

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Regular Session
June 1, 2023
6:00 P.M.

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

1. Chairman Tuten called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Hall led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
2. Katrina Richardson gave a power point presentation on the County's current bed tax spending and discussed a potential increase. This will be on the Agenda for the next County Commission meeting.
3. **A motion was made by Commissioner Surlles, seconded by Commissioner Walker, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Consent Agenda consisting of the attached vouchers to be paid, the account list and the Commissioners report.**
4. County Manager, Shannon Metty introduced item 11 a, the Road Abandonment – Bippus Road. This was for informational purposes only.
5. County Attorney Heather Encinosa introduced item 11b, the County Defense Policy. **On a motion by Commissioner Hosford, seconded by Commissioner Surlles, the Board unanimously approved the attached policy.**
6. County Manager Metty introduced item 11c, the Renewal of the Home School Association Lease. **On a motion by Commissioner Surlles, seconded by Commissioner Walker, the Board unanimously approved the attached lease agreement with the home school association.**
7. County Manager Metty introduced item 11d, the Road Bond ITB Award. **On a motion by Commissioner Surlles, seconded by Commissioner Hall, the Board unanimously approved granting the road bond award to Peavy & Sons who was the low bidder.**
8. Commissioner Hall led a discussion on item 11e, potential USDA Grant Opportunities.
9. County Manager Metty let the Board know that the Ridge Road prepaid refunds would be sent out on Friday June 2nd.
10. Commissioner Surlles indicated that he would like to revisit the road bond paving work schedule due to the rising costs of paving.
11. **On motion by Commissioner Surlles, seconded by Commissioner Walker, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

Jefferson County, Florida

Chris Tuten, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kirk Reams, Clerk of Court