

**MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING 9:30 A.M.
WORKSHOP FOLLOWING
MONDAY, JULY 6, 2009**

REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. in the County Commission Meeting Room, 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

Present were: Commissioner Hersey, Commissioner Chandler, Chairman Thomas, Commissioner Sellars and Commissioner Lewis.

Also present were: Brad Carter, County Manager; Sandra Harrell, Administrative Assistant; Terry Brown, County Attorney; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Terry Vaughan, Supervisor of Elections; Paul Funderburk, Road Superintendent; Winifred Holland, Health Department Director; Brian Johns, Emergency Management Director; Allen Parrish, Emergency Services Director; Mark Crawford, Press; D. Z. Griffis, Facility Maintenance Director; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Tim Wilson, CED; Donny Wise, Solid Waste Director; Angela Macey, Community Development Director; Nora Thompson, Zoning Director; Sheriff Smith; Capt. Starling; Capt. Boatwright and Marianne Marshall.

(See Supplement File No. 07-06-09 for a copy of documentation presented at this meeting.)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Thomas called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Commissioner Hersey offered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Thomas deviated from the agenda and asked Mr. Jim Biggs and Ms. Aldridge to approach the Commission with regard to the Take Stock in Children Program.

Ms. Aldridge and Mr. Biggs gave a brief overview of the success of the Take Stock in Children Program and expressed their appreciation to the Board for their past and continued financial support.

Mr. Biggs also commented on the following:

>> Expressed his appreciation to Mr. Brian Johns and Mr. Carter for their assistance at Sampson Lake with the recent flooding issues.

>> Thanked Mr. Carter and Mr. Funderburk for helping the CISTO Program procure gas under a bid system so they can afford to keep the vans on the road.

RESOLUTIONS:

--HEALTH DEPARTMENT FEES:

Ms. Holland presented the resolution for adoption. Mr. Brown read the title into the record.

On Motion of Commissioner Lewis, Seconded by Commissioner Sellars, the Board unanimously adopted the Resolution as presented. (The [Resolution was assigned No. 09-10.](#))

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF MAY 21, 2009**
- B. S.H.I.P. SATISFACTION OF MORTGAGE—English**
- C. S.H.I.P. HOME REPAIR LOANS—Steele; King; Perry—NOT TO EXCEED \$19,000**
- D. S.H.I.P. PURCHASE ASSISTANCE LOANS—Martin; Cooper—NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000**
- E. EMS WRITE OFFS--\$246,087.74**

On Motion of Commissioner Chandler, Seconded by Commissioner Hersey, the Board unanimously approved the [Consent Agenda](#) in its entirety.

ACORN CLINIC UPDATE FOR 2008/2009—DIANE MAULDIN:

In light of their recent request for funding, Ms. Diane Mauldin, Executive Director of ACORN Clinic, presented a Power-Point overview of services provided by the clinic in the last year, and its mission, goals and objections for the future.

Ms. Mauldin's presentation was not limited to but included:

- Ethnicity of Patient Population
- Ages of Population Served
- Medical and Dental Clinic
- Ancillary Services
- Outreach Education
- Women's Health Program
- Diagnosis Ranking (Medical and Dental)
- Financial Demographics
- Revenue and Expenses
- Cost Saving Measures to Decrease Expenses

The Commission expressed their appreciation to Ms. Mauldin for the services ACORN Clinic provides to the citizens of Bradford County.

REDISTRICTING UPDATE—TERRY VAUGHAN:

Mr. Vaughan said that it is mandated that redistricting be done every 10 years, following the census (2010). Some time this fall or winter would be a good time to conduct a workshop, in coordination with the School Board, to discuss how to proceed. A new plan must be in place in 2011. The County cannot do a lot until it is known what the state and congressional lines will be, which should be determined some time in 2011, maybe early 2012. Under the current situation with budget restrictions, the County should look at the possibility of downsizing the number of precincts for the 2012 election.

There was some discussion.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY ATTORNEY CONTRACT—BRAD CARTER:

Mr. Carter presented the contract for consideration. If approved, the contract will be effective October 1, 2009.

Commissioner Chandler said that he does not have a problem with the contract. However, in light of the economic climate, this contract, as well as any contract, should be evaluated on a yearly basis and increased (if needed), to keep from having a large increase at one time.

On Motion of Commissioner Lewis, Seconded by Commissioner Hersey, the Board unanimously approved [the contract](#) as presented.

PAYMENT OF BILLS—COMMISSIONER SELLARS:

On Motion of Commissioner Sellars, Seconded by Commissioner Lewis, the Board unanimously approved payment of the bills.

(A list of the bills is located in the Finance Department of the Clerk's Office.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS—TERRY BROWN: None.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORTS—BRAD CARTER:

A. PERMISSION TO RECOMMEND THE APPOINTMENT OF WINIFRED HOLLAND TO THE WELLFLORIDA BOARD FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM, REPLACING ALLEN PARRISH:

Mr. Carter recommended the appointment of Ms. Holland to the WellFlorida Council for a two-year term. The Director of WellFlorida concurs with the recommendation. Ms. Holland has agreed to accept the appointment.

