

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MAY 17, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on May 17, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. in the Meeting Room of the Levy County Annex Building with the following Commissioners present:

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

Also present were:

County Attorney – Nicolle Shalley  
County Coordinator – Wilbur Dean

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

**EXPENDITURES**

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

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>145395-145402, 145405-145530</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	107,842.75
ROAD	102,794.77
SHIP	29,920.00
TRANSPORTATION	14,294.43
COURT FACILITIES	1,517.62
MISC GRANTS	59,287.16
EMS	41,389.82
FIRE	4,352.62
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	7,543.92
UTILITIES	4,816.64
BLDG INSPECT & SAFETY	991.57
CAPITAL PROJECTS	18,138.30
ROAD IMPRV & RESTORE	515,104.90
LANDFILL	84,884.19
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 992,878.69</b>
 <b>EFT/ACH PAYMENT</b>	 <b>\$ 323,265.75</b>

**AMB SUPPLY, INC. (DBA LEVY JONES) EXPENDITURES**

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the following AMB Supply, Inc. (DBA Levy Jones) expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>145404</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	1,141.66
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,141.66</b>

**LCNR EXPENDITURES**

Approval of the following LCNR expenditures will be done at the next meeting when all Commissioners will be present.

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>145403</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	1,201.59
ROAD	328.03
MISC GRANTS	59.94
LANDFILL	67.39
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,656.95</b>

**MINUTES**

The minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on February 22, 2022 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on February 22, 2022 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS**

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

**PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS**

Requested Board approval of a Proclamation identifying the week of May 15-22, 2022 as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve the Proclamation identifying the week of May 15-22, 2022 as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Lorna Radcliff, Project Manager with Suwannee River Water Management District stated the District staff had been having meetings recently with Emergency Management staff from Levy, Dixie, Jefferson and Taylor counties over the last month. The meetings were centered around the Resilient Florida Grant Program with regard to the DEP required Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan for each county. This plan is required to be in effect by December 1, 2022. She stated DEP is helping by providing funding and stated it would be a regional collaboration opportunity.

Comm. John Meeks requested Ms. Radcliff forward a draft of a letter of support to the Board office.

Audience member, Terry Witt spoke regarding this item.

Ryan Asmus, FDOT provided updates of projects and stated they are continuing to gather data on the PD & E on US 19 improvements.

Audience members, Terry Witt and Dana Sheffield spoke regarding this item.

## **LEVY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Sheriff McCallum requested Board approval of Resolution 2022-21, approving a budget amendment to increase the Sheriff's FY 22 budget in the amount of \$35,000 for the LE budget and \$60,000 for the Jail budget.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-21 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS COUNTY COORDINATOR**

Wilbur Dean

Mr. Dean requested Board approval of Resolution 2022-23, requesting State and Federal legislative action and funding to improve the Lake Rousseau containment structures and restore the lower Withlacoochee River; providing directions to the County Coordinator or designee; and providing an effective date.

Dan Hilliard spoke regarding this item providing further explanation of improvements and restoration needed at Lake Rousseau and the Lower Withlacoochee River. He also thanked staff for their preparation of the Resolution.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-23 as presented. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PROCUREMENT**

Alicia Tretheway, Coordinator

Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2022-22, amending the final budget for fiscal year 2022 in the amount of \$3,400. This budget amendment is necessary to complete the Cedar Key Tower Project.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-22 as presented. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **TRANSIT**

Connie Conley, Director

- A. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2022-19, approving the application and submission of the 2022/2023 Trip & Equipment Grant.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-19 as presented. Second was made by Comm. John Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Requesting Board approval of Resolution 2022-20, approving the application and submission of the 2022-2023 Shirley Conroy Rural Area Capital Assistance Grant. The grant funds will be used to purchase maintenance equipment needed for setting up Transit Maintenance on the East side of the Transit building.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-20 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Williston resident, Veronica Gunn spoke to the Board of sidewalk repairs needed and trash in the area of CR318 in Williston inquiring if any progress had been made.

Comm. Brooks spoke, addressing Ms. Gunn's concerns, stating Code Enforcement had been contacted for the clean-up. He recommended Ms. Gunn contact the State to obtain funding for repair/replacement of the sidewalk as the county does not have funding for this project in the current budget.

Terry Witt inquired if all Commissioners had met with DOT representatives and, if so, could they provide a report of their meetings.

Billy Hinote, candidate for Levy County Commissioner, District 4, introduced himself to the Board and to the audience.

Sue Beaudette, Town of Bronson, reported of the survey she had placed on the Town of Bronson's website regarding the Bronson Library stating the majority were not in favor of relocating the library turning the existing library building into a community center.

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Comm. John Meeks reported of the Governor's Hurricane Conference he attended recently, along with other Commissioners. He reported the Rotary Fishing Tournament was a success.

A Memorial Day Service at Orange Hill Cemetery will be on May 29<sup>th</sup> and an Affordable Housing Workshop will be on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting recessed at 10:20 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 P.M.

**CLERK OF COURT & COMPTROLLER**

Jared Blanton, Finance Officer

Presentation of Levy County-BOCC Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2023 Budget – Staff, Departmental Recommendations, Option Decisions, & Revenue Discussion.

Jared Blanton spoke of budgeting for the replacement of the old courthouse elevator, now utilized by the Clerk’s Office relocated upstairs.

Maintenance Director, Jimmy Jones provided further explanation of the need for replacement of this elevator.

Comm. John Meeks made a motion to research the cost to replace the elevator on the Administrative side of the Courthouse. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

The Board agreed upon request by Mr. Blanton to set the dates for the Tentative and Final Budget Hearings as follows:

Tuesday, September 6, 2022	5:01 P.M.
Tuesday, September 20, 2022	5:01 P.M.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2:01 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEVY COUNTY, FL

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Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

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Chairman, Rock Meeks