

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 2, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on November 2, 2021 at 9:00 A.M. in the Meeting Room of the Levy County Annex Building with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman John Meeks	Comm. Rock Meeks
Comm. Matt Brooks	Comm. Lilly Rooks-by phone

Also present were:

Interim County Attorney – Evan Rosenthal
County Coordinator – Wilbur Dean

Chairman John Meeks called the Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Comm. Rock Meeks gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Comm. Brooks.

EXPENDITURES

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the following expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CHECK NUMBER	143589-143713
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,584,498.58
ROAD	40,797.76
SHIP	24,536.88
MOSQUITO CONTROL	174.39
COURT TECH/CRIM PREV	12,918.17
TRANSPORTATION	648.48
911	16,320.25
COURT FACILITIES	10,193.70
MISC GRANTS	44,980.79
EMS	19,746.38
FIRE	2,782.01
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,793.22
UTILITIES	742.05
ADD COURT COSTS	4,388.94
BLDG INSPECT & SAFETY	508.56
CAPITAL PROJECTS	304,524.13
ROAD IMPRV & RESTORE	37,921.71
LANDFILL	8,560.18
TOTAL	\$ 2,117,036.18
 EFT/ACH PAYMENT	 \$ 41,527.75

MINUTES

The minutes for the regular Board meeting held on August 3, 2021 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular Board meeting held on August 3, 2021 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve the agenda with no changes. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

- A. Elizabeth Phillips requested Board approval of Proclamation 2021-134, recognizing November, 2021 as National Hospice Palliative Care Month.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Proclamation 2021-134 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Comm. John Meeks recognized Bruce Haney for achieving the 1st Annual Paratransit State Technician of the Year award from FPTA/CTD.

PLANNING & ZONING

Swearing in of audience members was done by Atty. Rosenthal.

Comm. John Meeks asked if any of the Commissioners had any ex-parte communication regarding items A or B.

Comm. John Meeks stated he had ex-parte communication with the petitioners for item A.

Stacey Hectus, Director

- A. Public Hearing – Requesting Board approval of Petition No. SEA 21-01; approving a Special Exception Amendment for Heather Hosfeld on behalf of JFos LLC, petitioning the Levy County Board of County Commissioners for a Special Exception Amendment to SEA 01-06 AKA Wells Horse Hole. Parcel Number: 0284300000.

Petitioners, Heather and Darrin Hosfeld spoke to the Board explaining changes they have made which address concerns made by those living nearby.

Comm. John Meeks asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to speak regarding the item presented.

Audience member Judy Wright spoke regarding a fence on the property.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Petition No. SEA 21-01 including the self-contained camping as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board discussion/guidance regarding Internet Café's (simulated gambling).

Following discussion, the Commissioners gave direction for Mrs. Hectus to work with legal to draft an Ordinance which would prohibit Internet Café's/Internet Gambling establishments in Levy County.

LEVY COUNTY CITIZEN – MICHAEL L. SCHEUTRUM, SR.

Comm. Rooks spoke on behalf of Mr. Scheutrum, who lost his Agricultural exemption status on Parcel 0072500000, causing the taxes on the property to increase. Comm. Rooks stated she had explained to him the Property Appraisers office must follow the law and if a piece of property has not been used for Agriculture, it cannot qualify for Agricultural exemption.

LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Sheriff Bobby McCallum

- A. Requesting Board approval and the Chairman's signature for JAG Grant 2020-JAGC-3990, FY 2019 JAGC Residual LPR and Camera Systems. Sheriff McCallum stated the residual funding request in the amount of \$223,000 had been approved.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Chairman's signature on the JAG Grant, 2020-JAGC-3990, FY 2019 JAGC Residual LPR and Camera Systems as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2021-139 amending the final budget for fiscal year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$223,000.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-139 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Tammy Jones

- A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2021-135 amending the final budget for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of \$1,278.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-135 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2021-136 amending the final budget for FY 2021-2022 in the amount of \$30,813.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-136 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

FUTURE ENERGY SOLUTIONS

Wayne Burrell gave a follow-up to the Board of the lighting audit conducted at the Levy County Detention Facility. The Commissioners agreed to have Mr. Burrell provide a contract to the County Attorney for review and to be brought back to the Board for approval.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

John MacDonald, Director

Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2021-133 amending the final budget for fiscal year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$14,000.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-133 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PROCUREMENT

Alicia Tretheway, Coordinator

Requesting Board approval of the lowest most responsive bid for Asphalt (TB_2022_012), Central Materials. Listed below are the bids which were received:

Central Materials Company, Inc.	\$69,500
Ranger Construction	\$70,000
V.E. Whitehurst & Sons, Inc.	\$79,250

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to accept the bid from Central Materials as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

ROAD DEPARTMENT

Alice LaLonde, Administrative Coordinator

- A. Requesting Board approval to apply to FDOT for funding to have road improvements on the following roads: C337, C326, C347 and C336. All applications are completed electronically and Board approval is requested for Alice LaLonde to submit and sign the applications.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve application to FDOT for road improvements with approval for Alice LaLonde to submit and sign the applications as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2021-137 amending the final budget for fiscal year 2021-2022 in the amount of \$500,000.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-137 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

SHIP

Marlon Gayle, Housing Planner

Requesting Board approval of Deferred Payment Loan Agreement in the amount of \$24,536.88 for Robert J. Loubet, PA #584, for an existing unit in Chiefland, Florida.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Deferred Payment Loan Agreement for Robert J. Loubet, PA #584 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

RECOGNIZE ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sue Beaudette reported of the Beautify Bronson Day and stated there were 20 volunteers who came out to help clean up. She also reminded everyone of the upcoming Veteran's Day Parade.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. Brooks shared information about the Veteran's Wall of Honor Ceremony planned for November 10th in the Courthouse lobby organized by Tammy Jones, Supervisor of Elections. A Ceremony is planned on Veteran's Day at noon in Williston at the Veteran's Memorial pavilion. Comm. Brooks also stated Williston is compiling an application to seek funding for a new Fire and Police Station. They have requested a letter of support from the Board at the time when they submit their application. Comm. Brooks one be prepared to send to Senator Bradley and Representative Harding.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to provide a letter of support to Senator Bradley and Representative Harding for the City of Williston's application for funding for a new Fire and Police Station. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Comm. John Meeks welcomed and introduced County Attorney, Nicolle Shalley. An update of the CR337 construction was then given by Comm. John Meeks. Comm. John Meeks stated a new representative needed to be appointed for the Diversion Team with Meridian. Comm. Brooks stated he would take on this assignment.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:51 A.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks