

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 8, 2021

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 County Commissioners Meeting Room at the Lafayette County Courthouse in Mayo, Florida. The following members were present: Commissioner Lance Lamb, Dist. 1; Commissioner Henry McCray, Dist. 2; Commissioner Lisa Walker, Dist. 3 (by phone); Commissioner Anthony Adams, Dist. 4; Commissioner Earnest L. Jones, Dist. 5; and Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, County Attorney.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRED ROAD DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

The Board recognized Thomas Thacker with a plaque of appreciation for his over 15 years of service to the Lafayette County Road Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03-02

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to have Mrs. McMillan-Fredriksson read Resolution No. 2021-03-02 by title only. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution, which is in support of the reconstructing a regionally significant road, County Road 250 in Suwannee County.

**APPOINT A MEMBER TO THE SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Mr. Jimmy Witt to the Suwannee River Economic Council Board of Directors.

SIMS FARM PREP WORK ADVERTISEMENT

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to change some of the language in the current advertisement for the prep work at the Sims Farm, and then to advertise to receive bids.

CONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to approve the recommendation from the Construction Committee to use Gray Construction as the contractor for the Clock Tower and Extension Office projects.

OPEN PROPOSALS FOR THE CEI WORK ON COUNTY ROAD 354

The Board opened bids from the following firms for the CEI work on the County Road 354 project: Consor Engineers, LLC; Infrastructure Consulting & Engineering; Kennedy Engineering & Associates Group, LLC; North Florida Professional Services; and Locklear & Associates. The Board informed the representatives that were present from each firm and the public that they will hold a special meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. to make a decision on the RFQ's submitted.

COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR LAFAYETTE COUNTY

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to continue the COVID-19 State of Emergency for Lafayette County.

APPROVE THE BILLS

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to approve following bills:

General Fund - \$509,888.99

Emergency 911 Fund - \$674.13

Industrial Park Fund - \$64.08

CONSIDER APPROVING AN INDIGENT BURIAL REQUEST

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to approve an Indigent Burial Request for Edward Mathews.

PUBLIC HEARING – CDBG GRANT APPLICATION

A public hearing was held by the Board to consider applying for the CDBG Coronavirus Program grant. A representative with North Florida Professional Services explained the process of the grant to the Board, and informed them of what kind of projects would be eligible for this grant. The Board gave some ideas of what they would like considered, and gave the public the same opportunity, with no response. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to approve the initial application for this grant and to allow North Florida Professional Services to move forward with the application process. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing.

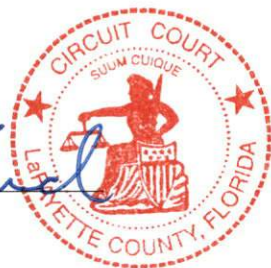
ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.



Anthony Adams, Chairman

Attest:


Steve Land, Clerk

Approved this 22nd day of March, 2021.