

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
May 07, 2013

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman John Nelson, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Benjamin “Benny” Bishop, Hines Boyd and Stephen Walker. Also present were County Coordinator Parrish Barwick, County Attorney Buck Bird and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

ITEM 3: Consent Agenda

1. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda, the minutes of the March 7th Regular Session and the FAC/NACO Annual Conference Registration—was approved.**

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

2. Citizen Troy Avera stated he would like to see the drainage issue at the Jefferson Arts Center addressed.

ITEM 5(a): Jimmy Fulford Resolution

3. Sheriff David Hobbs informed the Board that the Legislature did not act on the naming of any roads and that he would be bringing this resolution back next year prior to the legislative session.

ITEM 5(b): NRCS Update

4. County Engineer Alan Wise informed the Board that NRCS officials had contacted him about increased funding. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that 7 of the 8 projects could be done for the original \$189,000 committed or all 8 could be done for an extra \$45,000. Commissioner Boyd stated he was not in favor of funding these projects out of fiscally constrained money. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick asked the Board not to look in-house as the Road Department was stretched thin. **Commissioner Boyd made a motion to pay for these projects out of the Road Bond funds, which died for lack of a second. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved moving forward with all 8 projects with future discussions on how to pay for the 8th project.**

ITEM 5(c): US-19 Beautification Grant

5. County Engineer Alan Wise stated that the county would only be responsible for maintaining the areas planted with the grant. He also stated that there was a possibility of entering into an agreement with the city contingent on City Council approval. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried, the Board approved moving forward with accepting the project and working with the city.**

ITEM 6(a): Martin Road Update/Proposal

6. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated that developers of Tractor Supply were willing to put \$20,000 towards the cost of repairing Martin Road in exchange for a release of responsibility and a letter to the editor stating that they were good stewards of

the community. Citizen Anne Phillips stated she would like to see Martin Road restored to its original condition. Commissioner Boyd stated he would like to move forward with chip-sealing the road, given that the Littlefield road construction crew was currently working in the area. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the offer and terms from Tractor Supply. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Board accepted the proposal of Littlefield Construction to repair Martin Road for the cost of \$40,000.**

ITEM 6(b): Re-Districting Cost Information

7. County Attorney Buck Bird stated that BMO legal fees would be \$2000 and KSA data analyzation costs would be \$4250 in order to determine whether re-districting was necessary to be performed. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the fee structure and moving forward.**

ITEM 6(c): Firing Range Ordinance Discussion

8. Planning Attorney Scott Shirley presented a draft ordinance to the Board. He stated that the minimum site size of 20 acres was increase to 40 acres. He asked for authorization to advertise and move forward with the public hearing process. The consent of the Board was to move forward.

ITEM 6(d): Solid Waste Request for Purchase of Wood Chipper

9. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated that Solid Waste Director Beth Letchworth had requested to the purchase of a wood chipper to cut down on the cost of debris transportation. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the low bid of \$39,845 from Environmental Products of Florida was approved.**

ITEM 6(e): Solid Waste Request for Purchase of Inmate Transportation Vehicles

10. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated that Solid Waste Director Beth Letchworth was in need of two vehicles for prison work crew transportation. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved purchasing the work trips off the state bid list for approximately \$26,500 each.**
11. Mr. Barwick asked for approval to go out for bid on two new road graders. By consensus, the Board granted this request.

ITEM 6(f): Extension Request for Purchase of Outdoor Equipment

12. County Extension Director John Lilly presented a bid list of equipment approved under his budget. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the low bidders on the equipment for a total of approximately \$24,800.**

ITEM 7: Citizen's Forum

13. Citizen Dick Bailar gave an update on the results of the legislative session.

14. Citizen Dan Hamedani voiced concerns over chip-seal being less quality than asphalt.

ITEM 8: Commissioner Discussion Items

15. Commissioner Walker requested permission to enter into discussions with the Boland family regarding the alternative landing issue and asked that Planning Attorney Shirley and Planning Official Bill Tellefsen be included in the discussions.
16. Commissioner Barfield requested that Board members submit names for RESTORE ACT committee members.
17. Commissioner Boyd requested that Curtis Mill Road be constructed at 12 feet wide and presented a petition signed by many of the residents. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick voiced concerns about liability issues and reducing standards on connectors. Commissioner Bishop stated that if there was right of way available, all roads needed to be at least 18 feet. Commissioners Barfield, Walker and Chairman Nelson concurred.

ITEM 9: Adjournment

18. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
19. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest: _____
Clerk

Chairman