

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Washington County, Florida**  
**Special Meeting**  
**1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428**

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

I. PROCLAMATION

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida met in special session on February 5, at 1:30 p.m. with Chairman John Hawkins III presiding. Present were Vice Chairman Todd Abbott, and Commissioners Alan T Bush, Charles Kent, and Steve Joyner. Also present were County Administrator Jeff Massey, County Attorney H. Matthew Fuqua, Lora C. Bell, Clerk, and Risha Brantley, Deputy Clerk.

- A. Call to Order - Chairman Hawkins called the meeting to order.  
- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Jeff Massey

II. ADOPT THE AGENDA – **Commissioner Kent offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Abbott and carried to adopt the agenda.**

III. 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.

IV. AGENDA ITEMS

- Resolution – Authorizing BOCC Chairman to execute a contract with the Department of Economic Opportunity – Ted Everett addressed the board in regards to a resolution authorizing BOCC Chairman Hawkins to sign a contract from the Department of Economic Opportunity. The grant is for \$1,821,461.00 for the Project 79 Corridor. These funds would be combined with \$1,000,000.00 previously approved in 2017.

The contract can only be let to one agency, which will be Washington County because that is where the grant proposal originated.

The language will be such, at the time the authority is created there will be language within that authority that specifies that Bonifay, Holmes, and Washington County will indemnify with Washington County through the authority that any repayment monies will be paid back by the authority. This is a requirement and if it is not done the money will be returned.

***Commissioner Abbott offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kent and unanimously carried to give Chairman Hawkins the authority to sign the contract with the Department of Economic Opportunity.***

V. ADJOURN – ***Commissioner Joyner offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kent and carried to adjourn.***

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Deputy Clerk Brantley

Date Board Approved