

SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2017
8:00 A.M.

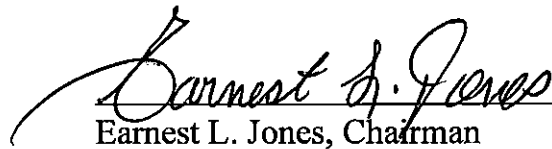
The Lafayette County Commission met on the above date and hour for a special meeting. The meeting was held in the County Commissioner's meeting room in Mayo, Florida. The following members were present: Commissioner Lance Lamb, Dist. 1; Commissioner Thomas E. Pridgeon, Jr., Dist. 2; Commissioner Lisa Walker, Dist. 3; Commissioner Anthony Adams, Dist. 4; Commissioner Earnest L. Jones, Dist. 5; and Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, County Attorney.

UPDATE ON HURRICANE IRMA

Marc Land, Emergency Management Director, gave the Board an update on Hurricane Irma. According to the information he has been receiving from the National Weather Service, Lafayette County could receive 31 ours of tropical storm force winds that could get up to 109 mph. He is concerned about the safety of mobile homes and RV's in the area, and said that there are 500 spots available in the shelters. On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Pridgeon, the Board voted unanimously to order a mandatory evacuation for Lafayette County.

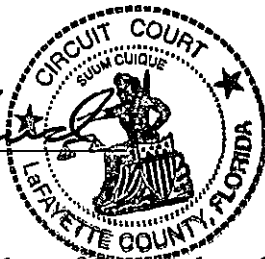
ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Pridgeon, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.


Earnest L. Jones, Chairman

Attest:


Steve Land, Clerk



Approved this 25th day of September, 2017.

UPDATE ADVISORY – LAFAYETTE COUNTY, FLORIDA - SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

AS OF 8:30AM TODAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT A HURRICANE WATCH AND WARNING IS IN EFFECT FOR LAFAYETTE COUNTY, A MANDATORY EVACUATION ORDER HAS BEEN ISSUED TO ALL RESIDENTS OF LAFAYETTE COUNTY.

THIS EVACUATION ORDER IS BASED ON THE WEATHER SERVICE ADVISORY INDICATING THAT LAFAYETTE COUNTY IS EXPECTED TO RECEIVE TROPICAL FORCE WINDS BEGINNING SUNDAY AFTERNOON SEPTEMBER 10TH AND INCREASING TO CATEGORY 1 HURRICANE FORCE WINDS AND ABOVE FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME.

TROPICAL STORM FORCE WINDS AND HURRICANE FORCE WINDS ARE EXPECTED FOR 30 PLUS HOURS.

RESIDENTS SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT ANY CHANGES IN THE STORM'S TRACK MAY INCREASE THE SEVERITY OF IMPACT.

THE GENERAL POPULATION SHELTER AT LAFAYETTE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL WILL OPEN AT 12NOON ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH. CITIZENS SEEKING SHELTER WILL NEED TO BRING PILLOWS, BLANKETS, BEDDING AND SNACKS.

THE SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER, INCLUDING MEDICAL WILL BE OPENED AT 12PM ON SEPTEMBER 9TH AT SUWANNEE COUNTY INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, 1419 WALKER AVENUE IN LIVE OAK.

SHELTERS ARE NOT PET FRIENDLY.

RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE PREPARATIONS AND EVACUATION BEFORE 6AM ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH.

ANY REQUESTS RELATING TO NEEDS ASSOCIATED WITH HURRICANE IRMA SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE LAFAYETTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BY CALLING 386 294 4111 OR 386 294 4112.

CITIZENS WHO DO NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION AND NEED EVACUATION TO A SHELTER SHOULD CALL 386 294 4111 OR 386 294 4112.

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO EVACUATE, THAT IS YOUR CHOICE. HOWEVER, YOU RUN THE RISK THAT EMERGENCY SERVICES AND RESPONDERS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ASSIST YOU DURING SEVERE WEATHER. EMERGENCY RESPONDERS WILL NOT RESPOND TO ANY EMERGENCY WHEN THE WINDS ARE SUSTAINED AT 40MPH.