

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 27, 2024
5:30 P.M.

The Lafayette County Commission met on the above date and hour for a regular scheduled meeting. The meeting was held in the County Commissioners Meeting Room at the Lafayette County Courthouse in Mayo, Florida. The following members were present: Commissioner Lance Lamb, Dist. 1; Commissioner Mason Byrd, Dist. 2; Commissioner Lisa Walker, Dist. 3; Commissioner Anthony Adams, Dist. 4; Commissioner Earnest L. Jones, Dist. 5; and Leenette McMillan-Fredriksson, County Attorney.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Byrd and a second by Mr. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

REQUESTS AND COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY

Mrs. Lasharda Leasy appeared before the Board to discuss recovery efforts by FEMA in Lafayette County. Mrs. Leasy stated that she would assist the Board with any issues the citizens of Lafayette County experienced with the process.

NW MATT PICKLES ROAD

The Board considered a petition from Mrs. Carla Brock to change the name of NW Matt Pickles Road to NW Bell Lane. Mrs. Brock informed the Board of her reasons for the change and submitted letters of support from all the property owners on the road. There was no objection from the public. On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the name change from NW Matt Pickles Road to NW Bell Lane.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024-08-09

Mr. Gerald Herndon, Jr. appeared before the Board to discuss closing SE Calico Drive. Mr. Herndon informed the Board that this road had not been maintained by the County for several years. He had the approval of all the property owners to close the road. On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to read Resolution Number 2024-08-09 by title only. On a motion by Mr. Adams and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to approve Resolution 2024-08-09, closing SE Calico Drive.

LIBRARY POSITION

The Board considered a recommendation by Mrs. April Sellers, Library Director to hire Sarena Carter for the open Library Aide position. Mr. Lamb made a motion to accept the recommendation, the motion was seconded by Mr. Byrd. The motion was amended by Mr. Adams to include the starting pay of \$13.82 per hour, the amendment was seconded by Mrs. Walker. The amendment passed by a unanimous vote. The motion as amended passed by a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024-08-07

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Byrd, the Board voted unanimously to read Resolution Number 2024-08-07 by title only. On a motion by Mr. Adams and a second by Mrs. Walker, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolution Number 2024-08-07 extending the state of emergency for Hurricane Debby.

CREMATION AND DISPOSITION

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to approve a cremation and disposition request from Burns Funeral Home on John Phillip Wray.

MERIDIAN BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE

On a motion by Mr. Adams and a second by Mrs. Walker, the Board unanimously approved a contract with Meridian Behavioral Healthcare to provide mental health and addiction services to the citizens of Lafayette County.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024-08-08

On a motion by Mr. Adams and a second by Mr. Byrd, the Board voted unanimously to read Resolution Number 2024-08-08 by title only. On a motion by Mr. Adams and a second by Mr. Byrd, the Board adopted Resolution Number 2024-08-08 revising the language to the 2023-2026 SHIP Local Housing Assistance Plan, changing the administration fee percentage to 2% for the County and 8% for the SHIP Administrator.

SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT

On a motion by Mr. Byrd and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Lafayette County SHIP Program Sub-Recipient Agreement with the Suwannee River Economic Council.

CEI SERVICES ON CR 250

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Byrd, the Board voted unanimously to approve an agreement with Lochner Engineering for the CEI Services on NW County Road 250.

DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES ON CR 320

On a motion by Mr. Byrd and a second by Mrs. Walker, the Board voted unanimously to approve an agreement with Lochner Engineering for the Design Services on SW County Road 320.

WARRANT LIST

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following bills:

General Fund - \$144,114.14

Industrial Park Fund - \$65.81


Emergency 911 Fund - \$407.70

VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT

On motion by Mr. Adams and a second by Mr. Byrd, the Board voted unanimously to allow Locklear and Associates to apply for the next round of grants associated with the Vulnerability Assessment Project.

ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Adams, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.


Earnest L. Jones, Chairman



Attest.


Steve Lamb, Clerk

Approved this 10th day of September, 2024.