

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
October 20, 2011

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Stephen Fulford, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Hines Boyd, Danny Monroe and John Nelson. Also present were Assistant County Coordinator Henry Gohlke, County Attorney Buck Bird and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

ITEM 2(a): Recognition of Resigning Planning Commission Members

1. Chairman Fulford presented a plaque recognizing resigning Planning Commission Members Cindy Lee, George Cole and Nick Prine.
2. Taylor County Administrator Jack Brown asked the Board to consider an ordinance regarding a no-wake area in the vicinity of the Aucilla Boat Ramp at Nutall Rise.

ITEM 3: Consent Agenda

3. **On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried, the Board approved the consent agenda.**

ITEM 4: Citizen's Request and Input on Non-Agenda Items

4. Citizen Santa Hokanson expressed appreciation to outgoing Planning Commission members.

ITEM 5(a): Re-Districting Issues

5. Thomas Drage, attorney with Bryant Miller Olive, gave a presentation and made a proposal on re-districting for Jefferson County. He stated that there was no legal authority related to including prison population, only an Attorney General's opinion. County Attorney Buck Bird stated that the School Board historically had the same voting districts in order to reduce voter confusion. Chairman Fulford stated that the Board would consider the proposal at the workshop scheduled for November 1st.

ITEM 5(b): Industrial Park Road Pay Request

6. Glen Harrellson, with Dixie Paving, presented the issue of the payment request for work performed on Industrial Park Road. He stated that the structure of the road was better than what was called for but the cross slope was not exactly to specifications. He offered the Board an extended three-year warranty on the road in order to get paid for work done. County Engineer Alan Wise stated that the road had no structural deficiencies, but that it did not meet the specifications called for in the contract. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and failed 2 to 3 (Barfield, Fulford and Nelson opposed), the Board did not accept Mr. Harrellson's offer.**

ITEM 5(c): November 17th Commission Meeting Conflict

7. Commissioner Barfield stated the November 17th scheduled meeting conflicted with the Certified County Commissioner training classes offered by Florida Association of Counties. **On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the meeting was rescheduled for Monday, November 14th at 6:00 pm.**

ITEM 5(d): Recreation Park Advisory Board Vacancy

8. Assistant County Coordinator Henry Gohlke informed the Board that Michelle Brantley was resigning from the Recreation Park Advisory Board. Chairman Fulford announced that citizen Jeff Singleton had expressed interest and directed Mr. Gohlke to advertise for the vacancy and also have Mr. Singleton fill out the necessary paperwork and confirm his district of residence.

ITEM 5(e): Planning Commission Commentary

9. Dr. George Cole presented commentary on Planning Commission duties and the relationship to the Board of County Commissioners. He pointed out problems and issues and recommended re-establishing communication between the two boards. Chairman Fulford stated that such charge needed to be at the forefront of permanent county planning documents. Commissioner Barfield volunteered to move this concept forward.

ITEM 5(f): County and Planning Attorney Contracts

10. Chairman Fulford stated that he had not had a chance to sit down with both attorneys to discuss their respective contracts. He reported that he would do so and report back to the Board at a later meeting.

ITEM 5(g): Solid Waste Bid Purchase Recommendations

11. Solid Waste Director Beth Letchworth presented the results of bids for various equipment items. **On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Board approved eight 6-yard Slant Frontload containers from Consolidated Disposal for \$6312. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Board approved eight 8-yard Slant Frontload containers from Consolidated Disposal for \$7280. On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Board approved ten Recycle Roll-off containers from Consolidated Disposal for \$94,270. On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Nelson and unanimously carried, the Board approved a Roll-off Truck from Four-Star Freight Liner for \$151,973.**

ITEM 6(a): Department Head Reports

12. Assistant County Coordinator Henry Gohlke presented Department Head reports to the Board.

ITEM 7: Citizens' Forum

13. **On motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the decision to utilize IT Director Johnnie Abron to work on re-districting preliminary data for the workshop on November 1st was approved.**

ITEM 8: Commissioner Discussion Items

14. Commissioner Monroe stated there was still an issue with dogs at the head of the Wacissa River. Commissioner Barfield requested placing a rules draft item on the next agenda.
15. Commissioner Boyd stated that the committee was meeting with Randy Hatch relating to the Mine Contract on Monday and expressed concern about road base inventories. Mr. Gohlke stated that Mr. Hatch wanted to be present at the mine when the work was being performed.
16. Commissioner Nelson stated citizen John Finlayson had requested a resolution from the Board in support of not consolidating water management districts throughout the state.
17. Commissioner Barfield stated she would be meeting soon with John Lilly and Jed Dillard to discuss the Horse Arena. She further stated that the Board needed to turn its eyes towards focusing on Economic Development. Commissioner Boyd stated this would not happen without putting the proper resources towards this issue and that re-focusing the County Coordinator position towards this issue was a possible solution. Chairman Fulford recommended a workshop related to this issue to be held in January.
18. Chairman Fulford stated that the North Florida Broadband Authority project was reinstated and moving forward.
19. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.

ITEM 10: Adjournment

20. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest: _____
Clerk

Chairman