

TAYLOR COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

PERRY, FLORIDA

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021

9:00 A.M.

201 E. GREEN STREET

TAYLOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX

OLD POST OFFICE

THE CHAIR CALLED THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ATTENDED THE MEETING AS FOLLOWS:

| <u>DISTRICT</u> | <u>OFFICE</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>HOW ATTENDED</u> | <u>PORTION ATTENDED</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | | JAMIE ENGLISH | IN PERSON | ALL |
| 2 | VICE-CHAIR | JIM MOODY | IN PERSON | ALL |
| 3 | | MICHAEL NEWMAN | IN PERSON | ALL |
| 4 | | PAM FEAGLE | IN PERSON | ALL |
| 5 | CHAIR | THOMAS DEMPS | IN PERSON | ALL |

COUNTY STAFF ATTENDED THE MEETING AS FOLLOWS:

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>HOW ATTENDED</u> | <u>PORTION ATTENDED</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| COUNTY ADMIN. | LAWANDA PEMBERTON | IN PERSON | ALL |
| IT COORDINATOR | THERESA COPELAND | IN PERSON | ALL |
| COUNTY ATTORNEY | CONRAD BISHOP | IN PERSON | ALL |
| COUNTY ENGINEER | KENNETH DUDLEY | IN PERSON | ALL |
| FIRE CHIEF | DAN CASSEL | IN PERSON | ALL |

COUNTY CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS ATTENDED THE MEETING AS FOLLOWS:

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>NAME</u> | <u>HOW ATTENDED</u> | <u>PORTION ATTENDED</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| CLERK OF COURT | GARY KNOWLES | IN PERSON | ALL |

WALLACE HOLMES LED THE BOARD IN PRAYER, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG. BUSINESS WAS TRANSACTED AS FOLLOWS:

THE CHAIRMAN READ INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONFERENCE CALL-IN LINE.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER FEAGLE WITH SECOND BY COMMISSIONER MOODY, AND BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, THE BOARD APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THIS DATE, AS SUBMITTED.

CONSENT ITEMS:

MOTION: TO APPROVE CONSENT ITEM NOS. FOUR (4) THROUGH NINE-A. (9-A.), AS FOLLOWS:

4. THE APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 7 AND 22 (2), 2021.
5. THE APPROVAL OF THE CURRENT BILLS BY THE BOARD, AS FOLLOWS:

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| GENERAL REVENUE FUND | 065713 | THROUGH | 065812 | INCLUSIVE |
| ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND | 5016879 | THROUGH | 5016893 | INCLUSIVE |

AND THAT THE CHAIRMAN AND THE CLERK BE AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE COUNTY WARRANTS COVERING SAME.

6. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GRANT AGREEMENT HL133 WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, FOR THE ELECTRICAL AND SOUND/ACOUSTIC IMPROVEMENTS AT FOREST CAPITAL HALL, AS AGENDAED BY MELODY COX, GRANTS WRITER.
7. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SATISFACTION OF REPAYMENT AGREEMENT AND SATISFACTION OF LIEN AGREEMENT FOR DEMOLITION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE THROUGH SHIP PROGRAM AND REHABILITATION ASSISTANCE, AS AGENDAED BY JAMI EVANS, GRANTS COORDINATOR.
8. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT FOR DEMOLITION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE SHIP PROGRAM, AS AGENDAED BY THE GRANTS COORDINATOR.

9. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANNUAL EXPENSE BUDGET AND BUDGET RELEASE AGREEMENT FOR TAYLOR COUNTY MARINE AND NATURAL RESOURCES AGENT, AS AGENDAED BY LORI WIGGINS, TAYLOR COUNTY EXTENSION DIRECTOR.
- 9-A. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TAYLOR COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FY 19/20 AUDIT, AND APPROVAL OF RELEASE OF FY 20/21 BUDGETED FUNDS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000, AS AGENDAED BY DANNIELLE WELCH, COUNTY FINANCE DIRECTOR.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | | X | | | |
| Moody | | X | X | | | |
| Newman | | | X | | | |
| Feagle | X | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ATTACHMENTS: GRANT AGREEMENT HL133; SATISFACTION OF REPAYMENT AGREEMENT/SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE & SECURITY AGREEMENT; ANNUAL EXPENSE BUDGET & BUDGET RELEASE AGREEMENT-MARINE AGENT; TCDA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

BIDS/PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 10. THE BOARD TO RECEIVE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFPS) FOR TAYLOR COUNTY FIRE – STATION 2, SET FOR THIS DATE AT 9:00 A.M., OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE.**

PROPOSALS WERE RECEIVED FROM THE FOLLOWING:

1. LMC STEEL
O'BRIEN, FL
2. RAM CONSTRUCTION & DEVELOPMENT, LLC
MIDWAY, FL
3. BBI CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, INC.
GAINESVILLE, FL

THE RFPS WERE OPENED BY THE CLERK AND SUBMITTED TO THE BID COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF KENNETH DUDLEY, DANNY GRINER AND DAN CASSEL. THE BID COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE RFPS RECEIVED AND TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD AT A LATER DATE.

SAID BIDS BEING ON FILE IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE.

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

11. DAVID JAHOSKI, GOVERNMENT SERVICES GROUP (GSG), INC., TO APPEAR VIA ZOOM, TO DISCUSS A REQUEST FROM FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION FOR SHIP CARES ACT REIMBURSEMENT.

DISCUSSION:

MR. JAHOSKI – WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION. THEY AUDITED THE SHIP CARES ACT AND HAD ONE (1) FINDING. ACCEPT THE REPORT AS IS, PENDING DISCUSSION BY FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, AS TO THE NEED FOR TAYLOR COUNTY TO REPAY.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR UNALLOWABLE MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,951.86, TO BE RETURNED TO FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION.

COMMISSIONER FEAGLE – I DON'T FEEL THIS IS A RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BOARD. GSG SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – IS THERE AN APPEAL PROCESS?

MR. JAHOSKI – GSG HAS APPEALED THE FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION DECISION.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – THE BOARD SHOULD SEEK GSG ERRORS & OMISSIONS LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

MR. JAHOSKI – WE HAVE DONE THIS.

MOTION: TO FOLLOW THE ADVICE OF COUNCIL AND PAY THIS REQUEST, THEN SEEK RESTITUTION FROM GSG.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | X | X | | | |
| Moody | | | X | | | |
| Newman | X | | X | | | |
| Feagle | | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

THE MOTION CARRIED.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS/OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNITS:

12. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF SIX (6) COMMISSIONERS (MEMBERS) TO THE TAYLOR COASTAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT (TCWSD) BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AS AGENDAED BY LAWANDA PEMBERTON, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.

DISCUSSION:

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – THERE ARE NINE (9) APPLICANTS FOR CONSIDERATION AS COMMISSIONERS TO THE TCWSD.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – RANK APPLICANTS 1 – 9, WITH THE BEST APPLICANT AS #1, SECOND BEST APPLICANT AS #2, ETC.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – TOP SIX (6) WILL BE APPOINTED AND THEN THE BCC WILL DETERMINE THE TERMS.

COUNTY ATTORNEY (AFTER TALLYING) – THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE TCWSD ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- MICHAEL LYNN
- GAYLE LUNDY
- MIKE HUNTER
- THOMAS KICKLIGHTER
- WILLIAM RICH

THE COUNTY ATTORNEY ADVISED OF A TIE BETWEEN WILLIAM RANDY HATHCOCK AND TRACIE SINGLETARY AND DIRECTED THE BOARD TO RANK THE TIE BREAKER AS #1 OR #2.

TIE BREAKER APPOINTMENT:

- WILLIAM RANDY HATHCOCK

MOTION: TO APPOINT TO THE TCWSD BOARD TO TERM ENDING MAY 31, 2022:

- RANDY HATHCOCK
- THOMAS KICKLIGHTER
- WILLIAM RICH

AND FOR TERM ENDING MAY 31, 2024:

- MICHAEL LYNN
- GAYLE LUNDY
- MIKE HUNTER

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | X | X | | | |
| Moody | | | X | | | |
| Newman | X | | X | | | |
| Feagle | | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

THE SEVENTH COMMISSIONER ON THE TCWSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS BEING DAVE DALL.

13. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE BIG BEND WATER AUTHORITY (BBWA) 2021-2022 BUDGET, AS AGENDAED BY MARK REBLIN, BBWA GENERAL MANAGER.

DISCUSSION:

MR. REBLIN – WATER AND SEWER REVENUE WENT UP A LITTLE. OPERATING EXPENSE WENT UP 34%. IN THE PROCESS OF TRIPLING OUR CAPACITY AND POSSIBLY BREAKING GROUND BY END OF THE YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FEAGLE – HOW WILL THIS BE FUNDED?

MR. REBLIN - \$5M PROJECT – WE WILL GET GRANTS AND LOANS. WE WILL ADD 140 NEW CUSTOMERS.

COMMISSIONER FEAGLE – WHAT ARE THE COSTS TO HOOK UP AND THE MONTHLY COST?

