

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 1, 2007

The Board met this date in Regular Session. Present were Chairman J.N. Tuten, Jr. and Commissioners Gene C. Hall, Felix "Skeet" Joyner, Danny Monroe, III and Jerry Sutphin.

Also present were Grants Administration Director Roy Schleicher, Planning Official Bill Tellefsen, Building Official Wallace Bullock, Ambulance/Fire Director Mark Matthews, Road Superintendent David Harvey, County Health Department Administrator Kim Barnhill, Mayor Julie Conley, County Extension Director Larry Halsey, County Attorney T. Buckingham Bird, and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

1. On motion by Commissioner Sutphin, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, and unanimously carried, the Consent Agenda, consisting of the minutes of the January 18th Regular Session, the Jefferson County Community Traffic Safety Team Resolution, the Grant-in-Aid Agreement for Courthouse Facilities, the Proposed Budget Amendments to close out 9/30/2006, and Change Order – Riley Palmer Construction, was approved.
2. Road Superintendent David Harvey supplied the Board with pictures of the Industrial Park cleanup and of conditions of Upper Cody Road and Turkey Scratch Road. He also reported an estimate of \$1,775,000 for a bridge replacement on Lake Road or \$675,000 for repairing the existing bridge.
3. Grants Administration Director Roy Schleicher reported on the status of various grant programs. He also stated bids were due next week on Recreation Park improvements.
4. Planning Official Bill Tellefsen explained the process of the upcoming public hearings on the Conservation Subdivision Land Use amendment.
5. Building Official Wallace Bullock reported that the number of permits was up compared to this time last year. He stated he was currently accepting bids for the exterior project of the Building, Planning and Grants Department building.
6. Commissioner Joyner requested the Board contact a consulting firm about imposing transportation impact fees. Commissioner Sutphin also requested consultation regarding law enforcement protection.
7. On motion by Commissioner Sutphin, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the decision to purchase and install the LP Gas Generator for the 911 system for no more than \$4500.
8. County Extension Director Larry Halsey reported the site plan for the Agricultural Arena would be submitted to the Planning Commission next week.
9. Health Department Director Kim Barnhill reminded the Board of the activities associated with today's Step Up Florida program.
10. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, and unanimously carried, the decision to pursue the Rural Health Works grant, was approved.
11. Commissioner Sutphin expressed his feelings of support for the Shuttle Program and proposed the unused funds for the County Coordinator position be used to sustain the Shuttle Program financially.
12. George Hinchcliffe with the Healthy Start Coalition reported \$5000 in pledges of support from the community. He also supplied the Board with the total cost of approximately \$35,000 to operate the Shuttle Program for one year.

13. County residents Kim Barnhill, Dick Bailar, Catherine Arnold, and Carl Hanks each expressed support for the funding of the Shuttle program based on its importance to the community.
14. On motion by Commissioner Hall to fund the Shuttle Program at a cost of \$35,000 to be taken from the County Coordinator budget line items, and seconded by Commissioner Sutphin, the motion was opened for discussion.
15. Chairman Tuten could not support the motion at this time and was unwilling to take budgeted funds out of the County Coordinator line items.
16. Commissioner Joyner could not support the motion at this time and expressed concerns over the availability of future county revenues.
17. Chairman Tuten recommended helping the Shuttle Program by funding \$10,000 to enable it to exist for 5 months while it could seek additional funding from other sources. He did not support funding the Shuttle Program for a whole year.
18. On amended motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Sutphin, and unanimously carried, the decision to support the Shuttle Program with \$10,000 from the contingency fund until June 1, 2007, was approved.
19. On motion by Commissioner Joyner, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, and unanimously carried, the conveyance of two parcels of county property to the city for use of sewer lift stations in the Coopers Pond/ Spring Hollow Wastewater Project, was approved.
20. Citizen Tanya Johnson Bellamy expressed her concern over the condition of Turkey Scratch Road. Commissioner Monroe stated that time would improve the future buildup of the road.
21. Commissioner Sutphin volunteered to serve as the Board's representative on the North Florida Workforce Development Board.
22. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, Change Order #5-Carter's Contracting Services in the amount of \$10,533.23, was approved.
23. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the Partial Payment Estimate #1 for Peter Brown Road in the amount of \$157,816.11, was approved.
24. On motion by Commissioner Sutphin, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, and unanimously carried, the payment request of Manausa, Lewis, and Dodson in the amount of \$4008.90, was approved.
25. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Sutphin, and unanimously carried, the payment request of Riley Palmer Construction in the amount of \$136,481.99, was approved.
26. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the decision to use \$12,359.40 from contingency fund for replacement of roadway on Ebenezer Road.
27. On motion by Commissioner Joyner, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, and unanimously carried, the decision to use \$20,000 from contingency fund to help fund a new position in the Clerk's office, was approved.
28. Chairman Tuten requested a workshop to be held on Friday, February 9th, 2007 to address the County Coordinator position.

29. The Warrant Register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.

30. On motion by Commissioner Joyner, seconded by Commissioner Monroe, and
unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk

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