



# BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## JEFFERSON COUNTY, FLORIDA

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### Special Meeting

**\*\*Virtual Meeting, Meeting Code and Password to be Provided\*\***  
**Sent to Email Distribution List and Posted on the County Website**

July 30, 2020 6pm  
169 Industrial Park Dr Monticello, FL 32344

- 1. 6 PM Call to order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Public Announcements, Presentations, & Awards**
- 3. Consent Agenda**
  - a) Approval of Agenda
- 4. General Business**
  - a) Amendment to Emergency Proclamation of Local Emergency
  - b) Solid Waste Assessment Fee Increase-An increase must be submitted to the Property Appraisers' Office by August 4, 2020. The office has been running in a deficit for a number of years and has not had assistance with funding at anytime since 2012. Assistance is required for the Department to continue operating.
  - c) Trim Notices
- 5. Citizens Request & Input on Non-Agenda Items (3 Minute Limit Please)**
- 6. Clerk's Comments:**
- 7. County Attorney:**
- 8. County Commissioners Discussion items:**

### Adjourn:

From the manual "Government in the Sunshine", page 40: Paragraph C. Each board, commission or agency of this state or of any political subdivision thereof shall include in the notice of any meeting or hearing, if notice of meeting or hearing is required, of such board, commission, or agency, conspicuously on such notice, the advice that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

**Kirk Reams**

Clerk of Courts

**Parrish Barwick**

County Coordinator

**T. Buckingham Bird**

County Attorney

# PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

### COVID-19, June 29, 2020

**WHEREAS**, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that appears to occur through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared a public health emergency of international concern related to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Humane Services declared that a public health emergency exists nationwide as a result of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 29, 2020, COVID-19 has spread throughout China and to 67 other countries and territories, including 62 cases within the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that all states and territories implement aggressive measures to slow and contain transmission of COVID-19 in the United States of America; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 2, 2020, Governor Ron De Santis issued Executive order 20-51, the terms of which are incorporated herein, declaring that appropriate measures to control the spread of COVID-19 in the State of Florida are necessary, and therefore directed that a public health emergency be declared in the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 2, 2020, the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer, by virtue of the Governor's Executive Order 20-51 and Section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, issued a Declaration of Public Health emergency declaring that a public health emergency exists in the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2020, Governor Ron DE Santis directed the Director of the Division of Emergency management to activate the State Emergency Operation Center to Level 2 to provide coordination and response to the COVID-19 emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron De Santis issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring a state of emergency for the State of Florida to address the public health emergency caused by the threat of COVID-10 to the state; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 13, 2020, twenty-seven individuals in the state of have tested positive for COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 13, 2020, nineteen counties in Florida, have positive cases for COVID-19 poses a risk to the entire state of Florida; and



WHEREAS, on June 3, 2020, Governor Ron De Santis issued Executive Order 20-139 instituting Phase 2 Recovery from COVID-19 lockdown measures, which, among other things, encourages all persons in Florida to avoid congregating in groups larger than 50, and

**WHEREAS,** COVID-19 is a threat to the public health of Jefferson County residents, workers, and visitors, and

**WHEREAS,** Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, states that “safeguarding the life and property of [the County’s] citizens is an innate responsibility of the governing body of each political subdivision of the state” and further grants to the County the power to provide for the health and safety of persons and property and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the County pertaining to taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

**WHEREAS,** in order to be in a position to provide the most effective assistance to the citizens of Jefferson County and the State of Florida for the duration of the declared public health emergency, it is necessary that a declaration of local emergency be declares as of 9:30 a.m., on June 29, 2020, and shall remain in effect though 9:30 a.m., on July 6, 2020, (seven days) unless extended prior to that time for an additional seven days.

**NOW THEREFORE,**

1. Pursuant to the authority granted by Sections 252.31 through 252.62, Florida Statutes, the County’s home rule powers and Jefferson County’s Comprehensive Emergency Management plan, a declaration of local emergency is declared as of 9:30 a.m., on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, and shall remain in effect thought 9:30a.m. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, (seven days) unless extended prior to that time by me for an additional seven days.
2. The Jefferson County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is activated and the utilization of the emergency powers under Sections 252.31 thought 252.62, Florida statutes, is authorized.
3. Issuance of Temporary Use Permits for activities pursuant to Jefferson County Land Development Code Section 9.14.2, which would be attended by more than 50 persons, is hereby suspended until such time as this Proclamation of Local Emergency and Executive Order expires, and is not renewed, or until this provision is deleted.
4. This executive order shall be applicable throughout the unincorporated areas of Jefferson County, Florida, and thought the territorial boundaries of any municipality located within Jefferson County, Florida, but onto the extent that it does not expressly superseded or otherwise conflict with any municipal ordinance or regulation.

**DATED THIS** \_\_\_\_\_ **DAY OF** July, 2020, in Monticello, Florida, effective at 9:30 a.m. on July \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners

By: \_\_\_\_\_

JT Surles, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners