

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA
JULY 30, 2002
(9:00 A.M.)**

Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, began and held in the Auditorium at the County Administration Building, #4020 Lewis Speedway (County Road 16-A) and U.S. 1 North, St. Augustine, Florida.

Present were: James E. Bryant, District 5, Chair
Nicholas Meiszer, District 1, Vice Chair
John Reardon, District 2
Marc Jacalone, District 3
Mary Kohnke, District 4
Ben W. Adams, Jr., County Administrator
Isabelle Lopez, Assistant County Attorney
Yvonne King, Deputy Clerk

Also present: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk of Courts; and Allen MacDonald, County Finance Director

(07/30/02 - 1 - 9:08 a.m.)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Bryant.

(07/30/02 - 1 - 9:09 a.m.)

Rev. Phillip Cochran, Family Worship Center, gave the Invocation. Meiszer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

(07/30/02 - 1 - 9:11 a.m.)

ROLL CALL

Bryant announced that all commissioners were present.

(07/30/02 - 1 - 9:11 a.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Louise Thrower, 288 Orange Avenue, commented on a RFP for the Northwest Sector Plan that was published in The St. Augustine Record on June 10, 2002. Thrower then announced two political forum dates on August 3, 2002 at Westminster Woods, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., and on August 10, 2002 from 10:00 a.m. - noon at the Bailey Ranch on Bishop Estates Road. (9:16 a.m.) Daniel MacDonald, 24501 Deer Trace Drive, Ponte Vedra Beach, commented on the funding of the MSD Sewer Project. MacDonald then commented on the opening of beach access points along Ponte Vedra Boulevard and marking them with signs.

(07/30/02 - 1 - 9:21 a.m.)

DELETIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

Adams requested Item #8 be pulled and rescheduled at a later date.

(07/30/02 - 1 - 9:21 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Reardon, seconded by Jacalone, carried 5/0, to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended, as follows:

1. Approval of the Cash Requirement Report
2. Approval of Minutes:
06/25/02 – BCC Regular Meeting
3. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2002-147** approving the terms of a Purchase and Sale Agreement for the Acquisition of property for the construction of two new wells at the Northwest Water Treatment Plant Well Field

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-147

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TERMS OF A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO NEW WELL SITES IN THE INTERNATIONAL GOLF PARKWAY AREA

4. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2002-148** accepting a Corrective Easement for Utilities for water and sewer service to Lake Sienna Subdivision

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-148

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A CORRECTIVE EASEMENT FROM EDWARD FARLEY TO ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO LAKE SIENNA SUBDIVISION

5. Motion to declare the referenced reuse water meters as surplus and authorize the County Administrator or his designee to place these meters for sale or to dispose of them in accordance with the County Surplus Property Policy
6. Motion to establish September 3, 2002 at 1:30 p.m. and September 17, 2002 at 5:30 p.m. as public hearing dates to consider amendments to the Land Development Code
7. Motion to set and publicize a public hearing to address a request by Southland Waste Systems for a rate increase from \$24.00 to \$26.00 per ton for the disposal of construction and demolition debris at the Nine Mile Road C&D Landfill for September 3, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.
8. Motion to adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign a contract with St. Johns County School Readiness Coalition (*This item was removed from the Consent Agenda and will be rescheduled at a later date.*)
9. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2002-149** authorizing the County Administrator to apply for a FDOT Special Permit for temporary signage on the State right-of-way

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-149

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PLACE TEMPORARY SIGNS ON THE RIGHTS OF WAY OF STATE ROADS IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF DIRECTING CITIZENS IN AUTOMOBILES TO COUNTY SUPERVISED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES WHICH TAKE PLACE ON ST. JOHNS COUNTY PROPERTY ADJACENT TO FDOT MANAGED RIGHTS-OF-WAYS AND ON THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY THEMSELVES

10. Proofs:
- a. Proof, Notice of Joint Special Meeting, St. Johns County Commissioners and School Board, July 25, 2002
 - b. Proof, Notice of Budget Workshop, Fiscal Year 2003 Annual Budget St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners, August 2 & August 5, 2002
 - c. Proof, Notice of Public Hearings, Establishment of Ordinances/Regulations Affecting the Use of Land, July 23, 2002 & August 6, 2002
 - d. Proof, Certificate of Liability Insurance, Environmental Services, Inc.
 - e. Proof, Certificate of Insurance, Oglesby Construction, Inc.
 - f. Proof, Certificate of Liability Insurance, Shapells, Inc.
 - g. Proof, Certificate of Liability Insurance, Collier Waste Containers, Inc.

(07/30/02 - 3 - 9:22 a.m.)

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

Bryant requested to add Item #4a; St. Johns Primary Care Clinic. Adams requested to pull Item #3.

(07/30/02 - 3 - 9:24 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Reardon, seconded by Jacalone, carried 5/0, to approve the Regular Agenda, as amended.

(07/30/02 - 3 - 9:24 a.m.)

1. PRESENTATION ON THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S FIVE-YEAR WORK PROGRAM

Lea Gabbay, Florida Department of Transportation, 2250 Irene Street, Jacksonville, reviewed some of the projects in the five-year work program. Discussion followed regarding the resurfacing project on A1A South from the Flagler County line to Owens Avenue. (9:41 a.m.) Louise Thrower, 288 Orange Avenue, asked questions regarding several projects in the work program.

