

(04-07-14 Regular Meeting)

**MINUTES OF
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING 9:30 A.M.
MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2014**

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on Monday, April 7, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. in the County Commission Chambers at 945 North Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Carter, County Manager; Rachel Rhoden, Deputy County Manager; Will Sexton, County Attorney; Ray Norman, Clerk to the Board; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Paul Funderburk, Road Superintendent; Brian Johns, Emergency Management Director; Allen Parrish, Emergency Services Director; Tim Wilson, CED; Dean Bennett, Facility Maintenance Director; Mark Crawford, Press; Randy Andrews, Zoning Director; Donny Wise, Solid Waste Director; Kelly Canady, Community Development Director; Capt. Boatwright, and Sheriff Smith.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Riddick called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING
ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE**

--PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL 365-DAY MORATORIUM ON THE ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF IMPACT FEES:

Mr. Sexton presented the ordinance for consideration and read the title into the record.

Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, to adopt the ordinance granting the additional 365-day moratorium on the assessment and collection of impact fees.

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

The *Motion Carried 5-0.* (The [Ordinance was assigned No. 2014-02.](#))

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. REJECT BID FROM ROADScape NORTH FLORIDA, INC. FOR STRIPING OF COUNTY ROADS**
- B. AWARD BID TO PRITCHETT TRUCKING, INC. FOR HAULING OF MILLINGS**
- C. AWARD BID TO ELROD AUCTIONS FOR AUCTIONEERING SERVICES**

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

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS--CHAIRMAN RIDDICK:

Chairman Riddick advised that he reviewed the bills and recommends payment.

Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and carried 5-0, to approve payment of the bills. (A copy of the bills is on file in the Finance Department of the Office of the Clerk of Courts.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS--WILL SEXTON:

- A. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SUBORDINATING BRADFORD COUNTY'S EASEMENT INTEREST IN A PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY (FDOT PARCEL #105) FOR THE PURPOSE OF FDOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE US301 BYPASS PROJECT**

Mr. Sexton presented the agreement for consideration.

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

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B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SUBORDINATING BRADFORD COUNTY'S EASEMENT INTEREST IN A PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY (FDOT PARCEL #112) FOR THE PURPOSE OF FDOT CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE US301 BYPASS PROJECT

Mr. Sexton presented the agreement for consideration.

Commissioner Lewis moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and carried 5-0 to approve the Subordination Agreement as presented.

C. PROCLAMATION--DECLARING THE MONTH OF APRIL WATER CONSERVATION MONTH

Mr. Sexton presented the proclamation for consideration.

Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Sellars, and carried 5-0, to Declare the Month of April 2014 Water Conservation Month.

Mr. Sexton presented two additional items, *which required emergency declarations.*

REQUEST PERMISSION TO PROVIDE 30-DAY NOTICE REQUIRED TO TERMINATE THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CLAYTON REVELS LIVING TRUST:

Mr. Sexton explained the need for the emergency declaration.

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

Commissioner Thomas moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and carried 5-0, to authorize Mr. Sexton to prepare a letter giving 30-day notice to terminate the lease agreement with Clayton Revels Living Trust.

CONSIDER ENTERING INTO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH DANIEL J. GRIFFIS FOR LEASE OF WAREHOUSE SPACE:

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

Commissioner Chandler moved, seconded by Commissioner Lewis, and carried 5-0, to enter into a lease agreement with Daniel J. Griffis for the lease of warehouse space.

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Mr. Sexton then requested informal permission to begin work on preparing the materials to place an item on the upcoming primary election ballot, which would authorize the Board to consider requests to **abate ad-valorem taxes** for the purposes of economic development. There was Board consensus for Mr. Sexton to proceed as requested.

SHERIFF REPORTS--GORDON SMITH:

Sheriff Smith advised that at the next regular meeting, he would be addressing the Commission relating to HWY 301 South 9-1-1 mapping.

CLERK REPORTS--RAY NORMAN: None.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORTS--BRAD CARTER:

**A. AGRICULTURE (COOPERATIVE EXTENSION) DEPARTMENT
PRESENTATION--TIM WILSON:**

Mr. Wilson distributed copies of [a handout](#) and, via a Power-Point Presentation, reviewed the Cooperative Extension Offices' 2013 successes and 2014 goals.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS:

Commissioner Chandler:

- ❑ Expressed appreciation for the opportunity to attend the **Small County Coalition** in Tallahassee. Chris Doolin is doing a great job protecting small counties during the legislative session. **Mental health agencies** are struggling with changes. Currently, the state pays **Meridian** the same rate they were paying 20 years ago. In an attempt to protect the services they provide, Meridian is contemplating a merger. There is some hope that the governor will re-address the issue.

Commissioner Lewis:

- ❑ Asked Mr. Funderburk to look into the following:
 - Cypress Run Road-Pot hole
 - Strawberry Acres-Milling
 - Brooker School-Tree branch hanging over the road

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Commissioner Thomas:

- HWY 301 Bypass-Placing billboards at each end of the bypass for advertisement/welcome purposes. Revenue sources: TDC funds and City of Starke partnership. (Commissioner Sellars is to take the suggestion to the TDC at their next meeting.)
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CHAIRMAN COMMENTS:

- Reported on his attendance at the NADO Conference in Washington, DC. Some issues of discussion for the County were water and sewer, recreation and parks, and an overpass over the railroad for emergency response purposes, and animal control.

At the request of Congressman Yoho, additional data has been sent to him in an effort to procure funding for recreational parks.

- While attending the NADO Conference, he had the opportunity to meet with Mayor Spooner. In an effort to improve the relations between the County and the City of Starke, Chairman Riddick asked the Commission to consider the following proposal:
 - **Animal Control**-The County to provide Animal Control to the City of Starke at no charge to the City, which is the fair and proper thing to do.
 - **Medical Director**-The City of Starke to pay their pro-rata share (\$15,200.00) for Medical Director services.
 - **Building and Zoning Department**-To more effectively and efficiently serve the citizens, and as a cost savings for the City, there should be one Building and Zoning Department under the direction of the County. In addition, at the recommendation of Scott Koons, there should be one set of zoning and land development regulations, as opposed to the County having one set of rules and the City having another. In order to have fair representation, the City could have two representatives serving on the County's Zoning Board.

There was extensive discussion regarding the proposal.

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ADJOURN:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

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DANIEL RIDDICK, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____
RAY NORMAN, CLERK TO THE BOARD

Minutes prepared by Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk

Minutes approved by BOCC at the Regular Scheduled Meeting of May 5, 2014.