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JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
December 6, 2012

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 2: Public Announcements, Presentations & Awards**

1. Landfill Engineer Frank Darabi presented a refund check from the Aucilla Regional Landfill in the amount of \$117,557.61.

**ITEM 3: Consent Agenda**

2. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and unanimously carried, the Consent Agenda, consisting of the approval of the agenda, was approved.**

**ITEM 4: Citizens Request and Input on Non-Agenda Items**

3. Citizen Dan Hamedani stated he appreciated the Board’s effort on Casa Bianca Road and said he would like to see the road “done right the first time.”
4. Citizen Arun Kundra stated he would like to see sidewalks along Gamble Road.

**ITEM 5(a): North Florida Workforce Development Board Inter-Local Agreement**

5. Sheryl Rehberg, with the NFWDB, presented this item. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Board approved the inter-local agreement.**

**ITEM 5(b): FEMA Maps Presentation**

6. Planning Attorney Scott Shirley and Planning Official Bill Tellefsen presented the FEMA maps to the Board. Attorney Shirley stated that any appeals to the flood plain maps would need to be filed with Jefferson County at the Planning Official’s Office. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and unanimously carried, the Board authorized advertising the press release outlining the FEMA proposal and changes.**

**ITEM 5(c): Road Construction Cost Scenarios**

7. Commissioner Boyd presented road scenarios to the Board and stated he wanted to make sure that the county used the bond money efficiently and in a way that benefited the maximum number of Jefferson County citizens. Commissioner Barfield stated that the County Coordinator and the Clerk of Court would be guiding the Board in moving forward with the Road Bond plan.

**ITEM 5(d): Dragline Discussion**

8. Chairman Nelson asked each Commissioner to do their research on this issue in order to make a final decision on the dragline. This decision was tabled to a later meeting

**ITEM 5(e): Sidewalk Project Prioritization**

9. County Engineer Alan Wise explained that the state had made available monies belonging to the county for sidewalk projects. He further stated that there were two projects currently available for funding: along Old Lloyd Road west of Highway 59; and US-19 south from Gulf Coast Lumber to Tractor Supply. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that this money needed to be spent by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013. Commissioner Boyd stated that the US-19 project was desirable to address safety concerns. City Manager Steve Wingate expressed his desire for the US-19 project as well. Citizens Mae Cuyler, Pat Pearson and Arun Kundra expressed preference for the Old Lloyd sidewalk project. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that there was a very good chance that the county could get money for the US-19 sidewalk in the near future. Commissioner Barfield expressed a desire to create a sense of place in Lloyd and expressed preference for the Old Lloyd sidewalk project. She also stated that the engineer and the Clerk stated it was wise to spend county money on county projects. Citizen Chuck Sarkisian stated it was unwise to spend money on what the state owns. Citizen C.P. Miller stated that the Lloyd area was a great safety issue as well. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and carried 3 to 2 (Barfield, Walker opposed), the Board approved the prioritization list for sidewalk projects with US-19 at #1 and Old Lloyd Road at #2.**

**ITEM 5(f): Emergency Ambulance Purchase Request**

10. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick presented this item to the Board. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and unanimously carried, the Board approved the emergency purchase request for the re-chassis.**

**ITEM 5(g): Boards and Committees Assignments & Appointments**

11. The Board made appointments to various Boards and placed the County Coordinator's Office in control of maintaining the list.

**ITEM 6(a): County Coordinator's Report / Road Construction**

12. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick gave an update on the status of various road projects and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams gave an update on NRCS projects.

**ITEM 6(b): County Coordinator's Report / Christmas Gift Certificates**

13. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried (Bishop abstained), the Board approved the \$25 gift certificates for all county employees, redeemable at various local merchants.**

**ITEM 8: Commissioner Discussion Items**

14. Commissioner Barfield stated she would like to move forward on some parameters for tax abatement. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams recommended holding a future workshop on this issue.
15. Commissioner Barfield stated that the naming policy needed to be developed as well as guidelines for distributing funds to local entities.

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16. Commissioner Boyd gave an update on his trip to the NFCC Board Meeting and asked for ideas on approaching NFCC in regards to leaving the equipment and programs in place at Green Industries.
17. Chairman Nelson stated he would be taking a group for fact-finding in regards to the dragline.

**ITEM 11: Adjournment**

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

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

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Chairman