Deputy Clerk Brantley

Date Board Approved