

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Regular Session  
March 1, 2018

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Stephen Fulford, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Eugene Hall, JT Surles and Stephen Walker. Also present were County Attorneys Buck Bird and Scott Shirley, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Clerk of Court Finance Director Charles Culp.

1. Commissioner Surles led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
2. Citizen John Nelson announced that the VFW awards banquet was going to be held on April 7<sup>th</sup>.
3. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick stated the plaque for Sheriff Hobbs had been hung on the wall and that when the Hobbs family was ready, he had a plaque prepared to present to them as well.
4. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Surles and unanimously carried, the consent agenda—including the approval of agenda, the minutes of the February 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Session, the General/Transportation Fund Vouchers and the Small County Grant Approval for Southern Music Rising—was approved.**
5. Chairman Fulford introduced the 2018 FDOT Road Improvement submittal items. After discussion, the Board decided to move forward with the next roads on the priority list for submission. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved Ebenezer Road as the CIGP submittal. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved Government Farms Road and Barnes Road as the SCRAP submittals. On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the Board approved Boston Highway South and Casa Bianca as the SCOP submittals.**
6. Commissioner Barfield introduced the RESTORE ACT consultant services RFQ item. She stated her desire to have a consultant assist the county in shouldering the administrative responsibilities that go along with the RESTORE ACT. **On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Fulford and unanimously carried, the Board approved proceeding with an RFQ.**
7. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick introduced the 2018 Road Bond list item. He stated he had presented each Commissioner with a priority list of roads. He requested that each Commissioner send a final list by Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>. County Coordinator Barwick stated he would then compile the list for a vote at the March 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Session.
8. Citizen D.C. Merritt inquired about the tax deed sales. Clerk of Court Finance Director Charles Culp stated an attorney had been assisting the Clerk's Office before moving forward and that sales would commence in the near future.

9. Tax Collector Lois Howell-Hunter presented a check to the County for her excess funds in the amount of \$527,410.59. Citizen Paul Henry stated his opinion that some of the excess funds be returned to the citizens.
10. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Solid Waste Director Beth Letchworth discussed issues with a roll off truck. County Coordinator Barwick stated that rather than repair the old one, it would be more cost effective to enter into a lease-purchase agreement. He presented a proposal with Capital Trucks to “piggy-back” the contract with City of Tallahassee for the lease. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried, the Board approved moving forward with the lease-purchase.**
11. Commissioner Barfield reminded everyone about the Dirty Pecan cycling event on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. She also stated she had recently visited the Lamont Schoolhouse and the renovations looked fantastic. She expressed a desire to utilize this building in some way in the future.
12. Commissioner Fulford announced that the Economic Development website was up and running.
13. Commissioner Walker stated the Regional Planning Committee needed a layperson to join. He noted the committee meets every other month and for anyone interested to go to the website and fill out an application.
14. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
15. **On motion by Commissioner Walker, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

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Chairman

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Clerk