

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 9, 2020

9:00 A.M.

The Lafayette County Commission met on the above date and hour for a regular scheduled meeting. The meeting was held in the County Commissioner's meeting room in Mayo, Florida. The following members were present: Commissioner Lance Lamb, Dist. 1; Commissioner Henry McCray, 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. Lamb and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

**ROD LAND – REQUEST TO PLACE SIGNS ON COUNTY ROADS**

Rod Land, along with representatives from Florida Farm Bureau, requested permission from the Board to place signs along various county roads to make drivers aware that there is farm equipment traveling on the roads. The proposed locations for the signs were as follows: CR 500, CR 480, two signs on CR 405, CR 411, two signs on CR 354, CR 410, two signs on CR 536, CR 300, two signs on CR 534, CR 350, and two signs on CR 251. On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to allow them to get with Scott Sadler about placement of the signs and to waive all fees associated with this.

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REPRESENTATIVE**

Joanna Hand, with the Florida Department of Transportation MCORES Task Force, gave the Board an update and discussed their upcoming meetings. No action was taken on this issue.

**OPEN BIDS FOR NEW MOTOR GRADER**

The Board opened the following bids a new motor grader: Ring Power - \$2,914.14/per month for a 5-year lease and Beard Equipment Company - \$3,185.00/per month for a 5-year lease. On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to approve Ring Power as the low bidder pending Scott Sadler's review and approval of the bids.

**LAFAYETTE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE**

Shawn Jackson, with the Lafayette County Extension Office, discussed the condition of the dock at Koon Lake and its unsafe conditions. The Lafayette 4-H uses this dock often, and he is having students and their parents write letters to FWC in support of repairs to the dock. On a motion by Mr.

Jones and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to also draft and send a letter of support from the Board of County Commissioners for these repairs.

### **APPOINT NEW VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF**

On a motion by Mr. Jones and second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to accept the resignation letter from J.C. Lawson, and to appoint Josh Moore as the new Fire Chief of the Volunteer Fire Department, pending his state certification being received. The current Fire Chief listed is Marty Tompkins, EMS Director.

### **2019-2020 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT EXEMPTION LIST**

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to set the exemption poverty guidelines at \$9,500 for single and \$11,500 for family. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to approve the individuals that meet these guidelines on the 2019-2020 Special Assessment Exemption list that was provided by the Tax Collector's Office.

### **DISCUSS BIDS FOR THE CR 411 PROJECT**

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to table awarding the bid on CR 411 until the regular scheduled meeting on April 13, 2020.

### **APPROVE THE BILLS**

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

General Fund - \$329,278.28

Emergency 911 Fund - \$30,882.39

Industrial Park Fund - \$330.69

Special Law Enforcement Trust Fund - \$1,067.44

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03-01**

On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to have Mrs. McMillan-Fredriksson read Resolution No. 2020-03-01 by title only. On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Lamb, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution to approve a supplemental agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation on the Island Drive Bridge Rehabilitation project.



## RANK ENGINEERING FIRMS FOR CR 354

The Board previously reviewed Requests for Qualifications that were turned in from Engineering Firms on the County Road 354 project. The Board ranked these firms during the open meeting, and they were ranked the following way: #1 – North Florida Professional Services; #1 – Dewberry Engineers, Inc.; #3 – Locklear & Associates; #4 – Darabi & Associates; #4 – Kennedy Engineering & Associates; and #6 – Causseaux, Hewett, & Walpole. On a motion by Mrs. Walker and a second by Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to table the selection of a firm, because there were two firms ranked #1, until the next meeting and to review again before selecting between those two for this project.

### PROCLAMATION FOR CENSUS AWARENESS MONTH

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mrs. Walker, the Board voted unanimously to have Mrs. McMillan-Fredriksson read a Proclamation declaring March as Census Awareness Month. On a motion by Mr. Lamb and a second by Mrs. Walker, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the Proclamation.

### ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McCray, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.



Anthony Adams, Chairman

Attest:

  
Steve Land, Clerk

Approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2020.