

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Session
May 19, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Gene Hall, Commissioners Stephen Walker, Chris Tuten and JT Surles. Also present were County Attorney Scott Shirley, Planning Official Shannon Metty and Clerk of Court, Kirk Reams.

1. Chairman Hall called the meeting to order and led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
2. The Board presented a proclamation to citizen Merry Ann Frisby for all of her civic work that she has performed for the County.
3. County Official Jim Kaufman gave an update on all of the activity in the Building Department.
4. Dr. Barbara Reddig gave an update on the Holistic Plan of Care Program in Jefferson County which helps people with drug and alcohol problems as well as with anger management. They also assist people that are having job and emotional problems.
5. Several citizens discussed the community service that the Second Harvest organization was providing to the community.
6. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried, the consent agenda, consisting of minutes from the February 17th, March 3rd, March 17th, and April 7th Board meetings, the Health Department Contract Agreement Amendment, General Fund Vouchers, Transportation Fund Vouchers and the Surplus Properties Final Resolution were approved.**
7. Planning Official Shannon Metty discussed item 4a, Issuance of Temporary Use Permit for Barrington Field in Lloyd. There was a noise issue from an event on this property on April 17th. **On a motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Tuten, and unanimously carried, the board approved issuing the Barrington's a permit for their Memorial Day event providing they prove that they have remitted their taxes associated with prior events.**
8. Planning Official Shannon Metty discussed item 4b, Special Exception Application for a Zipline. The Planning Department is recommending approving this exemption request. **On a motion by Commissioner Walker seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Special Exemption.**
9. Clerk of Court, Kirk Reams introduced item 4c, the Lake Road FDOT SCOP project Bid Update. Capital Asphalt was the low bid but there is an issue concerning the rising cost of asphalt. Because of this, the bid is now outdated. Clerk Reams recommended awarding the bid to Capital Asphalt and he also asked the Board to allow him to contact FDOT and request the remaining funds to complete the project. **On a motion by Commissioner Walker seconded by Commissioner Surles, and unanimously carried, the Board approved Clerk Reams recommendation.**

10. County Attorney Scott Shirley introduced item 4d, the Road Bond Interlock Agreement with the City of Monticello. He discussed how the City would get a portion of the new road bond and they would also by June 1st of every year, for 20 years, remit their portion of the principal and interest on their share of the Bond liability to the County. **On a motion by Commissioner Surles and seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the MOU working with the City of Monticello.**
11. County Attorney Scott Shirley introduced item 4e, the Non Ad-Valorem Special Assessment Resolution of Intent. He explained the proposed scope of work on each of the current projects (Aucilla Shores, Casa Bianca Ridge Road. **On a motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Tuten and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Aucilla Shores Resolution. Then on a motion by Commissioner Tuten, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Casa Bianca Ridge Road Resolution.**
12. Commissioner Tuten introduced item 4f, the DEO Sewer to Lloyd discussion. He discussed the meeting that the County Economic Development group had with DEO on this project as well as the modifications to the overall project. This item was for informational purposes only.
13. Commissioner Walker introduced item 4g, the Wacissa River Parking fee/fines/towing options. He explained some of the enforcement issues that are present at the Wacissa River. County Attorney Scott Shirley explained that we would need to look at what other counties have done with respect to these type issues and the fines and fee's they have adopted for enforcement. They will bring their findings back at a later meeting.
14. Planning Official Shannon Metty introduced 4h, the Engineer/Attorney RFP Applications. She detailed that we have had two submissions for the Attorney RFP and seven submissions for the Engineering RFP. It was the consensus of the Board to begin holding interviews next Monday (5/23).
15. Jefferson County Director of Emergency Management Paula Carroll introduced item 4i, the Suwannee River Coastal Resilience Grant Application. She discussed the Grant process and explained that they needed a letter from the Board supporting this application. **On a motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Tuten and unanimously carried, the Board approved moving forward with a letter of support.**
16. Planning Official Shannon Metty gave an update on the cattle gap issue on Peter Brown Road which is an unallowable government expense. The Board consensus was to contact the property owner and have them remedy this issue. Planning Official Metty discussed the rezoning issue on a piece of property in the Industrial Park. She gave an update on County Budget Officer position and upcoming potential interviews. Also, she informed the Board that the Governor's Office had approved a bonus for first responders.
17. **On motion by Commissioner Tuten, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

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Gene Hall, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court