

**OCTOBER 15, 2024
JASPER, FLORIDA**

REGULAR SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners, Hamilton County, Florida, met in regular session on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room, 207 Northeast First Street, Jasper, Florida. Present were Commissioners Travis Erixton, Jimmy Murphy, Robbie Roberson, Richie McCoy and Robert Brown, a full Board being present. Also present were County Attorney Andy Decker and County Coordinator Gary Godwin.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- Motion by Commissioner Roberson to approve the consent agenda. Second was made by Commissioner Brown, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

APPROVE BILLS

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to approve the bills (vouchers 169048 – 169255 and checks 074530 - 074630). Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

HAMILTON COUNTY PROCUREMENT POLICY UPDATE

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to adopt the updated version of the Board of Commissioners Procurement Policy as of October 2024. Second was made by Commissioner Erixton, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING – SE 24-02 – PETITION BY RICHARD DUNGAN FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 4.5 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO ALLOW FOR A LIVESTOCK AUCTION FACILITY IN AN AGRICULTURE-4 (AG-4) ZONING DISTRICT LOCATED ON PROPERTY IN HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chairman McCoy recessed the Board meeting and called the public hearing (SE 24-02) to order at 6:05 p.m.

Land Use Administrator Mathew Morgan reviewed the application from Richard Dungan for a Livestock Auction Facility and stated that the Planning and Zoning Board unanimously approved the application. Mr. Dungan was present and provided the Board with a description of the project.

There being no further questions from the Board or public, Chairman McCoy closed the public hearing and re-opened the regular Board meeting at 6:08 p.m.

- Motion by Commissioner Erixton to approve SE 24-02 as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board. Second was made by Commissioner Roberson, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

CODE ENFORCEMENT CHARGES – PRESENTATION – SCOTT GAY

Chairman McCoy advised the Board that Scott Gay withdrew his request for a presentation on Code Enforcement fees for the municipalities.

ROAD DEPARTMENT – FUELING STATION BUILDING – BID AWARD

The Board opened the bids for the Fueling Station shelter replacement due to damage sustained during Hurricane Idalia. The bids were as follows: Plumb Level Construction - \$48,865.00, Triangle Barns & More - \$38,400.00. The Board stated concerns with the specifications as stated in the bid proposals.

- Motion by Commissioner Erixton to approve the bid proposal from Triangle Barns & More in the amount of \$38,400 and to allow Chairman McCoy to give the final approval once the specifications are clarified. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a four (4) to one (1) vote. Voting against the motion was Commissioner Roberson.

SHIP / CDBG PROGRAM / CDBG-CV – STATUS REPORT

Ship Administrator Spencer Nabors was unable to be in attendance for the meeting; therefore, County Coordinator Gary Godwin provided the Board with Mr. Nabors written status report of the Ship, CDBG, CDBG-CV and HHRP programs.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – STATUS REPORT AND REQUESTS

Economic Development Director Chadd Mathis was unable to be present for the meeting. County Coordinator Gary Godwin provided the Board with a status report on the current economic development projects. The Board discussed changing the entrance road access due to a request from the developer, Mr. Bailey stated that he would review the

request and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

ROAD PAVING PROJECTS – STATUS EREPORT

Kellan Bailey, with North Florida Professional Services, was unable to be in attendance due to a family emergency. Jared Lizotte, with Locklear and Associates was present and provided the Board with a status report for the Logistics Park construction and advised that the CR 25A resurfacing project will begin on Tuesday.

COUNTY RECREATION DEPARTMENT – SHOW PIG BARN REPAIR – BID AWARD

The Board opened the bid proposal for the Show Pig Barn repair. The only bid proposal submitted was from Plumb Level Construction in the amount of \$65,234.00.

- Motion by Commissioner Erixton to award the bid for the Show Pig Barn repair to Plumb Level Construction in the amount of \$65,234.00. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX AUDITORIUM A/C UNIT – BID AWARD

The Board agreed by unanimous consent to re-advertise for bids due to no bids being submitted.

STORM RELATED ISSUES – DISCUSSION AND REQUESTS

The Board reviewed a Resolution prepared by County Attorney Andy Decker defining public roads, private roads and roads with Limited Maintenance Agreements. After a lengthy review of the Resolution, Emergency Management Director Pam Allen advised the Board against the Resolution until she has a chance to discuss the issues with FDOT. With that being said, the Board tabled the Resolution to allow staff and Ms. Allen an opportunity to discuss with FDOT. Mr. Decker stated that the Resolution could be changed as deemed necessary.

The Board thanked Ms. Allen for how she handled Hurricane Helene.

- Motion by Commissioner Brown to continue the Local State of Emergency for Hurricane Helene. Second was made by Commissioner Roberson, motion carried with a unanimous vote.
- Motion by Commissioner Roberson to establish a Local State of Emergency for Hurricane Milton. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- County Coordinator Gary Godwin advised the Board that an individual has been hired to continue the road sign repair and replacement.
- The Board discussed changing the November 5, 2024 meeting date due to the General Election.
- Motion by Commissioner Erixton to change the November 5th BCC meeting to Monday, November 4, 2024, due to the General Election. Second was made by Commissioner Murphy, motion carried with a unanimous vote.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman McCoy adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

RICHIE MCCOY, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

GREG GODWIN, EX-OFFICIO CLERK

