

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: Approve minutes of the July 13, 2010 regular meeting	
DEPT/DEPT REQUEST: Clerk's Office	
BACKGROUND/DETAIL OF REPORT: A copy of the minutes is attached.	
BUDGET IMPACT: Yes/No – If yes, how much? From where? No	
COORDINATION WITH:	
MOTION: STATE DRAFT MOTION Approve minutes of the July 13, 2010 regular meeting.	
REQUEST BY: Consent Agenda Sandra Brown, Sr. Deputy Clerk	Meeting Date: July 26, 2010 Agenda #

MINUTES OF THE GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MEETING ON TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2010 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM, GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MOORE
HAVEN, FLORIDA

The Glades County Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday, July 13, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. with the following Commissioners present:

Russell Echols, Chairman
K.S. "Butch" Jones, Vice Chairman
Donna Storter Long
Paul Beck
Robert Giesler

Others present:

Julie Mann Braddock, Administrative Secretary
Brenda Choban, Chief Deputy Clerk
Wendell Taylor, County Manager
Larry Hilton, Community Development Director
Richard Pringle, County Attorney
Jim Cianfrani, President-Muse Community Association
Connie Vanasche, Craig A. Smith & Associates
Terri Helfinstine, E911 Coordinator
Bob Jones, Public Safety Director
Erica Villafuerte, SHIP Coordinator
Avant Brown, Glades County Road Superintendent
David Whidden, AIM Engineering
Missie Barletto, South Florida Water Management District
Mr. Chapman, Glades County Public Safety
Charlie Murphy, Okeechobee Radio
Stuart Whiddon, Glades County Sheriff
6 citizens

PRAYER

Vice Chairman Jones gave the invocation.

OPENING PLEDGE

Commissioner Beck led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Chairman Echols stated he would like to make several introductions under Presentations and Awards.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Beck seconded by Commissioner Storter Long the Board approved the amendments to the agenda.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS

Chairman Echols introduced Laura Bedard as the new Warden at the Moore Haven Correctional Facility. He also introduced Chief Linda Brown who would also be working at the Facility. He welcomed both to the community.

Mrs. Bedard stated she was very pleased to be taking over the management at the Moore Haven Correctional Facility.

PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was none.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing Fair Housing Workshop

Erica Villafuerte, SHIP Administrator, stated she had applied for CDBG funds and one of the requirements was that a Fair Housing workshop be held. She stated Fair Housing was protected by State and Federal laws. She stated two (2) Fair Housing activities were conducted during the duration of each CDBG grant. She stated if anyone would like additional information they could contact her office.

2. Second Public Hearing Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY 2009

Ms. Villafuerte, SHIP Administrator, stated this public hearing was also part of the CDBG FY 2009 application. She stated this was the second of 2 required public hearings. She stated the purpose of the public hearing was to advise the citizens that Glades County was considering applying for CDBG housing funds. She stated she anticipated receiving \$700,000.00 for unincorporated Glades County. She stated the deadline for the application was July 22, 2010. She stated, if funded, 6 – 8 low to moderate income units would be assisted, of which 3 would be very low income. She stated temporary relocation benefits would be provided to those qualified applicants. She stated she had received no comments since the first public hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 3. A. Approved County warrants. (Exhibit A)
- B. Approved minutes of the June 28, 2010 Regular Meeting.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Beck seconded by Vice Chairman Jones the Board approved the Consent Agenda items.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

BUSINESS AGENDA

4. Adopt Resolution No. 2010-11 for the Submission of CDBG FY 2009 Application

Ms. Villafuerte read the title of Resolution No. 2010-11 into the record.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Giesler seconded by Commissioner Beck the Board approved Resolution 2010-11 approving the submission of the 2009 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Housing Application to the Florida Department of Community Affairs and authorized the Chairman to sign.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

5. Adopt Resolution No. 2010-10 Amending the 2009-2010 General Fund

Brenda Choban, Chief Deputy Clerk, read the title of Resolution No. 2010-10 into the record.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Giesler seconded by Commissioner Beck the Board adopted Resolution 2010-10 amending the 2009-2010 General Fund to include additional revenue from FEMA 2010, CDBG Tropical Storm Fay Disaster Recovery Assistance, Emergency Management Base Grant, and State Aid to Libraries.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

6. Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a Centurylink Fiber Optic Cable Easement

Larry Hilton, Community Development Director, stated he had been contacted by Centurylink regarding an easement for the installation of a fiber optic cable requested by the Twentieth Judicial Circuit. He stated a proposed easement had been submitted for Board review. He stated County Manager Taylor had pointed out that the proposed easement could possibly damage the sprinkler system, grass, and possibly an oak tree in the Court House yard. He stated Centurylink had sent a revised site plan and agreed to do a directional bore versus digging up the lawn. (Exhibit). He requested that the Board approve the revised easement and authorize the County Manager Taylor to sign the easement.

ON MOTION of Commissioner Giesler seconded by Commissioner Starter Long the Board approved a request for a Fiber Optic Cable Easement with Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a Centurylink and authorized County Manager Taylor to sign.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

Commissioner Starter Long asked if the equipment would be owned or maintained by the County. Mr. Hilton stated the cable belonged to the Twentieth Judicial Circuit but would benefit everyone in the building.

7. Lease Agreement: Glades County/SFWMD Curry Island

County Manager Taylor referred to a fee study that had been completed at the direction of the Board several months ago. He stated he had asked that the Engineer give an estimate of what the tipping fee should be set at in the future. He referred to an email that suggested the tipping fee be set at \$77.00/ton. He stated the County was currently collecting \$50.00/ton and losing money.

Commissioner Storter Long asked if this figure excluded payment to Waste Management and closure reserves. She stated the original study had indicated that the long term care cost averaged \$10.00/ton. She asked if this figure should be included in the rate.

County Manager Taylor stated he had asked for a figure that would cover all costs. He stated it was his understanding that \$77.00/ton would cover everything for 2 – 3 years. He stated money had already been set aside for closure.

ON MOTION of Vice Chairman Jones seconded by Commissioner Beck the Board set the County tipping fee at the Ortona Landfill at \$77.00/ton effective October 1, 2010.

Motion carried by 5 – 0 vote.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

There was no discussion.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

Attorney Pringle stated he and County Manager Taylor would be meeting with Larson Allen this afternoon to begin discussions a contract for audit services for the next 3 years. He stated he had met with Judge Lundy and discussed changes to the Lease Agreement and Management Agreement with Glades County Youth Livestock. He stated the changes had been made and he expected that the matter would come before the Board at the July night meeting. He stated the Code Enforcement Lien foreclosure case was finally moving along. He stated Mr. and Mrs. Sanford and been served with the complaint and he was waiting for the time to expire for them to file a response. He stated the County Code codification would be complete sometime in the later part of August. He stated an Ordinance would be brought before the Board for adoption of a County Code. He stated the Code would be updated through June 2010. He stated the Washington Park and RCMA lease was scheduled before the School Board on July 22, 2010. He stated after the School Board authorized an amendment to the current RCMA lease the matter would come before the Commission for approval. He stated was waiting on the corrected legal description for the lease.

Commissioner Storter Long asked if the matter would possibly be ready for Board consideration at the July 26th meeting. Attorney Pringle stated he had not yet discussed the Glades County lease with the School Board. He stated he would contact Mr. Aldrich today regarding the matter.

COUNTY MANAGER

County Manager Taylor stated he had requested that Joe Flint, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Brenda Choban, Chief Deputy Clerk attend the meeting with Larson Allen this afternoon and provide technical assistance during the negotiation process. He reminded the Board that the Budget Hearings would commence on Thursday, July 15, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. (and possibly on Thursday, July 22, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.). He stated he

had been hired by the Board 5 years ago today. He stated he had enjoyed the work over the past 5 years.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

There was no discussion.

PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

COMMISSIONERS ITEMS AND COMMENTS

Commissioner Storter Long questioned who owned the Constitutional Officer's websites. Mr. Hilton stated the County owned myglades.com. He stated the sites were owned individually. He stated the registrant of the domain was the actual owner.

Commissioner Giesler stated Vice Chairman Jones had retired from US Sugar after 46 years of employment. He congratulated Vice Chairman Jones on his retirement.

Chairman Echols stated the permitting for the Moore Haven Canal would be obtained this month.

Commissioner Beck commented on the Lakeport Community Association renovations. He stated the project was coming along pretty well. He stated he hoped to have the contractor out of the building within a few days. He stated the Association was planning an Open House for the public sometime in August. He stated they were also planning to hold a Political Rally on the same date. He stated the Lakeport Water Association was trying to secure a franchise for the Lakeport service area. He stated the Water Association was working on a Federal Grant application to obtain water from the Seminole Tribe of Florida. He stated the documents would be forwarded to Attorney Pringle for review within the next couple of weeks. He stated the Board recently signed a Resolution declaring Glades County an "Airboat Friendly" community. He stated the Airboat Association would be coming before the Board in the near future seeking a Resolution of support regarding airboat access to Fisheating Creek. He stated there was a flow way that was currently being cleared that would enable travel from the mouth of Fisheating creek all the way to the bridge in Palmdale. He stated the Florida Airboaters' Association would be holding several meetings in Okeechobee over the course of the weekend along with a bar-b-que from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Harney Pond Canal boat ramp.

ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Commissioner Giesler seconded by Vice Chairman Jones the Board moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried by 5 - 0 vote.

There being no further discussion, Chairman Echols adjourned the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

Russell Echols, Chairman

ATTEST:

Joe Flint, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Approved: _____

THESE MINUTES ARE NOT A VERBATIM RECORD. TAPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN LISTENING TO THE ENTIRE MEETING.