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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
October 2, 2012

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

**ITEM 2: Public Announcements, Presentations & Awards**

1. Earlene Knight informed the Board of the first annual Veteran's Day parade festivities, schedules for Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.
2. Dan Schall informed the Board of the First Floridians Conference scheduled for October 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> at the Monticello Opera House.

**ITEM 3: Consent Agenda**

3. **On motion by Commissioner Monroe, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the consent agenda, consisting of the Approval of the Agenda, was approved.**

**ITEM 5(a): RESTORE ACT Gulf Consortium Inter-local Agreement/Resolution**

4. Commissioner Barfield introduced this item. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the inter-local agreement for the Gulf Consortium was approved. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Resolution of Support was approved.**

**ITEM 5(b): Small Business Development Update**

5. Dr. Dallas Garrett presented the Board with a small business development update. Commissioner Barfield requested that the decision to extend Dr. Garrett's for another 6 months be placed on the next agenda for discussion and/or approval.

**ITEM 5(c): Proposed Cash Reserve Resolution**

6. Chairman Boyd introduced this item and asked for a motion for its approval because of his concern over future spending. **Chairman Boyd passed the gavel to Commissioner Nelson and made a motion that was seconded for discussion by Commissioner Fulford.** Commissioner Fulford stated that the Clerk needed to be involved, as this was his responsibility. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that the County Commission needed to focus on cutting expenses at the county level in order to match estimated revenues. Commissioner Fulford requested that Chairman Boyd and Clerk of Court Reams work together and bring back a proposal to a future meeting. **Commissioner Fulford withdrew his second and Chairman Boyd withdrew his original motion.**

**ITEM 5(d): Fire Station Recommendation**

7. County Engineer Alan Wise with Preble-Rish recommended approving RAM Construction as the low bidder on the Fire Station and suggested negotiating with RAM in order to achieve the desired budgetary level for this project. Chairman Boyd expressed

displeasure with the proposal to spend much of the reserve in the Fire Assessment fund and expressed his desire to explore options due to the potential cost of the project. Citizen Rick Anderson that a new building on the existing site was a viable alternative. Mr. Wise asked the Board to allow he and County Coordinator Parrish Barwick to work together to bring a recommendation back at the next meeting and to review the possibilities of utilizing any prison labor.

**ITEM 5(e): Solid Waste Administrative Building Recommendation**

8. County Engineer Alan Wise stated that the bids for this project came in over budget and asked that he and County Coordinator Barwick be allowed to bring back a revised proposal.

**ITEM 5(f): Industrial Park Master Stormwater Update/Discussion/Decision**

9. Economic Development Director Julie Conley presented a proposal for the developers of the Tractor Supply Company to perform approximately 50% of the work needed on the Master Stormwater facility in exchange for hauling away and utilizing the fill dirt. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick expressed support for this and described it as a “win-win” situation. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated this was a “no-brainer.” County Attorney Buck Bird informed the Board of his 1/6<sup>th</sup> interest in the property that Tractor Supply was developing. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved, contingent on Attorney Scott Shirley’s legal opinion, allowing Tractor Supply developers to remove dirt from the south master stormwater facility of the Industrial Park to use on their construction site, with the estimated economic benefit of \$250,000.**
10. **On motion by Commissioner Fulford, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and carried 4 to 1 (Boyd opposed), the decision to authorize the County Coordinator and the County Engineer to negotiate for the final contract for the Industrial Park south stormwater facility expansion with low bidder Dixie Paving was approved.**

**ITEM 5(g): Mine Report**

11. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick presented the Mine Report to the Board and stated that the employees at the Mine had been re-assigned to Road Construction teams. Chairman Boyd asked for consultant Randy Hatch’s mine report to be placed on the next agenda.

**ITEM 6: County Coordinator’s Report**

12. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick submitted the volunteer application for Demott Anderson for the Recreation Park Advisory Board. Mr. Barwick informed the Board that the Rec Park Advisory Park had voted on not allowing Recreation Park Director Mike Holm not being allowed to participate in recreation park activities. Mr. Barwick stated he would follow the County Commission’s direction, but stated his opinion that everyone had the right to participate. There was no action taken by the Board.

**ITEM 8: Commissioner Discussion Items**

13. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams informed the Board of 272 hours of overtime in the month of September by the Road Department. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated he would review the material provided and report to the Board at the next meeting.

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14. Commissioner Monroe gave an NRCS update.
15. Commissioner Nelson stated he was working with Parks Director Mike Holm on some issues brought forth at the Recreation Park related to maintenance.
16. Commissioner Barfield stated she would like the contract with Dr. Garrett to be placed on the next agenda and stated she would like to see quarterly reports from Economic Development Director Julie Conley.

**ITEM 9: Adjournment**

17. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
18. **On motion by Commissioner Fulford, seconded by Commissioner Monroe and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

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Chairman

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk