

(10-18-12 Regular Meeting)

**MINUTES OF
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS--BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING 6:30 P.M.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2012**

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on Thursday, October 18, 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; Terry Brown, County Attorney; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Capt. Starling, Chip Ware, Fire Marshal; Mark Crawford, Press; Allen Parrish, Emergency Services Director; Brian Johns, Emergency Management Director; and Jim Farrell, Finance Director.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2012
- B. SHIP/CDBG EMERGENCY SET ASIDE LOANS – NOT TO EXCEED \$84,500.00 PER ELIGIBLE APPLICANT (8 Applicants Total)
- C. (THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA PRIOR TO THE MEETING. THE ITEM WAS: Consider Approval of North Florida Economic Development Partnership 2012-2013 Membership Dues of \$1,433.10)
- D. RENEW FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN MERIDIAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE AND BRADFORD COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF ADULT CRIMINAL DRUG COURT SERVICES (\$7,000.00 Annually-Same as Previous Year)
- E. RENEW FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN MERIDIAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE AND BRADFORD COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES (Not to Exceed \$88,807.00-Same as Previous Year)
- F. APPOINTMENT OF PAM WHITTLE AS REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE NORTH FLORIDA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP (NFEDP) BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR FY 2012-2013
- G. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN ENTERPRISE FLORIDA, INC. (EFI), NORTH FLORIDA REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND BRADFORD COUNTY, DESIGNATING THE CHAMBER AS PRIMARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION FOR BRADFORD COUNTY
- H. REAPPOINTMENT OF KENT PETELLE TO THE BRADFORD COUNTY ZONING AND LOCAL PLANNING BOARD (Three-year Term 10-01-12 to 09-30-15)
- I. REAPPOINTMENT OF KENT PETELLE TO THE BRADFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS (Three-year Term 10-01-12 – 09-30-12)

Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and carried 5-0, to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety.

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PAYMENT OF BILLS – COMMISSIONER SELLARS:

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 in the Finance Department of the Office of the Clerk of Courts.)

RESOLUTION—JIMMY ALVAREZ, PROPERTY APPRAISER:

--PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE 2012 ASSESSMENT ROLLS PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 197.323 AND 193.122, F.S.

Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and carried 5-0, to adopt the resolution extending the 2012 assessment rolls pursuant to F.S. 197.323 and 193.122. (The [Resolution was assigned No. 2012-31.](#))

(After the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Alvarez joined the meeting and explained the purpose of the resolution, which relates to the Value Adjustment Board process.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS—TERRY BROWN:

RESOLUTION:

--APPROVING CERTAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY TRANSFERS BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE S.E. 144th St. PROJECT

Mr. Brown read the title into the record.

Following brief discussion, *Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, and carried 5-0, to adopt the resolution as presented.* (The [Resolution was assigned No. 2012-32.](#))

SHERIFF'S REPORTS—GORDON SMITH: None.

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 read the title into the record. Although the declaration ended October 10, the Commission must ratify the last seven days of the declaration.

Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and carried 5-0, to adopt the resolution as presented. (The [Resolution was assigned No. 2012-33.](#))

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2013 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR INTEROPERABILITY COMMUNICATIONS ENHANCEMENT FOR MOBILE COMMAND POST—TOTAL \$140,000.00—NO MATCH—BRIAN JOHNS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF 2013 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS—TOTAL \$100,000.00—NO MATCH—BRIAN JOHNS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

On items “B” and “C”, Mr. Johns advised that Emergency Management Departments were notified of \$2 million in de-obligated funds from 2008 that were not spent. However, those funds have now been re-obligated and are no longer available. Bradford County is on the list for 2009 for the same non-matching grants, for which they will apply.

For informational purposes, Mr. Johns reported on the availability of 2012 (up to \$35,000) Community Resilience Innovation Challenge non-matching grants through FEMA, which applications are due by October 26. He would like permission to proceed with applications for seven (7) grants. ([List](#))

There was consensus to move forward with the grant applications as requested.

D. 1. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY AWARDS GRANT FOR EMS—TOTAL-- \$32,403.00—NO MATCH, NON COMPETITIVE—ALLEN PARRISH, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

Mr. Parrish requested permission to proceed with the EMS County Grant application as described above.

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

2. RESOLUTION—CERTIFYING THE MONIES FROM THE EMS COUNTY GRANT WILL IMPROVE AND EXPAND THE COUNTY’S PRE-HOSPITAL EMS SYSTEM AND WILL NOT BE USED TO SUPPLANT EXISTING COUNTY EMS BUDGET ALLOCATIONS—ALLEN PARRISH, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DIRECTOR

Mr. Brown read the title into the record.

*Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the [Resolution](#) as presented.*** (The [Resolution was assigned No. 2012-34.](#))

E. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CITIZEN FIRE HYDRANT ASSISTANCE APPLICATION FOR TWO (2) FIRE HYDRANTS AT THE KEYSTONE COUNTRY CLUB (Hidden Hills, Unit IV)

Mr. Carter presented the application for consideration.

Discussion ensued, which was not limited to but included ownership of the hydrants, infrastructure requirements, qualifying subdivisions, fire protection and access regulations for future subdivisions and reimbursement grant for the expense of the hydrants.

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Mr. Brown advised that the project proposed in the application is of general benefit to the public and the Utility Authority is assuming ownership and responsibility for maintenance, liability and cost.

*Commissioner Sellars moved, seconded by Commissioner Riddick, and **carried 5-0, to approve the [Fire Hydrant Assistance Application](#) as presented.***

Later in the meeting, Mr. Carter asked for clarification of the Board's intent concerning purchase of the fire hydrants: Is it the intent of the Board to fund the purchase of the hydrants immediately, or wait until confirmation of the grant award is received? The Board conceded that their intent is to wait on receipt of confirmation of the grant award.

F. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO PURCHASE ± THREE (3) ACRES OF LAND FROM RAYONIER FORESTS RESOURCES, L.P.—NOT TO EXCEED \$12,250.00 (\$3,500.00/ACRE)—BRIAN JOHNS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Johns advised that following the Board's approval and after obtaining a value from the Property Appraiser, he submitted a bid of \$3,000 per acre to purchase ± three (3) acres from Rayonier; [Rayonier counter-offered \\$3,500](#). The Property Appraiser valued the property between 3 to \$5,000.

Mr. Johns requested approval to purchase the property, not to exceed \$12,250., to cover the survey and closing costs. Purchase of the property is for the purpose of constructing a communications tower to enhance radio communications in the west side of the County.

*Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and **carried 5-0, to approve to purchase the property from Rayonier as requested.***

There was brief discussion regarding timber on the property.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Lewis commented on the following:

- Thanked the Commission for approving the purchase of the property to enhance communications in the west side of the County.

Commissioner Riddick commented on the following:

- Thanked the Commission for approving the fire hydrant assistance application and thanked Mr. Ware, Mr. Johns and Mr. Parrish for their assistance in the process.

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CHAIRMAN COMMENTS—ROSS CHANDLER:

- Gov. Scott suspended all Commissioners from WorkForce Boards. FloridaWorks feels it is important to keep commissioners on the Boards, and asked the Governor to reappoint him and Commissioner Pinkoson from Alachua County. He has completed the necessary paperwork and with the Governor's approval, he will continue his service.
- Briefly updated the Commission on the accomplishments of the WorkForce board.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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DOYLE THOMAS, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
RAY NORMAN, CLERK OF COURTS

Minutes prepared by Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk