

August 29, 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.

Gerald Holley, Attorney, was present.

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to discuss Ordinance 06-08 which will update the 5 year schedule of Capital Improvements for Holmes County and the Municipalities of Esto, Noma, Ponce de Leon and Westville. There was no dissension from the public.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve Ordinance 06-08 with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance 06-08)

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to discuss Ordinance 06-09, Holmes County Driver Education Safety Act. There was no discussion from the public.

Commissioner King made a motion to approve Ordinance 06-09 with Commissioner Smith offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance 06-09)

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to discuss Ordinance 06-10, Local Communications Services Tax. There was no discussion from the public.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve Ordinance 06-10 with Commissioner Music offering a second. Commissioner Smith and Chairman Stafford voted no. Commissioner King, Thomas, and Music voted yes. The motion passed.

(Ordinance 06-10)

Pursuant to Public Notice, the Board held a public hearing to discuss the Holmes County Equestrian Center and Recreational Complex. The sole reason for the meeting was to receive the public input on the proposed project. There was no discussion.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from August 4, 2006, Special Session, August 7, 2006, Budget Workshop, August 8, 2006, Regular Session, August 14, 2006, Budget Workshop, and August 17, 2006, Special Session. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the updated agreement between Michael Wurzbach and the County for the well at Smith Crossroads Park. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Agreement)

The Board reviewed a letter regarding Dennis Coatney's junkyard. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to table this until more information could be provided. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to reappoint Orren Smith to the Public Library Cooperative System Board. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to table the approval of the Health Department fees until he could get more information. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Pursuant to Public Notice, Chairman Stafford opened sealed bids for Inmate Healthcare Services. Northwest Florida Community Hospital bid \$25,000 per quarter for a fiscal year total of \$100,000. This was the only bid received. Chairman Stafford read a letter from Doctor's Memorial Hospital declining to submit a bid. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the bid with Commissioner Music offering a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Bid)

(Letter)

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Modification #1 to the Homeland Security Grant Agreement. This agreement will extend the grant for sixty days. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Modification #1)

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the purchase of the materials submitted by Wanda Stafford, Emergency Management, for the Homeland Security Grant Funds. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(List)

Amy Loflin, Project Management Specialist, requested permission to re-organize the Recreation Advisory Committee and to appoint a Commissioner to the committee. The Board agreed and appointed Commissioner Music to the committee.

Commissioner King made a motion to take money from contingencies for the purchase of a saw and a string trimmer for the inmates use in District 1. Commissioner Thomas requested to also purchase a string trimmer for inmate use in District 5. Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the following Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan:

Small Scale: Ordinance 2006-SI, DOT Operations Center

Large Scale: Ordinance 2006-L1 Intersection of US 90 & Boswell Rd

Ordinance 2006-L2 Intersection of CR177A & Boswell Road

Ordinance 2006-L3 Intersection of CR185 & Padgett Farm Rd

Ordinance 2006-L4 DOT Operations Center

Commissioner Smith offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Amendments)

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Certificate of Acceptance of the Byrne Grant in the amount of \$29,336.00. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas stated he had received a petition from the North and South Gate Subdivisions requesting for their roads to be paved.

Commissioner Thomas gave his list of proposals for the Small County Technical Assistance Services application for assistance.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve advertisement of sealed bids for five dump trucks for the road department. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the Cooperative Agreement for the Unpaved Stream Crossing Project which will provide erosion control for Pollard Harris Road by December 1, 2006. Three Rivers RC & D and Holmes Creek SWCD agrees to compensate the County for services not to exceed \$33,500.00. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Agreement)

Wilburn Baker, Ambulance Department, requested \$1214.40 to install satellite television in the

ambulance stations at New Hope, Westville, and Bonifay. Mr. Baker stated he did not have the money in his budget. Commissioner Smith made a motion to table this until they could check into the funding for it. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner King made a motion to waive the fee for the use of the Agricultural Center on August 31, 2006 to hold a retirement luncheon for Billy Jackson, Road Department employee. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve hiring Wendell Bryan in District 4 as a FEMA worker effective August 24, 2006. Commissioner King offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody Taylor, Clerk, stated the Fair Board had voted unanimously to give the County 2.18 acres that had been requested for the proposed new EOC building. Mr. Taylor also stated the Fair Board would like the County Commissioners to consider some type of long term lease for the Fair property and for a Commissioner to be on the Fair Board in the future. Commissioner Smith made a motion to allow Gerald Holley, Attorney, to prepare a lease for 99 years. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Thomas made a motion to request the use of inmates from Lieutenant Taylor to clean up, paint, and do any repairs needed at the Agriculture Center in exchange for the use of the building in November. Commissioner Music offered a second. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody Taylor, Clerk, stated a list of legislative products needs to be worked on, specifically the request of funds to renovate or build a new health department. Mr. Taylor stated that Senator Peaden mentioned including physician, nurse, and/or dentist training on the list the County submits.

John Seiben, Hatch Mott MacDonald, gave an update on CR 160 and John Clark Road.

Amy Loflin, Project Management Specialist, gave an update on the County Incentive Grant Program.

Amy Loflin, Project Management Specialist, gave an update on the Site Assessment Report for the Holmes County Landfill.

Wanda Stafford, Emergency Management, requested authorization for the Board to sign the State and Federally Funded Subgrant Agreement which is intended to enhance county emergency management plans and programs that are consistent with the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and Program. Commissioner King made a motion to approve with Commissioner Smith offering a second.

The motion passed unanimously.

(Agreement)

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

Cody Taylor, Clerk

Earl Stafford, Chairman