

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Special Session – Solar Ordinance Workshop
April 6, 2023
5:00 P.M.

The Board met on this date for a special session on the County’s draft Solar Ordinance. Present were Chairman Chris Tuten, Commissioners Gene Hall, Austin Hosford, Stephen Walker and JT Surlles. Also present were County Manager Shannon Metty and the County Attorneys.

1. Chairman Tuten called the Solar Ordinance Workshop meeting to order led the pledge of allegiance and opening prayer.
2. Chairman Tuten opened up the Solar Ordinance Workshop.
3. The County Attorneys gave an overview concerning the updated/new (2021) state laws on Solar Ordinances.
4. Planning Commission member Bryon Arceneaux walked through the changes to the attached current draft Ordinance. Mr. Arceneaux was clear in describing the fact that the State of Florida has taken over the laws concerning Solar Ordinances and felt that it was the County’s duty to come up with ways to mitigate the County’ risk when dealing with a one size fits all approach.
5. After much discussion, the Board directed the Planning Commission to make the changes that were discussed and that this draft Solar Ordinance will come back for two public hearings prior to being adopted.
6. Chairman Tuten closed the workshop.

Board of County Commissioners
Jefferson County, Florida

Chris Tuten, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court