

Columbia County  
Board of County Commissioners  
Special Meeting/Budget Workshop

Minutes of  
**May 17, 2018**

The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners met in a special meeting /workshop at the auditorium of the School Board Administrative Complex at 2:00 p.m. The meeting opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Commissioners in Attendance: Chairman Timothy Murphy, Rusty DePratter, Bucky Nash, Everett Phillips and Ronald Williams.

Others in Attendance: County Manager Ben Scott ("CM")  
Assistant County Manager Kevin Kirby ("ACM")  
BOCC Finance Director Danielle Beard  
County Attorney Joel Foreman  
Deputy Clerk Katrina Vercher

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve the agenda. SECOND by Commissioner Phillips. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Budget Workshop Presentation**

CM Scott gave a PowerPoint presentation which reviewed the following topics:

- Allocation of Fund Balance
- Debt Service Early Payoff
- Sheriff Annual Budget

Bruce A. Omtvedt with Dewberry Architects Inc., presented the Board with several options for the new jail design (the PowerPoint presentation is attached to the original minutes).

Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Commissioner Nash to approve option four. SECOND by Commissioner Williams.

Discussion ensued.

Citizen Stewart Lilker offered comment.

The Chairman called for a vote. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Commissioner Nash to give Dewberry permission to do the schematic design and bring back at that point. SECOND by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

**“Next Steps”**

CM Scott requested that the Commission take this information, study it and make recommendations to staff that will be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Timothy Murphy, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

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P. DeWitt Cason  
Clerk of Circuit Court