

Columbia County
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes of
07/07/2016

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 Bucky Nash, Scarlet Frisina, Ronald Williams, Rusty DePratter and Everett Phillips.

Others in Attendance: County Manager Ben Scott ("CM")
Assistant County Manager Scott Ward ("ACM")
Assistant County Manager Kevin Kirby ("ACM")
County Attorney Joel Foreman
Deputy Clerk Katrina Vercher

Agenda Additions/Deletions

Additions:

- Resolution 2016R-16
- Consent Items 2, 5, 18, 25 and 35

Deletions:

- None

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve the agenda as amended.
SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve the consent agenda as amended. SECOND by Commissioner DePratter. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment on Discussion and Action Items:

Citizen Stewart Lilker offered comment on the settlement agreement, wildlife services, consent items 2, 11 and 35, and he objects to the County borrowing new money.

Consent Agenda:

- (1) External Budget Amendment – Operations Department – BA # 16-60 – Fund Additional Payment to Department of Corrections - \$43,123
- (2) External Budget Amendment – Operations Department – BA # 16-61 – Paving William Young Road and Construction of Sherlock Terrace - \$163,000
- (3) External Budget Amendment – Central Communications – BA # 16-62 – Emergency Tower Repairs Due to Wind Damage Occurring on May 20, 2016 - \$15,660
- (4) External Budget Amendment – Operations Department – BA # 16-63 – Purchase of a Mini Excavator - \$23,628
- (5) External Budget Amendment – Operations Department – BA # 16-64 – Transfer Excess Revenue Funds to Purchase Road Materials - \$ 70,859
- (6) External Budget Amendment – Sheriff's Office – BA # 16-67 – Requesting Funds from Special Law Fund for Two Summer Youth Camps - \$14,000
- (7) External Budget Amendment – TDC – BA # 16-58 – Reimburse Expense Line Item for Revenue Received from North Florida Sales - \$3,500
- (8) External Budget Amendment – TDC – BA # 16-65 – Revise Budget for Multiple Budget Amendments - \$29,596.74
- (9) Operations Department – Requesting Approval to Enter Private Property – Kathleen Koeppel, Property Owner at 2644 SW Herlong Street – Purpose of Driveway Maintenance from Erosion
- (10) Operations Department – Requesting Approval to Enter Private Property – Don and Sharon Hogan, Property Owner at 7749 SW SR 47 – Repair Damage to Driveway
- (11) Operations Department – Requesting Approval to Reclassification of Position
- (12) Building and Zoning – Special Family Lot Permit – Tiffany Lee, Daughter – Billie Joe Lee, Property Owner, 261 NW Sean Court
- (13) Building and Zoning – Special Family Lot Permit – Steven Lee, Son – Billie Joe Lee, Property Owner, 261 NW Sean Court

- (14) Building and Zoning – Special Family Lot Permit – Anthoney Allen Fuller, Grandson – Percival A. and Lucille E. Fuller, Property Owner 414 SW Bedrock Street
- (15) 9-1-1 Addressing – Requesting Approval for a Private Road Name – SW Mary Nell Court – Commissioner Rusty DePratter’s District
- (16) Risk Manager – Requesting to Approve the Scope of Professional Services with Arcadis for Phase II of Erin Glen and Phase II of the US 27/SR 47 Projects – FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program - \$65,566.72
- (17) Operations Department – Requesting Approval to Amend the Interlocal Agreement - City of Lake City/Columbia County Board of County Commissioners – Road Maintenance
- (18) BCC Administration – Recapitulation of Errors and Insolvencies – 2015 Tax Roll - \$2,178,931
- (19) Purchasing Department – Requesting Approval for Asset Disposal (see attached list)
- (20) Operations Department – Utility Permit – Suwannee Valley Electric Cooperative – NW Spradley Road
- (21) Operations Department – Utility Permit – Comcast/FCCG – Sisters Welcome Road
- (22) Operations Department – Utility Permit – M & D Signage, LLC – County Road 252 West
- (23) Operations Department – Amending Ordinance No. 2014-8 – Speed Hump Ordinance to be Modified to Reflect the Requirements of the Private Road Assessment Program – Ordinance No. 2016-23
- (24) Tourist Development Council – Requesting Approval for Contract with Florida’s Suwannee River Valley – Attending Pennsylvania Vehicle and Camping Association’s “America’s Largest RV Show” - \$469.60
- (25) Economic Development Department – Hutton Development – Gleason Redevelopment – Incentives Agreement/Columbia County Board of County Commissioners
- (26) Operations Department – Requesting Approval to Pursue Legal Action for Damage to County Property

- (27) Operations Department – Requesting Approval to Enter Private Property – Brian D. Buchner Property Owner, 5099 NW Lassie Black Street – Removal of Stabilization Material Where Firetruck Use to Park
- (28) Solid Waste Department – FY 16/17 Detailed Work Plan Budget – Mosquito Control - \$32,467
- (29) BCC Administration – Requesting Minute Approval – Board of County Commissioners – Regular Meeting – June 2, 2016
- (30) BCC Administration – Requesting Minute Approval – Board of County Commissioners – Regular Meeting – June 16, 2016
- (31) BCC Administration – Release of Lien Agreement - (S.H.I.P.) – Sonya Rossin
- (32) BCC Administration – Resolution No. 2016R-13 – Accepting the Donation of Land (10.03 Acres) from Columbia County School Board – Columbia CityPark
- (33) Purchasing Department – Requesting Approval – Bid Award 2016-F2 – Wash Water Rack System Landfill – Low Bidder Sun Professional Supply - \$60,632.03
- (34) Central Communications – Requesting Approval of Amendment # 1 to the Agreement and Current Scope of Services Awarded by the Board – February 18, 2016 – RFQ 2015-H with Omnicom Consulting Group, Inc.
- (35) Purchasing Department- Requesting Approval of Bid Award and Contract – Bid No. 2016-7 – Anderson Columbia Company - NE Christie Street - \$181,560.39
- (36) BCC Administration – Resolution No. 2016R-15 – COPCN for Air Methods d/b/a Rocky Mountain Holdings, LLC

MOTION by Commissioner DePratter to adopt the consent agenda as presented.
SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and Action Items:

Resolution No. 2016R-16

Economic Development director Glenn Hunter presented the Commission with the resolution designating Project 16-7 as a qualified target industry business pursuant to Florida Statute 288.106.

Discussion ensued.

There is a scrivener's error that says that Project 16-7 has been doing business in the County for more than 10 years; that should say two (2) years.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve Resolution 2016R-16 with the 10 years changed to 2 years. SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

Hutton Agreement/Former Consent Item #25

The Board previously approved this Economic Development Agreement with Hutton but with several changes. County Attorney Foreman explained that this is the agreement with the changes that the Board approved.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to adopt the agreement with Hutton, based on the changes. SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

Southeast Environmental Contracting, Inc ("SE")

County Attorney Joel Foreman presented the Commission with a settlement agreement in case no. 14-489 CA; Southeast Environmental Contracting, Inc. vs Columbia County Board of County Commissioners and Darabi and Associates, Inc.

The County will pay the SE, \$112,500.00 and Darabi and Associates, Inc., \$28,718.00.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to accept the settlement. SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

Solid Waste Collection Agreement

Using the attached PowerPoint presentation, CM Scott presented the Commission with the negotiated contract for solid waste collection with Waste Pro of Florida, Inc. The County plans to mail the attached waste control flyer to citizens.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Commissioner Frisina to approve negotiated contract for solid waste collection service with Waste Pro of Florida Inc. with the removal of the renewal option on page 7 and with the correction of typo from page 29, section 11A(2). SECOND by Commissioner Phillips.

Discussion ensued.

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

Resolution No. 2016R-14 Gas Revenue Bond, Series 2013

On April 7, 2016, the Board approved the refunding of the County's Gas Revenue Bond and an additional \$3.5 million of new money for transportation projects. An RFP was sent to 26 banks. Five banks submitted proposals.

On June 28, 2016, Jim Gallahon with Gollahon Financial Services, Inc., CM Scott, ACM Ward and BOCC Finance Director Beard, discussed the proposals and agreed to recommend Hancock Bank's proposal. The proposal is for a 1.5% interest rate with no penalty for an early payoff.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve refunding. SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve Resolution No. 2016R-14 SECOND by Commissioner Phillips. The motion carried unanimously.

Wildlife Services Contract

The County has contracted with the US Department of Agriculture ("USDA") to provide services to reduce the damage caused by beavers and coyotes at a cost of \$71,000 per year. Randall Engleman is retiring from the USDA, his role with the USDA has been to provide those services. Mr. Engleman has offered to provide this service directly to Columbia County at a reduced cost of \$50,000 per year.

CM Scott presented the Commission with Mr. Engleman's proposed agreement.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve the contract with proof of Insurance to be provided. SECOND by Commissioner Frisina.

Discussion ensued.

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

Preliminary Rate Millage Rate

CM Scott requested permission to set two Public Hearings as required, to set the millage rate. The requirements will not allow for a hearing before September 6, therefore, CM Scott would like to schedule a special meeting for the first hearing on September 6, 2016 and the final hearing to adopt the budget at the September 15, 2016 regular scheduled meeting.

Discussion ensued.

Staff recommended that the September 1st regular meeting be rescheduled for September 6th so the public hearing and the regular Board meeting could be on the same day.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to approve staff recommendation and rearrange the meetings. SECOND by Commissioner Frisina. The motion carried unanimously.

Staff is recommending no change to the current millage rate of 8.015 per \$1000.

MOTION by Commissioner DePratter to take staff recommendation and set the preliminary millage rate at 8.015 per \$1000. SECOND by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

2015 Recapitulation of Errors and Insolvencies/Former Consent Item #18

Using the attached PowerPoint presentation, CM Scott detailed the recapitulation of the 2015 Tax Roll.

MOTION by Commissioner Frisina to approve number 18 from the consent; 2015 Recapitulation of Errors and Insolvencies. SECOND by Commissioner Williams.

Discussion ensued.

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

BA 16-61 Paving William Young Road and Construction of Sherlock Terrace/Former Consent Item #2

CM Scott stated that there was \$2,000,000 put into the Capital Improvement Fund. Each Commissioner was asked to provide a list of projects. This is one of the projects that will be funded from that fund in the amount of \$163,000.

MOTION by Commissioner Frisina to approve BA 16-61. SECOND by Commissioner DePratter. The motion carried unanimously.

Transfer Excess Revenue Funds to Operations Department/Former Consent Item #5

CM Scott explained that the excess revenues for the year are being placed into the Transportation Trust to cover the costs of unexpected expenses incurred during the year.

Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Commissioner Frisina to approve BA 16-64. SECOND by Commissioner DePratter. The motion carried unanimously.

Bid No. 2016-7/Former Consent Item #35

The Commission previously approved a budget amendment for the project; NE Christie Street. Staff is recommending that the bid be awarded to Anderson Columbia Company in the amount of \$181,560.39.

MOTION by Commissioner Williams to take staff recommendation. SECOND by Commissioner Phillips. The motion carried unanimously.

Open Public Comments:

Citizen Sandra Buck-Camp offered comment on the amount of taxes collected and the amount in the Counties budget. CM Scott responded.

Citizen Stewart Lilker requested a schedule of garbage pickups after holidays be sent to all citizens. He then offered comment on consent items 2 and 25.

Staff Comments:

Attorney Foreman gave a brief overview of the Florida Association of Counties Conference that he attended June 28 through July 1, 2016.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Frisina, along with Commissioners Nash, Phillips and DePratter, attended the Florida Association of Counties Conference as well. Commissioner Frisina displayed pictures of Commissioner Phillips with his County Commissioner Certification that he received at the conference and Commissioners Nash and DePratter with their advanced Commissioner Training Certificate.

Commissioner Williams offered comment on the garbage pickup after a holiday and requested that there be some education available for the public on the dates. He suggested an ad in the newspaper.

Commissioner DePratter requested that staff send a letter to Advanced Disposal requesting that they act professionally and fulfill the remainder of their contract.

Commissioner Phillips requested staff look into the issue of garbage being placed for pick up the day before scheduled.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Bucky Nash, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

P. DeWitt Cason
Clerk of Circuit Court