

## Levy County Board of County Commissioners

### Agenda Item Summary

1. **NAME/ORGANIZATION/TELEPHONE:**

GRANT COORDINATOR/GRANT DEPARTMENT

2. **MEETING DATE:**

March 22, 2016

3. **REQUESTED MOTION/ACTION:** Request Dr. Rayanne Giddis as the replacement for Marilyn Ladner in the Higher Education/Institution position on the RESTORE Act committee; Reappoint John Meeks, Leslie Sturmer, and Chris Cowart to the RESTORE Act committee; Bruce Wilson will not be appointed, but we are currently seeking his replacement,

4. **Agenda Presentation**

Time Requested: 10

minutes

(Request will be granted if possible)

ALLOTTED TIME NOT

5. **IS THIS ITEM BUDGETED (IF APPLICABLE) ?** YES  NO  IF NO, STATE ACTION REQUIRED

BUDGET ACTION:

FINANCIAL IMPACT SUMMARY STATEMENT:

DETAILED ANALYSIS ATTACHED?: YES  NO  BUDGET OFFICER APPROVAL  DATE

6. **BACKGROUND: (WHY IS THE ACTION NECESSARY, AND WHAT ACTION WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED)**

The RESTORE Act committee needs a representative for the Higher Education. Marilyn Ladner is retiring, and Dr. Rayanne Giddis is the requested replacement. The RESTORE Act committee voted on this item at the March 8, 2016 RESTORE Act committee meeting.

Reappointment of John Meeks (BOCC Representative) Vice Chairman, Leslie Sturmer (Aquaculture Representative), and Chris Cowart, Chairman (School Board Representative).

Bruce Wilson (Tourism Industry Representative) will not be reappointed.

7. **RECOMMENDED APPROVAL AND DATE (YES & NO BLOCK INDICATE IF APPROVAL IS/IS NOT REQUIRED)**

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER	COUNTY ATTORNEY	COUNTY COORDINATOR
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>					

8. **COMMISSION ACTION:**

APPROVED

DENIED

DEFERRED DATE TO BRING BACK:

OTHER SPECIFY:

**RESOLUTION  
NUMBER 2013-08**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE LEVY COUNTY RESTORE ACT ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR ITS FUNCTIONS, POWERS, AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, APPOINTMENT, AND REMOVAL; PROVIDING FOR OFFICERS, QUORUM, AND RULES OF PROCEDURE; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS; PROVIDING FOR DUTIES OF THE COUNTY COORDINATOR; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida (hereinafter "the Board") recognizes that with the passage of the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (hereinafter "the RESTORE Act"), substantial sums of money could come to Florida and Levy County as a result of fines levied against companies responsible for the 2010 incidents known as the Deepwater Horizon explosion and oil spill (herein "Deepwater Horizon"); and

**WHEREAS**, the RESTORE Act establishes the RESTORE Act Trust Fund to maintain funds collected from certain fines levied as a result of Deepwater Horizon, to be available to states and counties in the Gulf Coast region, including Levy County and Florida, in certain percentages as set forth in the RESTORE Act, for ecological and economic restoration of the Gulf Coast region, more specifically as follows:

- (i) Restoration and protection of the natural resources, ecosystems, fisheries, marine and wildlife habitats, beaches, and coastal wetlands of the Gulf Coast region.
- (ii) Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, and natural resources.
- (iii) Implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan, including fisheries monitoring.
- (iv) Workforce development and job creation.
- (v) Improvements to or on State parks located in coastal areas affected by Deepwater Horizon.

- (vi) Infrastructure projects benefiting the economy or ecological resources, including port infrastructure.
- (vii) Coastal flood protection and related infrastructure.
- (viii) Planning assistance.
- (ix) Administrative costs of complying with this section (limited to 3%).

And for promotion of tourism and seafood, more specifically as follows:

- (i) Promotion of tourism in the Gulf Coast region, including recreational fishing.
- (ii) Promotion of the consumption of seafood harvested from the Gulf Coast region; and

**WHEREAS**, in order for projects, programs or activities to qualify for funding under the RESTORE Act, they must meet certain criteria and requirements, and include public participation in the development process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to establish an advisory committee of individuals who have a broad range of knowledge and experience with one or more of the aforementioned allowed uses for RESTORE Act funds to provide input to the Board on the use of the RESTORE Act funds, to assist in the development and review of projects, programs or activities to qualify for funding under the RESTORE Act, and to provide for a venue for extensive public participation in the process for development of such projects, programs or activities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, that:

1. Advisory Committee established. There is hereby established the Levy County RESTORE Act Advisory Committee (hereinafter "the Committee").

2. Functions, powers and duties of the Committee. The functions, powers and duties of the Committee shall be as follows:

(a) Establish an application and application procedure for potential projects, programs or activities to be funded by RESTORE Act funds and solicit and accept all applications;

(b) Hold no less than five (5) advertised public meetings to encourage and solicit broad-based citizen input on the potential projects, programs and activities from

individuals, businesses and nonprofit organizations;

(c) Review and rank each proposed project, program and activity based upon the guidelines provided in the RESTORE Act, federal rules, community and regional needs and desires, the best available science for natural resource protection or restoration projects or activities, and other relevant factors;

(d) Provide monthly status reports to the Board.

(e) Prepare and present a ranked project and activity list to the Board within ninety (90) days after the U.S. Treasury Department has issued its final rules and regulations applicable to the RESTORE Act;

(f) Track those projects, programs and activities approved for funding, those referred to or funded from other potential funding sources, and those denied for funding;

(g) Provide input and assistance to the County in developing and submitting a multiyear implementation plan for the use of the RESTORE Act funds, which shall include milestones, projected completion or of each activity, and a mechanism to evaluate the success of each activity in helping to restore and protect the County; and

(h) Such other duties assigned or determined by the Board.

3. Membership.

(a) The Committee shall consist of nine (9) members appointed by the Board.

(b) Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Board. Members shall be able to devote the time necessary to participate in the activities of the Committee. Members shall receive no compensation for the performance of their duties as members of the Committee; however each member may be paid necessary expenses, as authorized in section 112.061, Fla. Stat., incurred while engaged in the performance of duties to the extent funds are available and such expenses are approved in advance by the County Coordinator.

(c) Initial terms of the members of the Committee shall be staggered so that the terms of the members from categories (d)(i) through (d)(iv) below shall be one (1) year, and from categories (d)(v) through (d)(viii) shall be two (2) years. After the initial staggered terms, member terms shall be for two (2) years. Members shall be eligible for reappointment.

(d) In order to ensure that the Committee is comprised of members with diversified backgrounds, as well as the expertise necessary to perform the responsibilities set forth in this Resolution, the Board hereby establishes the following criteria for the composition of the Committee:

- (i) Two members from the County, one being the Chairman of the Board or his designee, one being an employee of the Board or other individual representing the County's interests to be appointed by the Board.
- (ii) One member from the Levy County School Board or its administration, to be recommended by the School Board and appointed by the Board.
- (iii) One member from a higher education institution (college or university), to be recommended by such institution and appointed by the Board.
- (iv) One member from the aquaculture industry, to be appointed by the Board.
- (v) One member from the workforce development/job creation industry, to be appointed by the Board.
- (vi) One member with experience in economic development efforts, to be appointed by the Board.
- (vii) One member from the tourism industry, to be appointed by the Board.
- (viii) One at-large citizen member, who must possess an interest in one of the areas of allowed uses for RESTORE Act funds, to be appointed by the Board.

(e) Each member of the Committee shall be allowed to appoint an alternate designee in the event the member must be absent from any meeting. Designees are subject to the same membership criteria as the appointing member.

(f) Member vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(g) Any member of the Committee may be removed by the Board without cause at the discretion of the Board, or by the Board for misfeasance, malfeasance, willful neglect of duty, or failure to attend three or more consecutive meetings for any reasons whatsoever.

4. Officers, quorum, and rules of procedure.

- (a) At the first meeting, and annually thereafter, the membership of the

Committee shall elect a chair and vice chair. Officers' terms shall be for one (1) year, with eligibility for re-election. The County Coordinator shall appoint a County staff person to serve as secretary to the Committee.

(b) The presence of a majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum of the Committee necessary to take action and transact business. In addition, once quorum requirements have been met, an affirmative vote of the majority of the Committee members present at a meeting shall be necessary for the Committee to take any action. A tie vote shall not be considered an affirmative vote. No vacancy in the membership of the Committee shall impair the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the Committee.

(c) The Committee may, by a majority vote of the entire membership of the Committee, adopt rules of procedure or bylaws for the transaction of business; provided, however, any such rules or bylaws shall comply with laws of the State and with this Resolution.

5. Compliance with Applicable Laws.

(a) The Committee's activities shall be consistent with federal and state laws and regulations and this Resolution.

(b) All meetings of the Committee will be open to the public and subject to the applicable provisions of the Florida open meetings ("Sunshine") laws, Chapter 286, Fla. Stat.

