

April 11, 2006
Regular Session
Bonifay, Florida

The Holmes County Board of Commissioners met in a Regular Session on the above date with the following members present: Commissioner Jim King, Commissioner Raymon Thomas, Commissioner Harold Smith, Commissioner Phillip Music and Commissioner Earl Stafford, Chairman of the Board.

Sherry Fitzpatrick, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Wendell Dinkins led the prayer and pledge.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from March 28, 2006, Regular Session. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve HCRA Claim #4090659-01, #0604600484, and #0604600577. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the Certification of Participation in the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for the amount of \$29,336. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Certification of Participation)

Commissioner King made a motion to approve the Confidentiality Agreement with the Department of Juvenile Justice. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Interagency Agreement)

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to remove the Subterranean Termite Policy Renewal from the table. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the Subterranean Termite Policy Renewal. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Renewal)

Pursuant to Public Notice the Board held a Public Hearing to consider adopting Ordinance 06-03. There was no discussion from the public. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Ordinance 06-03, Building Department Fee Increases. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance 06-03)

Commissioner Thomas made a motion for the Board to write a letter in support of the Haas Center

for Business Research and Economic Development. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Amy Loflin, Special Projects Manager, requested approval to advertise for Waste Tire Amnesty Day from May 1-31, 2006. Commissioner King made a motion to approve with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stafford stated he had received bids on a motor grader rental for FEMA work. The low bid was from Tractor and Equipment in the amount of \$5,000.00 per month. Commissioner King made a motion to approve the bid with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Wilburn Baker, Ambulance Director, requested \$6,000.00 to complete the work on the New Hope Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner King made a motion to approve this money from the General Fund. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas stated that Wink Infinger, 911 Office Technical Support, had requested that the 911 equipment be updated already. The Board decided to install the equipment that we have already purchased and upgrade next year.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to swap the full size truck at the 911 Office with the Nissan truck at the Grants Department. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas discussed the Growth Management Meeting he had attended. Mr. Thomas stated the Florida Senate Bill 360 requires all counties to have a FIAM Computer Model Program in place by December 2006 or a program that has been approved by Department of Community Affairs. This computer model will work with the impact of new developments. The Board discussed that when a part time employee is hired in the Planning Commission that this should be part of their responsibility. The Board will make a decision at the next Board Meeting on how to handle this computer program.

Commissioner Thomas stated there was a Capital Improvement element in the Comprehensive Plan that had to be updated by December 2006 and annually thereafter or no changes could be made to the Future Land Use Map.

Commissioner Smith made a motion for approval of a low bid from Volvo on an excavator rental to be used to dig out springs in District 2. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith discussed the rental of New Hope Volunteer Fire Department for community use. The Board decided to use the same rate schedule from Pine Log Volunteer Fire Department. Mr. Smith made a motion to put Wilburn Baker, Ambulance Director, in charge of the rental of the New Hope Volunteer Fire Department. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Stafford discussed that Joey Middlebrooks had looked at the sprinkler system at the Gulf Power Building. The charges would be approximately \$400-500 to repair. The Board decided to look into this and bring back up at the next meeting.

Commissioner King made a motion for Gerald Holley to write a letter to Family Refuse Garbage Service requesting them to put a tarp over their garbage trucks. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Wilburn Baker, Ambulance Director, asked the Board who would have authority over the building at New Hope Volunteer Fire Department and who would be responsible for the power bills, cleaning, etc. The Board asked that Mr. Baker, Commissioner Smith, and Gwen Evans, NHVFD, meet and discuss all the areas in question.

Amy Loflin, Special Projects Manager, discussed possible dates for a ribbon cutting at the New Hope Volunteer Fire Department. Mrs. Loflin will follow up with all people involved to see if May 5, 2006 or June 23, 2006 would be agreeable. Commissioner Smith stated he would like to hold an open house on May 13, 2006.

John Hagans, Special Projects Coordinator, gave an update on the New Hope Volunteer Fire Department and D.D. Eldridge Park.

Amy Loflin, Special Projects Manager, stated that the CR 160 resurfacing work would begin on May 16, 2006. Mrs. Loflin also stated that John Clark Hwy has been approved in the amount of \$285,421 for resurfacing.

Mrs. Loflin also requested a comprehensive list from the Board on what roads to ride and evaluate for the upcoming SCRAP and SCOP Committals for DOT road repairs.

Chairman Stafford requested approval to get bids on striping Hwy 177. The Board approved getting bids.

Chairman Stafford requested approval for Sharon Harris to be called on when the Road Department

and the Emergency Management Office needed help. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Amy Loflin, Special Projects Manager, stated the Project Monitor for District 3 & 5 had resigned. Mrs. Loflin asked the Board to think about this and get back with her.

There being no further business, Commissioner King offered a motion to adjourn with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody Taylor, Clerk

Earl Stafford, Chairman