

**JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Regular Session**  
**December 16, 2021**  
**6:00 P.M.**

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Gene Hall, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, JT Surlles, Stephen Walker and Chris Tuten. Also present were County Attorneys Buck Bird and Scott Shirley, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Planning Official Shannon Metty.

1. Chairman Hall called the meeting to order and Commissioner Walker led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
2. Commissioner Barfield stated that our County Auditor, Moran & Smith presented our County Fiscal Year 2019-2020 (CFY 19-20) CAFR at the 5:00 p.m. workshop prior to this meeting. She indicated that Chris Moran asked that we accept this presentation and audit as part of our consent agenda. **On a motion by Commissioner Barfield and seconded by Commissioner Surlles and unanimously carried, the CFY 19-20 CAFR was added to the consent agenda.**
3. **On motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the updated consent agenda consisting of the General Fund and Transportation Fund vouchers from 12/2 and 12/16, the Waukeena Highway private land sale and County Fiscal Year 2019-2020 CAFR was approved.**
4. County Attorney Scott Shirley introduce item 4a, Special Exception, Major Development Application: Large Scale Photovoltaic Collector System (Aucilla / Drifton Highway). The special exception was for a large scale solar development that is approximately 767 acres. There were numerous facets to this issue such as: The Commissioners stated all of the conversations they have had concerning this proposed project, the applicants presented a power point and discussed their application, there was sworn testimony and much public comments. Commissioner Barfield made a motion to approve the application with the following conditions (1. The Stormwater study is finalized, 2. The Live Oak trees on the development are preserved, 3. There is an independent Archeological study performed, 4. The Developer is cognizant of the historical homes surrounding the project). There was no second for Commissioner Barfield's motion. **On a motion by Commissioner Tuten, seconded by Commissioner Surlles and carried 4 to 1 (Commissioner Barfield was the dissenting vote), the Board denied the application.**
5. County Attorney Scott Shirley introduced item 4b, the Non Ad-Valorem Special Assessment Resolution of Intent. He explained that the attached proposed Resolution was required and asked the Commission for their approval. **On motion by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Resolution was approved.**
6. County Attorney Scott Shirley introduced item 4c which was the Noise Ordinance Workshop Date. It was the consensus of the Board to hold the workshop on January 20, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

7. Commissioner Tuten introduced item 4d, the Aucilla Shores Update. Both he and County Coordinator, Parrish Barwick updated the Board on the various improvements that have been made to the roads in this area since the last Board meeting.
8. Commissioner Barfield introduced item 4e, the Limited Scope Audit. She asked the Commissioners what areas they wanted to be examined. It was the consensus of the Board to look at P-Card, local Ad-Valorem tax dollars spent, Fund 17 expenditures and any political type advertising expenditures.
9. Commissioner Barfield introduced item 4f, the Financial System New Software Update. She requested to have Clerk of Court, Kirk Reams come to the next Board meeting and give an update on the project which is moving the County Financial system from using hardware backup to a cloud-based system.
10. County Attorney, Scott Shirley introduced item 4g, Surplus Property on Moody and Forest Road. **On motion by Commissioner Surles and seconded by Commissioner Tuten and unanimously carried, the two pieces were surplus.**
11. Commissioner Tuten indicated that he felt we should make the potential sewer project in Lloyd as our number one Legislative priority. It was the consensus of the Board to make that happen.
12. **On motion by Commissioner Surles, seconded by Commissioner Tuten and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

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

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Gene Hall, Chairman

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Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court