

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.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

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

BEN WIMBERLEY, BUILDING ISSUE

Mr. Ben Wimberley appeared before the board to discuss a building issue. Discussion was held with Mr. Wimberley, the board and Mr. Bobby Johnson, building official, on this issue. No action was taken.

LOUIS SHIVER, SUWANNEE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

Mr. Louis Shiver, Chairman of the Suwannee River Water Management District, appeared before the board to discuss Water Management's acquisition of property in Lafayette County. Discussion was held, but no action was taken on this issue.

CHRISTOPHER JOYNER, JR., PERMIT ISSUE

Mr. Christopher Joyner, Jr. appeared before the board to discuss a permitting issue. Discussion was held with the board, Mr. Joyner and Mr. Johnson, building official, but no action was taken on this issue.

BONNIE ADAMS CDBG HOME

Mr. David Mowrey, contractor for the CDBG Homes, appeared before the board to discuss Ms. Bonnie Adams home and relocating it to another place on her property. Her property is in a flood zone and Mr. Mowrey wanted permission from the board to relocate the house on the property. Mr. Byrd made a recommendation to relocate the building site of the house. On a motion by Mr. Hamlin and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to go with the recommendation of Mr. Byrd.

PURCHASE OF NEW MOTOR GRADER

The board discussed the possibility of purchasing a new motor grader for the road department. On a motion by Mr. Hamlin and a second by Mr. Jones, the board voted unanimously to hold off on the purchase for now.

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

- General Fund - \$54,658.43
- Industrial Park Fund - \$29.13
- E911 Fund - \$125.00

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Hamlin, with Mr. Pridgeon abstaining, the board voted unanimously to approve the Pridgeon's Garage bill in the amount of \$381.55 for payment.

RESOLUTION FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST FUNDS

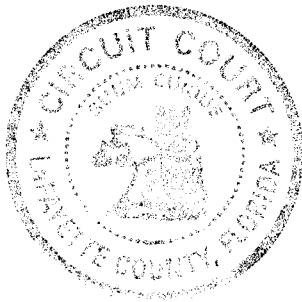
On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Hamlin, the board voted unanimously to have Ms. McMillan read the resolution by title only. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Driver, the board voted unanimously to adopt a resolution requesting funds for the replacement of lost funds from Amendment I.

QUOTES FOR PIPE FOR WATER LINE TO THE BALL FIELD

The board looked at quotes for the purchase of pipe for the water line to the ball field. The following quotes were turned in: Certified Plumbing - \$3,806.49 and Mayo Hardware - \$4,172.04. On a motion by Mr. Driver and a second by Mr. Hamlin, the board voted unanimously to go with the bid by Mayo Hardware in the amount of \$4,172.04.

ADJOURN

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



T. Jack Byrd
T. Jack Byrd, Chairman

Attest:

Ricky Lyons
Ricky Lyons, Clerk

Approved this 10th day of November, 2008.



LAFAYETTE COUNTY

Board of County Commissioners

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Charles Driver - Dist. 1
Thomas E. Pridgeon - Dist. 2
Donnie Hamlin - Dist. 3

Tweed Jack Byrd - Dist. 4
Earnest Jones - Dist. 5

October 28, 2008

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The Honorable Charlie Crist
Governor
State of Florida
Plaza Level 05, The Capitol
400 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Re: Fiscally Constrained Counties

Dear Governor Crist:

On behalf of the Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners, I wanted to request your continued support to fully offset the impact of Amendment 1 in Florida's Fiscally Constrained counties on a recurring basis. Lafayette County meets the statutory definition of Fiscally Constrained county and has estimated the impact of the Amendment 1 in our county to be (\$327,701) for FY 2008-2009.

We appreciate the actions of the Florida Legislature in Senate Bill 4D and the support reiterated in your 2008 budget request as a commitment to fully fund the \$24.6 million impact that Amendment 1 has had on the Fiscally Constrained counties. We appreciate that the 2008 Florida Legislature appropriating \$10,000,000 to partially fund the impact of Amendment 1 to start FY 2008-2009 and are hopeful that the remaining balance of \$14.6 million associated with the impact of Amendment 1 in the 29 Fiscally Constrained counties for FY 2008-2009 will be funded by the 2009 Legislature as you requested in your 2008 budget proposal.

Attached is a Resolution adopted by the Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners asking for your continued support and the support of the Florida Legislature. Specifically, we would like you to request and the Florida Legislature to appropriate an additional \$14,613,125 for the unfunded impact of Amendment 1 for FY 2008-2009. We would also like you to request an additional \$24.6 million to fund the anticipated impact of Amendment 1 in FY 2009-2010.

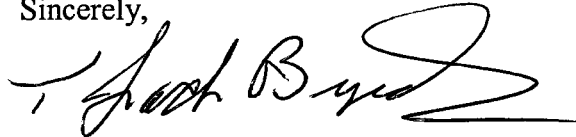
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We appreciate your understanding of the importance of this request to our county and we hope that the commitment expressed to offset the impact of Amendment 1 in Fiscally Constrained counties will have continued support in your upcoming budget request.

Sincerely,



T. Jack Byrd, Chairman
Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners

cc: House and Senate Members of the County Legislative Delegation

Mailed to Gov Crist, Sen.
Dean, Rep Boyd and
Chris Doehin 11/4/08
H. Owens

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-10-01-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE LAFAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING FULL FUNDING OF
AMENDMENT 1 OFFSET FOR FISCALLY CONSTRAINED COUNTIES;
AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature defines a county as Fiscally Constrained if it located within a rural area of critical economic concern pursuant to s. 288.0656 or if the value of 1 mill of ad valorem taxation within the county will raise no more that \$5 million in revenue; and,

WHEREAS, during Special Legislative Session D held in October of 2007, the Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 4D stating that "beginning in the 2008-2009 fiscal year, the Legislature shall appropriate moneys to offset the reductions in ad valorem tax revenue experienced by fiscally constrained counties, as defined in s. 218.67(1), Florida Statutes, which occur as a direct result of the implementation of the revision of Article VII of the State Constitution approved in a special election held on January 29, 2008,"; and,

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2008 the voters of the State of Florida passed Constitutional Amendment 1 which resulted in revisions to Ad Valorem Taxation; and,

WHEREAS, on January 31st 2008, Governor Crist announced his budget proposal for consideration by the Florida Legislature which included the following statement - "*In Fiscal Year 2009-10, Governor Crist will recommend \$26.2 million in recurring funds to offset the impact that Amendment 1 will have to the property taxes collected by fiscally constrained county governments. Senate Bill 4-D, which implements the constitutional amendment, directs that this revenue loss be offset beginning with local governments' fiscal year, which runs from October 2008 to September 2009.*"; and,

WHEREAS, during the 2008 Regular Legislative Session, the Florida Legislature appropriated \$10,000,000 to partially offset the impact of Amendment 1 in the Fiscally Constrained counties and passed SB 1588 further outlining procedures for distribution of the appropriation to the eligible counties through the Department of Revenue; and,

WHEREAS, based on actual tax roll information the impact of Amendment 1 in the Fiscally Constrained counties has been determined to be \$24,613,127 leaving the unfunded portion of the Amendment 1 offset to the Fiscally Constrained counties for FY 2008-2009 at \$14,613,127; and,

WHEREAS, the Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners finds that Lafayette County meets the statutory definition of Fiscally Constrained County; estimates the total impact of Amendment 1 in Lafayette County in FY 2008-2009 to be **(\$327,701)**; and, estimates that Lafayette County will receive approximately **\$133,141** from the \$10,000,000 appropriated by the Legislature leaving an unfunded amount of **(\$194,560)** from the Amendment 1 impact in Lafayette County in FY 2008-2009.

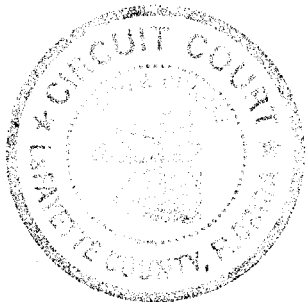
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners requests that Governor Crist request and the Florida Legislature appropriate an additional \$14,613,125 for the unfunded impact of Amendment 1 for FY 2008- 2009 providing an additional **\$194,560** to Lafayette County to fund the unfunded portion of the Amendment 1 Offset in 2008-2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Governor Crist include a request to provide \$24.6 million to fund the anticipated impact of Amendment 1 in Fiscally Constrained counties in FY 2009-2010.

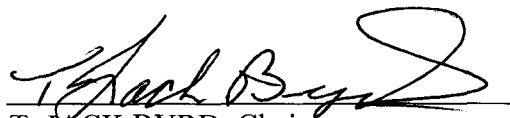
THIS RESOLUTION shall take effect October 27, 2008.

DULY PASSED AND ENACTED by the Lafayette County Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, this 27th day of October, 2008.

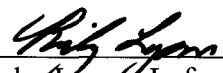
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LAFAYETTE COUNTY, FLORIDA



BY:


T. JACK BYRD, Chairperson

ATTEST:


Ricky Lyons, Lafayette County Clerk of Court

FORM 8B MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICERS

LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME THOMAS E. PRIDGEON, JR.	NAME OF BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE LAFAYETTE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MAILING ADDRESS CR 300	THE BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY OR COMMITTEE ON WHICH I SERVE IS A UNIT OF: <input type="checkbox"/> CITY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNTY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER LOCAL AGENCY
CITY MAYO	COUNTY LAFAYETTE
DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED October 27, 2008	NAME OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION: LAFAYETTE COUNTY
	MY POSITION IS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ELECTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> APPOINTIVE

WHO MUST FILE FORM 8B

This form is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected board, council, commission, authority, or committee. It applies equally to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes.

Your responsibilities under the law when faced with voting on a measure in which you have a conflict of interest will vary greatly depending on whether you hold an elective or appointive position. For this reason, please pay close attention to the instructions on this form before completing the reverse side and filing the form.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 112.3143, FLORIDA STATUTES

A person holding elective or appointive county, municipal, or other local public office **MUST ABSTAIN** from voting on a measure which inures to his or her special private gain or loss. Each elected or appointed local officer also is prohibited from knowingly voting on a measure which inures to the special gain or loss of a principal (other than a government agency) by whom he or she is retained (including the parent organization or subsidiary of a corporate principal by which he or she is retained); to the special private gain or loss of a relative; or to the special private gain or loss of a business associate. Commissioners of community redevelopment agencies under Sec. 163.356 or 163.357, F.S., and officers of independent special tax districts elected on a one-acre, one-vote basis are not prohibited from voting in that capacity.

For purposes of this law, a "relative" includes only the officer's father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, and daughter-in-law. A "business associate" means any person or entity engaged in or carrying on a business enterprise with the officer as a partner, joint venturer, coowner of property, or corporate shareholder (where the shares of the corporation are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange).

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ELECTED OFFICERS:

In addition to abstaining from voting in the situations described above, you must disclose the conflict:

PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN by publicly stating to the assembly the nature of your interest in the measure on which you are abstaining from voting; *and*

WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE VOTE OCCURS by completing and filing this form with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who should incorporate the form in the minutes.

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APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Although you must abstain from voting in the situations described above, you otherwise may participate in these matters. However, you must disclose the nature of the conflict before making any attempt to influence the decision, whether orally or in writing and whether made by you or at your direction.

IF YOU INTEND TO MAKE ANY ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT WHICH THE VOTE WILL BE TAKEN:

- You must complete and file this form (before making any attempt to influence the decision) with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who will incorporate the form in the minutes. (Continued on other side)

APPOINTED OFFICERS (continued)

- A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency.
- The form must be read publicly at the next meeting after the form is filed.

IF YOU MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION EXCEPT BY DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING:

- You must disclose orally the nature of your conflict in the measure before participating.
- You must complete the form and file it within 15 days after the vote occurs with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who must incorporate the form in the minutes. A copy of the form must be provided immediately to the other members of the agency, and the form must be read publicly at the next meeting after the form is filed.

DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER'S INTEREST

I, THOMAS E. PRIDGEON, JR., hereby disclose that on Oct. 27, 2008:

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one)

- inured to my special private gain or loss;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my business associate, _____;
- inured to the special gain or loss of my relative, _____;
- inured to the special gain or loss of _____, by whom I am retained; or
- inured to the special gain or loss of _____, which is the parent organization or subsidiary of a principal which has retained me.

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my conflicting interest in the measure is as follows:

An invoice payable to Pridgeon Garage was voted on and approved by the Commission.

10-27-08
Date Filed

Thomas E. Pridgeon
Signature

NOTICE: UNDER PROVISIONS OF FLORIDA STATUTES §112.317, A FAILURE TO MAKE ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR AND MAY BE PUNISHED BY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPEACHMENT, REMOVAL OR SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, DEMOTION, REDUCTION IN SALARY, REPRIMAND, OR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.