

JUNE 24, 2012 – REGULAR MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida, held a Regular Meeting on June 24, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Walton County Courthouse in DeFuniak Springs, Florida.

The following Board members were present: Commissioner W. N. (Bill) Chapman, Chairman; Commissioner Sara Comander, Commissioner Bill Imfeld; and Commissioner Kenneth Pridgen. Mr. Larry Jones, County Administrator; Attorney Mark Davis, County Attorney; and Mr. Alex Alford, Clerk of Courts and County Comptroller; were also present.

Commissioner Comander led the invocation and the pledge to the American Flag. Chairman Chapman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Chapman announced that Commissioner Comander will be serving a third term as County Commissioner due to her having no opposition in this year's election.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to approve agenda revisions as follows. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

1. Addition: Consent Agenda-Request to approve a Resolution regarding the Southern Tire Mart property located in the Mossy Head Industrial Park
2. Addition: Administration-Request to provide Sunday garbage pick-up along Scenic Gulf Drive and C.R. 30A.
3. Remove for Discussion: Consent Agenda-Approve minutes for June 6, 2014-Special Meeting

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Comander, to approve the Consent Agenda with the revisions presented. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

1. Approve Expenditure Approval List (EAL)

General Fund	\$	562,621.23
County Transportation	\$	242,233.18
SHIP	\$	40.00
Section 8 Housing	\$	132,796.23
Tourist Dev. Council	\$	220,245.01
N.W. Mosquito Control	\$	573.20
Solid Waste Enterprise	\$	16,997.21
Bldg Dept/Enterp. Fund	\$	171.00
Four Mile Village MSBU	\$	<u>18,307.16</u>
Totals	\$	<u>1,193,984.22</u>

2. Approve minutes of ~~June 6, 2014-Special Meeting~~; June 10, 2014-Special Meeting; and June 10, 2014-Regular Meeting
3. Request to approve a budget transfer in the amount of \$3,700 from the GIS Communications, Travel and Repair and Maintenance accounts to the Machinery and Equipment account for purchase of a dedicated storage computer server at a cost of not more than \$8,000.00
4. Request to approve a **Resolution (2014-61)** regarding the Southern Tire Mart property located in the Mossy Head Industrial Park

Commissioner Imfeld stated that he would be unable to vote on the approval of the June 6, 2014-Special Meeting minutes due to an ongoing conflict of interest. He submitted Form 8B-Memorandum of Voting Conflict.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Commander, to approve the June 6, 2014-Special Meeting Minutes. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Abstained, Pridgen Aye. **(Form 8B: Imfeld)**

Mr. Jones stated that the City of DeFuniak has requested County support in the efforts to relocate Gene Hurley Park amenities to the Wee Care Park. The improvements will consist of three lighted ball fields, additional parking, concession stand/press box/bathroom, playground equipment, soccer field and a basketball court. Public Works confirms that there is ample room at the Wee Care Park to accommodate the improvements.

Ms. Sara Bowers, DeFuniak Springs City Manager, stated that the City wanted to work with the County to relocate the facilities.

Chairman Chapman asked how many acres were received from the School Board. Ms. Bowers stated approximately 10 acres. Chairman Chapman asked if the southeast corner of that property could be developed. Ms. Bowers stated that the topography of the land would require fill dirt which would cost approximately \$1.5 million. A walking area could be developed in that area. Chairman Chapman voiced concern with keeping the area for smaller children separate from the areas for the older children. Ms. Bowers stated that conversations have not been that detailed and stated that the City Council has the same concern. Chairman Chapman asked if the grant would require that the park be located within the city limits or if an interlocal agreement could be entered into with the county for property not within the city limits. Ms. Bowers stated that as long as the funding agency is happy with the relocation. She stated that the area is central to both city and county citizens.

Commissioner Comander asked if any of the southeast corner property could be used for a playground for smaller children. She felt that there are a lot of opportunities and suggested a fenced in area for the smaller children.

Commissioner Imfeld questioned what is expected from the county. Ms. Bowers stated any help that the county could provide would be appreciated. She said that she would meet with Mr. Jones to discuss the expectations. Commissioner Imfeld requested to defer any action until more information can be obtained. Commissioner Pridgen agreed that more information was needed and that city and county staff needed to present a recommendation.

Chairman Chapman directed that county and city staff work together to determine what is needed, the costs associated with the relocation and to present their findings to the Board.

Commissioner Comander questioned if the agreement could include a waiver of the county's water and sewer expenses at the park. Ms. Bowers stated that there are bond ordinances for water and sewer that state that services will not be provided without charge. She stated that the city is even required to pay their water and sewer bills. Commissioner Comander asked if it could be rebated back to the county. Ms. Bowers stated that could be a part of the negotiations.

Chairman Chapman called for public comment regarding any of the agenda items.

Mr. Alan Osborne discussed the stormwater drainage requirements as stated by the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and requested that that building permits not be issued until stormwater standards have been met.

Mr. Jones requested approval of the service agreement with CenturyLink Sales Solutions, Inc. for the annual maintenance on the 911 Datamaster equipment.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to approve the service agreement with CenturyLink Sales Solutions, Inc. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jones reported that there is a county owned parcel of land that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requested to purchase in regards to their expansion of U.S. Highway 98. FDOT made an offer for the parcel; however, staff feels that the offer is insufficient. He requested that Mr. Stan Sunday, Deputy County Administrator, negotiate with FDOT a more acceptable amount. There are also portions of the right-of-way that FDOT wishes to acquire.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to authorize Mr. Stan Sunday to negotiate with FDOT for a more acceptable offer and to present the negotiated

amount to the Board for consideration. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jones requested to award ITB 014-023 Metal Building Bids for United Fire Station to GLC Contracting as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$132,864.65.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to award ITB 014-023 Metal Building Bids for United Fire Station to GLC Contracting as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder in the amount of \$132,864.65.

Commissioner Imfeld asked if the regular cost or the expedited costs were being recommended. Mr. Jones stated the expedited cost.

Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jones stated that only one response was received for ITB 014-024 General Contractor or Building Contractor for the United Fire Station. He recommended that the bid submitted by Earl Alford Construction in the amount of \$4,000 be accepted.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to award ITB 014-024 General Contractor or Building Contractor for the United Fire Station to Earl Alford Construction as the only bidder in the amount of \$4,000. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jones requested to schedule and advertise a Budget Workshop to be held on July 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Walton County Courthouse in DeFuniak Springs.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to schedule and advertise a Budget Workshop to be held on July 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Walton County Courthouse in DeFuniak Springs. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jones requested approval to advertise for bids for the sale of recyclable materials from the landfill.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Comander, to advertise for bids for the sale of recyclable materials from the landfill. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jones requested to approve a proposal from Waste Management to provide Sunday residential pick-up on Scenic Gulf Drive and C.R. 30A. The total cost would be at an hourly rate of \$190/hour. The total cost to provide this service through the end of the season would be approximately \$20,000. There is funding available in the Solid Waste Collection line item and would like to begin the services June 29, 2014.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to approve the Waste Management proposal to provide Sunday residential trash pick-up on Scenic Gulf Drive and C.R. 30A beginning June 29, 2014. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Jim Bagby, TDC Executive Director, requested to apply to become members of the Riverway South Apalachicola Choctawhatchee Organization (RWSAC) at an annual cost of \$5,000. He stated that eight counties border either the Choctawhatchee River or Apalachicola River. He reported that Walton County is the only county bordering one of those rivers that is not a member. An objective of Riverway South is to have the Choctawhatchee River be designated as a blue waterway on the national recreational trails. He submitted an Explore Our Florida Map which highlights points in the participating counties.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Comander, to apply to become members of the RWSAC at an annual cost of \$5,000. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Bagby introduced Ms. Jennifer Vigil, TDC Director of Administration. He stated that she would be meeting individually with the Commissioners to discuss the desires and recommendations for the TDC. He reported that he has spoken with Mr. Brad Pickel, Seahaven Consulting. Mr. Pickel will be arriving around the first of August and wishes to meet to discuss the easement language with the Corps of Engineers. He stated that this is a Federal project which requires a construction easement in perpetuity. There have been objections by property owners who are not willing to give up that easement right in perpetuity. The Corps has agreed to make it a coterminous easement. He announced that the first meeting of the North Walton Advisory Committee will be held on June 24, 2014 to discuss ways to highlight the events that occur in this area of the county.

Attorney Mark Davis, County Attorney, requested approval of the Amended Disbursement Schedule for Walton County, Florida v. BP, et al. The amended disbursement schedule reflects the receipt of the 6% attorney fee holdback.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to approve the Amended Disbursement Schedule for Walton County, Florida v. BP, et al.

Chairman Chapman asked the amount of the attorney fee holdback. Attorney Davis stated approximately \$270,000.

Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Attorney Davis requested adoption of a **resolution (2014-59)** to reimburse certain cost and expenditures relating to capital costs associated with the purchase and improvement of land for a public recreational facility south of the Choctawhatchee Bay.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to adopt **Resolution 2014-59** reimbursing certain cost and expenditures relating to the purchase and improvement of land for a public recreational facility. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Attorney Davis briefly discussed property acquired by the Sheriff's Office through a forfeiture agreement which was inadvertently deeded to Walton County. The Sheriff's Office is selling the property and has requested approval of a Quit Claim Deed from Walton County to Viet Huynh and Sarah L. McCurdy. The Quit Claim Deed is necessary for a clear title.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to sell the property and approve the Chairman's signature on the Quit Claim Deed from Walton County to Viet Huynh and Sarah L. McCurdy and adopt **Resolution 2014-60**. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

The Commissioners had no items to present.

Ms. Linda Sumblin, CareerSource Okaloosa Walton, submitted the initial annual budget for Board review and stated that funding is provided through Federal and State sources. Commissioner Imfeld commended Ms. Sumblin on her efforts to ensure employment for local veterans.

