



# Walton County

## Board of County Commissioners Meeting

### Action Items

Tuesday, July 13, 2021

4:00 PM

DeFuniak Springs Board Room

#### COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE

#### OPENING COMMENTS

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG AND INVOCATION

#### RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

[21-1061 - Pdf](#)

Teresa Chambless-Bogart - Recognition of 2021 Miss Walton County and DeFuniak Springs Ambassadors

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### CONSIDER ADDITIONS/DELETIONS - *Approved*

[21-1058 - Pdf](#)

##### **Additions:**

##### Administration

~~**Add #1** - (21-1079) Robert McKnight, Executive Director, DeFuniak Springs Landmarks - Request for financial assistance or in-kind services to assist with a USDA Cooperative Agreement for improving quality of life in Northern Walton County~~

##### Planning & Development

~~**Add #2** - (21-1082) Request approval for staff to bring forward legislation creating a Private Property Rights Element within the Walton County Comprehensive Plan in compliance with a recent mandate imposed by the Florida Legislature~~

##### **Deletions:**

##### Citizen Requests

~~**#51** - (ASF-036) Teresa Horton, Seaside School Foundation - Request to approve the Road Closure for the 2022 Seaside School Half Marathon + 5K~~

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH ADDITIONS AND/OR DELETIONS - *Approved*

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

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## ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

33. [21-1063 - Pdf](#) Request approval to partner with the City of Freeport on a FDEP Water Protection Grant for sewer expansion to the McDaniel Fish Camp area and provide a letter of support signed by the Chairman for the grant application

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA - *Approved*

### Clerk's Items:

1. [21-1053 - Pdf](#) Approve Expenditure Approval List (EAL)
2. [21-1059 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the Minutes of the June 14, 2021 Joint Meeting with the City of DeFuniak Springs; June 15, 2021 Joint Meeting with the Town of Paxton; June 22, 2021 Regular Meeting and the June 24, 2021 Land-Use Hearing

### Administrative Items:

3. [21-1057 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the July 13, 2021 through July 20, 2021 COVID Local State of Emergency Resolution (Mary King)
4. [21-1043 - Pdf](#) Request to acknowledge receipt of the 2020 Tax Roll Recapitulation for Discounts, Errors, Double Assessments and Insolvencies pursuant to Florida Statute 197.492 (Melissa Thomason)
5. [21-1001 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of termination for Contract No. 018-007 for Highway 98 Median and Right of Way Landscaping West End of CR30A to Mack Bayou Road with Harper Landscaping, LLC effective July 30, 2021 (Cindy Price)
6. [21-1065 - Pdf](#) Request approval of Release of Claim for Attorney's Fees and Costs in Case 08-CA-000006 (Heather Christman)
7. [21-1073 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Preliminary Rate Resolution for the Annual Fire Rescue Services Assessment (Mary King)

### Budget Amendment Resolutions/Transfers:

8. [21-0983 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution amending the FY2021 budget in the Road and Bridge Fund in the amount of \$619,951.00 for unanticipated additional grant revenue from the Florida DOT for the Douglass Crossroads/Knox Hill Road SCOP project (Angie Leddon)

9. [21-0984 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution amending the FY2021 budget to recognize \$1,305,492.31 in grant revenues earned in FY 2021 ([Angie Leddon](#))
10. [21-1010 - Pdf](#) Request to approve a budget amendment for the Medical Examiner's Office in the amount of \$65,228.00 for FY 21 due primarily to overages in Locum Tenens physician costs, additional personnel added in FY 21, unanticipated insurance and contract benefits costs, and the cost of leasing a new facility for administrative personnel ([Melissa Thomason](#))
11. [21-1007 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution amending the FY2021 budget to recognize deferred Vessel Registration Fees in the amount of \$12,000.00 for Cat Island Park Pier Repair ([Angie Leddon](#))
12. [21-1004 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution amending the FY21 General Fund budget to recognize Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of \$45,000.00 to be utilized for Tivoli Society Gymnasium renovation project ([Melissa Thomason](#))

#### Agreements/Contracts:

13. [21-0964 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Federally Funded Subaward and Grant Agreement # D0051 for the Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) for the Mussett Bayou Wildfire Response ([Melinda Gates](#))
14. [21-0998 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Emergency Management Performance Grant – American Rescue Plan Act (EMPG - ARPA), agreement number G0216, with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) in the amount of \$13,926.00 ([Jeff Goldberg](#))
15. [21-0997 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), agreement number G0226, with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) in the amount of \$63,316.00 ([Jeff Goldberg](#))
16. [21-0996 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance (EMPA) Grant agreement, number A0170, with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) in the amount of \$105,806.00 ([Jeff Goldberg](#))
17. [21-1048 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a RESTORE Act Subaward with Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance (CBA) to have CBA carry out a portion of the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Grant #1RDCGR250148-01-00 (Plant Removal and Habitat Improvement in Walton County's Rare Coastal Dune Lakes - Project 3) ([Melinda Gates](#))

18. [21-1062 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No. 021-018 with L&K Contracting Company, Inc. for Construction of Water & Sewer on US Highway 331 with a base bid of \$3,482,160.00 + \$209,510.00 for Alternate 1, an 8" dry sanitary sewer line for future expansion, for a total cost not to exceed \$3,691,670.00 (Dave Sell)

**Task Orders:**

19. [21-0963 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Amendment #2 of the Task Order for Professional Project Management Services for FEMA Public Assistance Disaster Recovery Consulting Services for Hurricane Sally with Tetra Tech to extend the period of performance date to September 30, 2021 (Angie Leddon)
20. [21-0999 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 020-026 for CR185 SCOP Roadway Improvements with CW Roberts Contracting, Inc.; decreasing the contract price \$11,855.56 and increasing the contract time 28 calendar days (Cindy Price)
21. [21-0806 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Task Order No. 21-10 Professional Engineering Services for Norwood Drive, Gulf Drive, & Sandtrap Road Drainage Improvements with Dewberry Engineers, Inc. in the amount of \$52,140.00 (Cindy Price)
22. [21-1000 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the proposal for Engineering Services for Blue Gulf Resort Drainage Improvement Project with Halff, Inc. in the amount of \$140,123.00 (Cindy Price)

**Expenditure Requests:**

23. [21-0986 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of three Zoom Setups for the Walton County Library System in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 (Louis Svehla)
24. [21-0948 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of a sign machine for the Sign Shop in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00 (Cindy Price)
25. [21-0890 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of an ac/heat unit for the Public Works sign shop in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00 (Cindy Price)
26. [21-1006 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the ArchiveSocial Annual Subscription for Archiving of Facebook and other Social Media in an amount not to exceed \$12,470.00 (Louis Svehla)
27. [21-0908 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of an ID card printer in an amount not to exceed \$2,789.00 (Jason Cook)

28. [21-1047 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of the Fallen Heroes sign (to replace the existing sign) at Wee Care Park in an amount not to exceed \$2,290.00 (Sheila Landingham)
29. [21-1055 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of two picnic tables for County Line Park in an amount not to exceed \$3,252.80 (\$1,626.40 per table) (Sheila Landingham)
30. [21-1056 - Pdf](#) Request to approve the purchase of a Mommy and Me swing to be installed at Glendale Park in an amount not to exceed \$1,142.65 (Sheila Landingham)

#### Grant Applications:

31. [21-1008 - Pdf](#) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the FY 2022 Small County Consolidated Solid Waste Grant Application (Billy McKee)
32. [21-1064 - Pdf](#) Request approval to apply for a FDEP Water Protection Grant for phased construction of the Old Town Santa Rosa Regional Stormwater Management & Event Facility (Melinda Gates)
33. [21-1063 - Pdf](#) Request approval to partner with the City of Freeport on a FDEP Water Protection Grant for sewer expansion to the McDaniel Fish Camp area and provide a letter of support signed by the Chairman for the grant application – (Removed from Consent Agenda)

#### LARRY D. JONES, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

#### ADMINISTRATION

34. [21-1050 - Pdf](#) COVID-19 Update
35. [21-1045 - Pdf](#) Charlie Simmons, City of Freeport - Discussion of new Hwy 331 sewer Project – *Approved for staff to develop a funding agreement with the City of Freeport to utilize \$6 million in American Recovery Plan Act funding for project 2 and explore additional funding sources for project 1 and bring back to the Board for consideration – (Melissa Thomason to confirm allowable use of funding)*
33. [21-1063 - Pdf](#) Request approval to partner with the City of Freeport on a FDEP Water Protection Grant for sewer expansion to the McDaniel Fish Camp area and provide a letter of support signed by the Chairman for the grant application (Melinda Gates) (Removed from Consent Agenda) - *Approved*
36. [21-1066 - Pdf](#) Request approval to bring a contract with Thompson Tractors Co, Inc., to purchase a 22.51 acre parcel within Mossy Head Industrial Park at a Purchase Price of \$440,000 back to the Board for consideration at next available meeting (Larry Jones/Heather Christman) – *Approved to bring back a contract at the July 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting for consideration*

37. [21-1077 - Pdf](#) Discussion regarding ZOOM, the Governor's Executive Order and County Policy (Larry Jones) – *Direction for staff to bring back a policy at the July 27<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting for consideration*

~~Add [21-1079 - Pdf](#)  
#1 Robert McKnight, Executive Director, DeFuniak Springs Landmarks – Request for financial assistance or in-kind services to assist with a USDA Cooperative Agreement for improving quality of life in Northern Walton County~~

## PUBLIC WORKS

38. [21-0987 - Pdf](#) Request approval to accept the request from Auctions International, Inc. to terminate the Auctioneering Services Contract No. 018-011 with Walton County and approve to advertise for these services (Cindy Price) - *Approved*

39. [21-0988 - Pdf](#) Request approval to utilize Jeff Martin Auctioneers, Inc. as a one-time auctioneering service for the Walton County 2021 Auction (Cindy Price) - *Approved*

40. [21-1054 - Pdf](#) Request to readvertise an RFP for the Sustainable Economic Matrix and Master Plan (SEMMP) - Project 14 RESTORE Project with Main Street DeFuniak Springs, Inc. (Melinda Gates) - *Approved*

41. [21-0876 - Pdf](#) Update on the Traffic and Safety Evaluation for the intersection of CR 2A and CR 1087 (Chance Powell) – *DRMP has completed study. Approved to place enhanced signage as recommended by Public Works*

42. [21-1049 - Pdf](#) Request selection of a candidate to fill the At-Large position on the Coastal Dune Lake Advisory Board (Melinda Gates) – *Approved to appoint Jeff Talbert*

43. [21-1046 - Pdf](#) Request approval to advertise for bids for the construction of Little Redfish Lake Bridge & Coastal Dune Lake Hydrologic Restoration (Cindy Price) - *Approved*

44. [21-1051 - Pdf](#) Request to reject all bids associated with ITB 021-020 Commander Landing Boardwalk Improvements due to budget constraints and re-advertise Invitation to Bid (ITB) (Melinda Gates) - *Approved*

## PARKS & RECREATION

## OMB/FINANCE

## TDC

## JASON CUTSHAW, INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

45. [21-1071 - Pdf](#) Request the Board approve a date, time and location for the Joint Meeting of the BCC and TDC (Jason Cutshaw) – *Approved to schedule and advertise for July 20, 2021 at 4:00 PM at the South Walton Annex (Administration will advertise)*

#### **BRIAN KELLENBERGER, DIRECTOR OF BEACH OPERATIONS**

46. [21-1005 - Pdf](#) Request to award ITB 021-019 to the low bidder, RBM Contracting Services, LLC, in the amount of \$3,192,155.00 and approve and authorize the Chairman to Sign contract 021-019 for the Scenic Gulf Drive RBA (Brian Kellenberger) - *Approved*

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

47. [21-1070 - Pdf](#) Request to consider an ordinance of the Walton County Board of County Commissioners declaring, amending in part and repealing in part ordinance 2012-16 related to real property transactions, and establishing new and additional procedures to be utilized for acquisition of real property by Walton County; providing for conflicts, severability, codification, and an effective date (Clay Adkinson) - *Approved*

#### **ADKISON LAW FIRM, ACTING COUNTY ATTORNEY**

48. [21-1072 - Pdf](#) Settlement in Gulf Power v. Walton County (Clay Adkinson) – *Approved with changes*

#### **COMMISSIONER BOOTS MCCORMICK, DISTRICT ONE**

#### **COMMISSIONER DANNY GLIDEWELL, DISTRICT TWO**

49. [21-1060 - Pdf](#) Paxton Area Youth Sports 10U & 12U Softball Teams request for financial assistance for Travel to the Dixie Youth Softball World Series in Prince George, Virginia – *Approved to donate \$10,000.00 in contingency funds to assist with travel expenses for Paxton Area Youth Sports 10U & 12U Softball Teams to participate in the Dixie Youth Softball World Series*
50. [21-1068 - Pdf](#) Air Conditioner for Glendale Community Center – *Approved to expend up to \$10,000.00 in discretionary funding to install an HVAC system*

#### **COMMISSIONER TONY ANDERSON, DISTRICT FIVE**

#### **VICE- CHAIRMAN MICHAEL BARKER, DISTRICT THREE**

#### **CHAIRMAN TREY NICK, DISTRICT FOUR**

#### **CITIZEN REQUESTS**

51. [ASF-036-Pdf](#) ~~Teresa Horton, Seaside School Foundation – Request to approve the Road Closure for the 2022 Seaside School Half Marathon + 5K~~

52. [ASF-037-Pdf](#) Erica Averion - Request that the County assess the private roads within Paradise Cove neighborhood in Walton County (E Grace Ln and Blakley Drew Blvd) and share recommendations to add the road(s) to the county maintenance program – *Direction for Public Works to investigate and bring back a report to the Board*
- Direction for Public Works to draft a revised policy and bring back to the Board for consideration*
53. [ASF-038-Pdf](#) Gary Fleming - Petition to have Spotted Dolphin Road added to the county's maintenance responsibilities – *Direction for Public Works to investigate and bring back a report to the Board*
54. [ASF-039- Pdf](#) Melissa Bailey - Zoom Attendance/Access

## OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Lake Rosemary Dam – *Jeff Goldberg to investigate possible FEMA assistance*

Please limit comments to three minutes or less

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

**Add** [21-1082 - Pdf](#)  
**#2**

Request approval for staff to bring forward legislation creating a Private Property Rights Element within the Walton County Comprehensive Plan in compliance with a recent mandate imposed by the Florida Legislature  
– *Approved*

## LEGISLATIVE ITEMS



55. [21-1039 - Pdf](#) Amending the General Agriculture and Large Scale Agriculture Future Land Use Map Category Allowable Densities when Road Frontage Exists – Transmittal Hearing. Request to approve by ordinance. Proposed technical and substantive amendment to Walton County Comprehensive Plan, specifically policies L-1.2.1 and L-1.2.2, amending the allowable residential density to one (1) unit per five (5) acres from one (1) unit per forty (40) acres within the Large Scale Agriculture category and one (1) unit per ten (10) acres within the General Agriculture category, where there is at least 100 feet of parcel road frontage on a County maintained roadway. – *Denied*
- First Reading. Also proposed are two companion amendments to the Walton County Land Development Code: 1) Amending Sections 2.02.01 and 2.02.02 pertaining to the Large Scale Agriculture and General Agriculture Zoning Districts changing the allowable density from one (1) unit per forty (40) acres and one (1) unit per ten (10) acres respectively, to one unit per five acres in cases where the proposed development parcel contains at least 100 feet of frontage along a County maintained roadway. 2) Amending Section 1.13.12 pertaining to Major Plats, increasing the threshold for requiring plat from four acre lots to five acre lots and including the option for un-platted lots with at least 100 feet of frontage on a County maintained roadway. (Continued from the June 8, 2021 BCC meeting.)
56. [21-1040 - Pdf](#) Land Development Code Amendments Related to Urban Residential and Village Mixed Use Zoning – Adoption Hearing. Request to approve by ordinance. This is the second reading of proposed substantive amendments to Chapter 2, Section 2.02.10. Urban Residential (UR) and Section 2.02.23. Village Mixed Use Center (VMU), pertaining only to properties located within the now-defunct Black Creek Special Planning Area (BCSPA). These amendments will create additional development standards allowing development on the subject properties to occur at the previously held BCSPA densities, intensities, and other development standards. (Continued from the May 11, 2021 BCC meeting)
57. [21-1041 - Pdf](#) Eden's Landing PUD Amendment #3 - Adoption Hearing. Request to approve by overlay ordinance. Project number MAJ21-000002 is being reviewed by Tim Brown. This is a major development order application submitted by Innerlight Engineering Corporation, Inc. on behalf of Eden's Landing Development Partners, LLC, requesting approval to amend the previously approved Eden's Landing PUD in order to add 32 additional single-family lots on 15.35 +/- acres with a future land use of Mixed Use and Conservation and a zoning category of Traditional Neighborhood Development and Conservation. The property is located on the west side of Eden Garden State Park Road, north of C.R. 395 North and is identified by parcel number(s) 35-2S-19-24000-013-0040. – *Approved to Continue to July 22, 2021*

58. [21-1042 - Pdf](#)

Shades of Blue Plat - Request to approve by final plat. Project number PLA21-000006 is being reviewed by Bob Baronti. This is a minor plat application submitted by Rare Earth Inc. on behalf of John and Dawn Foy requesting to plat 11 single family lots with private right of way and common areas on 1.87 +/- acres with a future land use of Residential and a zoning district of Neighborhood Infill. The property is in District 5, and is located from the intersection of Emerald Coast Parkway and Holiday Road, travel west to Ellis Road turning south on Ellis Road and proceed to Bradley Street and property is on the southwest corner and is identified by parcel number 30-2S-21-42290-000-0490. – *Approved*

**ADJOURN**