



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THE KEYSTONE COUNTY-ESTABLISHED 1827

435 W. Walnut St., Monticello, Florida 32344

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**Regular Session Agenda
July 5, 2012 at the Courthouse Annex
435 W. Walnut St. Monticello, FL 32344**

1. **9:00 A.M. – Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Public Announcements, Presentations, & Awards**
3. **Consent Agenda**
 - a) **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Citizens Request & Input on Non-Agenda Items (3 Minute Limit, No Commissioner Discussion)**
5. **General Business**
 - a) **Wildflower Resolution – Nancy Wideman**
 - b) **Rural Infrastructure Fund Grant/Industrial Park Stormwater Infrastructure – Alan Wise/Julie Conley**
 - c) **NFBA In-Kind Leases – Attorney Bird**
 - d) **Workshop Request for Wants & Needs Priorities– Commissioner Barfield**
6. **County Coordinator's Report**
7. **Citizen's Forum (3 Minute Limit, Commissioner Discussion Allowed)**
8. **Commissioner Discussion Items**
9. **Adjourn**

From the manual "Government in the Sunshine", page 40:

Paragraph C. Each board, commission or agency of this state or of any political subdivision thereof shall include in the notice of any meeting or hearing, if notice of meeting or hearing is required, of such board, commission, or agency, conspicuously on such notice, the advice that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Kirk Reams
Clerk of Courts

Roy M. Schleicher
County Coordinator

Bird & Sparkman, P.A.
County Attorney

ITEM 5(a): WILDFLOWER RESOLUTION

Resolution

WHEREAS, the natural beauty of native wildflowers in Jefferson County can be enjoyed by everyone; can attract guests, and benefit commerce, environmental health, and public well-being; and

WHEREAS, enjoyment of native wildflowers is an occasion for all County and community leaders to unite for the benefit of everyone; and

WHEREAS, many naturally beautiful species of native wildflowers, including Coreopsis, the state wildflower, as depicted upon the State Wildflower license tag, are already prominently displayed along Jefferson County's state and county roadways; and

WHEREAS, increasing the visibility of native wildflowers in Jefferson County is consistent with the vision of the Comprehensive Plan, and goals of many individuals, businesses, and community-based organizations; and

WHEREAS, the presence of native wildflowers is essential to the fitness of native pollinator species necessary for productive and profitable farms and forests; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 1513, Juan Ponce de Leon named this beautiful place La Florida, Land of Flowers, because of the wealth of native wildflowers; and

WHEREAS, in the year 2013, native wildflowers will be a prominent icon of Florida's and Jefferson County's quincentennial celebration of Spain in Florida; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and attainable to experience the beauty of many more native wildflowers by reducing the frequency and extent of roadside mowing; and

WHEREAS, State Roads 19 and 90; and County Road 259 are ideal candidates to establish pilot project corridors for management of native wildflowers;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Florida, do hereby commit and encourage others to commit to the conservation of roadside native wildflowers on state and county roadways, and do hereby instruct County staff to partner with the Florida Department of Transportation and adjoining property owners to plan and implement roadside management practices that will increase the visibility and enjoyment of Florida native wildflowers.

**ITEM 5(b): RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND
GRANT/ INDUSTRIAL PARK STORMWATER
INFRASTRUCTURE**

MEMORANDUM

TO: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FROM: JULIE CONLEY *JC*

DATE: JUNE 29, 2012

RE: RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT APPLICATION

On behalf of Jefferson County, Alan Wise and I are preparing a grant application for submittal to the Florida Rural Infrastructure Grant Program. The funds requested will help offset the cost of expanding the storm water facility in the southwest portion of the Jefferson County Industrial Park. Expansion of the facility is a prerequisite to any development south of Industrial Park Drive and is especially critical at this time as we move forward with the American Hunter project.

As you will recall, this program recently funded a feasibility study of the Industrial Park which identified, among other things, infrastructure requirements for future development. We believe Enterprise Florida will give favorable consideration to the funding request since it shows our commitment to timely address the findings of the study.

At the time this memorandum is written, the amount of the funding request is unknown. We hope to have that information available for Thursday's meeting. The narrative portion of the application and demographic data are almost complete. Since the State's new fiscal year begins Sunday, and the competition for the allocation of funds will be fierce, we need to submit our application as soon as possible.

I am requesting approval to submit the application as soon as possible. The submittal will not obligate the County since, if approved by Enterprise Florida, a grant agreement must be executed outlining the award, scope of work and other conditions.