(c) The records of the Committee shall also be subject to the applicable provisions of the Florida Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Fla. Stat.

(d) The members of the Committee shall be subject to the applicable provisions of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Chapter 112, Part III, Fla. Stat., including but not limited to sections 112.313 and 112.3143, Fla. Stat.

6. Duties of the County Coordinator or designee for the Committee. The duties of the County Coordinator or his/her designee for the Committee shall be:

(a) Administer the activities of the Committee in accordance with the policies of the Board and this Resolution.

(b) Provide a County staff person to serve as secretary to the Committee, to take minutes of Committee meetings, maintain Committee files, and provide any additional

clerical support required by the Committee and assigned by the County Coordinator.

(c) Provide periodic written reports to the Board on the activities of the Committee.

(d) Provide any additional technical or administrative support as deemed appropriate by the County Administrator.

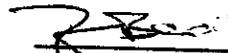
7. Recitals. The above Recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

8. Sunset Clause. Six (6) years after the date of adoption of this Resolution, the Board shall review the activities of the Committee to determine whether the Committee still serves a necessary function and should continue in existence.

9. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED THIS 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2013.

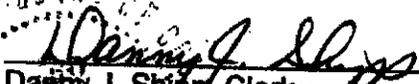
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA**



Ryan Bell, Chair

ATTEST:

Danny J. Shipp, Clerk of the Circuit  
Court and Ex Officio Clerk to the  
Board of County Commissioners



Danny J. Shipp, Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



Anne Bast Brown  
Anne Bast Brown, County Attorney

# RESTORE Act Advisory Committee Members

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<b>Aquaculture Representative</b>	<b>Economic Development Representative</b>	<b>Tourism Industry Representative</b>
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<b>Citizen Representative</b>	<b>Citizen Representative</b>	<b>Citizen Representative</b>
<b>Jolie Davis</b> PO Box 6 Cedar Key, FL 32625 joliedavis@bellsouth.net cell- (352) 262-2101 business- (352) 528-0019 home- (352) 543-5102	<b>Jack Schofield</b> 5003 Riverside Drive Yankeetown, FL 34498 jschofield@bellsouth.net cell- (352) 586-2255 home- (352) 447-6152	<b>Dr. Richard Streeter</b> PO Box 979 Inglis, FL 34449 dickjaninglis@gmail.com cell- (813) 951-3253

**REGULAR MEETING  
LEVY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FEBRUARY 16, 2016**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Levy County Commissioners was held on February 16, 2016 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  
Danny J. Shipp – Clerk of Court

Chairman John Meeks called the Meeting to order at 9:03 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. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

<b>CHECK NUMBER</b>	<b>122595-122841</b>
<b>FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
GENERAL REVENUE	548,320.36
ROAD	61,537.79
PAL LIBRARY	2,862.12
MOSQUITO CONTROL	241.66
TRANSPORTATION	3,597.14
COURT FACILITIES	15.00
EMS	38,960.32
FIRE	42,108.86
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT	2,402.55
UTILITIES	1,591.38
COMMUNICATION	3,048.51
IMPACT FEES - PARKS	1,713.08
DEBT SERVICE	48,623.75
LANDFILL	9,722.64
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 764,745.16</b>

**MINUTES**

The minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on December 22, 2015 were presented for Board approval.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Board meeting held on December 22, 2015 as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mandy Offerly thanked the Board for making the meeting agenda available online.

**PREBLE-RISH, INC.**

Rob Davis, Project Manager

Approval of Notice of Award to Carter Excavating, Inc. for University Oaks Water System Improvements, Phase I.

Mr. Davis requested Board approval of the Notice of Award to Carter Excavating, Inc., the lowest qualified bid for the University Oaks Water System Improvements, Phase I funded by a SRWMD grant 100%. The bids received are listed below:

Hartman Civil Construction	\$193,632.00
Art Walker Construction	\$ 56,556.00
GWP Construction	\$126,667.20
General Underground	\$112,674.00

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the Notice of Award with the Chairman's signature to Carter Excavating, Inc. as presented. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

**SOLID WASTE**

Benny Jerrels, Director

Request to approve the purchase of Summit trailer for hauling garbage; Florida Sheriff's Association of Counties Bid #15-13-0904.

Mr. Jerrels requested Board approval for the purchase of a Summit trailer for hauling garbage by utilizing the Florida Sheriff's Association bid price. This purchase will be reimbursed with the annual grant received from the State in the amount of \$45,454 for the 2015-2016 Small County Consolidated Grant Agreement for State Assistance.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the purchase of the Summit trailer as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

**REGIONAL GENERAL HOSPITAL**

Follow up as requested by Chairman John Meeks.

Dr. Devaiah Pagidipati, M.D. introduced three (3) individuals who told of their experience of being advised to be transported to a hospital other than Regional General Hospital in Williston. Those who spoke were: Corina Edwards, Humani, Pharmacy Director at RGH and Linda Johnson.

Dr. "P" read into public record a letter from Lamar Stegall who stated the EMS staff denied his request to be transported to Regional General Hospital and a letter from the Good Samaritan Hospital in Williston.

Others who spoke on behalf of Regional General Hospital were:

Joseph Lander	Lisa Sampson	Andrew McCloud
Destiny Edwards	Linnette Nolte	
Robert Mack	Latoya James	

Comments from the audience were made by Nancy Winninger, Renate Cannon and Ron Grant.

Dr. "P" informed the Board the hospital may close in 60 days due to limited patients being transported to them and the large number of indigent patients they cannot turn away for treatment.

Dr. Jason Jones, Medical Director for Levy County spoke of the policy for patient rights which is in place for nearly all of Florida which states if a patient is awake, alert and has the capacity to make medical decisions for themselves, the patient gets to determine which hospital they want to be taken to.

After discussion, the Board agreed to investigate the allegations presented to them.

The meeting recessed at 10:25 A.M.  
The meeting reconvened at 10:36 A.M.

## CITY OF CEDAR KEY

Mayor Heath Davis  
Request Road Department to remove fill around bridge area.

Mr. Davis requested the Board to direct the Road Department to remove sand and rock in an amount equivalent to the fill material utilized to repair the bridge and roadbed restoring the navigability of the channel.

Individuals from the audience who spoke regarding this item were Mike O'Dell and Carl Robinson, Charter Fishermen.

Renate Cannon also spoke stating Cedar Key receives CRA money and questioned why they would not make use of these funds.

Comm. Rooks recommended the City of Cedar Key contacting the Florida Department of Transportation for assistance.

After further discussion, Comm. Rooks made a motion to have Atty. Brown to DOT informing them of the concerns of the City of Cedar Key with regard to the sand and rock which has filled the channel beneath the Dock Street Bridge and requesting their assistance. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

Toni Collins reminded everyone this Saturday is the Open House for the Cedar Key Light Station from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

## NATURE COAST BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

David Pieklik, Executive Director

A. Regular activities report January/February 2016.

Mr. Pieklik gave a brief progress on activities and accomplishments to the Board for the Nature Coast Business Development Council for January and February, 2016.

B. Request approval to appoint Jeff Edison, Assistant Superintendent of Schools to the Nature Coast Business Development Council. This appointment fulfills the Education seat.

Mr. Pieklik requested Board approval to appoint Jeff Edison, Assistant Superintendent of Schools to the Nature Coast Business Development Council to fill the Education seat.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to appoint Jeff Edison to the Nature Coast Business Development Council filling the Education seat as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## PUBLIC HEARING

### ADOPT ORDINANCE 2016-01

An ordinance amending Chapter 47 of the Levy County Code of Ordinances pertaining to impact fees, amending sections 47-2, 47-3, 47-5, 47-46, 47-66, 47-68, 47-69, and 47-70 concerning impact fees in general, Emergency Medical Systems impact fees, and Road impact fees specifically, including a new rate schedule for Road impact fees and definitions and legislative findings related thereto; providing for alternate Fire Protection impact fee calculations; providing for payment and use of Fire Protection impact fees; providing for individual calculations of Fire Protection impact fees; providing for codification; providing for severability; and providing an effective date.

Lynn Hoshihara spoke to the Board requesting approval and presented the proposed amendments to Chapter 47 of the Levy County Code of Ordinances as listed above.  
Clancey Miller of Duncan and Associates also spoke.

Comments were made by Terry Witt and Renate Cannon.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-01 adding the date of June 1<sup>st</sup> as the effective date in Article 19 B and changing the reference in the same section, Article 13 to Article 15. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **GRANTS COORDINATOR**

Tisha Whitehurst

Request approval for the Amendment to the existing Tetra Tech Contract to be amended to meet the requirements for Department of Treasury to receive RESTORE Act Planning assistance grant funds.

Mrs. Whitehurst requested Board approval of the Amendment to the existing Tetra Tech Contract to meet the requirements for the Planning Assistance Application.

Comm. Joyner made a motion to approve the Amendment to Agreement as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rooks and the MOTION CARRIES.

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

David Knowles, Director

- A. Requesting the Board's approval and the Chairman's signature to send a notice to EMS Management & Consultants, Inc. to renew the Billing Services Agreement with them for a one-year term.

Chief Knowles requested Board approval and the Chairman's signature to send a notice to EMS Management & Consultants, Inc. to renew the Billing Services Agreement with them for a one-year term.

Comm. Joyner mad a motion to approve with the Chairman's signature the notice to EMS Management & Consultants, Inc. as requested. Second was made by Comm. Stevens and the MOTION CARRIES.

- B. Presenting the FY 2014-2015 fourth quarter write-off's to the Board for approval.

Chief Knowles presented and requested Board approval of the FY 2014-2015 fourth quarter write-off's in the amount of \$316,110.44.

Comm. Stevens made a motion to approve the FY 2014-2015 fourth quarter write-off's for the Department of Public Safety as requested. Second was made by Comm. Rock Meeks and the MOTION CARRIES. Comm. Rooks voted NO.

- C. Presenting our Fourth Quarter Report for FY 2015.

Chief Knowles presented the Fourth Quarter Report for FY 2015 to the Board stating operational and administrative accomplishments and changes the Department has undergone.

## **ROAD DEPARTMENT**

Alice LaLonde, Office Manager

- A. Request approval of CIGP application for CR 347 and Alice LaLonde having authorization to sign the application.

Mrs. LaLonde requested Board approval of the CIGP (County Incentive Grant Program) application for CR347 beginning at Alt. 27 and ending at US 19/98 for approximately 4.01 miles. The Grant Project consists of widening and re-surfacing the roadway from the existing lane width of 20' to 22'.

- B. Request approval of CIGP application for CR 345 and Alice LaLonde having authorization to sign the application.

Mrs. LaLonde requested Board approval of the CIGP application for CR345 beginning at Alt. 27 and ending at SR129 for approximately 2.53 miles. The Grant Project consists of widening and re-surfacing the roadway from the existing lane width of 20' to 22'.

- C. Request approval of SCRAP application for C32-B and Alice LaLonde having authorization to sign the application.

Mrs. LaLonde requested Board approval to submit the annual grant application for SCRAP (Small County Road Assistance Program) for C32-B beginning at SR24 and ending at C32 (NE 90<sup>th</sup> Ave.). The road is approximately .61 miles long and the Grant Project consists of re-surfacing the roadway.

- D. Request approval of SCOP application for C40W and Alice LaLonde having authorization to sign the application.

Mrs. LaLonde requested Board approval to submit the annual grant application for SCOP (Small County Outreach Program) for C40W beginning at US 19/98 and ending at Bird Creek Boat ramp (end of road). The road is approximately 6.63 miles long and the Grant Project consists of widening and re-surfacing the roadway from the existing lane width of 20' to 22'.

Comm. Rock Meeks made a motion to approve items A-D as presented. Second was made by Comm. Joyner and the MOTION CARRIES.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Jason Jones spoke in reference to the earlier comments made by Dr. "P" of Regional General Hospital in Williston disclosing the contents of packets which had been given to the Commissioners and himself.

Comments were made concerning the agenda item regarding Regional General Hospital.

Terry Witt asked for clarification as to what will be investigated by the Board concerning the allegations made by individuals earlier regarding transport to a hospital of their choice.

Chief Knowles answered a Quality Assurance Review will be done on the Patient Care Reports concerning the claims made by the individuals who spoke earlier.

Terry Witt also asked if the Board would be taking the "keys" to the hospital, should it close.

Comm. John Meeks stated Dr. "P" mentioned, but was not clear on several requests made to the Board earlier stating the County was in no position to take over a hospital financially.

Comments were also made by Toni Collins.

Renate Cannon questioned if the Certificate of Need was still alive.

Comm. John Meeks responded he had not been following this and had no answer at this time.

Ron Grant spoke regarding the Regional General Hospital issue.

Dana Sheffield announced there will be a Fly-In/Car Show/Community Expo at the Cross City Airport on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Admission is free and businesses are encouraged to set up displays.

Matt Brooks stated the Levy County School Foundation Gala coming up on the 20<sup>th</sup> and the Williston Church of God Cook-Off and Bow Shoot is this Saturday.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

Comm. Joyner presented a letter from Ted Thrasher to Chairman John Meeks who then read into public record. The letter commended the Levy County Firemen who responded to a fire incident which happened SuperBowl weekend on his property.

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

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEVY COUNTY, FL

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Clerk of Court, Danny J. Shipp

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Chairman, John Meeks