Ms. Sumblin requested approval to appoint Ms. Jackie Beavers to fill the vacant seat on the CareerSource Okaloosa Walton Board. Her nomination was submitted by the Walton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Motion by Commissioner Imfeld, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to appoint Ms. Jackie Beavers to the CareerSource Okaloosa Walton Board. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Bob Hudson discussed recent problems with accessing mosquito control ditches. He discussed the upcoming Budget Workshop and asked that the budget information be presented to the public one week before the workshop. Mr. Hudson voiced concern with the lack of a bike path at Santa Rosa Ridge.

Ms. Dottie Nist, Beach Breeze, asked if the Sunday garbage pick-up would alleviate the issues relating to containers being left in the road. Mr. Jones stated that the container issue will be addressed and that the Sunday pick-up would be for Scenic Gulf Drive and C.R. 30A only.

Ms. Suzanne Harris, Edgewater Beach Condominium President, asked if the dumpster at Edgewater would be picked up on Sunday as well. Mr. Jones stated that it would only be the cans on the street which will be picked up. Ms. Harris asked Attorney Davis to clarify a statement he made at the Planning Commission meeting regarding the vote made on June 6, 2014 by the Board. She discussed drainage standards within the DRI and the flooding issues.

The meeting recessed at 9:45 and reconvened at 9:50

Mr. Mac Carpenter, Planning and Development Services, requested to advertise for a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a hazard Mitigation Grant Program Gant Writer.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to advertise for a RFQ for a hazard Mitigation Grant Program Gant Writer. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Carpenter requested permission to propose an ordinance amending the appropriate sections of the Land Development Code (LDC) to further define “hotel room” extent and related parking requirements to be applied to future hotel room development orders.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to permit staff to draft an ordinance amending the appropriate sections of the LDC relating to hotel room definitions and related parking requirements applicable to future hotel room development orders. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

Mr. Wayne Dyess, Planning Department Director, stated that there was a request to continue the Noise Ordinance to July 8, 2014 Regular Meeting. Attorney Davis said that there has been public comment and would like more time to review the ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to continue the ordinance to July 8, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Imfeld stated that some of the public comment pointed out loop holes and questioned if these could be addressed. Attorney Davis stated that they would be.

Chairman Chapman addressed the mechanical noise and continuance noise and stated that money is paid each year for noise meters and the training to use the equipment. He understands that there are approximately 15 openings for people to be trained to use these meters. He reported that only one Code Enforcement Officer has been certified to use this equipment. He questioned if the remaining Code Enforcement Officers could be trained and if the Sheriff’s Office could support and augment what is being done by Code Enforcement. Major Joe Preston said that the Sheriff’s Office would be happy to assist.

Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye.

The Quasi-Judicial hearings were called to order. Attorney Davis administered the oath to those intending to speak.

Commissioner Imfeld stated that he would recuse himself from voting on the Grand Boulevard Building "S" due to a conflict.

There were no objections to the publications notices of the Quasi-Judicial items.

Mr. Dyess requested to continue the Grand Boulevard Building "S" issue to the July 8, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to continue Grand Boulevard Building "S" to the July 8, 2014 Regular Meeting. Ayes 3, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Abstained, Pridgen Aye. **(FORM 8B: Imfeld)**

Mr. Carpenter presented Winter Garden at WaterSound Phase 3 Plat, being submitted by the St. Joe Company consisting of 50 lots on 13.13 acres with a future land use of Coastal Village. Staff found that the plat meets the requirements of F.S. Chapter 177 and the Walton County Land Development Code.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Imfeld, to approve Winter Garden at Water South Phase 3 Plat. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye. **(Exhibits: Staff Report-1)**

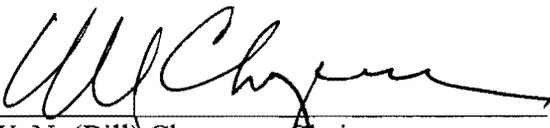
Mr. Carpenter presented Winter Garden at WaterSound Phase 4 Plat, being submitted by the St. Joe Company consisting of 50 lots on 23.95 acres with a future land use of Coastal Village. Staff found the project meets the requirements of F.S. Chapter 177 and the Land Development Code. Recording fees and a \$500.00 911 addressing fee are due upon recording of the plat.

Motion by Commissioner Imfeld, second by Commissioner Pridgen, to approve Winter Garden at WaterSound Phase 4 Plat. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye. **(Exhibits: Staff Report-1)**

Mr. Tim Whaler, Planning and Development Services, presented Seabreeze South Plat submitted by Seaside Engineering & Surveying, LLC requesting the approval to plat 8 residential lots, consisting of 1.64 acres with a future land use of Residential Preservation. The project is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Seabreeze Trail and Seabreeze Boulevard. Staff found the request meets the requirements of the Development Order, F.S. Chapter 177, Comprehensive Plan and the Land Development Code contingent upon conditions as stated in the Staff Report.

Motion by Commissioner Pridgen, second by Commissioner Comander, to approve Seabreeze South Plat. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Comander Aye, Imfeld Aye, Pridgen Aye. **(Exhibits: Staff Report-1)**

There being no further items to present, the meeting was adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Approved: 
W. N. (Bill) Chapman, Chairman

Attest: 
Alex Alford, Clerk of Court and County Comptroller