

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 3, 2024**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on September 3, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. in the Meeting Room of the Levy County Annex Building with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman, Comm. Desiree Mills	Vice-Chair, Comm. John Meeks
Comm. Tim Hodge	Comm. Matt Brooks
	Comm. Rock Meeks

Also present were: County Attorney – Nicolle Shalley
County Coordinator – Wilbur Dean

Chairman Mills called the Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Comm. John 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. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CHECK NUMBER	153045-153166
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,998,663.81
ROAD	63,009.28
SHIP	116,970.11
MOSQUITO CONTROL	9,379.69
TRANSPORTATION	125.33
911	18,529.08
COURT FACILITIES	10,211.19
MISC GRANTS	47,943.29
EMS	484,501.98
FIRE	8,642.74
ART V GRANT	8,946.25
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	4,550.27
UTILITIES	389.79
COMMUNICATION	105,917.00
BLDG INSPECT & SAFETY	1,284.14
CAPITAL PROJECTS	529,637.66
ROAD IMPRV & RESTORE	9,087.00
LANDFILL	8,251.17
TOTAL	\$ 3,426,039.78
 EFT/ACH PAYMENT	 \$ 45,014.40

LCNR EXPENDITURES

Comm. Hodge made a motion to approve the following LCNR expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. John Meeks abstained from voting due to perceived conflict.

CHECK NUMBER	153167
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	1,078.92
ROAD	76.58
EMS	43.85
FIRE	25.88
UTILITIES	16.99
LANDFILL	415.03
TOTAL	\$ 1,657.25

AMB SUPPLY, INC. (DBA LEVY JONES) EXPENDITURES

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the following AMB Supply, Inc. (DBA Levy Jones) expenditure for payment. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Brooks abstained from voting due to perceived conflict.

CHECK NUMBER	153168
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	2,195.25
TOTAL	\$ 2,195.25

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matt Wendler requested the Board revise the restrictions pertaining to accessory structures and dwelling units as he is unable to obtain a permit to build a garage with an upstairs apartment on his property. Comm. Mills stated she would look into this issue.

**BUSINESS OR INFORMATIONAL ITEMS
LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE**

Nicole Gore

- A. Requesting Board approval to accept the Agreement for the FDLE LESA Grant Number ME020 in the amount of \$1,085,884, for fiscally constrained county funds awarded to LCSO. Also, requesting the Chairman’s signature if Agreement is approved.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the Agreement with the Chairman's signature as requested. Second was made by Comm. Hodge and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution No. 2024-59; A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,741 DUE TO INCREASED REVENUES FROM VARIOUS CLAIMS AND PROGRAMS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-59 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Hodge and the MOTION CARRIES.

- C. Arica Leshner, 911 Coordinator: Requesting the BOCC Chairman's signature on the E911 State-funded Agreement for NGCS implementation project to cover the cost of the E911 Core Services for Next Gen 911 for 2024-2025 in the amount of \$66,462.90.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the Chairman's signature on the E911 State-funded Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

NATURE COAST BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Scott Osteen, Executive Director

Presentation of the Nature Coast Business Development Councils new website.

Audience member, Jeff Hardison asked Mr. Osteen who governs the NCBDC. Mr. Osteen replied it is a Public-Private 501C. Mr. Hardison also inquired of the amount the Board of County Commissioners contribute to the NCBDC. Comm. Mills replied, the Board's contribution for FY 24/25 is \$66,400.

AGRICULTURE CENTER

Mark Warren

Requesting Board approval to purchase one John Deere 5050E off the Florida Ag. & Lawn Equipment Contract 25101900-21-STC (PG F2 CG 22) in the amount of \$38,285.61.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the purchase of a John Deere 5050E as requested. Second was made by Comm. Hodge and the MOTION CARRIES.

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

David Meyer, Development Coordinator

Requesting the Board of County Commissioners to review and approve the Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for Fire Inspection Services (Version 2) between Levy and Dixie Counties. Mr. Meyer stated the rate increased as of August 1, 2024 from \$65 per hour to \$100 per hour.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for Fire Inspection Services (Version 2) with Dixie County as requested. Second was made by Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

MOSQUITO CONTROL

Matt Weldon, Director

Requesting Board approval of the Annual State Financial Assistance Agreement (Contract #30618) for Mosquito Control Services in the amount of \$65,494.12.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve the Annual State Financial Assistance Agreement (Contract #30618) as requested. Second was made by Comm. Hodge and the MOTION CARRIES.

PROCUREMENT

Alicia Tretheway, Coordinator

A. Mrs. Tretheway presented the Procurement Department Third Quarter Review.

B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution No. 2024-57; A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,440 FOR DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OFFICE RENOVATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Comm. Brooks made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-57 as requested. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

C. Requesting Board approval of Resolution No. 2024-58; A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,000 FOR COURTHOUSE SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-58 as requested. Second was made by Comm. Brooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Dean spoke of the portable buildings owned by the Health Department located at the Annex property. He stated they had expressed an interest in getting them moved to the property located behind the Health Department.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Comm. John Meeks spoke of the upcoming Chili Cook-off at the Am-Vets Post 88 in Bronson. He also reminded everyone of the farm equipment on roadways during this time of year, as it is peanut harvest season. The Bronson Eagle Golf Classic is this Saturday at the Chiefland Golf and Country Club, weather permitting.

Comm. Brooks offered congratulations to Mrs. Harper as the new County Manager. He also announced there will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Williston Airport for the new terminal building on October 11th at 11:30 A.M.

Comm. Mills also reported the County Manager position had been accepted by Mary-Ellen Harper and she will begin on Monday, September 9th. Mrs. Harper will continue her duties as the PIO as well. Mr. Dean will serve as Special Projects Manager until his retirement date of February 28, 2025 and will assist Mrs. Harper with her transition to the County Manager. Comm. Mills reported of the Canvassing Board's recount of votes for the County Commissioner, District 5 position and stated Johnny Hiers was confirmed as this District's new County Commissioner.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, Desiree Mills