MR. REBLIN - \$6,500 FOR SEWER HOOK-UP; \$1,600 FOR WATER HOOK-UP.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN – CAN YOU EXPLAIN METER REPLACEMENTS?

MR. REBLIN – WE ARE WORKING TO REPLACE SOME OLD METERS AND APPROXIMATELY TWO (2) MILES OF PIPE.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE BBWA 2021/22 BUDGET, AS SUBMITTED.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | X | X | | | |
| Moody | | | X | | | |
| Newman | | | X | | | |
| Feagle | X | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

14. COMMISSIONER MOODY TO DISCUSS ROOT VS. TAYLOR COUNTY PROPOSED CASE RESOLUTION.

DISCUSSION:

COMMISSIONER MOODY REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE THE PURCHASE OF A PIECE OF PROPERTY IN ORDER TO MOVE THE ROAD AND FIX THE CURVE.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE INSURANCE ATTORNEY AND IS ONE WAY TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE.

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN – MR. DUDLEY, IS THIS APPROPRIATE FOR THIS CURVE?

COUNTY ENGINEER – THIS IS THE MINIMUM LAND REQUIRED FOR THIS CURVE.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO NEGOTIATE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY TO MOVE THE ROAD AND FIX THE CURVE.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | | X | | | |
| Moody | | X | X | | | |
| Newman | | | X | | | |
| Feagle | X | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

COUNTY STAFF:

15. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF POSSIBLE SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION AND DISCUSS OPTIONS FOR THE FLORIDA RECREATION DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FRDAP) FY 2021-2022, AS AGENDAED BY THE GRANTS WRITER.

DISCUSSION:

\$200,000 MAXIMUM PER GRANT APPLICATION.

IF THE BOARD CHOOSES TO MOVE FORWARD WITH A POSSIBLE APPLICATION, TWO (2) PUBLIC HEARINGS ARE REQUIRED TO BE HELD TO DISCUSS PROPOSED PROJECTS AND RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT.

MOTION: TO APPROVE SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$200,000 FRDAP AND ADVERTISE FOR 2 PUBLIC HEARINGS.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
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| English | X | | X | | | |
| Moody | | X | X | | | |
| Newman | | | X | | | |
| Feagle | | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

COUNTY ATTORNEY ITEMS:

16. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF DRAFT OPIOD RESOLUTION, AS AGENDAED BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER NEWMAN, WITH SECOND BY COMMISSIONER FEAGLE, AND BY UNANIMOUS VOTE, THE COUNTY ATTORNEY WAS AUTHORIZED TO READ THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION BY TITLE.

MOTION: TO ADOPT THE OPIOD RESOLUTION, AS PREPARED BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | X | X | | | |
| Moody | | | X | | | |
| Newman | | | X | | | |
| Feagle | X | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

ATTACHMENT: RESOLUTION

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS:

- 17. THE BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFER FROM SOLID WASTE RESERVES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$85,000, TO FUND TIPPING FEES-CLASS 1 THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR, AS AGENDAED BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.**

MOTION: TO APPROVE \$85,000 BUDGET TRANSFER FROM SOLID WASTE RESERVES TO TIPPING FEES.

| Commissioner | Motion | Second | Yea | Nay | Absent | Abstain |
|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-----|--------|---------|
| English | | X | X | | | |
| Moody | | | X | | | |
| Newman | | | X | | | |
| Feagle | X | | X | | | |
| Demps | | | X | | | |

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

18. THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO DISCUSS INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

NONE

19. COMMENTS AND CONCERNS FROM THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDAED ITEMS:

MARK VIOLA, PERRY NEWSPAPERS, ADVISED THAT THE FLORIDA FOREST FESTIVAL BOARD IS WORKING HARD TO HAVE THE FESTIVAL THIS YEAR.

20. BOARD INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

COMMISSIONER NEWMAN – THANK YOU TO STAFF FOR THE HELP WITH WATER ISSUES AND MOSQUITOES.

COMMISSIONER FEAGLE – CAN WE INVITE LOCAL PASTORS TO PRAY BEFORE OUR MEETINGS?

THANK YOU TO VOLUNTEERS FOR TCWSD BOARD AND ALL VOLUNTEERS IN THE COUNTY.

THE HOUR BEING APPROXIMATELY 10:38 A.M., AND THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER FEAGLE MADE A MOTION, WITH A SECOND BY COMMISSIONER ENGLISH, TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION TO ADJOURN PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD, SUBJECT TO CALL.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY: _____
THOMAS DEMPS, Chair

ATTEST:

BY: _____
GARY KNOWLES, Clerk