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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION October 21, 2010

The Board met this date in Regular Session. Present were Chairman Danny Monroe, Commissioners Hines Boyd, Stephen Fulford and Eugene Hall. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher, Clerk of Court Kirk Reams, and County Attorney Buck Bird.

- 1. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved the consent agenda, consisting of the minutes from the September 16, 2010 regular session and the minutes from the October 7, 2010 regular session.
- 2. Citizen Roland Brumbley expressed his displeasure with Commissioner Boyd's phrasing that the Wacissa River was a "common man's" recreation area.
- 3. Economic Development Director Julie Conley presented an update on the rural infrastructure feasibility grant. She stated that Jefferson County was awarded \$275,000 by Enterprise Florida.
- 4. Fire Chief Mark Matthews introduced Harve Platig with NCSPlus Incorporated and presented the idea of having a collection agency pursue past due ambulance payments. Mr. Matthews explained that the county would pay an up front fee but that the county would get to keep 100% of what is collected. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams expressed his concerns about the bid process. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher suggested that he, Clerk of Court Kirk Reams and County Attorney Buck Bird research further and bring back to the Board a recommendation.
- 5. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams presented a planning contract with LLT. LLT is the proposed construction manager for "A" Building interior renovations. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the Board approved up to \$46,615.56 to be paid from the Courthouse Facilities fund.
- 6. Fire Chief Mark Matthews brought a request for a grant to purchase an ambulance. He stated that the county could use surplus grant funds to purchase the used ambulance directly from Alachua County. It was the consensus of the Board that Chief Matthews move forward with this purchase.
- 7. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher presented the Road Department's request to purchase a motor grader via lease-purchase, with the recommended vendor as John Deere. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved this request.
- 8. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher presented a road name change resolution for Tristan Trail to EM Pig Trail. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried, the Board approved the name change resolution number 2010-102110-02.
- 9. Assistant County Coordinator John McHugh addressed the Board regarding fall activities taking place at the Jefferson County Recreation Park.
- 10. Dick Bailar with the Legislative Committee asked the Board about the county's legislative priorities. Commissioner Fulford requested the county monitor septic tank legislation. Commissioner Monroe asked to monitor the Nestle situation. On motion by Commissioner Fulford and seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried, legislative priorities were approved as follows: secure funding for fiscally constrained counties; secure PILOT for amendment 1 and 4; restore full funding of small county solid waste grant; seek refunding of SHIP affordable housing; seek refunding of SCRAP/SCOP; seek funding to complete industrial park infrastructure; seek funding for new Fire/EMS facility; seek funding for new solid waste/recycling building; seek funding for Ag center;

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monitor Florida septic tank legislation; and continue to pursue interchange initiative grant from FSU.

- 11. On motion by Commissioner Fulford, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the Board approved Resolution 2010-102110-01, requesting the repeal of Senate Bill 550 Septic Tank Requirements.
- 12. The Board addressed NRCS project of Old Lloyd Road. County Attorney Buck Bird said that the Board could waive the request to have this voted on at the beginning of the meeting. He stated if no action takes place tonight then there is a contract in place. He further stated there could be problems if the Board chose to rescind the original agreements. He also said that there had been no written protest within 72 hours of the original decision or any formal memorandum within 10 days. Cherie Hodge asked the Board if the bids for Old Lloyd Road were revisited that she be afforded due process and given a chance to have her attorney present. Commissioner Boyd commented that if the Board kept second guessing its bid process that no one would want to do business with the county. On motion by Commissioner Fulford, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried, the Board decided to place this item on the agenda for discussion tonight and to waive requirements that this item should have been added at the beginning of the meeting.
- 13. Scott Sheffield with Preble-Rish stated that the Board voted to waive prequalifications and they should go with the low bidder. He further stated that the irregularity found in bid by Dixie Paving was a result of quantity and unit price. Silas Raker with Dixie Paving said he had received no notification of an irregularity. Commissioner Fulford stated this was discussed at the previous meeting. Commissioner Boyd stated his concern about the integrity of the bid process and stated his belief that an apology was due to Dixie Paving because they were not called. He stated his belief that the county had made a mistake, but that they were at the point of no return and would have to pay for the mistake. Alan Wise, with Preble-Rish, stated that discussing any matter with contractors before a decision is made on a bid is illegal and could be construed as negotiating a bid. County Coordinator stated that the County would remove FDOT prequalification requirement for the next projects.
- 14. County Coordinator Roy Schleicher presented his report, consisting of department head reports. He also stated that at 10 am on Friday, October 22nd, there would be a ribbon cutting held at the Jefferson County Library for the TDF Grant which would pay for renovating and converting a storage room to a computer lab and also a 20 hour per week employee.
- 15. Gordon Dean introduced himself as the incoming president for the Chamber of Commerce and addressed some of the issues the Chamber was facing.
- 16. Citizen Roland Brumbley stated that the Wacissa community intends to fight the possibility of Nestle Waters coming into the area. He asked the Board to ban pumping Jefferson County water and transporting across county lines and stated his belief that it benefited nobody except the Boland family. Chairman Monroe stated that the Suwannee River Water Management District will not allow water to be transported across county lines. Citizen Cindy Lambert stated she did not want Nestle in her backyard (Pinhook Road) and said research showed it was a bad idea to pump water out.
- 17. Citizen C.P. Miller expressed his concern that Code Enforcement was not on the agenda. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that the meeting would be Tuesday, November 16th at 5:00 to accommodate new Board members and also due to Attorney Scott Shirley's absence. Per request, the Code Enforcement discussion was moved to a December 16th workshop at 5:00 pm.
- 18. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.

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19. On motion by Commissioner Full unanimously carried, the meeting	ford, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, and was adjourned.
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