

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
July 7, 2015

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairperson Benjamin “Benny” Bishop, Commissioners Hines Boyd, Eugene Hall and Stephen Walker. Also present were County Attorney Buck Bird, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Clerk of Court Finance Director Charles Culp.

**ITEM 1: Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance**

1. Chairman Bishop led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM 2: Public Announcements, Presentations and Awards**

2. Citizen Troy Avera discussed the Heritage Road program and informed the Board that the County received a grant in the amount of \$2000 from Visit Florida for brochures about the Heritage Roads.
3. The Department of Health presented the Community Champion Award to the Jefferson County Health Department for its work on obesity education in the area.
4. Nancy Wideman with the Tourist Development Council expressed her thanks to County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Commissioner Walker for their hands-on help at the head of the Wacissa River Park.
5. Citizen John Nelson thanked the Board for their support of the July 4<sup>th</sup> festivities.
6. Chamber of Commerce Director Katrina Richardson stated there would be an unveiling of the new Chamber message board on Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am.

**ITEM 3: Consent Agenda**

7. **On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Walker unanimously carried, the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda, the minutes of the June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Regular Session, satisfaction of SHIP lien and the Howard Academy 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion Proclamation—was approved.**

**ITEM 4: Citizens Request & Input on Non-Agenda Items**

8. Citizen Delphine Simpkins-Hill expressed concern that the previously discussed information about the MLK Day Parade and Emancipation Day Parade had been placed on the website but with minimal information. Commissioner Hall directed County Coordinator Barwick to get with citizen Charles Parrish to obtain more information for the website.
9. Citizen Paul Henry thanked the Board for good governance, responsiveness and listening to the concerns of the citizens.

10. Citizen David Ward discussed the Suwannee River Water Management District potentially purchasing two parcels of land from the County.
11. Dick Bailar, on behalf of the Legislative Committee, stated he would be bringing a summary of the Legislative Session to the next Board meeting.
12. Citizen Veronica Moore spoke on behalf of the citizens of Lamont about their concern with the plan to move the Solid Waste collection site from adjacent to the Lamont Schoolhouse to adjacent to the Lamont Rec Park. Commissioner Walker stated he would further research and look for a different location that would not be near the park or the schoolhouse.

**ITEM 5a: Jefferson County Hall of Fame program**

13. Chamber Director Katrina Richardson introduced this item. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved allowing the Chamber of Commerce to begin a Jefferson County Hall of Fame.**

**ITEM 5b: CareerSource North Florida Resolution/Inter-local Agreement**

14. Sheryl Rehberg with CareerSource introduced this item. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, the Board approved the resolution. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the Board approved the inter-local agreement.**

**ITEM 5c: Brownfields Designation Request**

15. Business owner Arun Kundra introduced this item to the Board regarding his property in Lloyd. **On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried, this item was set for public hearing on July 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**ITEM 5d: Travel Policy Discussion**

16. It was the consensus of the Board to table this item to the July 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**ITEM 5e: Animal Control Ordinance Language Discussion**

17. County Attorney Buck Bird introduced this item and stated the city was reviewing the language before final approval of the joint animal control project.

**ITEM 6: County Coordinator – Surplus Vehicle**

18. County Coordinator Parrish Barwick introduced this item and stated that Jefferson Correctional Institute had expressed interest in a county vehicle that was no longer of use to the County. JCI stated their intent to repair the vehicle and use for

perimeter checks at the facility. **On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the approved declaring the vehicle surplus and donating to JCI.**

19. Mr. Barwick provided an update on the RESTORE Act and noted that the county had until July 15th to sign the settlement agreement. He requested an emergency meeting on Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 8 am to discuss this issue in order for Commissioner Barfield would be present.

**ITEM 7: Commissioner Discussion Items**

20. Clerk of Court Finance Director Charles Culp set the first budget workshop for Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

**ITEM 8: Adjournment**

21. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
22. **On motion by Chairman Hall, seconded by Commissioner Walker and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

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Chairman