

**HARDEE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2003 8:30 A.M.  
HARDEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. CONFERENCE ROOM  
A G E N D A**

<b>Commissioners:</b>	<b>District I</b>	<b>William R. Lambert, Jr., Chairman</b>
	<b>District II</b>	<b>Clifton N. Timmerman</b>
	<b>District III</b>	<b>Gordon R. Norris, Vice-Chairman</b>
	<b>District IV</b>	<b>Bobby R. Smith</b>
	<b>District V</b>	<b>Walter B. Olliff, Jr.</b>

<b>County Manager Lexton H. Albritton , Jr.</b>	<b>Office Manager Susan Dick</b>
<b>Clerk B. Hugh Bradley</b>	<b>Deputy Clerk Nancy Craft</b>
<b>County Attorney Ken Evers</b>	

**Chairman Lambert – Call to Order.**

**Invocation by Rev. Grant Hignight followed by Pledge to Flag.**

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:      Regular minutes of 04/17/03 at 8:30 a.m.  
   Regular minutes of 05/01/03 at 8:30 a.m.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES AND PAGERS**

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**Tab 1  
8:35 a.m.            Update on Hwy. 17 construction concerning northbound highway access.**

**Action Recommended: Board's discretion.**

**Tab 2  
9:00 a.m.            Peoples Gas – Discuss use of County Right-of-Way on CR 663 and economic development package.**

**Action Recommended: To be made at meeting.**

**Tab 3  
9:15 a.m.            Update on negotiations with IMC concerning financial responsibility.**

**Action Recommended: Request authorization to continue negotiations.**

**Tab 4  
9:30 a.m.            Mike Cassidy, Building and Zoning Director – Mary Lawanda Peavy, Special Master Case No. 98-16, requests waiver of \$32,750 in code violation fines, less \$1,000 fine and \$250 administrative fee, (total payment \$1,250) with following stipulations: 1) Violations are to be cured within a 90 day period of official notification by the Building & Zoning Dept.; 2) Code Enforcement Official shall deem violations cured prior to fines being waived.**

**Action Recommended: Motion to waive \$31,750 of the \$32,750 fine and require payment of \$250 administrative fee with following stipulations: 1) Violations are to be cured within a 90 day period of official notification by the Building & Zoning Dept.; 2) Code Enforcement Official shall deem violations cured prior to fines being waived..**

**Copy of memo from Mike Cassidy dated 05/28/03 and photos provided.**

**COUNTY MANAGER; NON-CONSENT AGENDA**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Tab 5

- A. Request approval of Hardee County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting minutes from the 05/05/03 meeting.**

**Copy of minutes provided.**

Tab 6

- B. Request authorization for County Attorney to prepare agreement to extend Stearns Conrad & Schmidt, Consulting Engineers, Inc., d/b/a SCS Engineers four year continuing agreement through September 30, 2005 and authorize Chairman to sign. (Landfill Engineers) (current agreement expires August 25, 2003)**

**Copy of memo from Janice Williamson dated 06/05/03 provided.**

Tab 7

- C. Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Tri-County Human Services, Inc. lease for a six-month period from July 01, 2003 to December 31, 2003. (202 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Wauchula)**

**Copy of proposed lease provided.**

Tab 8

- D. Request authorization to transfer up to \$150,000 from Fine and Forfeiture Contingency (as needed) to cover court mandated costs through the end of fiscal year.**

**Copy of memo from Kathy Crawford dated 06/06/03 provided.**

**ALSO:**

**Request approval and authorization to transfer \$5,535 from CDBG Housing Contingency to cover cost of printer (to be shared by OCD/OMB) (grant funded) and authorization to transfer \$21,138.86 from contingency as needed to cover administrative costs.**

**Copy of memo from Kathy Crawford dated 06/06/03 provided.**



**ATTACHMENT A**  
**OLD BUSINESS (Open)**  
**JUNE 12, 2003**

1. Permanent relocation of staff –B & G staff working on Annex I renovations. Comcast has provided wire for television hook up.
2. Special Taxing Districts –Uniform Method of Collection of Special Assessments (necessary to collect assessments on tax bill). Public Hearing held 01/09/03. Survey has been sent to residents of Oak Hills Ranch Rd. Twenty-two of the 35 surveys have been returned. Thirteen are not in favor of any form of special taxing district (59%). Of the 9 in favor, 5 preferred the road be paved and 4 preferred maintenance only. Staff calling remainder to request survey be completed.
3. Heartland Water Alliance–Meeting held 06/05/03 – Oral presentations were heard from four short-listed firms. Envisors, in association with Black and Veatch, will be contracted with to prepare the Water Supply Plan, subject to negotiations.
4. Mining Ordinance Amendments/ DRI's –Staff identifying ordinances and resolutions for determining amendments needed and scheduling for completion.
5. Hardee Lakes 09/19/02 Authorized proceeding with FRDAP Grant, \$200,000 and LWCF Grant, \$150,000. Staff working with Fish & Game on potential grants and design assistance. Received donation of \$100,000 from Vandolah Power Company 12/19/02. Commencement documents for FRDAP and LWCF submitted 01/31/03 and accepted by both agencies. 03/06/03 approved F1 Boating Improvement Program Grant app. \$150,000. This agenda (04/17/03)– consent – decreasing FBIP grant app. Amount to \$66,775. Co. Mgr. To investigate possible purchase of adjacent 2.5 acres. 2.5 acres no longer for sale. Weeks to prepare RFP for manager's house.
6. Shared roads with DeSoto County - Follow-up letter to Chisholm on 05/02/03. 05/22/03 - Chisholm advised an inter-local agreement is being drafted.
7. Industrial Development Authority – Boundary survey due 06/18/03 with property purchase closing planned for 06/27/03.
8. Range Cattle Research & Education Center at Ona – 05/12/03 – packets of IFAS and Ona Research Station support documents sent by SC Chairman to Legislators.
9. Bowling Green Fire Protection Issue – Per BCC 05/29/03 a letter was sent to Bowling Green Mayor requesting they provide options they feel will be fair for all Hardee County citizens.
10. Soil Mapping – 07/16/02 – pursue the issue of re-mapping of the soils with DEP and the Bureau of Mine Reclamations.
11. IMC Annual Report – Financial Responsibility – 05/09/03 BCC approved continuing negotiations for an additional 30 days. This agenda (06/12/03) at 9:00 a.m.
12. CF Annual Report – 01/23/03 BCC received recommendation of approval from Planning and Zoning Board. Co. Mgr. met with CF staff 05/30/03.
13. Improvements to Magnolia Manor Park. 03/14/03 – Staff working on several items at Park. Staff acquiring costs for restroom repairs and basketball court. Several improvements made.

14. Fire Hydrants on Hwy. 17 from K.D. Revell Road to SFCC site. 03/14/03 Lex to work with Fire Chief and CAS. 04/03/03 - Fire Chief and Park Winter working with CAS on cost options based on phased development – will present when data is available.
15. Landfill Expansion – 02/06/03 Approved SCS Work Order #8 for 10 acres expansion (staff & SCS to study feasibility of 20 acres expansion). This agenda (06-12-03) extend 4 year continuing agreement for a period ending 09/30/05.
16. Highway 17 Construction - 05/09/03 FDOT presented updated access list; Co. Attorney to put FDOT on notice that contractor for project has safety issue concerns in the area of Will Duke Road; 06/09/03 Chairman and City Council Rep. to meet with FDOT. Update – this agenda (06/12/03) at 8:35 a.m.
17. Courthouse Renovations – 03/06/03 staff to compile report on all expenditures for renovation. Also: Public Records Request has been submitted to Clerk for his expenditures including Attorney Fees. Clerk advised he will provide expenditure summary.
18. Interlocal Agreement with City of Wauchula for Building Inspections, etc. –Staff to look into including Zoning Enforcement. Comparing City code to County code on various zoning issues.
19. Peoples Gas Line –05/09/03 County Manager gave update. – 05/22/03 Co. Mgr.Co. Attorney/Road Supervisor met with representatives of Peoples Gas. 05/29/03 Peoples Gas on BCC agenda - County Mgr. to continue negotiations.
20. Legislative Issues.
21. Community Assessment Study – 05/15/03 – Continued for 30 days – Re-agenda 06/26/03.

**ATTACHMENT B  
OLD BUSINESS (CLOSED)  
JUNE 12, 2003**

1. **Cargo Airport – 03/06/03 IMC advised land option has been executed. Van Fleet provided a presentation at the 04/08/03 Airport Task Force meeting. 05/01/03 update from Doug Brown.**

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**ADD-ON A G E N D A**

**ADD AS 9:45 A.M. APPOINTMENT**

**Park Winter, Economic Development Director – Discuss requests from Florida’s Heartland REDI (FHREDI) for grant support:**

- a) Request letter of support and commitment of \$1,372 in dues for FHREDI.**
- b) Request letter of support for the Florida Freshwater Frontier regional tourism program and grant being submitted to Enterprise Florida by the Florida Freshwater Frontier Board.**
- c) Request financial commitment of \$5,000 for Regional Rural Development Grant pending availability of funds.**

**Action Recommended: Board’s Discretion.**

**Copy of letter from FHREDI Chairman K. S. “Butch” Jones dated 05/30/03 and 2002 letters of support from Hardee County provided.**

**ALSO:**

**Approve and authorize Chairman to sign Contract for Sale and Purchase, Deed, Closing Statement and any and all documents required to complete transaction for purchase of approximately 160 acres at Highway 62 and Gebhart Road, Bowling Green for approximately \$1.6 million from Joanne Carlton Taylor. (IDA Park)  
(Actual purchase price to be determined from surveyed acres at \$10,000/acre).**

**Action Recommended: Motion to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Contract for Sale and Purchase, Deed, Closing Statement and any and all documents required to complete transaction for purchase of approximately 160 acres at Highway 62 and Gebhart Road, Bowling Green for approximately \$1.6 million from Joanne Carlton Taylor.**

**Copy of Contract for Sale and Purchase provided.**

**ADD AS NON-CONSENT A:**

**Request approval and authorization for Chairman to sign Change Order No. 3 for a contract addition of 3” and 4” force main at Orange Blossom R. V. Park, an increase of \$14,700.63. (Will provide temporary service for SFCC)**

**Action Recommended: Motion to approve and authorize Chairman to sign Change Order No. 3, an increase of \$14,700.63 to the Wauchula Hills Wastewater Treatment Plant contract with Westra Corp.**

**Copy of Change Order No. 3 provided.**

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