

**MINUTES OF  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA  
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING      6:30 P.M.  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2011**

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The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in regular session on Thursday, January 20, 2011, at 6:30 p.m. in the County Commission Chambers at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Lewis, Commissioner Thomas, Commissioner Riddick, Commissioner Sellars and Commissioner Chandler.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Brad Carter, County Manager; Sandra Harrell, Administrative Assistant; Will Sexton, County Attorney; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Paul Funderburk, Road Department Superintendent; Winifred Holland, Health Department Director; Jerome Kelley, County Engineer; Allen Parrish, Emergency Services Director; Sheriff Smith; Capt. Boatwright; Capt. Starling; Brian Johns, Emergency Management Director; Capt. Smith; and Tim McCarthy, Communications.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2010**
- B. MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF DECEMBER 16, 2010**
- C. MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF JANUARY 3, 2011**
- D. PROCLAMATION HONORING JESSE JAMES MOORE, JR. FOR SERVICE TO BRADFORD COUNTY IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION**
- E. PROCLAMATION FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AWARENESS WEEK (February 13-19, 2011)**

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to approve the [Consent Agenda](#) in its entirety.***

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**CONSIDER APPLICATION FROM AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. FOR COPCN IN SOUTHERN REGION OF BRADFORD COUNTY—COMMISSIONER RIDDICK:**

Commissioner Riddick commended Mr. Parrish and Mr. Johns for their efforts in reducing emergency response times.

Commissioner Riddick presented the COPCN Application for consideration. Mr. Parrish commented on the COPCN request.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Chandler, and **carried 5-0, to approve the [COPCN](#) as requested.***

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**PAYMENT OF BILLS—COMMISSIONER RIDDICK:**

*Commissioner Riddick moved, seconded by Commissioner Chandler, and **carried 5-0, to approve the bills as reviewed.** (A list of the bills is on file in the Finance Department of the Office of the Clerk.)*

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

**Paul Still – Sampson Lake:**

Chairman Lewis recognized Mr. Still, who addressed the recent modifications to the gates and made suggestions to improve the water flow and water quality.

Mr. Carter suggested arranging a meeting to include himself, Chairman Lewis, David Still, Brian Johns and Jerome Kelley, to discuss the possibilities.

Incited by inquiry of Commissioner Chandler, Mr. Johns briefly addressed the Illinois Weed problem in the lake.

Commissioner Chandler commented on four-wheelers in the dry bed of the lake.

**Cleo Elder – Un-permitted Catfish Pond in Country Club (Land/Zoning Issue):**

Chairman Lewis recognized Ms. Elder, who distributed copies of a [letter sent to the County Attorney from her attorney](#), stating that Bradford County does have jurisdiction and authority to address this matter. She also distributed copies of a [letter from Suwannee River Water Management to Mr. Reddish](#) requesting a statement from the County allowing runoff from his property into the County drainage system, together with a [response from Mr. Reddish](#).

Discussion ensued, which was not limited to but included, run-off into the County right-of-way, continued erosion of the pond, affects of the pond on existing septic systems, the slope of the pond, County Land Development Regulations, Florida Statute regulating setbacks from septic systems.

At the request of Commissioner Sellars, Mr. Sexton said that he would be more than happy to confer with the attorney for the Health Department to see, if between the two of them, they could come up with some kind of a solution.

There was additional discussion.

Chairman Lewis said that he would set up a meeting with the County Manager, the County Attorney and the Health Department to address all of Ms. Elder's concerns. He asked Ms. Holland to make sure the Health Department re-measures both septic systems to confirm setback requirements are being met. Commissioner Thomas suggested contracting an independent engineer to perform the measurements.

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**COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS—WILL SEXTON:** None.

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**SHERIFF REPORTS—GORDON SMITH:**

Sheriff Smith reported the following:

- He will be presenting his year-end report at the next regular meeting.
- Resulting from efforts of Capt. Starling, there is a possibility of an Inmate Housing Contract with Putnam County to house from 30-50 inmates. The County Attorney has reviewed the contract and made a few changes.
- He has been researching the possibility of displaying the Ten Commandments on the courthouse grounds, which will ultimately require official action of the Commission by ordinance. He is working with other religious leaders in the State and with the Liberty Coalition concerning the legalities.

Chairman Lewis thanked Sheriff Smith for providing armed security during Commission meetings.

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**CLERK REPORTS—RAY NORMAN:** None.

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**COUNTY MANAGER REPORTS—BRAD CARTER:**

Mr. Carter asked Mr. Johns to present the first eight (8) items.

**A. RESOLUTION RESCINDING BURN BAN**

Mr. Johns read the title of the resolution into the record.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the Resolution as presented.** ([Resolution No. 2011-02.](#))*

**B. RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY**

Mr. Johns presented the resolution for consideration.

*Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the Resolution as presented.** ([Resolution No. 2011-03.](#))*

**C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT “PRIORITIZED LIST OF ACTION ITEMS”**

Mr. Johns presented the list for consideration.

*Commissioner Sellars moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to approve the Prioritized List of Action Items as presented.***

**D. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LMS COMMITTEE WORKGROUPS**

Mr. Johns presented the LMS Committee Workgroups for consideration.

*Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to approve the LMS Committee Workgroups as presented.***

**E. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FEDERALLY-FUNDED SUBGRANT AGREEMENT 10-01-10 THROUGH 04-30-2013**

Mr. Johns presented the grant agreement for consideration. The \$89,298.00 grant is a non-matching grant.

*Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to approve the Grant Agreement as presented.***

**F. CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR “RFQ” FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CONTRACTUAL SERVICES REQUIRED BY GRANT PROCUREMENT GUIDANCE**

Mr. Johns requested approval to proceed with an RFQ for Emergency Management Contractual Services required by Grant Procurement Guidance. The \$89,298.00 grant mentioned above will pay for the contractual services.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to approve the RFQ as presented.***

**G. CONSIDER I.G.C.F. EXPENDITURES (Approved by IGCF 01-20-11)**

Hasty’s Communications	\$7,155.00 (Batteries)**(See below)
Harris Corporation	\$ 99.00

Mr. Johns presented the expenditure requests. The IGCF Committee met this morning and approved these items. \*\*The \$7,155.00 should be changed to “**Not to Exceed \$5,800.00**”. There are sufficient funds in the IGCF.

*Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to approve the IGCF expenditure requests as presented.***

**H. CONSIDER I.G.C.F. EXPENDITURE FOR MOTOROLA QUANTARS, QUANTAR RECEIVERS AND DIGITAC COMPARATOR RADIOS (\$69,107.82)**

Mr. Johns withdrew this item.

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**I. BOCC SPONSORSHIP FOR REZONING APPLICATIONS:**

**CONSIDER BOCC SPONSORSHIP FOR REZONING APPLICATIONS FROM AG-2 TO CI FOR JERRY DEMPSEY – PARCEL NO. 00777-0-00000**

**CONSIDER BOCC SPONSORSHIP FOR REZONING APPLICATION FROM RR TO COMMERCIAL GENERAL FOR MICHAEL I. WELLS – PARCEL NO. 00805-0-00707**

Mr. Carter presented the both applications for consideration.

*Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and carried 5-0, to approve Board Sponsorship of the [Rezoning Applications](#) as presented.*

**J. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR COURTHOUSE ELEVATOR (\$4,425.12)**

Mr. Carter presented the agreement for consideration.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and carried 5-0, to approve the [Maintenance Agreement](#) as presented.*

**K. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF S.H.I.P. HOME REPAIR LOANS NOT TO EXCEED \$19,000 AND PURCHASE ASSISTANCE LOANS NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000**

Mr. Carter presented the Purchase Assistance Loans for consideration.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and carried 5-0, to approve the [SHIP Loans](#) as presented.*

At the request of Mr. Carter, Ms. Holland announced that the Health Department was successful in receiving a \$308,000.00 through State low-income pool dollars for Bradford and Union counties. The grant will help fund the provision of mental health services, substance abuse, prescription drug assistance and nutritional counseling to the uninsured through December 2011.

Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and carried 5-0, to accept the grant award.

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**COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:**

**Commissioner Chandler commented on the following:**

--Florida Works is doing a great job with their efforts to bring more jobs to Bradford County and they will continue to push that agenda. He is very proud of the work that the volunteers representing the County on the Board are doing.

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**Commissioner Sellars commented on the following:**

--Encouraged Ms. Elder to be patient while the County works toward resolve in her situation.

**Commissioner Riddick commented on the following:**

--Requested a workshop to discuss the possibility of paving SE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and SE 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue through the County's MSBU process.

Since there is an Economic Development Workshop scheduled for February 27, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., there was a consensus to discuss the MSBU issue at that workshop immediately following discussion on Economic Development.

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**CHAIRMAN COMMENTS—EDDIE J. LEWIS:**

- He was unable to attend the Legislative Delegation due to illness. He thanked Commissioner Chandler for attending on behalf of the County.
- The County is going to give the Elders a timely response to their concerns.

Chairman Lewis recognized Mr. Edwin Johns, who made a comment regarding the pond in the Country Club.

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**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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**EDDIE J. LEWIS, CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**RAY NORMAN, CLERK OF COURTS**

Minutes prepared by Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk