

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA
JUNE 17, 2014
1:30 P.M.**

Proceedings of a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, held in the auditorium at the County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

Proof of publication of a special meeting to hold a private attorney/client meeting was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on June 10, 2014.

Present: John H. Morris, District 4, Chair
Rachael Bennett, District 5, Vice Chair
Cyndi Stevenson, District 1
Ron Sanchez, District 2
William A. McClure, District 3
Michael Wanchick, County Administrator
Patrick McCormack, County Attorney
Sindy Wiseman, Deputy Clerk

(06/17/14 - 1 - 1:30 p.m.)

1. 1:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION - THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL HOLD A SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014, BEGINNING AT 1:30 P.M., IN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMPLEX, LOCATED AT 500 SAN SEBASTIAN VIEW, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE COUNTY AUDITORIUM. THE PURPOSE OF THE SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE TO ANNOUNCE AND TO HOLD A PRIVATE ATTORNEY-CLIENT MEETING. THE SPECIAL PRIVATE ATTORNEY-CLIENT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 286.011(8), FLORIDA STATUTES, AND WILL BE CONFINED TO SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS AND LITIGATION EXPENSE STRATEGY PERTAINING TO THE LAWSUIT BETWEEN SEAGATE HOMES, LLC, ET AL. V. ST. JOHNS COUNTY, CASE NO. CA10-2962. ST. JOHNS COUNTY IS A PARTY TO THAT LAWSUIT. THE SPECIAL PRIVATE ATTORNEY-CLIENT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE BCC EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM ADJACENT TO THE AUDITORIUM

(06/17/14 - 1 - 1:34 p.m.)

CALL TO ORDER OF SPECIAL MEETING BY CHAIR

Morris called the meeting to order.

(06/17/14 - 1 - 1:35 p.m.)

COUNTY ATTORNEY REQUESTS A PRIVATE ATTORNEY/CLIENT MEETING TO COMMENCE AT 1:30 P.M.

Patrick McCormack, County Attorney, informed the Board that he needed advice concerning the case of Seagate Homes, LLC, et al., v. St. Johns County, Florida, et al., Case No. CA10-2962. He stated that Florida Statute 286.011 allowed the Board to hold a private meeting in order to provide that advice.

(06/17/14 - 2 - 1:35 p.m.)

CHAIR ANNOUNCES THE CLOSED CLIENT/ATTORNEY MEETING IN THE BOARD'S EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM AND SPECIFIC NAMES OF PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING

Morris announced that the meeting would commence at 1:30 p.m. and would take place in the Executive Conference Room. He stated the meeting was estimated to last approximately one hour.

Morris announced who would be in attendance at the meeting: Commissioners John H. Morris, Rachael L. Bennett, Bill McClure, Cyndi Stevenson, Ron Sanchez; County Administrator, Michael D. Wanchick; County Attorney, Patrick F. McCormack; Assistant County Attorney David M. Migut; Stephen B. Gallagher, Esquire; and Court Reporter, Janet Beason.

The meeting attendees moved to the Executive Conference Room for the closed client/attorney session at 1:36 p.m.

(06/17/14 - 2 - 1:54 p.m.)

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING, THE CHAIR WILL RECONVENE THE SPECIAL MEETING AND ANNOUNCE TERMINATION OF THE CLOSED ATTORNEY/CLIENT SETTLEMENT MEETING

The special meeting reconvened and Morris announced the termination of the closed attorney/client meeting.

(1:54 p.m.) McCormack informed the Board that the essential elements of the proposed settlement in the matter of Seagate Homes v. St. Johns County, Case No. CA10-2962, were that the County would agree to pay \$17,500 and the St. Johns County Housing Partnership would agree to pay \$7,500, in return for a full settlement. He recommended the following resolution for the Board's consideration:

(1:56 p.m.) Motion by McClure, seconded by Stevenson, carried 5/0, that Seagate Homes, LLC, et al., v. St. Johns County, Case No. CA10-2962, be settled with the County agreeing to pay in full settlement, \$17,500 from General Fund Reserves, in return for a full settlement.

With there being no further business to come before the Board, the special meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

Approved July 15, 2014


BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____


John H. Morris, Chair

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: _____


Deputy Clerk

