

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Session
Courthouse Annex
September 19, 2019
6:00 P.M.

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chair Betsy Barfield, Commissioners Stephen Fulford, Eugene Hall, JT Surles and Stephen Walker. Also present were County Attorneys Buck Bird and Scott Shirley, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

1. Chair Barfield called the meeting order. Commissioner Gene Hall led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
2. Citizen Keith Cook addressed the Board regarding an alternate site for the previously discussed gun range. Commissioner Surles stated he and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams would be reaching out to Beau Turner.
3. Ryan Slyter, with the Florida Forestry Council, addressed the Board about proposed roads on state-owned property in the western part of the County. He stated he would bring more detailed plans before the Board at a future meeting.
4. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Consent Agenda consisting of: Approval of Agenda; BOCC Minutes of September 5th, 2019 Regular Meeting; General Fund/Transportation Vouchers; Health Department Annual Operating Contract 2019/2020 and Resolution in Support of Agriculture Center Grant Application.**
5. Commissioner Fulford introduced the Gohlke Property Resolution and Grant for the sale of two Industrial Park lots. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the Board approved moving forward with the sale of the first lot. On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved moving forward with the sale of the second lot.**
6. Attorney Bird introduced the disposition of surplus policy. He recommended the Board review the policy and, after revisions from Commissioners, draft a resolution for approval by the Board at a future meeting.
7. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick introduced the Thompson Station Lease Proposal item with Leo Russell. He stated an agreement was being worked and would be brought before the Board at the next meeting.
8. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Florida EMS County Grant Program (an annual grant), in the amount of \$5,472.**
9. Citizen Paul Henry expressed concerns with restrictions or county requirements on property sales at the Industrial Park.
10. County Engineer Josh Baxley addressed the Board regarding potential FRDAP grants and recommended that the Board pursue the less than \$50,000 grant for bleachers and picnic tables at the horse arena. It was the consensus of the Board to move forward in exploring the FRDAP grant.

11. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated he would be meeting with the architects on the estimate to finish the A Building project and that this information would be presented to the Board at a future meeting.
12. Chair Barfield inquired about the county audit, to which Clerk Reams stated the auditors have been notified that all of the pre-audit work has been completed and the information is waiting for them to begin the audit. He further stated that the Constitutional Officers have had their information ready for months but not work has begun.
13. County Coordinator Barwick stated a report on Road Department activities was included in the packet and he would be happy to discuss if the Board had any questions. He also discussed progress at the recreation park, specifically fencing.
14. County Attorney Shirley stated he would be meeting with DEP to discuss the county's responsibilities with regard to the Thompson Gas station site remediation.
15. Commissioner Hall informed the Board of a recent county leadership conference he attended in Chieftain that focused on small county economic development.
16. Commissioner Fulford requested that proceeds from the Industrial Park sales be kept in the restricted Economic Development account, so it could be segregated and used specifically for economic development in the future.
17. Chair Barfield gave an update on the FDOT toll road project.
18. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

**Board of County Commissioners
Jefferson County, Florida**

Betsy Barfield, Chair

ATTEST:

Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court