

**MINUTES OF
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BRADFORD COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING 9:30 a.m.
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019**

REGULAR MEETING

The Bradford County Board of County Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on Monday, January 7, 2019, at 9:30 a.m., in the County Commission Chambers, 945 N. Temple Avenue, Starke, Florida.

PRESENT: Chairman Durrance, Vice-Chairman Dougherty; Commissioner Riddick, Commissioner Thompson, and Commissioner Chandler.

ALSO PRESENT: Brad Carter, County Manager; Rachel Rhoden, Deputy County Manager; Will Sexton, County Attorney; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Jim Farrell, Finance Director; Bennie Jackson, Solid Waste and Mosquito Control Director; Kelly Canady, Community Development Director; Dean Bennett, Facility Maintenance Director; Jerome Kelley, County Engineer; Robert Perone, Library Director; Tammy Still, Aide to Rep. Bobby Payne; Troy Fornshell, Assistant Road Superintendent; Mark Crawford, Press; Chip Ware, Fire Chief; Mary Lou Hildreth, Hampton City Clerk; Allen Parrish, Emergency Medical Services Director; and Randy Andrews, Zoning Director.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Durrance called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Forms):

Jim Tatum:

- Health hazards of phosphate mining.
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CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. INVENTORY SURPLUS LIST**
- B. PERMISSION TO CONDUCT PRELIMINARY SITE INSPECTION (Estimated Cost = \$960.00) TO REVIEW THE CURRENT CONDITION OF THE ROAD DEPARTMENT GROUNDS**
- C. 11-13-18 MINUTES OF WORKSHOP BETWEEN BoCC AND THE CITY OF STARKE COMMISSION**
- D. THREE-PARTY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF POLICE AND FIRE RADIO DISPATCH SERVICES**

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

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS—Commissioner Thompson:

Commissioner Riddick advised he reviewed the bills and ***MOVED to approve payment of the bills.***
*Commissioner Thompson seconded the motion, and **the motion carried 5-0.***

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS—Will Sexton: None.

PRESENTATION OF BRADFORD TOUCH A TRUCK EVENT—Michael Heeder, Event Coordinator:

Chairman Durrance recognized Mr. Heeder, who gave a PowerPoint presentation in review of the upcoming Bradford Touch-A-Truck event. He asked the Board to allow vehicles, heavy machinery and other equipment belonging to Bradford County to be on display at the event for learning purposes.

Chairman Durrance received confirmation that the County is covered under its liability insurance.

*Vice-Chairman Dougherty moved, seconded by Commissioner Chandler, and **carried 5-0, to approve the request.***

SHERIFF REPORTS—Sheriff Smith:

A. RESOLUTION CONFIRMING DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY (Dec. 26 – Jan. 1)

In the absence of the Sheriff's Office, Ms. Rhoden read the resolution by title and presented it for consideration.

*Vice-Chairman Dougherty moved, seconded by Commissioner Chandler, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the resolution.*** (The Resolution was assigned No. 2019-01.)

B. RESOLUTION CONFIRMING DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY (Jan. 2 – 8.)

Ms. Rhoden read the resolution by title and presented it for consideration.

*Commissioner Riddick moved, seconded by Commissioner Thompson, and **carried 5-0, to adopt the resolution as read.*** (The Resolution was assigned No. 2019-02.)

CLERK REPORTS—Clerk Norman: None.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORTS—Brad Carter:

Mr. Carter introduced Mr. Dale Elzie, with the Department of Health. Mr. Elzie is the new Drug and Alcohol counselor assigned to the area.

Mr. Elzie addressed the Commission specifically regarding his experience, credentials and the services he will provide.

A. CONSIDER ACCEPTING A DONATION OF A 2000 E1 TYPHOON CLASS A PUMPER BY THE TOWN OF ORANGE PARK—Chip Ware, Fire Chief

ASSOCIATED COST: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept donation of a 200 E1 typhoon Class A pumper by the Town of Orange Park

Mr. Ware advised that the Town of Orange Park is surplusing a 2000 E1 Typhoon pumper. The Town of Orange Park would like to donate the truck to Bradford County. Mr. Ware recommended the Board accept the generous donation.

Vice-Chairman Dougherty moved, seconded by Commissioner Riddick, and carried 5-0, to accept the donation as presented.

At the request of Commissioner Riddick, there was a consensus to send a letter to the Town of Orange Park expressing appreciation for the donation.

B. REQUEST PERMISSION TO SUBMIT A STATE EMS MATCHING GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF REMOUNTING A TYPE (1) AMBULANCE. COUNTY MATCH REQUIRED IN THE AMOUNT OF EITHER \$30,000.00 OR \$12,000.00—Allen Parrish, Emergency Medical Services Director

ASSOCIATED COST: \$12,000 or \$30,000 (County Match)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve submission of State EMS Matching Grant Application

Mr. Parrish requested permission to submit a State EMS Matching Grant application for the purpose cited above. Match monies are budgeted.

Vice-Chairman Dougherty moved, seconded by Commissioner Riddick, and carried 5-0, to approve the submission of the grant application.

C. REQUEST PERMISSION TO SUBMIT A STATE EMS MATCHING GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING EMERGENCY DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT PRE-HOSPITAL ULTRASOUND EQUIPMENT. COUNTY MATCH REQUIRED IN THE AMOUNT OF EITHER \$22,500.00 OR \$9,000.00—Allen Parrish, Emergency Medical Services Director

ASSOCIATED COST: \$9,000 or \$22,500 (County Match)
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve submission of State EMS Matching Grant Application

Mr. Parrish requested permission to submit a State EMS Matching Grant application for the purpose cited above. Match monies are budgeted.

Commissioner Thompson moved, seconded by Commissioner Chandler, and carried 5-0, to approve the submission of the grant application.

He should receive a decision on these two grants sometime in May, early June.

Mr. Parrish reported that the County Awards Grant was awarded to the County and the funds should arrive within the next 30 days.

D. RECOMMEND AND APPROVE TWO (2) POTENTIAL FY2025 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM APPLICATIONS FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—Jerome Kelley, County Engineer

ASSOCIATED COST: N/A
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve two (2) potential FY2025 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Applications for submittal to the Florida Department of Transportation

Mr. Kelley reviewed the following potential applications for the TAP work program for submittal to FDOT.

The following TAP projects are in the tentative FY2019 – FY 2024 FDOT Work Program

<u>District</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Description</u>
N/A	Bike Path/Trail	Palatka to Lake Butler State Trail, SR100 to SE 36 th Ave. (Funded under the SUN Trail Program)
1	Sidewalk	Lawtey – CR225 from end to existing sidewalk to NE 216 th St.

The following TAP projects were re-submitted to FDOT in 2017

<u>District</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Description</u>
5	Sidewalk	CR100A (from SR200 to SE 143 rd St.)
1	Sidewalk	CR229 and NW 177 th Ave.

Ms. Rhoden stated that the submission deadline is January 25th.

Mr. Carter advised that Ms. Hildreth would like to speak on this topic.

Chairman Durrance recognized Ms. Hildreth, who asked the Board to consider submitting a project for the City of Hampton (they are not LAP certified) in lieu of one of the sidewalk projects the County has submitted for several years and never funded. They have a public safety issue with the new Dollar General at the intersection of HWY301 and CR18. Even prior to the addition of Dollar General, there has been a need for a sidewalk on CR325 from Bobby Sheppard Memorial Park to CR18. Ms. Hildreth presented a comment regarding teaming up to ask the legislators to change one sentence in the statute governing SCOP to include funding in SCOP for sidewalks since there is a much larger pot of money.

Vice-Chairman Dougherty stated that rather than substituting the CR229 and NW 177th Avenue, which is a safety issue, he would prefer the School Board submit the Hampton sidewalk through the Safe Routes to School program.

This incited discussion, which was not limited to but included:

- Scheduling a workshop with the School Board to discuss Safe Routes to School. (Ms. Hildreth and a representative from FDOT in attendance.)
- Ms. Hildreth’s request.

Commissioner Riddick moved, seconded by Vice-Chairman Dougherty, and carried 5-0, to approve Item D, with the District 5 and District 1 sidewalks.

Ms. Rhoden advised that she would contact FDOT and Ms. Creighton to schedule a workshop and will investigate the Safe Routes to School program and report to the Board on January 17.

Mr. Carter added that staff would contact FDOT for feedback on ways to improve the applications for the projects that are repeatedly submitted but not funded.

RECOMMEND AND APPROVE THREE (3) POTENTIAL FY2023 TRANSPORTATION PROJECT APPLICATIONS (SCRAP, SCOP, GICP, or TRIP) FOR SUBMITTAL TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION—Jerome Kelley, County Engineer

ASSOCIATED COST: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve three (3) potential FY2023 Transportation Project Applications (SCRAP, SCOP, CIGP or TRIP) for submittal to the Florida Department of Transportation

Mr. Kelley reviewed the list for consideration. As priority 1 has been approved for funding, the Board may wish to submit the next three roads, priority #2, #3 and #4.

The first three (3) Transportation Projects were submitted to FDOT in 2017 from a priority list of five (5) roads:

Priority	District	Description	Status
1	2	CR225 between SR200 and SR16	Approved for funding in 2022
2	5	CR235 between SR100 and CR231	Not approved for funding
3	3	NW 177 th St. between SR16 and CR229	Not approved for funding
4	4	SE CR 21B from SE 8 th to SE 43 rd St.	Not submitted in 2017
5	1	Old Lawtey Road	Not submitted in 2017

Vice-Chairman Dougherty, seconded by Commissioner Riddick, and carried 5-0, to keep the priorities as they are.

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Chairman Durrance stated that he has been talking with FDOT regarding the possibility of getting CR235 done. Much of the deterioration is from the trucks hauling for the Truck Route.

Mr. Carter reported the following:

- With the assistance of the North Florida Economic Development Partnership, the County received a \$2.3 million grant through the Department of Economic Opportunity for the Keystone Airport. The grant will provide funds to construct a new access entrance road and enhance broadband Internet by installing fiber optic lines. The project will make the properties more valuable and attractive to future businesses. Senator Bradley, Representative Payne and their staff were instrumental in assisting the County to procure the grant.

Commissioner Riddick expressed appreciation to Ms. Tammy Still with Rep. Payne's office.

CHAIRMAN COMMENTS—Chairman Durrance:

- Recommended waiting until a new Superintendent is hired for the Road Department before having a workshop. All the Commissioners agreed.

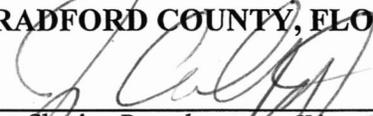
COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

Vice-Chairman Dougherty:

- Keystone Airport: The Chairman of the Clay County BoCC , as well as the previous Chair, are very much on board to work with Bradford to create some opportunities. Camp Blanding may be looking to invest in the area as well.
- Update on Internet service in Bradford County: ComCast is back on track after having much of their resources in the panhandle after the storm. They should be back in Bradford County within the next 30 days. They hope by the end of the quarter to have everything up and running for the commercial side. They are working on a model to spread out to the residential areas.
- Road Department: The primary focus should be to maintain existing roadways. Then, through a prioritization process, determine other roads eligible for chip seal and/or paving.

ADJOURN: There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

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J. Chris Dougherty, Vice-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 2-4-19