

**REGULAR MEETING
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 22, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on December 22, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. in the Levy County Board of County Commissioners meeting room with the following Commissioners present:

Chairman John Meeks
Comm. Rock Meeks
Comm. Danny Stevens
Comm. Lilly Rooks
Comm. Mike Joyner

Also present were:

County Attorney – Anne Bast Brown
County Coordinator – Fred Moody

Chairman John Meeks called the Meeting to order at 9:04 A.M. Comm. Joyner gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXPENDITURES

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the following expenditures presented for payment. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

CHECK NUMBER	122037-122184
FUND	AMOUNT
GENERAL REVENUE	667,962.94
ROAD	66,937.41
PAL LIBRARY	26,441.02
MOSQUITO CONTROL	487.14
TRANSPORTATION	17,679.26
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
EMS	31,812.14
FIRE	9,054.88
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	10,128.51
UTILITIES	1,606.80
ADD COURT COSTS	637.62
IMPACT FEES - PARKS	125.41
CAPITAL PROJECTS	229,148.90
LANDFILL	59,060.39
TOTAL	\$ 1,121,097.42

MINUTES

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on October 20, 2015 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on October 20, 2015 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Members of the audience who spoke regarding this item were:

Toni Collins	Frank Offerle	Steve Stackhouse
Sue Colson	Mandy Offerle	Brack Barker
Margarete Hall	Jay Bushnell	Donna Bushnell
Jeri Treat	Tom Liebert	

Andrew Gode, representing the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service spoke to the Board giving the National Wildlife Refuge's perspective regarding this issue.

Noah Valenstine, Executive Director of Suwannee River Water Management District also spoke.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to send a letter to the Suwannee River Water Management District requesting them to address the issue presented to the Board as they own and manage the land surrounding the tract in question. Second was made by Comm. Joyner.

Comm. Stevens rescinds his motion and Comm. Joyner rescinds his Second upon Mr. Valenstine stating an extension would be given for comment from the Board until after the next Water Management District meeting on January 12th.

The meeting recessed at 10:58 A.M.

The meeting reconvened at 11:10 A.M.

ANIMAL SERVICES

David Weatherford, Director

Request adoption of Policies and Safety Procedures for volunteer program and general public kennel access.

Mr. Weatherford presented a proposed Policies and Procedures for Levy County Animal Services Department Volunteer Program and Kennel Access for Board approval.

Mary Taaffe spoke regarding the proposed Policies and Procedures and questions were asked by Linda Cooper and Terry Witt.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Policies and Procedures for the Animal Services Department Volunteer Program and Kennel Access adding "with Board approval." Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Weatherford gave a quarterly report to the Board of the number of animals taken in at the Animal Services Department, adopted, micro-chipped, spayed and neutered, vaccinations administered, as well as the number which were euthanized.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

John MacDonald, Director

Discuss the Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) Project List.

Mr. MacDonald spoke to the Board regarding the Local Mitigation Strategy Project List noting there are some county projects which need to be revisited for their priority, or any additions or subtractions.

Comm. Rooks made a motion to approve the LMS Project List with the addition of the Inglis project. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

NON-AGENDA ITEM

Comm. Stevens made a motion to hear a non-agenda item from Sheriff McCallum. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

Sheriff McCallum requested the Board send a letter of support to Senator Dean, Representative Stone and to SLRS expressing the need for an E-Tower on the East side of Levy County.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

All Commissioners wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Comm. Stevens stated the Christmas Cantata at the Williston Church of God was a success.

Comm. Rock Meeks stated the Christmas Parade in Chiefland went well and many people came out for it. Kirby Farms is still going on if anyone would like to attend.

Comm. Rooks stated the Boat Parade in Cedar Key went well.

Comm. John Meeks reported Wreaths Across America was a huge success this year. Comm. John Meeks stated a letter was received from Jack Hudson, District Commander of the AmVets District 16 thanking the Board for the donation of a bus recently.

Comm. John Meeks gave an update on the Restore Act and the amount Levy County could receive from the "Pot 3 Money" pending approval by the Governor.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION, THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 12:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEVY COUNTY, FL

Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

Chairman, John Meeks