

March 8, 2011
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 Kenneth Williams, Commissioner Monty Merchant, Commissioner Jim King, Commissioner Phillip Music and Commissioner Ron Monk Jr., Chairman of the Board.

Mr. Jeff Goodman, County Attorney, was present.

Angie Jonas, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Chairman Monk opened the meeting with the prayer and pledge.

A Public Hearing was held to discuss the draft flood ordinance which was to amend Ordinance #90-07. Chairman Monk read the title of the draft ordinance. The Board discussed this item. Also speaking regarding this topic was the following:

Mr. Jeff Goodman, Attorney

Commissioner Music made a motion to hold the second reading during the March 28th Regular Session. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

(Draft Ordinance)

Ms. Lynn Bannister, State Director of Community Outreach for Senator Bill Nelson's office, introduced herself and advised that she would be available to meet with the public.

Commissioner Music made a motion to approve the following consent items:

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EMS new hires: Timothy Fussell, Derek Odell & Levi Stephens

Commissioner King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the Farmer's Market dock rental and draft contract item. Mr. Shep Eubanks, Extension Director, advised that Mr. Michael Sphere had approached him regarding the possibility of an hourly rental of the dock for Fed Ex deliveries for his satellite installation business. Attorney Goodman advised that revisions were needed regarding broad discretion, indemnification and release of liability. He also advised that he would assist Mr. Eubanks in the completion of the revisions. Other discussion included the following: liability insurance amounts and damage deposit. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the contract pending Mr. Goodman's edits. Commissioner King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

(Draft Contract)

Mr. Shep Eubanks advised that the Ellenburgs had defaulted on the watermelon shed rental and that he had not been able to reach them. Attorney Goodman advised that he would discuss this item later in the meeting.

The Board discussed the previously opened bids for the 911 dispatch center generator project. Mr. Clint Erickson advised that he had not received the executed user agreement back from the City. The following bids were submitted:

Joey Middlebrooks Electric	\$3,750.00
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Commissioner Williams made a motion to award the bid to Joey Middlebrooks Electric in the amount of \$3,750.00 for the generator installation pending the executed agreement with the City. Commissioner Merchant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the 911 non-matching grant application item as submitted by Mr. Clint Erickson, of 911 Mapping and Addressing, for recorder equipment upgrades for New Hope and the Bonifay Volunteer Fire Department. Other topics of discussion were the following: equipment needs, maintenance contracts, associated costs and quote process as related to the grant. Commissioner King made a motion to allow Mr. Erickson to write the grant applications for the equipment and for the Chairman to sign the applications. Commissioner Music seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the 4-H Fishing Derby item. Mrs. Natalie Bomann, 4-H Director, advised that the new pond at the Fairgrounds had been stocked with fish, but that the cost had exceeded the \$400.00 that she had planned to spend by an additional \$200.00. Commissioner Merchant made a motion to pay \$200.00 toward the pond stocking fee. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Board agreed by consensus to pay this item from contingencies.

The Board discussed the Fair Association request item. Mr. Clint Erickson, Fair Manager, advised that the Fair Board had asked if the fishing ponds on the grounds could be turned over to the County for insurance reasons. Other discussion included the following: insurance requirements and County liability. Also speaking regarding this topic were the following:

Mrs. Natalie Bomann, 4-H Director
Mr. Shep Eubanks, Extension Director
Mr. Hilton Meadows, of Diversified Environmental Planning
Mrs. Sherry Snell Fitzpatrick, Administrative Assistant

Attorney Goodman advised that he would research this topic and bring more information to the Board at the next meeting.

Mr. Clint Erickson also discussed the sewage/grey water disposal issue at the Fairgrounds. He advised that the midway had been expanded at last year's fair, but with the expansion was a greater demand for grey water disposal. He stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Jackie Parker, of the Health Department, that advised him that the Fairgrounds was in need of a better grey water disposal system. Mr. Erickson also advised that the cost for this compliance was not in the Fair's budget. Also speaking regarding this topic was the following:

Mrs. Natalie Bomann, 4-H Director

Other discussion included the following: grounds layout, Board budget discussion and the possibility of utilizing Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement funds toward the repair. Commissioner Williams asked Mr. Erickson to discuss a loan for repairs with the Fair Board. No action was taken on this item.

The Board discussed the request by the Bonifay House of Prayer and Praise for sign placement on 177A near Old Caryville Road. Mr. John Keeton, church member, presented this item. Chairman Monk advised that he would visit the site. No action was taken on this item.

The Board discussed the Small County Outreach Program (SCOP) suggested projects list. Chairman Monk advised that the submission deadline was March 29th and asked for road and bridge submissions. Also speaking regarding this project was the following:

Mr. Garvin McCrary, of Greenhorne & O'Mara

The Board agreed by consensus to revisit road project priority list from last year and to bring their recommendations.

The Board discussed the revised CR173N Roadway Maintenance Agreement with the Department of Transportation (DOT). Commissioner Williams made a motion to re-sign the agreement. Commissioner King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

(Revised Agreement)

Mr. Larry Salyer, citizen, discussed a nuisance dog issue on a neighbor's property near his home. Attorney Goodman advised that he would research the kennel guidelines of the State Statute. Also speaking regarding this item was the following:

Mr. Hilton Meadows, Consultant

No action was taken on this item.

Commissioner Music discussed repairs for the Health Department parking lot. He advised that he had received quotes from C.W. Roberts for the parking lot repair. Other topics included

the following: lot layout, liability and utilization of Health Department Maintenance funds toward the repair.

Also speaking regarding this topic were the following:

Mr. John Reynolds, of C.W. Roberts

Mr. Jeff Goodman, Attorney

No action was taken on this item.

(Quotes)

Commissioner Music advised that Ms. Holly Holt had requested that the Board repair the gutters on the Health Department Building. Commissioner Williams advised that Mrs. Holt had stated that the Health Department would pay for the gutters. No action was taken on this item.

Commissioner Music advised that he had received a material quote of approximately \$1,000.00 to build a tool shed at the District Three Yard using inmate labor. Commissioner Merchant made a motion to build the equipment shed. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner King advised that he had posted a District One Road Maintenance Technician (RMT) position "in-house" and that no one had applied. He asked the Board if it would be allowable for him to hire someone to fill the position Commissioner Merchant made a motion to allow Commissioner King to hire someone for the position. Commissioner Music seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Merchant updated the Board regarding Septic Bill 550.

Attorney Goodman asked the Board whether he should proceed with the Shoo Fly Bridge/Wade Gilbert, LLC issue from 2007 and Ellenburg Farmer's Market rental collection issue. Commissioner King made a motion for Attorney Goodman to proceed with the legal filing related to these issues. Commissioner Merchant seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hilton Meadows, Consultant, discussed several items related to the Comprehensive Plan and lobbyist activity.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.