

July 7, 2020  
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 Clint Erickson, Commissioner Phillip Music, Commissioner Bobby Sasnett, Commissioner Brandon Newsom and Commissioner Earl Stafford, Chairman of the Board.

Brandon Young, County Attorney, and David Corbin, Project Director, were also present.

Leigh Ann Ennis, Deputy Clerk, was present and kept the minutes.

Chairman Stafford called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Albert Jordan, Special Road Projects Manager, led the prayer and pledge.

The first agenda item was Agenda Additions or Deletions. The following Changes were made to the agenda:

- Commissioner Item           a) Nuisance Dogs - added
- County Coordinator Item   d) Backhoe #36 (District 3) - deleted
- County Coordinator Item   e) Backhoe #16 (District 1) - deleted

Commissioner Music offered a motion to approve the amended agenda with Commissioner Newsom offering the second. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Music offered a motion to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2020 Regular Session, June 18, 2020 Workshops, and June 22, 2020 Special Session with Commissioner Newsom offering the second. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Earl Stafford introduced discussion of publicly advertised, proposed County Ordinance 20-02. Citizens discussed the following specific to County Road 181:

- Sandy Wyrosdick: The need to restrict the use of CR 181 by large trucks.
- Dale Powell: The need to allow large trucks to continue using CR 181.
- Bob Jones: The possibility of different speed limits for large trucks and passenger vehicles.
- Tracy Reynolds: The importance of maintaining proper drainage to prevent standing water on the road.

Brandon Young, County Attorney, explained that the Board could change speed limits without prior public notification. Mr. Young also explained that Ordinance 20-02 could be passed without applying it to any specific roads. Commissioner Music offered a motion to approve Ordinance 20-02 with Commissioner Newsom offering the second. The motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Newsom offered a motion to reduce the speed limit on County Road 181 to 45 miles per hour. Commissioner Music offered the second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Ordinance)

The Board tabled Resolution 20-32, 20-33 and 20-34.

(Resolutions)

Mike Gordon, Building Inspector, discussed proposed Building Department Fees and Planning Fees. Mr. Gordon explained that the fees have not been increased in 20 years. He went on to explain that the current fees do not cover the cost associated with the services being provided. Amanda Richard, Interim County Planner, spoke regarding planning procedures, costs to the county and proposed planning fees. Ms. Richard pointed out that there is a current fee schedule but that no fees for planning are being charged. Brandon Young, County Attorney, explained that by statute the Building Department is required to charge fees that cover costs of provided services. The Board tabled fee changes until more information could be provided by the Building Department.

(Fee Schedule)

Bob Jones, CDBG Administrator, presented the list of CDBG housing applicants for consideration for conflict of interest. All Board members affirmed that they do not have any kinship to any of the applicants.

(Applicant List)

David Corbin, Project Manager, discussed the CEI for the Thomas Road Bridge project and the need to determine a possible funding source for the CEI services. Alice Vickers, Interim Clerk, discussed possible funding options for the CEI. Commissioner Erickson offered a motion to use funds from the County's reserve to fund the Thomas Road Bridge CEI. Commissioner Newsom offered the second and the motion passed unanimously.

(CEI Proposal)

David Corbin presented an email sent by Melvin Engineering explaining updates to the CR 179 design status update.

(Email)

David Corbin, Project Manager, explained that the District #4 grader, which was originally used as FEMA equipment, is leased and not owned by the County. The lease expires on August 2, 2020. Alice Vickers, Interim Clerk, spoke on terms of leases and ending leases. Other discussion included replacing this leased piece of equipment with the already owned John Deere grader, which has been used most recently as an "extra" grader. Further discussion of grader leases was tabled.

(Lease Agreement)

Glenn Little, Barnes Insurance, reported on multiple aspects of the County's health insurance plans. Three items requiring Board approval were presented:

- The Insurance Committee recommended that the County keep their current health, dental and vision insurance coverage. Commissioner Music offered a motion to continue with the current insurance providers. Commissioner Newsom offered the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Little explained the benefit participation in Proshare, where there is a possibility of return of unused premium in excess of claims and costs. Commissioner Music offered a motion to

participate in Proshare. Commissioner Newsom offered the second and the motion passed unanimously.

- The Insurance Committee recommended that the Board increase the per employee contribution for health insurance from \$775.04 to \$901.22. The Board tabled the discussion of increasing the contribution until budget workshops.

(Insurance Information Packet)

Bob Stinebaugh, Integrity Group, reported that due to signature issues on the CARES Act Agreement the payment has been delayed. Mr. Stinebaugh explained that Integrity Group is working to create a network of assistance that the County can use to disperse the CARES Act funds. This includes assigned staff and a website to assist the public.

Cliff Knauer, Dewberry Engineers, reported on the FEMA Alternative Project Roads progress. Brandon Young, County Attorney, inquired about publishing a Notice to Proceed. Mr. Knauer explained a list of prepared roads is necessary first. The Board members will provide a list of roads as soon as possible.

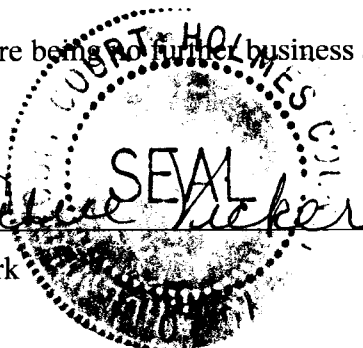
Brandon Young, County Attorney, presented the following revised 2020-2021 Emergency Management Grants:

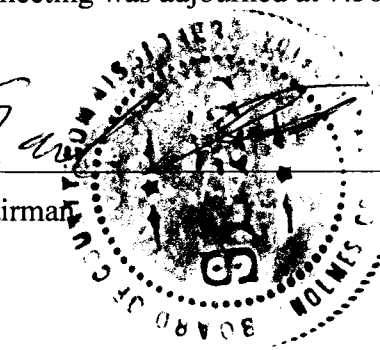
- Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG) - Commissioner Newsom offered a motion to allow the Chairman to sign the EMPG agreement with Commissioner Music offering the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance Grants (EMPA) - Commissioner Music offered a motion to allow the chairman to sign the EMPA agreement with Commissioner Sasnett offering the second. The motion passed unanimously.
- Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG-S) - Commissioner Newsom offered a motion to allow the Chairman to sign the EMPG-S agreement with Commissioner Music offering the second. The motion passed unanimously.

(Grant Agreements)

Commissioner Music explained that there is a problem with nuisance, stray dogs in the County including attacks on children who required medical attention. Several options were discussed including the possibility of reinstating animal control or contracting with a rescue organization. Mr. Corbin, Project manager, will check with Alaqua Animal Refuge for possible contract pricing. Further discussion was tabled until more information is available.

There being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

  
Clerk

  
Chairman