

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
September 17, 2013

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman John Nelson, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Benjamin öBennyö 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 and Awards

1. Commissioner Boyd presented Dr. Dallas Garrett with a plaque of recognition for his efforts with the Small Business Development program.

ITEM 3: Consent Agenda

2. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick requested that item 6(a), Small Grant application, and item 6(e), Re-districting, be rescheduled for a later meeting. He also requested that the continuation of the Small Business Development program be placed as the first item under General Business. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda as amended—was approved.**

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

3. Citizen Anne Holt, representing Main Street, inquired as to why the Board's contribution had not been paid. She stated that the items had been ordered at an early time and there was not a chance to place BOCC recognition on the materials, but that the BOCC was recognized via press release.

ITEM 5: Continuation of Small Business Development Program

4. Citizen Bobbie Golden requested that the Board continue Dr. Garrett's Small Business Development Program by hiring someone to assist those still in need of services. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Walker and carried 3 to 2 (Nelson and Barfield opposed), the Board approved moving forward with the Small Business Development program.**

ITEM 5(a): RESTORE ACT Update

5. Commissioner Barfield gave an update on the RESTORE ACT. Chairman Nelson requested that County Coordinator Parrish Barwick form a committee with Commissioner Barfield.

ITEM 5(b): Legislative Priorities

6. Legislative Committee member Dick Bailar requested the Board's priorities for the October night meeting.

ITEM 6(b): County Coordinator's Report / 2012-2015 LHAP Amendment

7. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick presented this item and stated that a resolution was needed to amend the local housing program. Esrone McDaniel, with Meridian, explained that the amendment would allow reasonable costs to be adopted from the Federal

Guidelines into the state program. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the LHAP resolution was approved. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the Chairman to sign the agreement.**

ITEM 6(c): County Coordinator's Report / Equipment Purchase Request

8. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick presented bids from Caterpillar and Mack. He stated that no money would need to be expended for two years due to the trade-in amounts. **On motion by Commissioner Bishop, seconded by Commissioner Walker and carried 4 to 1 (Nelson opposed), the Board approved the purchase of three Mack trucks for the price of \$139,995.**

ITEM 6(d): County Coordinator's Report / Construction Update

9. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated that 12 road projects have been completed for a total of approximately 15.5 miles out of the original 41 mile plan. He also stated that 6 projects consisting of approximately 10.5 miles were in progress and would be ready for surface hopefully by the end of the month. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that there was approximately 2.5 million dollars left in funds. Mr. Barwick thanked the Board and the Clerk for their leadership with the Road Bond.

ITEM 7: Citizen's Forum

10. Citizen Juanita Crumity stated that Pinckney Hill had destroyed much of the canopy along Brock Road and that the road was currently in terrible shape.
11. Citizen C.P. Miller stated that the small grant committee's hesitation over CUP's application was not fair. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated that this be pulled from the agenda because policy had not been followed. Commissioner Barfield stated this needed to be on the next agenda and proper procedures needed to be followed.

ITEM 8: Commissioner Discussion Items

12. Commissioner Barfield stated that a previous Board's motion to give money Main Street was amended to have BOCC recognized under all areas of marketing. She stated her disappointment with not receiving what she had voted on.
13. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated that VAB appointments needed to be placed on the next agenda.
14. Chairman Nelson stated he agreed with Commissioner Barfield on the Main Street funding issue. Commissioner Barfield stated she would have liked to know that items were pre-ordered and not able to have the BOCC logo. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated that because the BOCC logo was not on all materials he had asked the Clerk not to pay the bill until the Board addressed the issue. Mr. Barwick commented that this could have been handled internally rather than in an open form.

ITEM 9: Adjournment

15. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
16. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest: _____
Clerk

Chairman