

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
December 2, 2014

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairperson Benjamin oBennyö Bishop, Betsy Barfield, Hines Boyd, Eugene Hall and Stephen Walker. Also present were County Coordinator Parrish Barwick, County Attorney Buck Bird and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

ITEM 1: Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance

1. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM 2: Public Announcements, Presentations & Awards

2. Commissioner Barfield stated that Mr. Zack Summerlin was unable to attend the meeting due to illness but he would be coming before the Board at a later date.
3. Dick Bailar, on behalf of the Legislative Committee and Chamber of Commerce, informed everyone that the Chamber Christmas party was moved to 6:30 pm due to a conflict with the Legislative Delegation meeting.
4. Troy Avera, on behalf of Main Street, invited everyone to Christmas downtown on Friday, December 5th.

ITEM 3: Consent Agenda

5. Commissioner Barfield requested that item (g) be pulled from the consent agenda and have it placed under General Business. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda as amended, the minutes of the November 4th and November 18th Regular Sessions, the Healthy Weight Florida Resolution and the Satisfactions of Lien for Gonzales and Seabrooks—was approved.**

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

6. Citizen Paul Henry spoke about the need to improve salaries of county deputies. Commissioner Boyd stated that the Sheriff was responsible for salaries of his deputies, not the Board and that the Board had been generous with the Sheriff's budget.

ITEM 5a: Legislative Priorities

7. Dick Bailar with the Legislative Committee introduced this item and briefly discussed the legislative priorities of the Board. He stated that water issues were very high on the priority list. Commissioner Barfield stated her desire to review the list. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the legislative priorities.**

ITEM 5b: Committee & Board Assignments

8. Chairman Bishop introduced this item and offered to serve on the Aucilla Landfill Board. Commissioner Hall offered to serve on Parks and Recreation Board in place of Commissioner Barfield. Commissioner Walker opted to serve on the ARPC Transportation Disadvantage Board. Commissioner Hall was chosen to be on the Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern (RACEC) board. Commissioners Walker and Hall

were chosen to serve on the Value Adjustment Board. Commissioner Barfield provided other corrections to the master list to be amended by County Coordinator Parrish Barwick. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Committee and Board assignments were approved.**

ITEM 5c: Christmas Gift Certificates

9. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams introduced this item and stated that the gift certificates were typically \$25 per employee but were increased to \$35 last year. He also stated these were paid out of the administrative line item of the Board's budget. . **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the Board approved the \$35 gift certificates for county employees.**

ITEM 5d: Item (G) from Consent Agenda – Support Letter for NFEDP Grant

10. Commissioner Barfield requested that more information on grants be providing a support letter. Economic Development Director Julie Conley stated this was the same letter as last year to apply for money for technical assistance. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the support letter.**

ITEM 7: Commissioner Discussion Items

11. Clerk of Court Kirk Reams stated he would be attending the Department of Transportation 5-year work program meeting and would find out what roads were approved for SCRAP and SCOP projects.
12. Commissioner Hall asked if it would be appropriate to do a resolution for fallen Officer Chris Smith. County Coordinator Barwick stated it could be done at a future Board meeting and he would work with Commissioner Hall on the wording.
13. Commissioner Barfield inquired if a resolution or proclamation had ever been done for fallen state trooper Jimmy Fulford, to which Sheriff Hobbs responded there was a resolution done to rename a stretch of road for him but he was not sure about any BOCC action.
14. Chairman Bishop stated he had attended the dedication to Trooper Fulford and it was a very nice service.
15. Citizen John Nelson stated he would be remaining on the ARPC Transportation Disadvantage Board as a citizen representative.

ITEM 8: Adjournment

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

Chairman

Attest: _____
Clerk