

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Session

January 21, 2021

6:00 P.M.

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Stephen Walker, Commissioners Eugene Hall, JT Surles and Chris Tuten. Also present were County Attorneys Buck Bird and Scott Shirley and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

1. Chairman Walker called the meeting order. Commissioner Hall then led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
2. Kim Albritton, with the County Health Department, provided an update on the COVID-19 vaccine distribution.
3. Commissioner Surles requested that item 7 (Old Supervisor of Elections Office) be placed under General Business as the first item. **On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried (4-0), the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda as amended, General Fund/Transportation/Road Bond Vouchers, BOCC Regular Session Minutes for 1/7/2021—was approved.**
4. Commissioner Surles introduced the old Supervisor of Elections Office item. He stated there was a local home school group that recently had to vacate a facility and were in need of a new place. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board requested Attorney Scott Shirley bring a preliminary draft contract to the next Board meeting.**
5. Heather Pullen, with Langton Associations, provide an update on the RESTORE ACT.
6. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams introduced the Wacissa River Park Planning Study Award. **On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board voted to allow the previously assembled committee that scored the county's last formal procurement to score the two submissions and bring a recommendation back to the Board.**
7. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams introduced the FDOT 5 Year Projects Award. He stated he had been working the county engineer and that FDOT wanted the county to submit two SCRAP, two SCOP, one CIGP and one bridge repair. The recommended projects were as follows: for SCOP, Waukeelah Highway widening and re-surfacing and Ashville Highway widening and re-surfacing (phase 2); for SCRAP, Aucilla Highway and Tram Road; for CIGP, Orange Road. For bridge repair, the bridge over the active railroad on Waukeelah Highway.
8. Clerk of Court Reams provided the Board with a list of recommended projects for 2021-2022. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Tuten and unanimously carried (4-0), the list was approved.**
9. Clerk of Court Reams introduced the Government Farm Road SCRAP agreement and stated that FDOT had agreed to move this project up. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board**

approved resolution #2021-012101-001, approving the project agreement for Government Farm Road SCRAP.

10. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams suggested that the County extend the CARES Act Funding contract with Government Services Group. He noted that we were under budget on the initial contract that expired at the end of the calendar year and also stated there may be more funding on the way that GSG could help the County procure and manage. **On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried (4-0),** the Board approved extending the contract for 6 months.
11. Solid Waste Director Beth Letchworth addressed the Board to follow up on site closures and potential curbside service. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Hall and carried 3 to 1 (Tuten opposed), the Board voted to close the sites at Bassett Dairy and the Rec Park. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board approved modifying the hours of operation. On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Tuten and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board designated special waste recycling for specific sites as opposed to at every site. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board voted to move forward with the implementation schedule of closing the sites.**
12. Mr. Barrington stated he would like to start holding events of 50 or more people at his ball park property on Highway 59 in Lloyd. Commissioner Walker requested this be placed on the next agenda.
13. Planning Official Shannon Metty discussed the issue of people setting up bounce houses or snow cone machines and charging people without any permit or paperwork in place. Attorney Shirley stated he would bring back a recommendation to the Board.
14. Planning Official Metty noted that the concession stand bids were due on 1/22/2021.
15. Commissioner Tuten gave an update on the Recreation Park committee.
16. Commissioner Surles discussed leaks at the EOC building as well as the County Jail needing a roof. It was the consensus of the Board to have the County Engineer take a look and report back to the Board.
17. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

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

Stephen Walker, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court