

MINUTES OF THE GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING ON MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM, GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MOORE
HAVEN, FLORIDA

The Glades County Board of County Commissioners met on Monday, April 25, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Tim Stanley, Chairman
Weston Pryor, Vice Chairman
Paul Beck
John Ahern

Not present:

Donna Storter Long

Others present:

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of Court
Richard Pringle, County Attorney
Paul Carlisle, County Manager
Avant Brown, County Road Superintendent
Bob Jones, Public Safety Director
Lenice Hubbard, County Manager's Office
Raoul Bataller, Hendry Glades Sunday News
Susan Whidden, SHIP Coordinator
Gail Jones, Glades County Tax Collector
Stuart Whiddon, Glades County Sheriff
Daryl Lewis, GCSO
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Chairman Stanley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRAYER

Commissioner Beck gave the invocation.

PLEDGE

Commissioner Ahern led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

Chairman Stanley requested that a Proclamation declaring May 9, 2016 Child Welfare Professionals Recognition Day be added to the agenda.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Beck seconded by Vice Chairman Pryor the Board approved the addition of a Proclamation declaring May 9, 2016 Child Welfare Professionals Recognition Day under Presentations/Awards.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

PRESENTATIONS / AWARDS

Proclamation Declaring May 9, 2016 Child Welfare Professionals Recognition Day (added by Amendment)

Chairman Stanley read the title of the Proclamation into the record.

OM MOTION of Commissioner Beck seconded by Commissioner the Board adopted a Proclamation declaring May 9, 2016 Child Welfare Professionals Recognition Day.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

Chairman Stanley read the Proclamation into the record.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approved payment of County Warrants. (Exhibit A)**
General Fund: 78239 – 78343
SHIP: 1650
Intergovernmental Radio: 10298
Buckhead Ridge Utility Authority: 211
2. **Approved the Minutes of the April 12, 1016 Regular Meeting.**

County Manager Carlisle advised the Board that Commissioner Storter Long was not present tonight due to illness. He stated Commissioner Storter Long had requested that language be added to the conversation held between the Board members and Daryl Lewis at the previous meeting regarding his political signs. He stated she was requesting that the minutes reflect that Mr. Lewis had agreed to take “fire department” off of the signs and amend the signs to read “individual fire fighters”.

Daryl Lewis, Deputy – GCSO, stated he was going to go one step further and put “local fire fighters” on the signs. He stated this would take any community designations and affiliation with the County away.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Ahern seconded by Commissioner Beck the Board approved the Consent Agenda items subject to amendment to the minutes as requested by Commissioner Storter Long.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

BUSINESS AGENDA

3. Tax Deed Applications

Gail Jones, Glades County Tax Collector, stated she had provided the Board with a list of the County certificates that were mature enough for tax deed applications. She stated several had redeemed and the total was now 358. She stated there were only 40 that the County had to apply on. She explained the process.

County Manager Carlisle suggested leaving the number open so that if more were redeemed the number could be amended.

Mrs. Jones stated normally she submitted a written notice to the Finance Department when she was ready for the check.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Beck seconded by Commissioner Ahern the Board agreed to apply for applications for tax deeds on the 40 certificates that were assessed at \$5,000.00 or more pursuant to Florida Statute 197.502(3). The total cost of these certificates will be \$4,000.00.

Chairman Stanley asked what would happen to the certificates that were assessed at less than \$5,000.00.

Mrs. Jones explained that the certificates would remain on the list until the County decided to apply or someone purchased them and if after 7 years neither of these had occurred the certificates would become null and void.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

4. Delete 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe Property ID#3753 from Property Records and Declare Surplus

County Manager Carlisle stated he thought this had been done some time ago; however, this vehicle had been overlooked.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Pryor seconded by Commissioner Ahern the Board deleted a 2001 Chevrolet Tahoe – Property ID #3753 from the Property Records; declared it surplus to County need; and authorized the County Manager to dispose of the property.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

There was no discussion.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

There was no discussion.

COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Carlisle commented on the recent fire at the Glades Inn. He stated he had reached out to the bidder that had offered to purchase the hotel. He stated he had not yet received a response. He stated the County did have insurance on the property. He gave an update on the Travel Center. He stated the plans were ready for permit. He stated several emails were going back and forth with Mr. Sheffield regarding the signage requirements. He stated the specs would be forwarded to the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for approval. He stated after approval the County would be able to go out for bid on the project. He stated the furniture for the Training Center was beginning to arrive. He stated the Florida Southwestern University was ready to begin Engineering Tech classes in July. He stated the drawings for the mechanics/welding shop were moving forward. He stated he was putting together the exhibits for DEO for the \$1,000,000.00 that had been received from the State to build the facility. He stated he had a meeting with Miller on Thursday regarding sponsorships for the center. He stated he had some conversations with each Commissioner regarding the meetings he had attended with staff at the Immokalee Technical Center. He stated he had met the Immokalee Foundation Director during one of his trips to Gainesville. He stated they were excited about having an opportunity to expand their campus (mechanics/welding). He stated the Truck Driving Academy had contacted him about a lease for the CDL Driving School. He stated he was working with them on the matter. He stated things were moving along and it looked as if it would be a good year for the County.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

There was no discussion.

PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was none.

COMMISSIONERS ITEMS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Ahern stated an environmental study was being done on the Moore Haven Canal.

County Manager Carlisle stated the project was moving right along and should begin within the next 2 weeks.

Vice Chairman Pryor had no comments.

Commissioner Beck commented on the Panama Canal opening by the end of June. He stated this would allow big ships to come in and allow more merchandise to come through the County. He stated the influx of this merchandise should help the Industrial Park. He stated these businesses would help bring in much needed tax revenue.

GLADES COUNTY COMMISSION – APRIL 25, 2016

Chairman Stanley invited everyone to attend the Hazardous Waste Family Day at the Doyle Conner Building on this Saturday. He stated the event would begin at 10:00 a.m. He advised the Board that he would be resigning his seat effective April 28, 2016 due to his retirement plan. He stated he had already qualified to run for office again in November and would hopefully be back on the Board then.

ADJOURN

ON MOTION of Commissioner Beck seconded by Commissioner Ahern the Board adjourned the meeting.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Stanley adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Tim Stanley, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Approved: May 10, 2016

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