

PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

AUGUST 26, 2008

REGULAR MEETING

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in regular session with the following members present: Chairman Nathan Peters, Jr., Commissioners Carmen L. McLemore and Jerry W. Barnes.

Others present were: County Attorney Tim McFarland, Clerk of Circuit Court Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk Finance Officer Carla Hand, Deputy Clerk Kayla Duke, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier, Human Resource Director Denise Manuel, Planner David Richardson, Assistant Planner Sarah White, Mosquito Control Director Mark Cothran, Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson, County Extension Agent Roy Lee Carter, Veteran's Service Officer James Kennedy, and Sheriff Joe Nugent.

Chairman Nathan Peters, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., E.T.

Commissioner Barnes opened the meeting with prayer and Chairman Peters led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion by Commissioner Barnes, seconded by Commissioner McLemore, the motion to accept the following consent agenda items passed 3-0.

Minutes - July 28, 2008 - Special Meeting

Minutes - August 4, 2008 - Special Meeting

Minutes - August 4, 2008 - Special Budget Meeting

2. Agreement - MicroDATA GIS - GIS Mapping
 - Software Maintenance Agreement
(in the amount of \$5,449.80 * to be paid from Account#25125-34000)
 - Replay Systems - E9-1-1 Logging Recorder Maintenance Agreement
(in the amount of \$6,055.00 * to be paid from Account# 25125-34000)
 - Riverside Uniform Rentals (Uniforms County Employees)
3. BCC Correspondence - Chairman Traylor to Board
(Request to apply for C.I.P.G. funding for lola Road from lola landing to Calhoun County line)

4. Invoices - Florida Department of Revenue Reimbursement Invoice (\$904.00 * to be paid from Account# 21111-25000) * Unemployment Benefits
 - GulfCo Utilities & Equipment - White City Floating Dock Bid#0708-28 (#GC08039 * in the amount of \$1,875.00 * to be paid from Account# 41779-63001)
 - Gulf Coast Children's Advocacy Center (in the amount of \$175.00 * to be paid from Account# 21111-31300)
 - Preble-Rish, Inc. - Stumphole Project (#65787 * in the amount of \$31,847.00 * to be paid from Account# 40249-31000)
 - Preble-Rish, Inc. - C.R. 22 A S.C.O.P. (#65794 * in the amount of \$25,747.20 * to be paid from Account# 40641-31000)
 - Preble-Rish, Inc. - Five Points Landfill (#65790 * in the amount of \$936.00 * to be paid from Account# 46234-31000)
5. Notices - Public Hearing Notice - Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (August 26, 2008 @ 5:30 p.m., E.T.)
 - Public Hearing Notice - Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (August 26, 2008 @ 6:05 p.m., E.T.)
6. S.H.I.P. - Purchase Assistance (Tonya Ellis - \$1,033.00/ David and Christa Mathews - \$25,000.00)
 - Rehabilitation Assistance (George and Amy Desrosier - \$5,500.00)
 - Subordination Agreement (Cothran/Tyndall Federal Credit Union)
 - Subordination Agreement (Creel/USDA Rural)
9. Solid Waste - Bid Award Request (#0708-25)

GULF COAST PARKWAY

Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier informed the Board that tentative maps of the Gulf Coast Parkway are available on Gulf County's website.

OVERSTREET FIRE DEPARTMENT/AWARD BID#0708-24/1997 GMC 4-WHEEL DRIVE TRUCK

Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier recommended, at the request of Overstreet Fire Department, that the Board award bid# 0708-24, for the sale of one 1997 GMC 4-wheel drive truck to Adam Miller, in the amount of \$978.00. Commissioner Barnes motioned to do so. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

INVOICE#13345/BAILEY BISHOP&LANE/OVERSTREET WATER CDBG PROJECT

Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier presented an invoice from Bailey Bishop&Lane for work done on the Overstreet CDBG Project, in the amount of \$2,500.19. Commissioner Barnes motioned to pay the invoice. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

INVOICE#65793/PREBLE-RISH, INC./IOLA ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier presented an invoice from Preble-Rish, Inc. for the Iola Road improvements, in the amount of \$4,875.00 to be paid from the Florida Forever grant. Commissioner McLemore motioned to pay the invoice. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING/PDRB RECOMMENDATIONS

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider approval for Final Subdivision Plat - Seaside Farms Phase II - Waterfront Group, LLC - Parcel ID#01095-001R - 1,650 Acres in Sections 23, 26, 27, 34 Township 6 South, Range 9 West, Gulf County, Florida - A 30 Unit Subdivision Subject to all Federal, State and Local Development Regulation stated and unstated. County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing and called for public comment. There being no further comment, Commissioner McLemore motioned to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider approval for Variance - Pierce - Parcel ID#00224-000R in Section 5, Township 7 South, Range 8 West, Gulf County, Florida - Variance of development regulations. Located in Howard's Creek. County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing and called for public comment. There being no further comment, Commissioner Barnes motioned to approve the recommendation. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider approval for Non Residential Development - Sutton RV Park - Robert A. Sutton - Parcel ID#0155-001R and #01555-000R - 39 lots in Section 11, Township 4 South, Range 10 West, Gulf County, Florida. County Attorney McFarland read the public hearing and called for public comment. There being no further comment, Commissioner McLemore motioned to approve the recommendation. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING/BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE

County Attorney McFarland announced a public hearing to consider adoption of an ordinance imposing additional restrictions on the building code. Attorney McFarland read the proposed ordinance and called for public comment. Chairman Peters stated that the Board should table this public hearing until every member of the Board is present to vote. Commissioner McLemore motioned to table the ordinance. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING/CDBG APPLICATION

Chief Administrator Don Butler announced a public hearing for the CDBG Application. Administrator Butler stated the purposes of this grant, and informed the Board that the EDC can submit a project for this grant, and the Board can appoint a committee to review it. Administrator Butler further stated that 70% of the funds must go toward low income citizens and must be in compliance with the Fair Housing Ordinance. Administrator Butler requested that everyone present for this hearing, sign a sheet to prove their presence. Chairman Peters called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner McLemore motioned to approve the application. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

BUDGET/VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER

Chief Administrator Butler informed the Board that he has spoken with Chairman Traylor and the Board needs to vote to tentatively add \$430.00 to the VSO budget for this fiscal year. Commissioner McLemore motioned to do so. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Administrator Butler discussed removing the money from Animal Control. The Board had no objection to this, and the motion passed 3-0.

STUMPHOLE PROJECT/EXPEDITE PROCESS

Chief Administrator Butler informed the Board that the engineers working on the Stumphole have informed him that the DEP does not wish to expedite the permitting process for the project to enhance the rock wall. Commissioner Barnes motioned to send a letter to Governor Crist concerning this. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

STUMPHOLE PROJECT/BIDS

Chief Administrator Butler requested the Board's permission to go out for bids for the Stumphole Project once the engineers have completed their work. Commissioner Barnes motioned to do so. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAINTED PONY ROAD/INDIAN PASS

Chief Administrator Butler informed the Board that Painted Pony Road at Indian Pass needs maintenance at places where water has been washing across the Road, and there are several pot holes. He further explained that land owners have allowed County access and use when public roads have been impassible, and this is the only road to get County and Emergency personnel across when other roads are inaccessible. Commissioner Barnes motioned to approve limited maintenance work on Painted Pony Road. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

SMALL COUNTIES COURTHOUSE FACILITIES GRANT MONEY

Chief Administrator Butler requested the Board's permission to ask the Court

Administrator's Office to amend the spending plan of the Small Counties Courthouse Facilities Grant, which was approved for Air Conditioning work, to be used for the Courthouse Renovation Project. Administrator Butler stated that the amended spending plan would have to be approved by the Chief Judge and the Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Barnes motioned to allow Administrator Butler to request that the determined use of these funds be amended. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

HONEYVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER/RENTAL FEE

Upon Commissioner Peter's request, Carly Pickels approached the Board and discussed a committee that has been formed to help with the prevention of underage drinking. Ms. Pickles stated that she is hoping to hold a community wide meeting on September 4th at 6:30 p.m., at the Honeyville Community Center, and requested that the rental fee be waived. Commissioner McLemore motioned to do so. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

TROPICAL STORM FAY

Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson thanked the Board and County Staff for their participation and hard work in supporting the community through Tropical Storm Fay. He further stated that there was a Presidential Declaration of a state of emergency, and informed the Board that the State will be sending in a preliminary damage assessment team to inspect damage to dirt roads in the County, and the beaches. Emergency Management Director Nelson stated that the County is still dealing with possible flooding, and discussed the possibility of Hurricane Gustav becoming a major hurricane. Commissioner Barnes thanked Emergency Management Director Nelson. Nelson discussed planning emergency meetings based upon the National Weather Service webcasts.

DOC WORK CREWS

Human Resource Director Denise Manuel informed the Board that she received a call from Lieutenant McCorvey, and the DOC Crews will not be out on Thursday, due to having lost a co-worker over the weekend and the funeral service being on Thursday.

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK

Veteran's Service Officer James Kennedy requested the Board's approval to form a committee to develop long term plans for the Veteran's Memorial Park at Beacon Hill, and requested permission to travel outside of the County to visit other Veteran Memorial parks. Commissioner Barnes motioned to allow Veteran's Service Officer Kennedy to do so. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Upon Commissioner Peter's request, Veteran's Service Officer Kennedy informed the public that the Honeyville Park will be named in honor of Sergeant Fred Land, former resident of Gulf County, who died in Vietnam, and stated that new signs will be made for the park once it is completed.

CRS REPORT

Planner David Richardson stated that he presented a progress report for CRS to the Board at the August 12, 2008 meeting and inquired if the Board had any comment.

Commissioner Barnes motioned to accept the report. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

PDRB MEETING

Planner David Richardson informed the Board that the next PDRB meeting will be held on September 2, 2008 at 8:45 a.m.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WORK SCHEDULE

Upon Planner Richardson's request, Keith McCarron, of the ARPC, approached the Board to discuss the DOT five year work program. Mr. McCarron gave a handout to the Board showing the current adopted work program, and discussed various projects. Mr. McCarron informed the Board of the Planning Council meeting on October 3, 2008 to discuss and summarize the different issues. Upon Chairman Peter's inquiry, Gulf County Transportation Committee Chair Steve Norris stated that everything is consistent with the Committee's discussions.

PROPOSAL/ACTUARIAL SERVICES

Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier requested the Board's permission to award actuarial services to Miliman, at \$10,000.00 per year. Commissioner Barnes motioned to do so. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

BIG BEND REGIONAL HEALTH COUNCIL

Chairman Peters recommended that Doug Kent be appointed as the representative to the Big Bend Regional Health Council Board of Directors. Commissioner McLemore motioned to do so. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

CAPITAL AREA COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

Commissioner Peters informed the Board of a resignation letter from Charles Givens, stating that he will no longer be able to serve on the Board of Directors of the Capital Area Community Action Agency. Commissioner Barnes motioned to appoint Amy Rogers to serve in his place. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

SUMMER CAMP

County Extension Agent Roy Lee Carter informed the Board that there was a shortfall in the number of children expected at summer camp this year, and there are 2,000 meals left over, which he will try to sell. Agent Carter stated that he will be reporting his expenses to the Department of Education, and the check received from them will go to the Board for the \$7,200.00 the County loaned him.

SIGNS AT RV PARK

Robert Sutton appeared and requested the Board's permission to post signs as his new RV Park, located at 2481 N. Highway 71 in Wewahitchka. (Parcel ID#01554-000R and #01555-000R) Commissioner McLemore motioned to allow Mr. Sutton to do so. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE/NOISE ORDINANCE

James Allen Stokes approached the Board and discussed a problem with his neighbor

who owns approximately 40 exotic birds, stating that the birds are very loud and violate the noise ordinance. Mr. Stokes stated that he has a petition with eleven signatures from residents in this area for this problem to be handled by Animal Control. County Attorney McFarland stated that this is an issue with the Animal Control Ordinance, and stated that the Animal Control Officer can go out and log complaints from these individuals. Chairman Peters stated that the Animal Control Officer will go out and bring a written report to the Board. Commissioner McLemore motioned to allow Mr. Stokes to additional time to discuss his issue. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Mr. Stokes further stated that his neighbor is running a commercial business out of her home without a license.

FISH AND WILDLIFE OFFICER

Arnie McMillan approached the Board, and requested the Board's permission to allow the new Fish & Wildlife Supervisor to live in the trailer at the Dead Lakes Park. Commissioner Barnes motioned to work out the conditions and bring it back to the Board for review and consideration. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

There being no further business and upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, the meeting did then adjourn at 7:05 p.m., E.T.

**BILLY E. TRAYLOR
CHAIRMAN**

ATTEST:

**REBECCA L. NORRIS
CLERK**