(07/30/02 - 3 - 9:44 a.m.)

2. BRIEFING ON THE PROGRESS OF THE PREPARATION OF THE HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN

Jan Brewer, Environmental Manager, made a presentation of the progress of the Coastal Habitat Conservation Plan. (9:55 a.m.) Pete Benjamin, Assistant Field Supervisor of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, gave a brief overview of Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act and their role in the process. Benjamin then entertained questions from the Board. (10:10 a.m.) Bob Ernest, President of Ecological Associates, Inc., reviewed the successful process of the HCP in Volusia County. (10:18 a.m.) Heather McCarthy, Ecological Associates, Inc. and Dave Williams, Beach Management, proposed the HCP Conservation Strategies.

The meeting recessed at 11:18 a.m. and reconvened at 11:26 a.m.

(11:26 a.m.) Williams then reviewed some other issues: commercial fishermen, horses, minimizing the effects of cruising, enforcement, vehicle activity in the conservation zone and the dunes, and off-season enforcement. (11:40 a.m.) Dr. Peter Lardner, 201 N. Matanzas Blvd., reported on some emerging hatchlings; then, commented on mitigation. (11:45 a.m.) Don Cattaneo, 341 Village Drive, commented on driving on the beach. (11:50 a.m.) Terry Powers, 47 Florida Avenue, commented in opposition to reducing the times for beach driving. (11:53 a.m.) Roger Van Ghent, 4005 Moultrie Foreside Blvd., representing the St. Johns Audubon Society, commented on off-beach parking, mitigation, and enforcement.

(07/30/02 - 4 - 9:22 a.m.)

3. REVIEW OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - NORTH BEACH DRAINAGE PROJECT

This agenda item was removed from the agenda.

(07/30/02 - 4 - 12:27 p.m.)

4. CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO PONTE VEDRA/COASTAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Patricia Heiss, Assistant to the Administrator, informed the Board of two vacancies on the Ponte Vedra/Coastal Corridor Overlay District ARC. (12:28 p.m.) **Motion by Kohnke, seconded by Reardon, carried 5/0, to appoint Richard Pelletier and Mike Koppenhafer to serve on the Ponte Vedra/Coastal Corridor Overlay District Architectural Review Committee.**

(07/30/02 - 4 - 11:59 a.m.)

- 4a. COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAM (CAP) GRANT

Dr. Marathe, St. Johns County Primary Care Clinic, made a presentation, which included the following: the business structure of the St. Johns Health Services Corp.; the current level of charity care given by the St. Johns County medical community; the success of the Hillsborough Health Plan; St. Johns County's Model compared to Hillsborough Health Plan; explanation of the CAP grant; the future direction of the St. Johns Primary Care Clinic and the Hastings Health Park.

(07/30/02 - 4 - 12:29 p.m.)

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Jacalone:

Jacalone commented on the advertising requirements for land use issues. Jacalone requested a workshop be scheduled regarding advertising requirements.

(12:31 p.m.)

Commissioner Meiszer:

Meiszer expressed concern with the County's response to the Northwest Sector Plan comments from the Department of Community Affairs.

(12:33 p.m.)

Commissioner Bryant:

Bryant commented on the draft version of the Strategic Plan by the Chamber of Commerce. Bryant then requested that each commissioner review the document and send their comments to the Chamber of Commerce.

(12:34 p.m.)

Commissioner Reardon:

Reardon relayed that several people have expressed their concern to him regarding the safety of the Mickler's Road and A1A intersection. The concern was that there is not enough stacking lane heading on A1A south to make a left turn onto Mickler's Road.

(12:35 p.m.) Jacalone left the meeting.

(12:35 p.m.)

Commissioner Kohnke:

Kohnke requested that articles be written to the newspapers regarding upcoming issues in addition to the newspaper advertisements.

Kohnke said she would like to know how the County responds to the comments of the Department of Community Affairs and requested a report on this issue.

(07/30/02 - 5 - 12:36 p.m.)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Adams informed the Board that Tuesday, September 10, 2002 is a Regular BCC Meeting date, and it is also an election day. Discussion followed regarding whether the meeting should be cancelled.

Adams requested authorization for Staff to work with the City of St. Augustine regarding a tax cab license ordinance.

(07/30/02 - 5 - 12:43 p.m.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report.

(07/30/02 - 5 - 12:43 p.m.)

CLERK OF COURT'S REPORT

No report.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

REPORTS:

1. St. Johns County Check Register, approving checks 321987 through 322286 totaling \$1,311,107.61 (07/23/02)

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter to James P. Wilson, City Attorney, regarding a copy of Resolution No. 2002-125 (07/18/02)
2. Letter to Robert Betts, Director of the Anastasia Mosquito Control District, regarding an interlocal agreement between the Anastasia Mosquito Control District and the County and also a copy of Resolution No. 2002-94 (07/24/02)

Approved _____ September 17 _____, 2002

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: James E. Bryant
James E. Bryant, Chair

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: Juanne King
Deputy Clerk