

## **PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA**

**DECEMBER 11, 2009**

### **SPECIAL MEETING**

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in a Special Meeting with the following members present: Chairman Nathan Peters, Jr., Vice Chairman Carmen L. McLemore, and Commissioners Billy E. Traylor, Bill Williams, and Warren J. Yeager, Jr.

Others present were: County Attorney Timothy McFarland, Deputy Clerk Kari Summers, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Assistant Administrator Michael Hammond, Grant Writer Towan Kopinsky, Planner David Richardson and T.D.C. Director Paula Pickett.

Chairman Peters called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m., E.T.

#### **ROAD BOND – CHANGE ORDER #25**

Chief Administrator Butler recommended approval of change order #25, stating that this is correcting change order #19, in the amount of \$46,900.00 and this does not change the amount to GAC Contractors, Inc. Commissioner Yeager motioned to approve change order #25. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Chief Administrator Butler reported that the Board previously agreed that the projects which there are funds for do not have to come before the Board for approval.

#### **BEACHES SEWER – CITY OF PORT ST. JOE INVOICE**

Grant Writer Kopinsky recommended approval of the City of Port St. Joe invoice for the Beaches Sewer project, in the amount of \$114,232.50. Commissioner Yeager motioned to approve this recommendation. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

#### **T.D.C.**

Chief Administrator Butler reported that he met with County Attorney McFarland concerning the selection process for the T.D.C. Director. County Attorney McFarland reported that he has reviewed the T.D.C. process to select a candidate and make recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. He stated that there have been some interviews scheduled for next week. County Attorney McFarland reported that the proposal is for members of the T.D.C. Screening committee to participate in the interview process and then make a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners. He stated that the problem is that T.D.C. Screening committee members are subject to the Sunshine Law, and that once they have a meeting to interview, it becomes an open meeting. He recommended that the interview process be handled by Chief Administrator Butler, Human Resource Director Manuel and the Department Head, stating that the current Department Head is related to one of the applicants for this position, and recommended Grant Writer Kopinsky serve as an interview person for this position. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve this recommendation. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. County Attorney McFarland reported that the interviews scheduled

have been cancelled, and they will need to be rescheduled through the County. Upon inquiry by Chairman Peters, County Attorney McFarland reported that the T.D.C. will not make any recommendations to the Board for the T.D.C. Director position. Commissioner Traylor reported that this is the procedure already in place for hiring County employees. Chairman Peters reported that Commissioner Williams will continue to serve as the Board of County Commissioner representative on the T.D.C. Board until December 31, 2009.

There being no further business, and upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, the meeting did then adjourn at 4:10 p.m., E.T.

**NATHAN PETERS, JR.**  
**CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:**  
**Rebecca L. Norris**  
**Clerk**