

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA
JULY 15, 2003
(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
 Karen Stern, District 2, Vice Chair
 Marc Jacalone, District 3
 David Halstead, Assistant County Administrator
 Dan Bosanko, County Attorney
 Robin Platt, Deputy Clerk

Cheryl Strickland, Clerk of Courts and Allen MacDonald, Finance Director, was also present.

(07/15/03 - 1 - 9:06 a.m.)
Chairman Bryant called the meeting to order.

(07/15/03 - 1 - 9:06 a.m.)
Stern gave the Invocation and Bryant led the Pledge of Allegiance.

(07/15/03 - 1 - 9:07 a.m.)
ROLL CALL

Bryant stated that he, Stern and Jacalone were present, Meiszer was absent, and that Maguire would be there later.

(07/15/03 - 1 - 9:07 a.m.)
PRESENTATION OF LEADERSHIP COURSE AWARDS

Halstead presented Certificates of Completion to various employees who had completed leadership training. (9:10 a.m.) Maguire entered the meeting.

(07/15/03 - 1 - 9:12 a.m.)
PUBLIC COMMENT

Louise Thrower, 288 Orange Ave., addressed the lack of transportation/traffic data at the Rivertown Town Meeting, and a promised seconded meeting addressing those issues.

(9:15 a.m.) Julie Parker, 290 Palmetto Rd., commented on a proposed constitutional amendment addressing Comprehensive Plan changes. She read the ballot title for the record, Exhibit A, and displayed a sign that read "FLORIDA HOMETOWN DEMOCRACY AMENDMENT," Exhibit B. She gave contact information for anyone who wished to get more information on the proposed amendment.

(07/15/03 - 1 - 9:22 a.m.)
DELETIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

There were none.

(07/15/03 - 2 - 9:22 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Stern, seconded by Maguire, carried 4/0, with Meiszer absent, to approve the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of the Cash Requirement Report
2. Approval of Minutes:
06/03/03 - BCC Regular Meeting
07/01/03 - BCC Regular Meeting
3. Sheriff's Bonds:
Approve: Mark Dearing
James Morrell

Cancel: Steve Brown Mary Alice Colson
Ernts Hansen Ruth Hansen
Donald Mills Carolyn Motes
4. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2003-129**, accepting a Temporary Construction Easement and Grant of Easement for construction of a public sidewalk along 11th Street in St. Augustine Beach

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-129

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT AND GRANT OF EASEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A PUBLIC SIDEWALK ALONG 11TH STREET IN ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH

5. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2003-130**, authorizing the Clerk of the Courts, under Section 95.361, Florida Statutes, to file the survey map for a part of Walker Road and a part of East Street, claiming a vested interest in St. Johns County in the rights-of-way described in this survey by prescriptive rights of the public in accord with the principles set forth in *Downing v. Bird*, 100 So. 2d 57 (Fla. 1958)

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-130

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE COURTS, UNDER SECTION 95.361, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO FILE THE SURVEY MAP FOR A PART OF WALKER ROAD AND A PART OF EAST STREET, CLAIMING A VESTED INTEREST IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY IN THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY DESCRIBED IN THIS SURVEY BY PRESCRIPTIVE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC IN ACCORD WITH THE PRINCIPLES SET FORTH IN *DOWNING V. BIRD*, 100 SO.2D 57 (FLA. 1958)

6. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2003-131**, accepting an Easement for Utilities for water and sewer service to Six Mile Creek North Unit 1, Parcel 4, Tract 4A Subdivision and Bill of Sale conveying all personal property associated with the water and sewer system

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-131

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FOR UTILITIES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE TO SIX MILE CREEK NORTH UNIT 1, PARCEL 4, TRACT 4A SUBDIVISION AND ACCEPTING A BILL OF SALE CONVEYING ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM

7. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2003-132**, approving a Final Plat for Stonehurst Plantation One-F

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-132

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR STONEHURST PLANTATION UNIT ONE-F

8. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2003-133**, approving a Final Plat for St. Johns Golf & Country Club Unit Four, Phase Two-A

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-133

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR ST. JOHNS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB UNIT FOUR, PHASE TWO-A

9. Motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2003-134**, approving a Final Plat for Found Forest at Marsh Landing

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-134

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SUBDIVISION PLAT FOR FOUND FOREST AT MARSH LANDING

10. Motion to approve **Resolution No. 2003-135**, and the submittal of the Main Street Application to the State of Florida Secretary of State in support of the Vilano Beach Town Center Revitalization Effort

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-135

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE FLORIDA MAIN STREET PROGRAM

(07/15/03 - 4 - 9:22 a.m.)

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO REGULAR AGENDA

There were none.

(07/15/03 - 4 - 9:22 a.m.)

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Stern, seconded by Jacalone, carried 4/0, with Meiszer absent, to approve the Regular Agenda.

(07/15/03 - 4 - 9:22 a.m.)

1. PRESENTATION BY THE ST AUGUSTINE, ST. JOHNS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PROVIDING AN UPDATE ON THEIR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MARKETING PLAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Isabelle Rodriguez, Economic Development Administrator, One Riberia St., presented the details of the new Business Relocation Package produced by the Economic Development Council and the Chamber of Commerce. She reviewed the contents and inserts in the packet, including Business Climate, Business Development, Quality of Life and Workforce. She also commented on the success of the Familiarization Tour. The Board recognized Steve Harding for his involvement with economic development.

(07/15/03 - 4 - 9:32 a.m.)

2. CONSIDER AN APPOINTMENT TO THE LAMP CONSERVATION BOARD

Patsy Heiss, Assistant to the Administrator, presented the details of this item. **Motion by Maguire, seconded by Stern, carried 4/0, with Meiszer absent, to appoint Mark Middlebrook from Ponte Vedra to the LAMP Board position.**

(07/15/03 - 4 - 9:33 a.m.)

3. UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION SERVICES CIP PROJECTS

Mike Rubin, Construction Manager, showed the Board their system for tracking the costs of each project and stated that they have about 20 projects that they are currently working on and he showed how they keep track of project schedules. Discussion followed on how projects are budgeted. (9:41 a.m.) Jacalone questioned if the Building Department has anything to do with utility construction projects, Rubin responded no, that they have their own Construction Manager. He continued his presentation by addressing the various projects they are currently working on and he showed photographs of the new Southeast Library, Exhibit A, and the Sheriff Department's new investigative offices, Exhibit B. He also reviewed the progress of the Excelsior Center and the Amphitheater. (9:49 a.m.) Jacalone stated that the Board needed to have a workshop and an update from Glen Hastings on the plan for the Amphitheater, and also an update on the Excelsior Building. Halstead stated that he would schedule it for the July 22nd morning agenda. Rubin then reviewed some of the other projects that they are currently working on, i.e. the Racetrack Road Project, the Vilano Boat Ramp turn lanes, the Palm Valley boat ramp, a boat ramp in St. Augustine South, the Equestrian Center, a Fire Suppression System at the COA Building, the Fairgrounds Arena, etc. Discussion followed on the capacity at the COA Building and funding for the arena. (10:01 a.m.) Rubin continued his presentation with details on improvements at the Road and Bridge Complex, courtroom renovations, the Vilano Beach pier and pavilion signs, an ocean pavilion, and a new St. Johns County transfer station.

The meeting recessed at 10:07 a.m. and reconvened at 10:18 a.m. with Strickland and MacDonald no longer in attendance.

(07/15/03 - 5 - 10:18 a.m.)

4. UPDATE ON THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY BASED CARE PROGRAM

Maria Colavito, Director of the Mental Health Department, presented the details of the St. Johns County Mental Health Department Strategic Plan Overview, Exhibit A, and reviewed some of the goals, objectives and outcomes in the Overview, as well as their subcommittees and functions, and the results of an independent analysis of the Department. She further reported on the educational and certification accomplishments of some of the employees, the various communication and foreign language skills the employee's possess, and all of the services that they offer. Bryant commented on how the Mental Health Department's efforts aid in the lives of the less fortunate.

(10:43 a.m.) Stern stated that she was very impressed with the remarks the Department received on the independent HIPPA analysis report.

(10:43 a.m.) Perry McDonald, Assistant Director of Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement for the Community Based Care Program, gave his qualifications and work history and introduced the other members of the Community Based Care team, Kathryn Brohl and Sandra Sawhill, who stated their job histories and qualifications.

(10:51 a.m.) McDonald continued by reviewing the SJC Community Based Care Program Mission Statement, Exhibit B, and by addressing the deliverables, an item or action required by the County to be delivered to the Department of Children and Families in Jacksonville, included in the packet.

