

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Session
April 20, 2023
6:00 P.M.

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Chris Tuten, Commissioners Gene Hall, Austin Hosford, Stephen Walker and JT Surlles. Also present were County Manager Shannon Metty and our County Attorney.

1. Chairman Tuten called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Hall led the prayer and pledge of allegiance.
2. Ms. Anderson, a representative of the Jefferson County Humane Society asked the Board if they would check on the \$5,000 that the Board had put in their budget to allocate towards the Humane Society for the past 2 yaers.
3. A representative from Big Bend Transit alerted the Board that the MOU between the two entities should be signed. The County Attorney let them know that they were reviewing it.
4. Local Pastor Matthew Payne let the Board know that he would coordinating the National Day of Prayer event for Jefferson County.
5. **A motion was made by Commissioner Walker to move item 4d (Request to Advertise Solar Ordinance) to 5d under General Business simply for further discussion which was seconded by Commissioner Surlles, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the attached vouchers to be paid, the account list, the Commissioners report, the Nextera Fund Balance, the minutes from the March 16th special workshop, the minutes from the March 16th regular session BCC meeting, the attached SHIP Change Order and the Ratification RAO Support.**
6. The County Sheriff, Mac McNeill introduced items 5b, Budget Amendment. **On a motion by Commissioner Surlles, seconded by Commissioner Hosford, the Board unanimously approved the Sheriff Office Budget Amendment giving them the authority to expend approximately \$347,000 of grant funding they have received during this fiscal year.**
7. The County Attorney pulled item 5c, Tri-County Agreement from this meeting.
8. Commissioner Walker introduced item 5d, Request to Advertise Solar Ordinance. After much discussion the Board agreed to hold a special workshop at 5:00 pm on June 1st to vet some of the issues surrounding this topic.
9. The County Attorney gave an update on the attached Burler Road Cemetery issue.
10. County Manager, Shannon Metty introduced the new Budget Officer and because of scheduling conflicts the Board decided to move the May 4th meeting from 6:00 pm to 9:00 am.

11. On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Hosford, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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

Chris Tuten, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court