

**MINUTES OF
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING 6:30 P.M.
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012**

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. in the County Commission Chambers at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Carter, County Manager; Rachel Rhoden, Administrative Assistant; Will Sexton, County Attorney; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Allen Parrish, Emergency Services Director; Kelly Canady, Community Development Director; Chip Ware, Fire Marshal; Donny Wise, Solid Waste Director; Ray Shuford, Sheriff I.T. Director; Sheriff Smith; Randy Andrews, Zoning Director; Mark Crawford, Press; Butch Jordan, Lawtey Chief of Police; Rose Sansing, Administrative Assistant; Capt. Smith; and Brian Johns, Emergency Management Director.

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

Chairman Chandler deviated from the agenda for a special presentation by the Sheriff.

PRESENTATION:

Sheriff Smith recognized Chief of Police M.M. "Butch" Jordan for being the 2012 State of Florida recipient of the Criminal Justice Award from the Florida Counsel on Crime and Delinquency. Sheriff Smith read an excerpt from a magazine article citing numerous accolades of Chief Jordan.

Sheriff Smith presented Chief Jordan with a plaque that was to be presented at the Annual State Conference of which the Chief was unable to attend.

**PUBLIC HEARING
ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCES**

--REZONING APPLICATION NO. Z 12-02 (Keystone United Methodist Church)—RANDAL ANDREWS, ZONING DIRECTOR:

Mr. Andrews read the title of the ordinance into the record and provided the parcel numbers for the affected properties, which is the Keystone United Methodist Church totaling 23.79 acres. The proposed rezoning will allow an RV park/campground on the church property to accommodate a traveling group called the Nomads. The Nomads travel to communities and help those who cannot afford to have work done on their homes. If the rezoning is approved, it will need to be followed up with a special exception to allow the RV campground.

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Chairman Chandler opened the public hearing. Mr. Andrews introduced Mr. Mattox, Trustee for the Keystone United Methodist Church, who briefly reviewed the plans for the RV park.

There being no further public input, the public hearing was closed.

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the ordinance approving Rezoning Application No. Z 12-02.** (The [Ordinance was assigned No. 2012-07.](#))*

--BRADFORD COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL—WILL SEXTON, COUNTY ATTORNEY:

Mr. Sexton read the title into the record.

Chairman Chandler opened the public hearing. There being no response, the public hearing was closed.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the ordinance as presented.** (The [Ordinance was assigned No. 2012-08.](#))*

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REQUEST MADE BY REPRESENTATIVE CHARLES VANZANT TO USE OFFICE SPACE FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN THE BRADFORD COUNTY COURTHOUSE**
- B. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO REFER DELINQUENT EMS ACCOUNTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$660,647.28 TO NATIONAL RECOVERY AGENCY FOR FURTHER COLLECTION EFFORTS**
- C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN BRADFORD COUNTY AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR OPERATION OF THE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (2012-2013—No increase from prior year)**
- D. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2013 HAZARDOUS WASTE MONITORING AGREEMENT WITH NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL (\$7,822.00—No increase from prior year)**
- E. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2013 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL (\$23,500.00—No increase from prior year)**
- F. CONSIDER TWO (2) SHIP HOME REPAIR LOANS—NOT TO EXCEED \$19,000 EACH**

*Commissioner Lewis moved, and seconded by Commissioner Thomas to **Approve the [Consent Agenda.](#)***

Chairman Chandler declared a conflict on Item "F". ([Form 8B](#))

The **Motion Carried 4-1, with Chairman Chandler dissenting.** (The Chairman cast a dissenting vote in lieu of a conflict.)

PAYMENT OF BILLS—COMM. RIDDICK:

*Commissioner Sellars moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and **carried 5-0, to approve payment of the bills as reviewed.*** (A list of the bills is located in the Finance Department of the Office of the Clerk.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS—WILL SEXTON:

A. RESOLUTION:

--AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR BUILDING PERMITS, ESTABLISHING FEES AND CHARGES FOR MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE BRADFORD COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS AND FIRE INSPECTION SERVICES

Mr. Sexton read the title into the record. This resolution combines all three areas into one resolution, amending and replacing Resolutions 2012-02, 2011-05 and 2008-27. There are no changes to actual fees or costs.

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the Resolution as presented.*** (The [Resolution was assigned No. 2012-28.](#))

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REVISED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR BY AND BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BRADFORD COUNTY AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CLAY COUNTY

Mr. Sexton presented the interlocal agreement for consideration. This Commission previously approved the interlocal agreement. However, Clay County has requested a couple of changes. Mr. Sexton reviewed the changes identified on the copies provided:

- Page 3 – Add language to state that Clay County would not pay anything up front. That Bradford County would invoice Clay County as soon as the work is completed and Clay County would pay within 45 days.
- Page 6 – Typo in subsection B in sections 9 & 10.
- Page 8 – Clay County wanted the effective date to include the following language: “and subject to budget and appropriation approval by Clay County in the 2012/2013 budget.” He spoke with their Assistant County Attorney, who advised that that item is included in their 2012/2013 proposed budget. However, since the proposed budget has not been passed, they felt the language was necessary.

*Commissioner Riddick moved, seconded by Commission Lewis, and **carried 5-0, to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the changes as noted.***

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMS ASSOCIATION, IAFF LOCAL NO. 4315 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH PROPOSED CHANGES

Mr. Sexton presented the contract for approval. He and Chairman Chandler met with Mr. Parrish and representatives of the Union to review proposed changes recommended by Mr. Parrish. Mr. Parrish then met with the Union representatives to negotiate the proposed changes. There are no financial impacts; just policy changes that will help Bradford County administer EMS.

He has reviewed the revised agreement and all the changes should be acceptable to the County; they are acceptable to Mr. Parrish, who put in a significant amount of time to insure that they are in the best interest of Bradford County.

Mr. Parrish confirmed that the changes have been approved by the Union and if acceptable to the Commission, would have an effective date of October 1, 2012.

Chairman Chandler advised that he had the privilege of sitting in on the negotiations. Mr. Parrish and Mr. Sexton did an excellent job and the Union representatives were very cooperative. The changes are beneficial to the County and the EMS Department.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and **carried 5-0, to approve the Collective Bargaining Unit as presented.***

D. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DEVELOPER AGREEMENT FOR TWO FIRE HYDRANT INSTALLATIONS @ HIDDEN HILLS UNIT IV (Retype from Agenda)

Mr. Sexton requested that this item be pulled from the agenda to give staff more time for review. The agreement will be brought back to the Commission at a later date.

*Commissioner Sellars moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and **carried 5-0 to pull the item from the agenda.***

SHERIFF'S REPORTS—GORDON SMITH:

EMERGENCY ITEM:

--CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR GENERATOR EQUIPMENT FROM STOKES EQUIPMENT SALES, INC. (SOLE SOURCE) TO ENHANCE 911 SYSTEM (\$22,693.00)(IGCF COMMITTEE APPROVED 8/0)

Sheriff Smith reported that during a recent power outage the 911 system went down for 17 minutes. Fortunately, the system tracks calls and there were no incoming 911 calls. The Clerk has allowed them space in the courthouse for pre-planned outages such as repairs and maintenance and they are in the transition of designing it. There is an emergency need for a back-up generator to the generator solely for the Communications Center. Mr. Johns has a generator on hand that is more than sufficient to meet the need. Stokes Equipment Sales has provided a [proposal of \\$22,693.00](#) for the equipment needed to get the generator up and running. There are funds in the IGCF to cover the cost. There would be two separate purchase orders, one to Stokes Equipment Sales for \$19,010.00 and one to Graybar for \$3,683.00 for the purchase of material with no tax to be purchased by the BCSO. Graybar can supply some of the equipment for less than the U.S. Communities contract pricing.

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*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to declare an emergency to consider the item.***

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to approve the IGCF expenditure of \$3,683.00 to purchase materials from Graybar as presented.***

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to approve the IGCF expenditure of \$19,010.00 for electrical labor and materials from Stokes Equipment Sales as presented.***

Chairman Chandler advised that he received a late public comment card and recognized Mr. Andrew Timmons.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Andrew Timmons of Hampton—Road and Drainage Problems

--101st Street off of CR18 by the church is impassable.

--While installing a new water line, the City of Hampton destroyed a pipe in front of his house. The pipe has been fixed, but it is not sufficient to handle the water, causing flooding.

Following extensive discussion, Mr. Carter advised that he would confer with Mr. Kelly to confirm that he has reviewed the engineering side to make sure the water flows correctly. Mr. Carter assured Mr. Timmons that the County would be in the area in the very near future.

CLERK REPORTS—RAY NORMAN: None.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORTS—BRAD CARTER:

A. RESOLUTION

--CONFIRMING THE EXTENSION OF A DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

Mr. Johns presented the resolution for consideration. He read the title into the record.

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the Resolution as presented.** (The [Resolution was assigned No. 2012-29.](#))*

**B. REQUEST APPROVAL TO PURCHASE LAND FROM RAYONIER FOR RADIO TOWER—
BRIAN JOHNS, Emergency Management Director:**

Mr. Johns explained that the installation of a communications tower in the Brooker area would correct the communication problems. Rayonier owns property on CR235 south that would suit the need. The Property Appraiser has determined the worth to be between 3 to \$5,000 per acre. The County will need between 2-3 acres to accommodate the tower. He would like the Commission's approval to make an offer of \$3,000 per acre.

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to authorize Mr. Johns to make an offer to purchase property from Rayonier as requested.***

**C. BID RECOMMENDATION FOR "ROLL-OFF CONTAINERS" FOR THE SOLID WASTE
DEPARTMENT—DONNY WISE, Solid Waste Director**

Mr. Wise advised that out of the [three bids were received](#), Iron Container, LLC out of Miami is the low bidder at \$5,829 each for the 40-yd closed containers and \$5,389 each for the 50-yd open container. He needs at least four (4) 50-yd containers and two (2) 40-yd containers, totaling \$33,214.00. The funds are in his budget.

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and **carried 5-0, to award the bid to Iron Container, LLC for the purchase of the containers as presented.***

**D. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A 2001 GRADALL XL4100, 6X6, 3-AXLE DRIVE,
TRUCK MOUNTED, DUAL ENGINE, A/C EXCAVATOR CAB FROM GREAT SOUTHERN
CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT CO. FOR \$69,200.00**

Mr. Carter requested approval to purchase a 2001 Gradall XL4100, 6X6, 3-axle drive, truck-mounted, dual engine A/C excavator cab from Great Southern Construction Equipment Co. [Two rental payments of \\$7,900.](#) each have been made, reducing the sales price to the \$69,200. from \$85,000. Staff has had an opportunity to use the machine and recommends the purchase.

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

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Lewis commented on the following:

- Thanked all the departments who have assisted during the flooding problems.

Commissioner Riddick commented on the following:

- Addressed the public comment presented by Mr. Timmons. Everyone has been doing the best they can to resolve the flooding problems. The ditches could not be pulled until the contractor was finished with the water lines. The Road Department will get back on it as soon as possible.
- Thanked the Road Department for all their hard work.

Commissioner Thomas commented on the following:

- Concurred with Commissioner Riddick regarding the Timmons' matter.

CHAIRMAN COMMENTS—ROSS CHANDLER:

- Addressed the difficulties faced by the Road Department to maintain the roads and the great strides made to improve the process.

Chairman Chandler recognized Ms. Lillie Strachan, a citizen residing in Pleasant Grove, who advised of flooding and drainage problems on 177th and requested the County's assistance.

Following some discussion, Commissioner Sellars advised that staff has been in the area exploring the options to help alleviate the problems.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
RAY NORMAN, CLERK OF COURTS

Minutes prepared by Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk