

MINUTES OF THE GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING ON MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017 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, June 26, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. with the following Commissioners present:

John Ahern, Chairman
Tim Stanley, Vice Chairman
Donald Strenth
Donna Storter Long
Weston Pryor

Others present:

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of Court
Julie Mann Braddock, Administrative Secretary
Tiffany Patterson, Finance Director
Paul Carlisle, County Manager
Dawn Garrison, Administrative Assistant - County Manager's Office
Susan Whidden, SHIP Administrator
Bob Jones, Public Safety Director
Gabriele Ibietatorremendia, Human Resources Director
Dave Hardin, Glades County Sheriff
Raoul Bataller, Hendry Glades Sunday News
Neil Chapman
5 citizens

Chairman Ahern called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRAYER

Commissioner Storter Long gave the invocation.

PLEDGE

Vice Chairman Stanley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

Note: Unanimous Board Action is required to amend agenda for official vote.

County Manager Carlisle requested that Item #11 – Budget Transfer of Funds for E911 Recorder “Logger” and Installation be deleted from the Business Agenda. He stated this purchase would be reimbursed from the State.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Vice Chairman Stanley the Board amended the agenda as stated.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

PRESENTATIONS / AWARDS

There were none.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **Rescind Glades County Ordinance 2016-20 which previously implemented Section of Glades County Ordinance 2008-1 to Ban All Outdoor Burning**

County Manager Carlisle stated adoption of this Ordinance would rescind Ordinance 2016-20 which was previously adopted to ban all outdoor burning in Glades County.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Stanley seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board adopted Glades County Ordinance No. 2017- 13, providing for the termination/rescission of Glades County Ordinance No. 2016-20 which previously implemented Section 4 of Glades County Ordinance No. 2008-1 to ban all outdoor burning in Glades County because of the existence of emergency conditions; providing for geographic applications; providing for conflicts; providing for severability; providing an effective date; and authorized the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board.

Chairman Ahern called for public comment. There was none.

Chairman Ahern called a roll call vote:

Commissioner Strenth – Yes
Vice Chairman Stanley – Yes
Commissioner Storter Long – Yes
Commissioner Pryor – Yes
Chairman Ahern – Yes

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

2. **Deleted Emergency Event Manager from Property Records and Declared Surplus (Property # 3649/176250001)**
3. **Approved County Warrants (See Exhibit A)**
General Fund: 81113 – 81221
SHIP: 1686
Small Cities CDBG: 102
Intergovernmental Radio: 10330

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Stanley seconded by Commissioner Pryor the Board approved the Consent Agenda items.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS

Anyone wishing to provide public comment on an Agenda Item please fill out a comment card on the table at the entrance to the Commission Chambers.

Chairman Ahern called for public input on the Business Agenda Items. There was none.

BUSINESS AGENDA

4. Options to Replace Medical Insurance PPO 0702.

County Manager Carlisle stated PRM had removed the PPO 0702 as a buy up plan option. He stated there were approximately 25 employees that were taking advantage of this option. He stated several other options were available. He stated staff had recommended Plan 3748 as the new medical insurance (buy up plan) for employees. He stated this plan provided better benefits than the current plan did. He stated the Board's choice would have to be provided to PRM prior to July 14th.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Storter Long seconded by Commissioner Pryor the Board approved the selection of Insurance Plan 3748 for Glades County Employees (buy up plan) for fiscal year 17/18 and authorized the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

5. Glades County Regional Training Facility Agreement No. HL051

County Manager Carlisle stated when the original agreement was signed, the budget that was provided was an estimate only. He stated this amendment reflected the current budget and actual figures.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Commissioner Storter Long the Board approved Agreement No. HL051 – Amendment 1 between Glades County and the Department of Economic Opportunity and authorized the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board. (See Exhibit B)

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

6. Glades County Small Quantity Generator's (SQG's) Hazardous Waste Assessment, Notification, and Verification Program

County Manager Carlisle stated part of the County's requirement for its MS-4 permit was to notify businesses with Small Quantity Generators (SQG's) of hazardous waste and verify the waste management practices of at least 20% of the SQG's annually. He stated the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council had provided annual assistance to member counties for years and the County had always contracted with them. He stated he did not know that that staff could be hired to do this for \$4,500.00 per year. He stated he did not know anyone employed by the County besides himself that was certified with DEP to do these inspections.

Commissioner Pryor questioned when the Board would know the future of the Regional Planning Council (RPC).

County Manager Carlisle stated the RPC was still waiting on the Attorney General's opinion on the matter related to membership and dues. He stated the County still had to meet the obligations to the State. He stated if circumstances changed with the RPC down the road they would have to look at other options. He stated he had no indication that the RPC was going to go away any time soon.

Commissioner Storter Long asked which budget the \$4,500.00 would be paid from.

County Manager Carlisle stated the funds would come from the Contractual Services budget.

Commissioner Storter Long asked if the RPC would notify the SQG's within Glades County and where they would obtain their list of businesses.

County Manager Carlisle stated the RPC would do site visits and obtain their list of businesses from the Property Appraiser.

Commissioner Pryor suggested that if the RPC did dissolve that the agreement include language stating that the money paid by the County would be pro-rated and the difference refunded.

Vice Chairman Stanley stated that because of notice requirements, it would be at least a year before the RPC was disbanded.

Commissioner Storter Long stated Sarasota, Lee, and Charlotte counties had all withdrawn their memberships from the RPC.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Storter Long seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board approved an agreement allowing the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council (SWFRPC) to assist Glades County in the notification, verification, inspection, and assessment of potential "Hazardous Waste Facilities" in Glades County and authorized the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board. (See Exhibit C)

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

7. Property Placed on List of Lands Available for Taxes

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of Court, stated these properties had already gone to tax deed and had not been purchased. She stated the Board had the option to purchase these properties now, if they so desired. She explained that if the Board did not wish to purchase the properties they would go on the list of lands and if they were not purchased within 3 years, the properties would escheat to the County.

Vice Chairman Stanley asked if anyone could purchase these properties off of the list of lands.

Ms. Brown stated this was correct. She stated during the first 90 days after the property was placed on the list, the County could purchase the land for the opening bid or waive its rights to purchase the properties.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Storter Long seconded by Commissioner Pryor the Board waived its rights to purchase the following properties: Tax Deed 2016-14 and Tax Deed 2016-15.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

8. Final Basic Financial Statements for Year Ended September 30, 2016

County Manager Carlisle stated the auditors had presented the draft Basic Financial Statements at the previous meeting. He stated Mrs. Whidden had reviewed the list of properties that the County owned and had reconciled everything with the auditors. He stated this had resulted in the values increasing from \$865,000.00 to \$2.5 million. He stated this was the only major change from the draft document.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Commissioner Storter Long the Board approved the Final Financial Statements for Year ended September 30, 2016 as prepared by Martin Redovan, CliftonLarsonAllen, LLC.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

9. Budget Transfer for Library

County Manager Carlisle stated one of the large air conditioning units had gone down at the Library and had to be replaced. He requested that the Board transfer funds from the Capital Outlay – Library Buildings to Capital Outlay – Library Transfers.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Stanley seconded by Commissioner Storter Long the Board approved the transfer of \$15,000.00 from 301-572000-500620 Capital Outlay – Library Buildings to 301-572000-500910 Capital Outlay – Library Transfers to replace the air conditioning unit.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

10. Budget Amendment for General Fund

ON MOTION of Commissioner Storter Long seconded by Vice Chairman Stanley the Board adopted Glades County Resolution No. 2017-18, amending the Fiscal Year 16/17 General Fund Budget by \$15,000.00 to reflect the transfer of Capital Outlay - Library Funds.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

11. Budget Transfer of Funds for E911 Recorder “Logger” and Installation (This item was deleted by amendment to the agenda)

12. Budget Transfer of Funds for Doyle Conner Building Roof Work

County Manager Carlisle stated the roof had leaked on several occasions. He stated the Glades Youth Livestock Association had expended a considerable amount of money replacing the roof tiles. He stated the County's maintenance staff had tried to repair the leaks. He stated because of the way the roof was constructed the proper ridge vent could not have been installed. He stated a wider ridge vent would be installed and a double weather stop to prevent the rains from blowing underneath the vent.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Commissioner Starter Long the Board approved a budget transfer in the amount of \$11,900.00 for emergency roof repairs at the Doyle Conner building. (From General Fund Contingencies to Doyle Conner Building Maintenance)

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

County Manager Carlisle stated the rusted screws would also be replaced.

13. SHIP RFP 2017-BarrierFree-1 Results

Susan Whidden, SHIP Administrator, stated she had received one bid on this project from LaBelle Construction in the amount of \$6,000.00. She stated this bid was considerably less than the first bid that had been received.

County Manager Carlisle reminded the Board that these funds had already been encumbered and the Board would only need to award the bid.

Mrs. Whidden stated \$12,000.00 had been encumbered.

County Manager Carlisle stated he bring the un-encumbrance of the balance of funds back to the Board for approval once the project was completed.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Stanley seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board approved the bid from LaBelle Construction in the amount of \$6,000.00 for Applicant 2017-BarrierFree-1 project and authorized the County Manager and SHIP Administrator to sign on behalf of the Board.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

14. County Manager Employment Agreement

County Manager Carlisle stated he had been employed with the County for a little over 3 ½ years. He stated he looked forward to continuing his work with the County. He stated his contract required him to provide notice to the Board 90 days before termination of the agreement. He requested that the contract be amended and the Board appoint a Commissioner to negotiate the amendment to the agreement.

Commissioner Starter Long suggested that the Chairman and County Attorney handle the negotiations.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Storter Long seconded by Commissioner Pryor the Board appointed Chairman Ahern and Attorney Pringle to negotiate the second amendment to the Employment Agreement between the Glades County Board of County Commissioners and Paul E. Carlisle.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

There was no discussion.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

There was no discussion.

COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Carlisle stated he was looking forward to attending the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) conference this week. He stated the construction on the Training Center was complete except for some punch-out work and sodding. He stated the County would meet the June 30th deadline for completion. He stated Wright Construction had done a really good job on this project.

PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

J.C. Long, resident of Ortona, thanked the County for cleaning up and fixing the roof on the fire house in Ortona.

COMMISSIONERS ITEMS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Strenth stated there had been a discussion about 2 workable ambulances and 2 spares. He asked Mr. Jones why the 2 spare ambulances had less mileage on them than the others.

Bob Jones, Public Safety Director, stated the main reason the newer trucks were used was because they had bigger inverters. He stated these ambulances also had better lighting and bigger boxes.

Commissioner Strenth questioned how the funding of the loan on the fire truck was coming along.

County Manager Carlisle stated he had sent Attorney Pringle an email last week inquiring about the status of the loan so that he could give each Commissioner a status update prior to the budget hearing. He stated he had not yet received a response from Attorney Pringle.

Commissioner Storter Long questioned why this loan could not be made a priority.

Vice Chairman Stanley stated the truck was paid for and the loan would just be putting the money back into the budget.

County Manager Carlisle stated this was correct. He stated the County was carrying money forward. He stated there was \$60,000.00 in next year's budget to pay for it annually. He stated the Board could not do anything and still be in good shape.

Commissioner Storter Long stated the point was that the Board decided weeks ago to obtain the loan.

There was a brief discussion regarding the interest rate.

Commissioner Strenth stated he was happy to know that the Lakeport Community Center would be getting an outside restroom if the budget was approved.

Chairman Stanley stated the Buckhead Ridge Community Association would be holding their monthly meeting this Thursday night. He stated Bass Pro had been awarded the Okee-Tantie deal. He thanked everyone for all of their hard work on the budgets.

Commissioner Storter Long commented on raising the Code Enforcement (Compliance) Officer's salary range. She stated it had been discussed earlier in the budget workshop about the possibility of discussing this matter with County's Fire Marshall and having him take on the code enforcement duties. She asked if the Board could just assign the duties to him.

County Manager Carlisle stated he had not had a chance to discuss the matter with the Fire Marshall yet. He stated he had other assigned duties and did not want to speculate whether or not he would want to take on the code enforcement duties as well.

Commissioner Storter Long stated the Board would need to discuss an increase in his salary if the additional duties were assigned. She asked if there would be enough funds to cover this.

County Manager Carlisle stated neither job - part time Code Enforcement nor part time Fire Marshall were full time positions. He stated his goal was to use the dollars for the Code Enforcement Officer to hire another fire fighter.

Mr. Jones agreed.

Commissioner Storter Long stated it had been quiet in Ortona. She stated the Children's Program would start next month. She stated Amanda McCroy would be heading up the program this year.

Commissioner Pryor thanked Mrs. Patterson for her hard work on this year's budget. He stated she had done an outstanding job.

Chairman Ahern stated everything was on track at the GCDC facility. He stated the GCDC Board had hired a lawyer to try to recover some of the money that was spent on

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the re-issuing of the bonds. He stated any funds recovered would go towards one of the loans that were due. He stated the population had been fairly steady. He stated there were a little over 400 inmates at the facility as of today. He stated he and County Manager Carlisle would be meeting tomorrow with a gentlemen that did feasibility studies on motels. He also thanked the staff for all of their hard work on the budget.

ADJOURN

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Pryor seconded by Vice Chairman Stanley the Board adjourned the meeting.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Ahern adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

John Ahern, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Approved: July 11, 2017

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