JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Regular Session November 16, 2016

The Board met this date in regular session. Present were Chairman Stephen Walker, Commissioners Betsy Barfield, Hines Boyd and Gene Hall. Also present were County Attorney Buck Bird, County Coordinator Parrish Barwick and Chief Deputy Clerk Tyler McNeill.

- 1. Commissioner Hall led the invocation and pledge of allegiance.
- 2. Alex Quintana, with Congresswoman Gwen Graham's office, thanked the Board for their hospitality the last two years.
- 3. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the consent agenda—consisting of the approval of the agenda, the minutes of the November 1st, 2016 Regular Session, CDBG Housing Change Order, General/Transportation Fund Vouchers and Glen Bishop Enterprises Lease agreement—was approved.
- 4. Citizen Paul Henry complimented the landscaping work being performed on the Courthouse Circle. He also thanked Commissioner Bishop (who was not present) and Commissioner Boyd for their service.
- 5. Chairman Walker introduced the BOCC meeting time change request item. Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner Hall both expressed their belief that this item should be tabled until the new Board members were sworn in.
- 6. Chairman Walker introduced the Christmas gift certificate item and made a recommendation that the Board give each county employee a \$100 gift card in lieu of the \$35 gift certificates. On motion by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board approved a \$100 gift card for each county employee.
- 7. Commissioner Boyd introduced the issue of attendance issues on the Planning Commission. Planning Commissioner Bud Wheeler discussed attendance issues with the Planning Commissioner and discussed the Board's attendance requirements. He stated that one Planning Commissioner, CP Miller, has not met the requirements over an extended period of time. On motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Barfield and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board dismissed CP Miller from the Planning Commission and declared the seat vacant. Commissioner Barfield noted that Marianne Arbulu, who was recently elected as Superintendent of Schools, would be cycling off the Planning Commission and that she already had a new appointee in mind. She also inquired how many Planning Commissioners were needed for a quorum, to which Mr. Wheeler responded 6.
- 8. Bruce Ballister with Apalachee Regional Planning Council introduced the public hearing for the CDBG Economic Development application for work performed at the Lloyd interchange. Mr. Ballister stated this was a time sensitive issue and that

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property owner Mr. Arun Kundra still had paperwork to complete as well. Commissioner Barfield stated she was supportive of the CDBG grant but wanted to ensure the Board would not be on the hook for the entire \$1.5 million. Mr. Ballister stated that the County's obligation would be \$147,800. Mr. Kundra stated he was fully responsible for signing the contract and ensuring the hiring of 43 people requirement was met. He also noted that the 43 jobs would be all new jobs. Commissioner Barfield stated her support of the \$147,800 from contingency. She also inquired who filed the quarterly reports, to which Mr. Ballister responded that he was responsible for the reporting. Commissioner Boyd expressed concern with spending this money from contingency. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board approved Resolution No. 2016-111516-01, approving the signature and authority to submit the CDBG application. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Hall and unanimously carried (4-0), the Board approved the signing of the County's committennet letter for up to \$147.800 for design and engineer fees out of contingency.

- 9. Chief Deputy Clerk Tyler McNeill inquired about the upcoming holiday schedule. It was the consensus of the Board to observe Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26th for the Christmas holiday. They also noted that the New Year's holiday would be observed on Monday, January 2nd.
- 10. Commissioner Barfield thanked the Clerk's Office for updating the minutes and agendas on the website and requested that the survey and legal description of the Glen Bishop Enterprises be attached as an addendum to the agenda for the night's meeting. She also requested that this be the practice for any additional information provided at future meetings.
- 11. Commissioner Barfield thanked Commissioner Boyd for his service and presented him with a going away present.
- 12. Commissioner Boyd thanked the Board and expressed the pleasure he's had serving the County as a Commissioner. He specifically thanked Attorney Buck Bird, Clerk of Court Kirk Reams and County Coordinator Parrish Barwick. He closed his remarks by stating his belief that the County Commission is a wonderful way to govern a small town.
- 13. The warrant register was reviewed and bills ordered paid.
- 14. On motion by Commissioner Barfield, seconded by Commissioner Boyd and unanimously carried (4-0), the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

Attest: