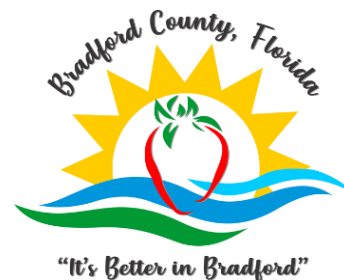


**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

December 7, 2020
County Commission Chambers
945 N. Temple Avenue
Starke, FL 32091

**IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC
(Due to COVID-19)**



Regular Scheduled Meeting
9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner District 3- Chairman Chris Dougherty
Commissioner District 2 - Vice-Chairman Kenny Thompson
Commissioner District 1 - Ross Chandler
Commissioner District 4- Danny Riddick
Commissioner District 5 - Frank Durrance

ALSO PRESENT: Rachel Rhoden, County Manager; Will Sexton, County Attorney (Via Call-In); Alyssa Winston, Administrative Assistant; Ray Norman, Clerk of Courts; Dana LaFollette, Accountant, Finance Department; Marlene Stafford, Deputy Clerk; Ben Riggs and Andrew Morris, Information Technology; Jason Dodds, Public Works Director; Dylan Rodgers, EMS Division Chief; Brad Witt, Emergency Management Director; and Major Brad Smith.

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

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS (Public Comment Cards):

Chairman Dougherty recognized the following individuals who presented comments (telephonically) on the subject matter(s) noted:

Carol Mosley: ([Written Statement](#)):

- Issues related to the HPSII Proposed Mining Permit
- North Central Florida Regional Planning Council opinion regarding appeals of 14.6 of the Land Development Regulations.

2. APPROVAL AND/OR ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. PAYMENT OF BILLS--Reviewed by Commissioner Spooner** (The Distribution List is on file in the Finance Department of the Office of the Clerk of Courts.)
- B. RESOLUTION—CONFIRMING PROCLAMATIONS OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY** ([Resolution No. 2020-58](#))
- C. RESOLUTION—CERTIFYING THAT THE MONIES FROM THE EMS COUNTY AWARDS GRANT WILL IMPROVE AND EXPAND THE PRE-HOSPITAL EMS SYSTEM AND WILL NOT BE UTILIZED TO SUPPLANT EXISTING EMS BUDGET ALLOCATIONS** ([Resolution No. 2020-59](#))
- D. RESOLUTION—SUPPORTING AFFORDABLE AND RELIABLE HIGH-SPEED INTERNET THROUGHOUT FLORIDA** ([Resolution No. 2020-60](#))
- E. RESOLUTION CONFIRMING A PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY** ([Resolution No. 2020-61](#))
- F. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO PURCHASE OF NEW JOHN DEERE 135G EXCAVATOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$175,000.00 FROM BEARD EQUIPMENT CO. (State Contract FSA20-EQU18.0) BoCC APPROVED CIP ITEM IN FY20-21**
- G. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR THE RECURRING 2020-2021 EMS COUNTY AWARDS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,459.00—NO COUNTY MATCH**
- H. APPROVE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021**
- I. APPROVE BoCC MEETING SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021**
- J. APPROVE BOARD MEMBERSHIP AND OVERSIGHT LIST FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021**
- K. 2020 FLORIDA LEGISLATURE APPROPRIATIONS—GRANTEE AWARD LETTER FOR HEILBRONN SPRINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT UPGRADES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$850,000.00**
- L. BoCC MEETING MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 2, 2020 REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**

Vice-Chairman Riddick **MOVED** to [approve the Consent Agenda](#). *Commissioner Thompson* **SECONDED** the motion.

Chairman Dougherty and Commissioner Spooner presented comments supporting Item “D”; access to affordable and reliable high-speed Internet.

Chairman Dougherty conducted a roll-call vote:

Commissioner Spooner: Aye

Commissioner Thompson: Aye

Vice-Chairman Riddick: Aye

Commissioner Andrews: Aye

Chairman Dougherty: Aye

The **MOTION CARRIED 5-0.**

3. PRESENTATION OF CARES FUNDING REQUEST ON BEHALF OF THE CONCERNED CITIZENS OF BRADFORD COUNTY ² Glenda Ruise, Vice-President, Concerned Citizens :

Chairman Dougherty recognized Ms. Ruise, who presented the funding request.

- COVID-19 caused loss of revenue and inability to conduct fund raising events.
- Requesting \$25,000.00 to help with expenses and begin programs in January and continue through the summer. ([Handout](#))

Commissioner Spooner, Vice-Chairman Riddick and Chairman Dougherty presented comments supporting Concerned Citizens of Bradford County.

Commissioner Spooner MOVED to approve the \$25,000.00 request for the Concerned Citizens of Bradford County. Commissioner Andrews SECONDED the motion.

In response to inquiry by Vice-Chairman Riddick, Ms. Rhoden reported that the CARES Program ends this month and the report was due December 3rd; staff will need to make an adjustment to the CARES report.

Chairman Dougherty conducted a roll-call vote:

- Commissioner Spooner: Aye
 - Commissioner Thompson: Aye
 - Vice-Chairman Riddick: Aye
 - Commissioner Andrews: Aye
 - Chairman Dougherty: Aye
- The MOTION CARRIED 5-0.

Chairman Dougherty presented additional comments supporting programs that help youth and children.

4. COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORTS ² Will Sexton: None.

