

MINUTES OF THE GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING ON TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM, GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MOORE
HAVEN, FLORIDA

The Glades County Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. with the following Commissioners present:

John Ahern, Chairman
Tim Stanley, Vice Chairman
Donald Strenth
Weston Pryor

Not present:

Donna Storter Long

Others present:

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of the Court
Julie Mann Braddock, Administrative Secretary
Tiffany Patterson, Finance Director
Paul Carlisle, County Manager
Richard Pringle, Glades County Attorney
Susan Whidden, SHIP Administrator
Paul McGehee, Glades Electric
Inga Williams, Community Development Director
Joe Pepe, Director - Glades County Health Department
Libby Pigman, SWFMD Representative
Bob Jones, Public Safety Director
Charlie Murphy, Okeechobee Radio
3 citizens

Chairman Ahern called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PRAYER

Commissioner Pryor gave the invocation.

PLEDGE

Vice Chairman Stanley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Manager Carlisle stated Commissioner Storter Long would not be present today due to a conflict.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS

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

PRESENTATIONS / AWARDS

There were none.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Approve Douglas Subdivision**
2. **Approve Records Dispositions 2017-1 and 2017-2 (See Exhibit A)**
3. **Approve minutes of the June 13, 2017 Regular Meeting**
4. **Approve minutes of the June 26, 2017 Regular Meeting**
5. **Approve County Warrants (See Exhibit B)**
General Fund: 81222 – 81301
SHIP: 1687
Intergovernmental Radio: 10331 - 10332

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

Motion carried by 4 – 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 asked if there was any public input on any of the Business Agenda items. There was none.

BUSINESS AGENDA

6. Donation of Two Military Trucks

County Manager Carlisle stated the Division of Forestry had donated 2 military trucks to Glades County. He stated the Road Department would build the trucks up to code and replace 2 of the older brush trucks. He asked that the Board accept the trucks so that they could be added to the insurance.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Vice Chairman Stanley the Board approved the acceptance of 2 military style trucks donated by the Florida Forest Service to Glades County for Public Safety use as brush trucks after conversion by the Road Department.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

7. Appoint Three Members to the 2017 Value Adjustment Board

County Manager Carlisle stated Florida Statutes required that the Board appoint 2 members from the Commission and 1 citizen that owned homestead property within the County.

Chairman Ahern asked if a citizen had been approached or if one had volunteered to serve.

County Manager Carlisle stated he had not spoken with anyone wanting to serve.

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of Court, stated Diane Cianfrani had been appointed as the citizen member last year; however, no hearings had been held due to no petitions being filed.

Chairman Ahern asked Mrs. Cianfrani if she would like to serve on the 2017 Value Adjustment Board.

Diane Cianfrani stated she would be willing to serve.

Vice Chairman Stanley volunteered to serve on the Value Adjustment Board this year.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board appointed Chairman Ahern, Vice Chairman Stanley, and citizen member Diane Ciranfrani, to serve on the 2017 Value Adjustment Board.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

8. Property Placed on the List of Lands Available

County Manager Carlisle stated the Clerk's Office had held a tax deed sale and these 3 properties had not sold. He stated the Board had the option to purchase one or more of the parcels or to waive their right to purchase the properties.

Commissioner Pryor asked if the properties would eventually come back to the Board in the future.

County Manager Carlisle stated the properties could come back to the Board in the future. He recommended that the Board waive their right to purchase the properties and see if anyone else was interested in purchasing them.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Stanley seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board waived its right to purchase the following properties: Tax Deed 2016-24; Tax Deed 2016-25; and Tax Deed 2016-27.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

9. Encumber SHIP 14/15 Funds

Susan Whidden, SHIP Administrator, stated she had a low income family that had been approved for a \$100,000.00 for a demo/rebuild. She stated the family also had financing in place with First Bank in Clewiston should there be any overage due.

Vice Chairman Stanley asked if these were last year's funds.

Mrs. Whidden stated these funds were from 2014-2015.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Stanley seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board approved the encumbrance of 2014-5 SHIP funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 for Applicant 2017-DEMO/Rebuild-1 and authorized the County Manager and SHIP Administrator to sign SHIP mortgage documents on behalf of the Glades County Board of County Commissioners.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

There was no discussion.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

There was no discussion.

Chairman Ahern stated the loan for the fire truck was ready and would be on the agenda for approval at the next meeting.

COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Carlisle stated he and the Commissioners had received an invitation from the White House to attend the Florida County Commissioner's Day on July 27th. He stated if any Commissioner wished to attend he would make travel arrangements for them.

Commissioner Strenth volunteered to attend the event.

County Manager Carlisle stated he would make the proper arrangements. He stated someone needed to serve on the MPO Citizens' Advisory Board. He asked that the Commissioners let him know if someone was interested. He stated there was currently no one from Glades County serving on the Board. He stated the construction at the Training Center was complete. He stated FWC would start doing the landscaping at the Moore Haven Canal during the first week of August. He reminded everyone of the ribbon cutting for the United Way House on July 27th at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Ahern stated he had the contact information for the people that were working with the County on the Moore Haven Canal project and would provide this to Commissioner Strenth.

PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There was none.

COMMISSIONERS ITEMS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Strenth had no comments.

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Vice Chairman Stanley commented on 2 brochures that the Tourism Development Council had printed and would be distributing. He stated the brochures would be placed at all of the welcome centers near Tallahassee. He stated Buckhead Ridge was experiencing a large amount of burglaries. He stated there had been numerous break-ins. He reminded people to keep a look out for suspicious activity in their neighborhoods.

Commissioner Pryor commented on attending the FAC Conference and how well Glades and Hendry counties had been represented.

Chairman Ahern stated he and County Manager Carlisle had met with a consultant regarding the hotel property. He reminded everyone of the 10 year anniversary party at the jail today at 11:00 a.m. He stated the Budget Workshop would be held at 2:30 p.m. He stated the inmate population at the jail had been 424 as of yesterday. He stated the numbers were remaining steady.

Libby Pigman, Representative – SWFWD, stated Okeechobee Watershed Planning Meeting would be held on July 27th from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Okeechobee Service Center. She stated it was really important for the communities around the lake to be involved with this planning. She commented on deep well injections and the overall health of the lake.

ADJOURN

ON MOTION of Commissioner Pryor seconded by Commissioner Strenth the Board adjourned the meeting.

Motion carried by 4 – 0 vote.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Ahern adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

John Ahern, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra H. Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Approved: August 8, 2017

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