

REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 2007
9:00 A.M.

The Lafayette County Commission met on the above date and hour for a regular scheduled meeting. The meeting was held in the commissioner's meeting room at the Courthouse in Mayo, Florida. The following members were present: Commissioner Charles Driver, Dist. 1; Commissioner Thomas E. Pridgeon, Dist. 2; Commissioner Donnie Hamlin, Dist. 3; Commissioner Jack Byrd, Dist. 4; Commissioner Earnest Jones, Dist. 5; and Lafayette County Attorney Leenette McMillan.

R.O. RANCH SPECIAL EXCEPTION

The board of adjustments discussed a special exception for the R.O. Ranch. On a motion by Mr. Hamlin and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to have Ms. McMillan read the special exception by title only. The special exception request is for a General Store, Covered Equestrian Arena and Campgrounds that the Suwannee River Water Management District wants to develop. The Commissioners discussed the idea of the District widening County Road 357 for ingress/egress to the project. Upon general consent of the Board, it was agreed to change the General Store to a Welcome Center and it was never to include a restaurant. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Hamlin, the board voted unanimously to recess the public hearing until a later date (pending the road issue being clarified).

ADJOURN BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS, OPEN REGULAR MEETING

APPROVE THE MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Driver and a second by Mr. Hamlin, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

BASS ASSASSIN OFFICE SPACE RENOVATION

On a motion by Mr. Hamlin and a second by Mr. Driver, the board voted unanimously to approve adding office spaces on to the Bass Assassin building with an estimated cost of \$14,000.00 per Marcus Calhoun, Lafayette County Maintenance.

GRANT FOR COMP PLAN STUDIES

The Department of Community Affairs has offered the county a \$100,000.00 grant addressing studies for comp plan issues. On a motion by Mr. Driver and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Bobby Johnson applying for the grant.

COUNTY JUDGES PICTURES

On a motion by Mr. Driver and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Jerry Metzger hanging additional pictures of past county judges in the Courtroom.

RESIDENTIAL DESIGN SERVICES PROPOSALS

Two proposals were turned in for the residential design plan for houses involved in the CDBG Grant. They were from CRA Architects and Via Concepts. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Pridgeon, the board voted unanimously to approve the proposal turned in by CRA Architects. (See attached rating sheets).

EDWARD PERRY LANE

On a motion by Mr. Pridgeon and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to name the county graded road from County Road 534 to US 27 Edward Perry Lane.

QUOTES ON TABLES AND CHAIRS FOR COMMUNITY CENTERS

The Board reviewed various quotes on new tables and chairs for the community centers. On a motion by Mr. Hamlin and a second by Mr. Pridgeon, the board voted unanimously to approve the bid from Sam's Club.

PRELIMINARY DESIGN ON COURTHOUSE FACILITIES GRANT

On a motion by Mr. Pridgeon and a second by Mr. Hamlin, the board voted unanimously to approve the preliminary design for the Courthouse Facilities Grant presented by CRA Architects.

WARRANT LIST

On a motion by Mr. Pridgeon and a second by Mr. Jones, with the exception of the Byrd's Power Equipment bill, the board voted unanimously to approve the following bills:

General Fund - \$364,085.57

Industrial Park Fund - \$107.62

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Hamlin, with Mr. Byrd abstaining, the board voted unanimously to approve the Byrd's Power Equipment bill in the amount of \$4.67.

SHAWN HOWELL – REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM COMMUNITY CENTER FEES

On a motion by Mr. Hamlin and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Shawn Howell's request to be exempt from the community center fees. The community center will be used for a benefit dinner for his mother.

NOVEMBER SOLID WASTE/EMS BILLING REPORTS

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Pridgeon, the board voted unanimously to approve the November Solid Waste/EMS billing reports.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Driver, the board voted unanimously to adjourn.

T. Jack Byrd, Chairman

Attest:

Ricky Lyons, Clerk

Approved this 14th day of January, 2008.