On Motion of Commissioner Hersey, Seconded by Commissioner Sellars, the Board unanimously approved the recommendation for appointment.

SHERIFF REPORTS—GORDON SMITH:

Sheriff Smith reported on the following:

- >> Expressed his appreciation to Ms. Holland for the Men’s Health Clinic.
- >> At their request, he is working with the Keystone Country Club residents toward substantiating a golf cart ordinance.
- >> Sheriff Smith presented a [statistical quarterly report](#) covering March 19 through June 30.

CLERK REPORTS—RAY NORMAN: None.

COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Sellars commented on the following:

- >> Expressed appreciation to Mr. Carter for his assistance at Bessent Road during the recent extensive rain.

Commissioner Lewis commented on the following:

- >> Thanked Mr. Carter for assisting in getting the insurance issue with the sand pit contract resolved.

Mr. Carter advised that Rayonier waived the additional liability requirements. The [contract](#) has been executed and mailed to Rayonier. As soon as the contract is fully executed, excavation can begin.

There was brief discussion regarding the acreage of the sand pit.

CHAIRMAN COMMENTS—DOYLE THOMAS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. George Roberts made a brief presentation regarding Fair Tax, an alternative way of funding the federal government, and its advantages. The constitutional amendment is currently filed with Congress.

Mr. Roberts thanked the Commission for the opportunity to make the presentation. He asked the Commission to consider adopting a resolution supporting the Fair Tax and mail it to every representative and senator in the State of Florida.

There was brief discussion.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:44 a.m.

Chairman Thomas called a recess before the workshop.

WORKSHOP

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in a workshop setting on Monday, July 6, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. in the County Commission Meeting Room, 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

Present were: Commissioner Hersey, Commissioner Chandler, Chairman Thomas, Commissioner Sellars and Commissioner Lewis.

Also present were: Brad Carter, County Manager; Sandra Harrell, Administrative Assistant; Terry Brown, County Attorney; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Brian Johns, Emergency Management Director; Paul Funderburk, Road Superintendent; Bob Siffert, FHP Representative, and Jim Crawford.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Thomas called the workshop to order at 11:00 a.m.

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REVIEW AND RECOMMEND CHANGES TO THE BRADFORD COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE ROAD PAVING AND RESURFACING PLAN:

Discussion was not limited to be included:

- Adding criterion to be used when prioritizing roads to include:
 - The number or residents on the road
 - How long the road has been a County road
- The condition of and maintaining paved roads throughout the County
- Using recycled materials on resurfacing and/or paving projects
- Funding Mechanisms for the Road Paving and Resurfacing Plan
- The current road paving loan
 - The Clerk is to check on the possibility of getting a lower interest rate on the loan by refinancing
- Splitting larger paving projects into two budget years
- Short dirt roads
- Ninth cent gas tax option
- The possibility of using CDBG funds for road repairs, paving and drainage issues

Ms. Christa Pusateri with the engineering firm Bailey Bishop & Lane, Inc., addressed the Commission. They have a grants department and are currently working with Union County on their CDBG for the upcoming grant cycle. They do not charge any fees up front for their grant work. If they assisted the County with a grant application and the grant was awarded, they would apply to do the administration of the grant.

There was a consensus to add criterion to be used when prioritizing roads to include:

- The number or residents on the road
- How long the road has been a County road

REVIEW AND RECOMMEND ROADS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE COUNTYWIDE ROAD PRIORITY LIST:

Mr. Carter said that the five roads included in the original countywide priority list have all been paved. To be in compliance with the Road Paving Plan, the Commission needs to establish five other roads.

Commissioner Chandler said that once the list is established it should be reviewed and updated, if necessary, on an annual basis.

(Each Commissioner will determine their priority for the road priority list and turn it in to Mr. Carter.)

Discussion ensued which was not limited to but included:

- The mileage of a road being considered for pavement (short roads versus long roads) and how to equally divide that among each district
- Road priorities changing due to unforeseen events
- Ninth cent gas tax
- One-half cent sales tax dedicated to roads
- Connector roads and number of bus stops to be considered as criterion for paving
- The County's Comprehensive Plan

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Commissioner Chandler suggested a separate category for prioritizing connector roads, which could be countywide instead of by district.

(Mr. Jim Crawford made comments during this section of the workshop.)

REVIEW AND RECOMMEND ROADS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE FDOT FIVE-YEAR ROAD PRIORITY LIST: Not discussed.

Mr. Bob Siffert advised that the state is currently changing some of the legislation for SCOP. They have a significant amount of emphasis on professional pavement management programs, which is basically what the Commission has been discussing. The state's decision to award funds will weigh heavily on whether or not you have a pavement management program. These are very common in urban counties, but in small counties where the state is helping with SCOP funds, they are not very common. The state has found that there is a great deal of fiscal responsibility in choosing roads and having a pavement management program could bring more money to Bradford County from the state.

REVIEW AND RECOMMEND LIST OF PROPOSED ROADS FOR STOP SIGNS WITH FLASHING LIGHTS: Not discussed.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the workshop adjourned at 11:55 am.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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DOYLE THOMAS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
RAY NORMAN, CLERK OF COURTS

Minutes prepared by Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk