

# **Columbia County Board of County Commissioners**

**July 18<sup>th</sup> 2024 5:30 PM**

The Columbia County Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting held in the auditorium of the School Board Administrative Complex. The meeting opened with invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

## **Commissioners in Attendance:**

Chairman, Ron Williams

Commissioner, Rocky Ford

Commissioner, Everett Phillips

Commissioner, Tim Murphy

Commissioner, Robby Hollingsworth

## **Others in Attendance:**

David Kraus, County Manager

Kevin Kirby, Assistant County Manager

Joel Foreman, County Attorney

Deputy Clerk, Amber Taylor

## **Agenda Additions and Deletions:**

None

**Motion** by Commissioner Ford to approve the agenda as presented. **Seconded** by Commissioner Hollingsworth. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Presentation to Board Not Requiring Board Vote or Action:**

Florida Association of Counties Trust

**Mike Marinan, Director of Member Services**

- 1.) Mr. Marinan awarded Ben Skipper with the Safety and Risk Management Member of the Year.

**Public Hearings:**

**Louie Goodin, County Planner**

- 1.) Adoption of Ordinance No. #2024-12 Consideration of Request for Zoning Change by Lenoir Odell on Parcel #01-4S-16-02704-000 from RSF-2 to Commercial Intensive

**Motion** by Commissioner Murphy to approve Ordinance No. #2024-12. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

- 2.) Adoption of Ordinance No. 2024-13 Consideration of Request by Lenoir Odell for FLUM Amendment on Parcel # 01-4S-02704-16-000 from RSF-2 to Commercial.

**Motion** by Commissioner Murphy to approve Ordinance No. #2024-13. **Seconded** by Commissioner Hollingsworth. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3.) Adoption of Ordinance No. 2024-14 Consideration of Request by Valroy LLC for zoning change on Parcel #'s 26-3S-15-001/007/012/011 for a Change in Zoning from Agriculture -3 to Industrial Light Warehousing

**Motion** by Commissioner Hollingsworth to approve Ordinance No. #2024-14. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4.) Adoption of Ordinance No. #2024-15 Consideration of request by Valroy LLC for a change to the FLUM to parcel #'s 26-3S-15-00229-001/007/012/011 from agriculture -3 to industrial.

**Motion** by Commissioner Hollingsworth to approve Ordinance No. #2024-15. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

- 5.) Adoption of Ordinance No. #2024-16 Consideration of request by David Morrell on behalf of Edward Jones Trust to change the zoning on parcel #10-4S-16-02838-003 from RSF-2 to RSF/MH-2.

**Motion** by Commissioner Hollingsworth to approve Ordinance No. #2024-16. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips.

**David Kraus, County Manager**

- 6.) Resolution No. #2024R-10 Notice of intent for electing the use of a uniformed method of collecting non-ad Valorem Special Assessments.

**Motion** by Commissioner Ford to approve Resolution No. #2024R-10. **Seconded** by Commissioner Murphy. Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

**Motion** by Commissioner Hollingsworth to approve Consent Agenda, as presented. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

**Motion** by Commissioner Hollingsworth to adopt Consent Agenda, as presented. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

**Discussion and Action Items:**

**Joel Foreman, County Attorney**

- 1.) Cancellation of March 2022 Interlocal Agreement with Suwannee River Water Management District Concerning Dam and Impoundment Property. Attached is recent Interlocal Agreement, and this contract will cancel the 2022 Interlocal Agreement.

**Motion** by Commissioner Murphy to approve cancellation of March 2022 Interlocal Agreement via updated attached Interlocal Agreement. **Seconded** by Commissioner Ford. Motion carried unanimously.

**Kevin Kirby, Assistant County Manager**

- 2.) Bid 2024-06 Repaving SE Gabe Street awarding John C. Hipp Construction Company in the amount of \$681,756.50 and approve Construction Agreement

**Motion** by Commissioner Hollingsworth to award Bid #2024-06 to John C. Hipp Construction Company, in the amount of \$681,756.50 and approve the Construction Agreement. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

**David Kraus, County Manager**

3.) Columbia EMS update given by Toby Witt.

**Motion** to approve commercial building lease agreement & radio equipment lease agreement by Commissioner Phillips. **Seconded** by Commissioner Murphy. Motion carried unanimously.

4.) Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services

**Motion** to approve Rate Resolution No. #2024R-16 by Commissioner Ford. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

5.) Fire Protection Services

**Motion** to approve preliminary rate resolution No. # 2024R-17 by Commissioner Murphy. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

6.) Pine Ridge Court MSBU

**Motion** to approve preliminary rate resolution No. #2024R-18 by Commissioner Ford. **Seconded** by Commissioner Murphy. Motion carried unanimously.

7.) Carolyn Heights Street Lighting MSBU

**Motion** to approve preliminary rate resolution No 2024R-19 by Commissioner Hollingsworth. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

8.) Emerald Lakes Street Lighting MSBU

**Motion** to approve preliminary rate resolution No. #2024R-20 by Commissioner Hollingsworth. **Seconded** by Commissioner Ford. Motion carried unanimously.

9.) Spring Hallow Street Lighting MSBU

**Motion** to approve preliminary rate resolution No. # 2024R-21 by Commissioner Murphy. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

10.) Laurel Lakes Street Lighting MSBU

**Motion** to approve preliminary rate resolution No. 2024R-22 by Commissioner Murphy. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

11.) Lake Shore Hospital Authority Update

Lengthy discussion ensued, pertaining to the dissolution of Lake Shore Hospital Authority.

**Motion** by Commissioner Ford, “*to approve a straw pole to be done with the citizens of Columbia County.*” **Seconded** by Commissioner Hollingsworth. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion ensued.

12.)FDLE Salary Assistance Agreement

**Motion** by Commissioner Murphy to approve FDLE Law enforcement Salary Assistance Award Agreement in the amount of \$1,378,388. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

13.)Value Adjustment Board Member Selection

The Clerk of Court suggested a private citizen as well as a Board member to serve on Adjustment Board.

14.)Changing time of September BOCC meeting

**Motion** to approve resolution No. 2024R-23 by Commissioner Ford. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

15.)Florida Department of Commerce

**Motion** to approve loan agreement with Florida Department of Commerce in the amount of \$5,500,000. **Seconded** by Commissioner Phillips. Motion carried unanimously.

**Open Comments:**

None

**Staff Comments:**

None

**Commissioner Comments:**

None

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:14PM.

ATTEST:

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Ron Williams, Chairman

Columbia County Commissioner

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James M. Swisher, Jr.

Clerk of Circuit Court and County Comptroller