

April 17, 2018

JASPER, FLORIDA

REGULAR SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Robert Brown, Randy Ogburn, Beth Burnam, Josh Smith and William Mitchell, a full Board being present. Also present was County Coordinator Louie Goodin and County Attorney Cliff Adams.

The meeting was called to order by Madam Chairman Burnam and led in prayer by Commissioner Ogburn with the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Madam Chairman Burnam.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to approve the Consent Agenda. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

HAMILTON COUNTY RIDING CLUB SPONSORSHIP REQUEST

County Coordinator Louie Goodin advised the Board that a sponsorship of \$1,500 was issued to the Riding Club last fiscal year.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve a \$1,500 sponsorship for the Hamilton County Riding Club. Second was made by Commissioner Smith, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

SHIP / CDBG PROGRAM – STATUS REPORT

Ship Administrator Spencer Nabors presented the Board with a status report regarding the Ship and CDBG programs. Mr. Nabors discussed with the Board the re-bid information and recommended the following: White project be awarded to Maurice Perkins Construction in the amount of \$23,100, Lee project be awarded to Maurice Perkins Construction in the amount of \$21,870 and the Gibbons project be awarded to Florida Homes in the amount of \$65,043 due to Mr. Perkins already having three (3) projects.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to award the Ship re-bids as previously discussed following the recommendation of Mr. Nabors with ITC. Second was made by Commissioner Ogburn, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

IRRIGATION FOR VETERAN'S PARK – BO BEAUCHEMIN – VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER

Veterans Service Officer Bo Beauchemin expressed appreciation from the Veterans Memorial Park Committee to the Board for their support of the park. Mr. Beauchemin stated that a special thanks goes to the Road Department for the maintenance of the park. Mr. Beauchemin announced the following upcoming events: Concert in the Park (Matt Johns Band) Friday, April 20th, Memorial Day Ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on May 28th. Mr. Beauchemin also stated that the flag plaza is completed and has a flag from each branch of the service. Mr. Beauchemin then explained the committee's request for assistance with lighting and irrigation for the park, Mr. Beauchemin also stated that the City of Jasper has agreed to not charge for the water.

- Motion by Commissioner Mitchell for Mr. Beauchemin to work with County Attorney Cliff Adams and County Coordinator Louie Goodin in order to prepare the specifications and proceed with letting bids for the project. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

ROAD PAVING PROJECTS – STATUS REPORT

Engineer Greg Bailey gave the Board a status report on the current road projects.

CR-137 – Mr. Bailey stated that work on the CR-137 construction project is underway and the contractor is currently working on the drainage pipes and mitered ends and that the next work will be to construct the box culverts.

SW 55TH DRIVE – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that the Loncala property right-of-way has been staked with the acreage needed for the right of way being 7.5 acres and with an appraised value of \$13,600. County Attorney Cliff Adams advised the Board that he needed approval of the appraisal in order to begin the negotiating process with Loncala for their requests.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to accept the appraisal for the right-of-way in the amount of \$13,600 for 7.5 acres, approve for Mr. Adams to negotiate with Loncala regarding the \$13,600, fence around the retention pond, 100 ft. set back and fencing for the front of the property. Second was made by Commissioner Mitchell, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

SE 141ST BLVD. – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that the plans for SE 141st Blvd. have been submitted to FDOT for approval. County Attorney Cliff Adams stated that there is one parcel remaining and that staff is trying to contact the property owner.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to accept the right-of-way deed for parcel #9 (Duane Young) for the SE 141st Blvd. paving project as presented and recommended by County Attorney Cliff Adams. Second was made by Commissioner Smith, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Ogburn requested that the Board consider allowing an additional \$100 in travel expenses for Mr. Young.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to allow an additional \$100 in travel expenses for Duane Young. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

LOVES BYPASS – Mr. Bailey stated that the construction of the Loves Bypass is proceeding according to schedule and should be completed April 25th.

Mr. Bailey also advised the Board that the plans for 104th, 35th, Chanbridge and Oak Street have been submitted to FDOT for review and upon approval the projects will be advertised for bids. Mr. Bailey also stated that the Oak Street project is partially in the Railroad right of way and that the contractor will need Railroad insurance. Mr. Bailey then stated that FDOT is reviewing the issue and will work out the details for the project.

