



MINUTES
WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD WORKSHOP
Thursday, February 13, 2025, 9:00 AM, Commission Board
Room
1331 South Blvd., Chipley, FL 32428

DISTRICT 1	DISTRICT 2	DISTRICT 3	DISTRICT 4	DISTRICT 5
Ashlynn Marquez	David Pettis Jr. Chairman	Joey Brock	Wesley Griffin	David Corbin Vice-Chairman

1. PROCLAMATION

- 1.1 Call to Order - Chairman Pettis
- 1.2 Invocation - Chairman Pettis
- 1.3 Pledge

2. AGENDA ITEMS

- 2.1 Request to Utilize Impact Funds to Help Purchase a New Stretcher and Toughbook Tablets for EMS Services Totaling \$19,275.49 - Randy Truette, EMS Director

Approval to purchase three ToughBook tablets for \$4,275.00 and a stretcher for \$29,993.00, utilizing impact fees for both except for \$14,993.00 of the cost of the stretcher being financed. - This item will be listed on the consent agenda.

- 2.2 Compensatory Time in Excess of 80 Hours-Wendy White, Human Resources Director
Approval of paying the current compensatory time balance for the Fire Coordinator will be listed on the consent agenda as presented.

A job title change may be implemented to prevent this in the future making the position exempt.

- 2.3 April 2025 Workshop Date Change-David Pettis, Jr., Chairman
The workshop scheduled for April 10, 2025, will be rescheduled to April 8, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. due to a conflict with scheduled training. - This meeting adjustment will be listed on the consent agenda.
- 2.4 Discussion Regarding Employee Appreciation-David Pettis, Jr., Chairman
A potential Employee Appreciation Day is being looked at to be held at Blue Lake Park on April 24, 2025, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. The consensus of the Board is to proceed with this event.
- 2.5 Public Participation Policy Update-David Pettis, Jr., Chairman
This item was removed.

3. MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE

- 3.1 MSBU Committee Appointments - Steve Healis
Three of the MSBU Committee positions will expire in April. The next meeting is in March. Consent Agenda Items are as follows:
- Betty Lee Weekley, District 4 - Term Renewal
 - Scott Parrish, District 5- Term Renewal
 - Luke Norris will fill the District 3 seat which is being vacated by Brian Goddin.

Steve Healis informed the Board that he intends to submit his resignation as the MSBU Coordinator.

4. FEMA COORDINATOR

- 4.1 Washington County Sub-Grant Agreement for Hurricane Helene - Mason Garrett

Approval for Chairman Pettis to sign the Hurricane Helene Agreement, which is for Cat. B will be listed on the consent agenda.

ADDITIONAL UPDATES

- \$1.2 Million has recently been approved bringing the total to \$5.7 Million since the hold has been released.

5. PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

6. PARKS UPDATE

7. ENGINEERING PROJECTS UPDATE

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

8.1 Debris Removal Contract Discussion - Jeff Massey

- Approval of renewing the agreement with Crowder Gulf for five years, with one-year extensions, will be listed on the consent agenda. Crowder Gulf was the only one of the three companies selected that had been previously activated.
- Approval of entering into an agreement with DRC and renewing the agreement with Crowder Gulf will be listed on the consent agenda.

9. CLERK

10. COUNTY ATTORNEY

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- Grassy Pond Area - The HOA has ended or is dissolving and Mr. Hix has asked that the county take over the roads and the pavilion. This request has been brought before the Board previously.

Some concerns regarding the request are listed below.
The roads would have to be brought up to county standards.

The logistics of adding roads to the maintenance list when there are so many that need to be addressed.

Acceptance of the roads would set a precedence.

Addition of a grader.

Grassy Pond discussion will be listed on the regular agenda.

- County Parks (10) and Boat Landings (35) - The Board needs to look at increasing the \$100,000.00 included in the budget for the parks and boat landings. Closing off access to the park bathrooms at nighttime needs to occur.
- Inmate labor was discussed.
- Singer and County Line Road - Singer Road has been placed on the Rural Regional Traffic Program. There is dual ownership of both roads by Washington County and Bay County. There was a previous handshake agreement for Bay County to maintain County Line Road and Washington County to maintain Singer Road.
- Pine Bluff - The road is on the maintenance list.

12. ADJOURN

Summary of minutes prepared by Risha Brantley, Deputy Clerk.