

JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR SESSION  
July 5, 2016

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Stephen Walker, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Benjamin “Benny” Bishop, Hines Boyd and Gene Hall. Also present were County Attorneys Buck Bird and Scott Shirley, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Clerk of Court Kirk Reams.

1. Commissioner Bishop led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Myra Tedder, from Marion County, presented a local road assessment plan for maintenance, building and road improvement. She also discussed various funding mechanization for road improvements.
3. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried, the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda and the minutes of the June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016 Regular Session—was approved.**
4. Dr. Ann Holt, with Main Street, stated she would be providing a letter at a future meeting regarding Main Street’s budgetary needs for upcoming fiscal year 2016/2017.
5. Citizen Phil Calandra stated his desire to explore possible funding for fireworks next year. John Nelson, who assisted on raising money for the fireworks this year, stated that there were not enough donations to have the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks show this year.
6. Commissioner Boyd introduced the Game Changer investor 50% partnership proposal. He stated that the Smith family had offered to be 50% partners in lieu of donating the land for the facility. After the presentation, the Board discussed the new proposal and gave citizens the opportunity to speak on this project as well as ask questions to the Board and developers. **Commissioner Boyd made a motion to approve and sign the letter of intent to move forward with the 50% partnership, to which Commissioner Hall seconded for discussion. The motion failed 2 to 3 (Barfield, Bishop and Walker opposed),**
7. Attorney Scott Shirley introduced the Game Changer referendum resolution and presented a draft of this resolution. After Board discussion, several modifications were noted that needed to be made. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and unanimously carried, the Board instructed Attorney Shirley to make the approved changes and provide verbiage to Supervisor of Elections Marty Bishop for inclusion on the August 30<sup>th</sup> primary ballot.**
8. The Board set the first of three workshops on the Game Changer project for July 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm, with the regular Board meeting immediately afterward.

9. Clerk of Court Finance Director Charles Culp stated the County budget discussions were beginning for County Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and that the Clerk's Office would be providing budget worksheets to the respective departments within the next week. He also requested budget workshops on July 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 pm, July 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm and August 4<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.
10. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
11. **On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Bishop and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.**

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Chairman

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Clerk