NW 34TH BLVD. (DIP) – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that staff met with the Oak Woodlands Property Owners Association and the Environmental Consultant. The Consultant agreed to provide information to the SRWMD on behalf of the Property Owners Association. Lisa McElhaney discussed the project with the Board and stated that the planning and restoration portion of the project would cost approximately \$10,000 and to bring 25th Place up to SRWMD standards will be another \$20,000. Ms. McElhaney then questioned the Board as to whether they intend to participate in the project in particular if the Board would be willing to mill the affected portion of the road at a cost of approximately \$37,000. The Board questioned staff as to any conflict regarding the current Limited Maintenance Agreement. County Attorney Cliff Adams stated that nothing would prevent the Board from participating in the project and the Limited Maintenance Agreement could be amended.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to assist the Oak Woodlands Property Owners Association with milling of the NW 34th Blvd. Dip Area in the amount of \$37,000 as estimated by NFPS and if the current Limited Maintenance Agreement doesn't allow for the work to amend the Agreement. Second was made by Commissioner Smith, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

CR-152 – Mr. Bailey advised the Board that the notice to proceed is complete. Mr. Bailey also discussed with the Board several programs regarding dirt roads where the Board sets up a special taxing district in order to collect certain tax revenue from individuals living on the road in order to assist with the maintenance.

- Motion by Commissioner Ogburn to approve the Construction Agreement with Anderson Columbia for the CR-152 paving project. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

HELEN UDELL – SUPPORT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS AS THEY ATTEND THE 2018 SPECIAL OLYMPICS USA GAMES IN SEATTLE WASHINGTON

Helen Udell addressed the Board regarding her previous request for funding for the Special Olympics team. The Board had previously agreed to match the amount raised not to exceed \$5,000.

- Motion by Commissioner Smith to donate \$5,000 to the Special Olympics upon receipt of the deposited amount of \$5,793.50. Second was made by Commissioner Mitchell, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

TOWN OF JENNINGS 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION DONATION REQUEST

- Motion by Commissioner Mitchell to donate \$150 to the Town of Jennings for the 4th of July Celebration as requested. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Commissioners Smith and Ogburn both stated that the request should have been made to the TDC rather than the Board of County Commissioners. Veterans Service Officer Bo Beauchemin stated that he would be willing to also donate \$150.

APPROVE BILLS

- Motion by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the bills (vouchers 129391 – 129748 and checks 057109 – 057197). Second was made by Commissioner Smith, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

HAMILTON COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – STATUS REPORT

Hamilton County Economic Development Director Susan Ramsey gave the Board a status report on the current economic development projects. Ms. Ramsey thanked the Board for attending the ribbon cutting for Cultivia Farms and stated that there were approximately 180 people in attendance. Ms. Ramsey stated that employment applications should be sent directly to Cultivia Farms. Ms. Ramsey also stated that she is working on a project for the Genoa site and reminded the Board that the Gateway City Big Band will be in concert at the Veterans Park on April 20th at 5:00 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- County Coordinator Louie Goodin advised the Board that a New Holland tractor is not available through the State Contract Bid list; however, the Alamo Radial Arm Mower is available. Mr. Goodin also stated that John Deere tractors are on the list and compatible with the Alamo Radial Arm Mower. The Board agreed to approve the purchase of the tractor and mower from the State Contract Bid list. Mr. Goodin recommended allowing

the Board to purchase the Chain Hoist, Lifts and Compressor for the new Road Department Shop. The Board agreed by unanimous consent.

- Mr. Goodin discussed with the Board the First Federal 50/50 grant for playground equipment with FFBSB willing to donate \$4,500 towards the equipment. Commissioner Ogburn suggested that staff contact Nutrien and see if they would like to participate in the grant.
- Commissioner Mitchell requested that the minutes from the last meeting be changed to reflect the correct road for the milling projects in his district: NE 113th Lane and NE 113th Place.
- Commissioner Ogburn advised the Board that the Resolution with Nutrien has been corrected and that the 5 Year Permit will be re-advertised for the May 15th meeting.
- Commissioner Smith announced that Opening Day for baseball at the Recreation Department was a huge success and that approximately \$4,000 was collected.
- Commissioner Smith discussed with the Board SW 31st Street which has a Limited Maintenance Agreement but the major portion is closed. Commissioner Smith requested that the road be placed on the agenda for the Board to consider milling the remaining portion.
- Madam Chairman Burnam requested that Project Bark be placed on the agenda for the next Board meeting and stated that Retail Strategies is planning to provide the Board with an update hopefully by the next Board meeting.
- Madam Chairman also stated that the Recreation Department looks really nice.
- Commissioner Smith also advised the Board that the Sunoco store across from Pilot has closed and is available.
- The Board announced the Shand's quarterly meeting on Friday. Commissioner Mitchell stated that he plans to attend.
- Commissioner Ogburn also stated that the 2018 annual report for Nutrien has been received.

There being no further business before the Board, Madam Chairman Burnam adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

BETH BURNAM, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

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