



**COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM**

The Board of County Commissioners meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Columbia County School Board Administrative Complex Auditorium, 372 West Duval Street, Lake City, Florida 32055. All agenda items are due in the Board's office one week prior to the meeting date.

Today's Date: 3/25/2021 Meeting Date: 4/1/2021

Name: John Crews Department: BCC Administration

Division Manager's Signature:

1. Nature and purpose of agenda item:

Minutes - Regular Meeting - March 18, 2021

2. Recommended Motion/Action:

Approve

3. Fiscal impact on current budget.

This item has no effect on the current budget.

Columbia County
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes of
March 18, 2021

The Columbia County Board of County Commissioners met in a regular meeting at the auditorium of the School Board Administrative Complex at 5:30 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 Rocky Ford, Ronald Williams, Robert Hollingsworth, Toby Witt and Timothy Murphy

Others in Attendance: County Manager David Kraus ("CM")
Assistant County Manager Kevin Kirby ("ACM")
County Attorney Joel Foreman
Clerk of Court James M. Swisher, Jr.
Deputy Clerk Susan Heimer

Agenda Additions/Deletions

There were no additions or deletions.

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

COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Dr. Thomas P. Moffses, Jr. gave the Board an update on the COVID-19 vaccine distribution.

Discussion Item

Ordinance No. 2021-06 - Internet Café Moratorium

Staff requested permission to set a public hearing for Ordinance No. 2021-06 for the April 15, 2021 regular scheduled meeting.

State Attorney Durrett and Sherriff Hunter addressed the Board.

The following citizens addressed the Board:

Heather Kirby
Ray Keene
Ben Ellis

Chuck Jenkins
Caylin Biel
Ben Lawston

Sandra Willoughby
Mike Arthur

Thomas Stout
Al Bedenbaugh

Tandra, Patrick, Melissa And Mario (no last name given) Along with several persons that gave no name at all.

MOTION by Commissioner Murphy that we put an immediate cease on any business receipt relevant to internet cafes. SECOND by Commissioner Williams.

Discussion ensued.

Chair called for the vote. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Murphy for the county attorney to bring back an ordinance in relevance to other counties and banning internet cafes. SECOND by Commissioner Ford. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Witt to set public hearing for April 15, 2021. SECOND by Commissioner Hollingsworth. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings

Land Development Regulations (“LDR”) Amendments

CPA 0237-To amend the text of the Future Land Use Plan Map of the Comprehensive Plan by amending the classification from Industrial to Commercial for tax parcel 06920-000. [Ordinance No. 2021-04]

Z 0595-To amend the text of the Official Zoning Atlas of the Land Development Regulations by amending the Zoning District from Industrial to Commercial General for tax parcel 06920-000. [Ordinance No. 2021-05]

The public hearing opened and closed without comment.

MOTION by Commissioner Witt to approve Ordinance No. 2021-04. SECOND by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Witt to approve Ordinance No. 2021-05. SECOND by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

LDR 20 01 – To amend section 4.22 and 4.23 entitled Overlay Districts to create a new section 4.22 entitled Mixed Use District – Commercial “MUD-C”. [Ordinance No. 2021-01]

Public hearing opened and closed without comment.

MOTION by Commissioner Murphy to approve Ordinance No. 2021-01. SECOND by Commissioner Witt. The motion carried unanimously.

LDR 20 02 – To repeal and replace section 4.2.12 entitled Fences, Walls and Hedges. [Ordinance No. 2021-02]

Public hearing opened and closed without comment.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve Ordinance No. 2021-02.
SECOND by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda:

MOTION by Commissioner Witt to approve the consent agenda. SECOND by Commissioner Hollingsworth. The motion carried unanimously.

- (1) BCC Administration - Minutes - Regular Meeting - March 4, 2021
- (2) BCC Administration - Release of Lien - SHIP - Katie Reed
- (3) Building and Zoning - Special Family Lot Permit Application - SFLP 2107 – Carolyn Renee Bailey Yates Deeding 5.01 Acres to Her Daughter, Brittany Teggart
- (4) Building and Zoning - Special Family Lot Permit Application - SFLP 2108 - James and Jesse Law Deeding 1 Acre to Their Son, Joel Law
- (5) Building and Zoning - Special Family Lot Permit Application - SFLP 2109 – Vernon Goad, III Deeding 2.52 Acres to His Son, Garrette Goad
- (6) Building and Zoning - Special Family Lot Permit Application - SFLP 2110 - Jon and Vanessa Jackson Deeding 1 Acre to Vanessa's Mother, Martha Primosch
- (7) Building and Zoning - Special Family Lot Permit Application - SFLP 2111 - John and Beverly Brewer Deeding 1 Acre to Beverly's Mother, Genelle Berry
- (8) Finance - Bills and Vouchers - March 3, 2021 - \$711,317
- (9) Library - BA 21-29 - Insurance Payment, Fort White Branch Library - \$2,578
- (10) Public Works - BA 21-30 Insurance Reimbursement - \$9,642
- (11) Public Works - Utility Permit - FPL - Washington Street at Seymour Road along Natalie Avenue
- (12) Public Works - Utility Permit - City of Lake City - Water Main - CR252
- (13) Public Works - Utility Permit - City of Lake City - Wastewater Collection and Natural Gas Lines - SR47/I75 Project Phase 1

- (14) Purchasing - Utility Easement - FP&L - Tax Parcel Number 2-5S-16-03443-103 - \$2,000
- (15) Solid Waste - BA 21-31 - FDACS - Budget Amendment for FY19/20 Roll-Forward -\$12,894, Increase in State Allocation - \$3,557, New State Budget - \$49,854, and Local Budget - \$135,328

MOTION by Commissioner Witt to adopt the consent agenda. SECOND by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Action Items Continued:

Suwannee River Water Management District (“SRWMD”) and Jeffrey Hill Dispute Resolution

Commissioner Witt briefed the Board on the current status of this ongoing dispute and the offers of a settlement made by SRWMD.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve Commissioner Witt negotiating with SRWMD concerning a settlement. SECOND by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously.

Fort White Community Center

The Town of Fort White operates the County’s Fort White Community Center. They require persons renting the center to carry event insurance. The Town claims the cost is prohibitive and would like the Town of Fort White added to the County’s insurance as a co-insured. Staff reported that the Town of Fort White could not be added to the County’s insurance and recommended allowing the Town to not require third party insurance for low risk events.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to allow the Town to not require 3rd party insurance for low risk events. SECOND by Commissioner Witt. The motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Policy – Mandatory Time

On January 21, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners adopted changes to the Personnel Policy that included in Section J, Mandatory Time. The motion to adopt included deleting the first sentence of Section J instead of just the first clause exempting Fire and Telecommunications. This has created issues in implementing the policy changes. Staff recommended reinstatement of the policy excluding the clause exempting Fire and Telecommunications. The part to be reinstated is as follows:

“All nonexempt full time and shift employees, who are required by their supervisor or department Head to work any hours other than a customary work

schedule for that employee's position; shall be compensated at a rate of one and one half times their hourly rate for the hours worked outside their normal work schedule. An employee taking unpaid leave other than as provided by FMLA during the thirty days preceding the accrual of Mandatory Time shall not be eligible for additional compensation under this section."

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve reinstatement of the policy as stated. SECOND by Commissioner Hollingsworth. The motion carried unanimously.

Unpaid Leave Concurrent with Workers' Compensation – Wade Rollins

Mr. Wade Rollins is requesting unpaid leave in excess of thirty days. In accordance with County personnel policies Chapter 24, request for leave in excess of thirty days must be in writing to the Board for approval.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve unpaid leave for Wade Rollins. SECOND by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously.

RFQ 2020-J – Acquisition Agent Services

Staff recommended approval of the final ranking and requested approval to begin negotiations with the top ranked firm, Dicks Realty, LLC.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve final ranking and authorize negotiation with Dicks Realty, LLC. SECOND by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously.

BA 21-23 - Courthouse Security Upgrades

Staff recommended Security 101 for the security upgrades at the Courthouse.

MOTION by Commissioner Hollingsworth to approve Security 101 as the vendor for this project in the amount of \$43,041.76. SECOND by Commissioner Witt. The motion carried unanimously.

Open Public Comments and/or Questions:

Members of the public addressed the Board with their comments and/or questions regarding the following items:

Bonnie Cannoney – sanctuary county – no abortions

Staff Comments:

County Attorney Foreman – Olustee Park – will bring this back at April 1 meeting.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Ford – praised all the persons that volunteered and helped with the fundraiser for the young man in Fort white. The community participation was tremendous. He also spoke about working with the City.

Commissioner Murphy – appraisals for CDBG grant – David Rountree.

MOTION by Commissioner Murphy to have the county manager give the company seven (7) days to return us the work or kick them to the curb and find us another appraiser. SECOND by Commissioner Witt. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Rocky Ford, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

James M. Swisher, Jr.
Clerk of Circuit Court