(10:54 a.m.) Bryant and Jacalone requested an explanation of the services provided by Mental Health in the context of the Community Based Care Model. Colavito explained that the first component is to integrate child protection services into a community based model and the second component is that it is up to the community to figure out which model would work best for it. She then listed the services that are provided by the Mental Health Department, i.e. prevention services, case management, crisis services, substance abuse services, supportive employment, supportive housing, etc. (11:03 a.m.) Maguire questioned their suicide prevention program, and Colavito explained that they have a 24/7 hotline, as well as an Emergency Services Department. Discussion followed regarding grants and other sources of funding for the Department.

(07/15/03 - 5 - 11:12 a.m.)

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

Commissioner Maguire

Maguire reported that he met with Mayor Peyton of Jacksonville last Thursday regarding the MPO, and stated that Peyton agreed that a regionally independent MPO was the preferred way to go.

(07/15/03 - 5 - 11:14 a.m.)

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Halstead announced that two special meetings had been scheduled for August 1st and August 8th at 9 a.m., to approve the Cash Reports.

(07/15/03 - 6 - 11:15 a.m.)
COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Bosanko reminded the members of the Board who were also VAB members that an organizational meeting was scheduled for July 21, at 9:00 a.m.

(07/15/03 - 6 - 11:15 a.m.)
CLERK OF COURT'S REPORT

No report.

The meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened at 5:31 p.m. with Stern, Maguire, Jacalone, County Attorney Dan Bosanko, Assistant County Administrator Halstead, and Lenora Newsome, Deputy Clerk, present.

(07/15/03 - 6 - 5:31 p.m.)

5. PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III, PART 3.07.00 SOUTH ANASTASIA ISLAND OVERLAY DISTRICT OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE - THIS IS THE FIRST HEARING TO CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO PART 3.07.00 OF ARTICLE III OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SOUTH ANASTASIA ISLAND COASTAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT. THE PROPOSED LANGUAGE AND ORDINANCE IS ATTACHED. THIS SUGGESTED CHANGE IS PROPOSED FOLLOWING THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD TO ADD LANGUAGE REGARDING THE USE OF EXCLUDING TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS FROM THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD PROCESS OF THE SOUTH ANASTASIA ISLAND COASTAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT AT THE JUNE 10, 2003, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Danielle Mayoros, Planner II, stated that this was the first hearing to consider the amendment to Part 3 of Article III, establishing requirements for the South Anastasia Island Coastal Corridor Overlay District. The language is a change that is proposed by the direction of the Board, to add the language regarding excluding two family dwellings from the Design Review Board process for the South Anastasia Island Overlay District, that happened at the June 10, 2003 Board of County Commissioners' meeting. Discussion followed regarding excluding duplexes from the Overlay District. (5:33 p.m.) **Motion by Jacalone, seconded by Maguire, carried 3/0, with Bryant and Meiszer absent, to announce the second public hearing for this amendment on August 12, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.**

Motion by Jacalone, seconded by Maguire, carried 3/0, with Bryant and Meiszer absent, to adjourn the meeting. With there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

REPORTS:

1. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check No. 336974 through 337272 totaling \$1,220,511.19 (07/08/03)
2. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check No. 337273 totaling \$222,825.50 (07/08/03)
3. St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners Check Register, Check No. 337274 through 337294 totaling \$43,764.83 (07/10/03)

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letters dated July 8, 2003, to Governor Jeb Bush, Sen. Anthony Hill, Sen. Stephen Wise, Sen. Jim King, Rep. Don Davis, Rep. Dick Kravitz, Rep. Douglass Wiles, Com. Kathy Castor, Com. Ken Hagan, Com. Thomas Scott, Com. Rhonda Storms, Com. Jim Norman, Com. Jan Platt, and Com. Pat Frank, forwarding a certified copy of Resolution 2003-125, opposing the reduction in the current tariff on imported citrus products.
2. Letter dated July 9, 2003, to Mrs. Liz Cloud, Chief, Bureau of Administrative Code, Tallahassee, forwarding certified copies of Ordinance Numbers 2003-59 and 2003-60.

Approved August 8, 2003

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

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

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: Cheryl Strickland
Deputy Clerk

