

**Regular Meeting
Dixie County Courthouse
Commission Board Room
214 NE Hwy 351, Cross City, FL 32628
April 21, 2022 – 6:00 PM**

While adhering to the CDC Guidelines and following State of Florida Executive Orders: 20-51 Establishing Response Protocol, 20-52 declaring a Public Health Emergency, 20-69 regarding Local Government Public Meetings and the Dixie County Emergency Declaration 2020-29. The Board will meet and limit access by staff and the public to the meeting room. The Board meetings are audio recorded. The public can hear and participate in the meeting via conference call by dialing 1(917)900-1022 and enter code 32628.

COMMISSIONERS

Jody Stephenson, District 1
W. C. Mills, District 2, Vice Chairman
Mark Hatch, District 3
Jamie Storey, District 4, Chairman
James Valentine, District 5

STAFF

Duane Cannon, County Manager
Paul Gainey, Asst. County Manager
Martha McCaskill, Administrative Asst/Grant Coordinator
Michael Osteen, County Attorney
Barbie Higginbotham, Clerk of Court
Verna Wilson, Chief Deputy Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

The Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Commissioner Storey.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

The Invocation was led by Commissioner Valentine and the Pledge to the American Flag was led by Commissioner Mills.

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES

Commissioner Valentine made the motion to approve Minutes from the Meeting of April 07, 2022. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Minutes from the Workshop of April 12, 2022. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Commissioner Valentine made the motion to approve the vouchers. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

None were present.

PUBLIC HEARING: THE PUBLIC HEARING MAY BE CONTINUED TO ONE OR MORE FUTURE DATES. ANY INTERESTED PARTY IS ADVISED THAT THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF ANY CONTINUATION OF THE PUBLIC HEARING SHALL BE ANNOUNCED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THAT NO FURTHER NOTICE CONCERNING THE MATTERS WILL BE PUBLISHED.

The motion to go into the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Valentine. Seconded by Commissioner Hatch. Board approved.

APPLICATIONS SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS

A petition by ***Vincent Denaris*** requesting a **Special Exception** to be granted, as provided in Section 4.4.5 Special Exceptions of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations to permit one recreational vehicle in a "AG" Agriculture zoning district, in accordance with the petition dated 12/01/2021 to be located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 02-10-13-4513-000F-0030 675 NE 673RD Street, Old Town, FL 32680; 5.00). (**Commission District 2, W.C. Mills**) (**Tabled 04-07-2022**)

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by Vincent Denaris. There was opposition.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the Special Exception requested by Vincent Denaris. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

A petition by ***Kenneth & Pamela Warnke*** requesting a **Special Exception** to be granted, as provided in Section 4.3.5 Special Exceptions of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations to permit one recreational vehicle in a ESA zoning district, in accordance with the petition dated 03/14/2022 to be located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 25-09-13-4423-0001-0200 489 NE 356th Avenue, Old Town, FL 32680; .00). (**Commission District 1, Jody Stephenson**) (**Tabled 04-07-2022**)

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by Kenneth Warnke. There was opposition.

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve the Special Exception requested by Kenneth Warnke. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

A petition by ***Andrew & Karen Burnham*** requesting a **Special Exception** to be granted, as provided in Section 4.4.5 Special Exceptions: number (9) Campgrounds, of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations in a "A" AGRICULTURAL zoning district, in accordance with the petition dated 03/28/2022 to be located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 21-10-13-0000-4758-0103 119 SE 633RD Street, Old Town, FL 32680; .00) (**Commission District 3, Mark Hatch**)

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by Andrew Burnham. There was no opposition.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Special Exception requested by Andrew Burnham. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Samuel Dennis Redd** located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel #30-10-14-6970-0000-0090 (148 SE 989TH Street, Old Town, FL 32680) to request a **variance** for a reduction of side setbacks from 25' to 10' on north side of the property for placement of a 30 x 40 pole barn by the petition dated 03/11/2022 which is located within Section 4.3.7 ESA subparagraph (1) of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations in accordance with section 12.3 Variance Procedures.

(Commission District 2, W.C. Mills)

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Variance request made by Samuel Redd. There was no opposition.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the Variance requested by Samuel Redd. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Kim Difilippo** located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 30-09-10-0309-0000-0950 (9 SW 285TH Avenue, Steinhatchee, FL 32359) to request a **variance** for a reduction of setbacks of property on the west side from 15 feet to 10 feet and a reduction from 15' to 10' on the east side and a reduction of setbacks from 15' to 10' on the south side of the property for a doublewide mobile home by the petition dated 03/18/2022 which is located within Section 4.7.7 RSF/MH subparagraph (2) of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations in accordance with section 12.3 Variance Procedures. **(Commission District 5, James Valentine)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Variance request made by Kim Difilippo. There was no opposition.

Commissioner Valentine made the motion to approve the Variance requested by Kim Difilippo. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Mark Carden** located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 25-09-09-0041-0000-0170 (33 SW 877TH Street, Steinhatchee, FL 32359) to request a **variance** for a reduction of the rear building setback from 25 feet to 10 feet by the petition dated 03/21/2022 which is located within Section 4.17 "PRD" Planned Residential Development of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations.

(Commission District 5, James Valentine)

Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Variance request made by Mark Carden. There was no opposition.

Commissioner Valentine made the motion to approve the Variance requested by Mark Carden. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Lavern Outlaw, Jr.** Located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 30-13-12-3596-0001-0160 (197 SE 218TH Street, Old Town, FL 32680) to request a **variance** for a reduction of the side setbacks to zero for re-building a boat shed adjacent to parcel #30-13-12-3596-0001-0150 and a reduction of the rear setbacks to allow construction of a boat house over 12 feet of the property from the canal side for a fish cleaning area by the Petition dated 03/30/2022 which is located within Section 4.7.7 RSF/MH subparagraph (2) of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations in accordance with section 12.3 Variance Procedures. **(Commission District 3, Mark Hatch)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Variance request made by Lavern Outlaw. There was opposition.

Mr. Rodney Bryant stated his reason for opposing the Boat House. He and Commissioner Hatch reviewed the map presented by Mr. Lavern Outlaw and they determined it would give Mr. Bryant more room on his property if they moved the Boat house to where Mr. Outlaw has proposed.

Ms. Susan Kahn stated her reason for opposing the Boat House. She and Commissioner Hatch discussed her reasons for not wanting the Boat House moved.

Commissioner Hatch stated he felt confident that Mr. Bryant was okay with the Boat House being moved and Ms. Kahn would have an issue with the Boat House. He also stated that he hates opposition.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Variance requested by Lavern Outlaw. Commissioner Valentine seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Brian P. Sheehan** located on the property as described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 19-13-12-2994-0002-1780 (145 SE 228 Street, Old Town, FL 32680) to request a **variance** for a reduction of the side setbacks to zero for the rebuilding of a 3 bay 30 x 40 boat shed by the petition dated 03/30/2022 which is located within Section 4.7.7 RSF/MH subparagraph (2) of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations in accordance with section 12.3 Variance Procedures. **(Commission District 3, Mark Hatch)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Variance request made by Brian Sheehan.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Variance requested by Brian Sheehan. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

CPA 22-04, an application by the Board of County Commissioners, to amend the text, Future Land Use Plan Map Series and Future Land Use Plan Map of the Comprehensive Plan, based upon an evaluation completed by the County, to reflect changes in state requirements pursuant to Section 163.3191, Florida Statutes, as amended.

Leon presents the CPA 22-04 and made his suggestion to make the changes as they come up.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the CPA 22-04. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved

Leon Wright, Building and Zoning Official introduced Clay Spivey to the Board to allow Mr. Spivey the opportunity to inform the Board of a project in Jena he would like to get the boards opinion on.

Mr. Clay Spivey and Howard Hart told the Board of a project they are planning to propose a zoning Change to the Board in the future.

County Attorney Michael Osteen reminded the Board they cannot vote on any zoning change that has not been advertised.

Commissioner Mills asked if the Zoning was right for this project.

Leon Wright stated to the Board that Mr. Hart and Mr. Spivey would be requesting a zoning change if they move forward with this project.

Commissioner Stephenson stated he didn't have an issue with the project, after it goes through all the proper channels.

Attorney Osteen stated again that the Board cannot vote on this project tonight, because it has not been advertised.

Mr. Spivey stated they are comfortable moving forward with the project.

The motion to go out of the Public Hearing and back into the Board Meeting was made by Commissioner Mills. Seconded by Commissioner Hatch. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-56

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 4.4.5 SUBPARAGRAPH (4) OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO PERMIT ONE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE IN AN AGRICULTURAL AREA (AG) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED DECEMBER 01, 2021. **Vincent Denaris (Tabled 04-07-2022)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-56 in support of Vincent Denaris.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-56 in support of Vincent Denaris. Commissioner Valentine seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-58

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 4.3.5 SUBPARAGRAPH (4) OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO PERMIT ONE RECEREATIONAL VEHICLE IN AN ENVIROMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (ESA) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED MARCH 14, 2022. **Kenneth & Pamela Warnke (Tabled 04-07-2022)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-58 in support of Kenneth & Pamela Warnke.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-58 in support of Kenneth Warnke. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-63

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 4.4.5 SUBPARAGRAPH (4) OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO PERMIT SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS: NUMBER (9) CAMPGROUNDS IN AN AGRICULTURAL AREA (AG) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED MARCH 28, 2022.

Andrew and Karen Burnham

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-63 in support of Andrew and Karen Burnham.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-63 in support of Andrew Burham. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A VARIANCE TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.3.1 OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, TO GRANT A VARIANCE FOR A REDUCTION OF SIDE SETBACKS FROM 25' TO 10' ON NORTH SIDE OF PROPERTY FOR PLACEMENT OF 30X40 POLE BARN WHICH IS LOCATED IN AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (ESA) ZONING DISTRICT, AS PROVIDED IN THE PETITION DATED MARCH 11, 2022. **Samuel Dennis Redd**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-64 in support of Samuel Redd.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-64 in support of Samuel Redd. Commissioner Valentine seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A VARIANCE TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.3.1 OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, TO GRANT A VARIANCE FOR A REDUCTION OF SETBACKS OF PROPERTY ON THE WEST SIDE FROM 15 FEET TO 10 FEET AND A REDUCTION FROM 15' TO 10' ON EAST SIDE AND A REDUCTION OF SETBACKS FROM 15' TO 10' ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF PROPERTY FOR A DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN SECTION 4.7.7 A RESIDENTIAL, (MIXED) SINGLE FAMILY/MOBILE HOME (RSF/MH) ZONING DISTRICT, AS PROVIDED IN THE PETITION DATED MARCH 18, 2022.

Kim Difilippo

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-65 in support of Kim Difilippo.

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-64 in support of Kim Difilippo. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A VARIANCE TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.3.1 OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO GRANT A VARIANCE FOR REDUCTION OF REAR BUILDING SETBACK FROM 25 FEET TO 10 FEET, LOCATED WITHIN A PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, (PRD), ZONING DISTRICT, AS PROVIDED IN THE PETITION DATED MARCH 21, 2022. **Mark Carden**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-66 in support of Mark Carden.

Commissioner Valentine made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-66 in support of Mark Carden. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-67

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A VARIANCE TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.3.1 OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, TO GRANT A VARIANCE FOR A REDUCTION OF SIDE SETBACKS TO ZERO FOR RE-BUILDING BOAT SHED ADJACENT TO PARCEL #30-13-12-3596-0001-0150 AND A REDUCTION OF REAR SETBACKS TO ALLOW CONSTRUCTION OF BOAT HOUSE OVER 12 FEET OF PROPERTY FROM CANAL SIDE FOR FISH CLEANING AREA, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN SECTION 4.7.7 A RESIDENTIAL, (MIXED) SINGLE FAMILY/MOBILE HOME (RSF/MH) ZONING DISTRICT, AS PROVIDED IN THE PETITION DATED MARCH 30, 2022. **Lavern Outlaw Jr.**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-67 in support of Lavern Outlaw Jr. There was opposition.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-67 in support of Lavern Outlaw. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-68

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE A VARIANCE TO BE GRANTED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.3.1 OF THE DIXIE COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, TO GRANT A VARIANCE FOR A REDUCTION OF SIDE SETBACKS TO ZERO FOR THE RE-BUILDING OF A 3 BAY 30X40 BOAT SHED, WHICH IS LOCATED WITHIN SECTION 4.7.7 A RESIDENTIAL, (MIXED) SINGLE FAMILY/MOBILE HOME (RSF/MH) ZONING DISTRICT, AS PROVIDED IN THE PETITION DATED MARCH 30, 2022. **Brian P. Sheehan**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Resolution 2022-68 in support of Brian Sheehan.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Resolution 2022-68 in support of Brian Sheehan. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-69
PZ/LPA CPA 22-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, SERVING AS THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND ALSO AS THE LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA; RECOMMENDING TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT AND FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP SERIES OF THE DIXIE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN **APPLICATION CPA 22-04**, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, UNDER THE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SECTION 163.3161 THROUGH 163.3248, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING THE TEXT AND FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP SERIES OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, BASED UPON AN EVALUATION COMPLETED BY THE COUNTY, TO REFLECT CHANGES IN STATE REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 163.3191, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-69 in support of PZ/LPA CPA 22-04. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

ORDINANCE 2022-06

AN ORDINANCE OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE DIXIE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; RELATING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEXT AND FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP SERIES OF THE DIXIE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, PURSUANT TO AN **APPLICATION, CPA 22-04**, BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, UNDER THE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN SECTIONS 163.3161 THROUGH 163.3248, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR AMENDING THE TEXT AND FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP SERIES OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, BASED UPON AN EVALUATION COMPLETED BY THE COUNTY TO REFLECT CHANGES IN STATE REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 163.3191, FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(First Reading)**

CINDY CHEWNING, DIXIE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Ms. Cecilia Walker from the Dixie County Historical Society appeared before the Board and she asked the Board for their support, she said the Historical Society is in need of members and donations and she invited everyone to join the Historical Society and attend the next meeting on April 25, 2022.

ANDREW GUDE, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Mr. Andrew Gude was not present at this meeting and has requested the Board add him to the May 19, 2022 meeting Agenda.

Carol West spoke the Board about the internet in Dixie County. Ms. West told the Board about some funds that are available to help expedite the Broadband instillation in the Dixie County area. She told the Board about the steps the residents in Dixie County need to take for Dixie County to be eligible for the funds from the State of Florida.

Duane Cannon County Manager thanked Ms. Carol West for everything that she does for Dixie County.

DANNY PERDUE, TDC

Danny Perdue, TDC was not present for this meeting.

GREG BAILEY, NORTH FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Greg Bailey, North Florida Professional Services appeared before the Board to give an update on the Courthouse Security upgrades and the Courthouse parking lot. He also said 362/364 was submitted to DOT and he is still waiting on an update. Mr. Baily also told the Board that he had mailed a letter to Mr. Cronan from the Governor's office requesting his assistance with the Sea Wall. He also gave the Board an update on Purvis Landing Road.

Commissioner Hatch asked Mr. Baily and Manager Cannon to make a determination on the road that goes by Ruth Rains Middle School.

Greg Baily, North Florida Professional Services. Duane Cannon County Manager asked the board if they wanted the road by Ruth Rains Middle School to be one of the Grant projects. Mr. Greg Bailey said they can assess the road have an informed discussion. Commissioner Hatch agreed.

Duane Cannon County Manager gave an update on Chavous Road project, he said that the county is almost at the advertising phase.

JERED LIZOTTE, LOCKLEAR AND ASSOCIATES

Mr. Jered Lizotte had nothing to discuss at this time.

CINDY BELLOT, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Ms. Cindy Bellot was not present at this meeting.

STEVE FREMEN, CODE ENFORCEMENT & VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Mr. Steve Fremem was not present at this meeting.

STEVE HUTCHISON, COUNTY ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Steve Hutchinson was not present at this meeting.

Duane Cannon County Manager told the Board that Steve Hutchison, County Road Superintendent, was in Horseshoe spraying for mosquitos at the time of the meeting.

DWAYNE CHAUNCEY, MOSQUITO CONTROL DIRECTOR

Mr. Dwayne Chauncey was present at this meeting.

Duane Cannon County Manager told the Board that Dwayne Chauncey, Mosquito Control Director was in the county spraying for mosquitos at the time of the meeting.

MICHAEL LATSON, SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

Michael Latson, Solid Waste Director was not present at the meeting.

Commissioner Hatch gave an update to the Board regarding Michael Latson's wife.

LEON WRIGHT, BUILDING AND ZONING OFFICIAL

Leon Wright, Building and Zoning Official spoke to the Board regarding an issue that was discussed back in February. Mr. Wright said he was contacted by County Attorney, Michael Osteen regarding Eric Griffis wanting to get a business license from Dixie County.

Commissioner Storey stated he spoke to Mr. Griffis on the phone and he reviewed Mr. Griffis License with the Attorney Osteen and Commissioner Storey agreed with Mr. Wright, that Mr. Griffis needs to take the state test for licensing.

Attorney Osteen stated for the record that he does have a conflict in this situation, he stated that he has notified Attorney Chana Watson of this situation and that she would need to handle any conflict with this case due to his partnership with Mr. Griffis.

Commissioner Stephenson stated that he spoke with Mr. Eric Griffis about the chain of command in Dixie County regarding the Licensing Board in Dixie.

Commissioner Stephenson also asked if Mr. Griffis has already been before the Licensing Board. Mr. Wright said that Mr. Griffis had been before the Licensing Board and the Board determined that he is not licensed in the State of Florida.

Commissioner Hatch said he will never ask the Building and Zoning Official to do anything illegal.

County Attorney Michael Osteen read aloud the definition of a Registered Contractor.

Leon Wright, Building and Zoning Official told the Board that he would not be a liability and he will never issue a permit to someone that is not licensed in the state of Florida and he has turned this matter over to the Human Resource Department.

Leon Wright, Building and Zoning Official told the Board about the law suit the county had pertaining to Mr. Naveen and the crab traps, He said the crab traps are being brought back and he now has a written complaint.

Attorney Osteen informed the Board that they lost the law suit due to a technicality, he asked the Board if they were ready to proceed with the code violation.

Attorney Osteen told Leon Wright, Building Official to go give notice to Mr. Naveen and give him his 10 days to remove the crab traps. Mr. Wright said Monday April 25, 2022 he would give notice to Mr. Naveen.

Commissioner Mills made a motion to move forward with the code enforcement violation against Mr. Naveen. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board Approved.

Commissioner Mills gave a brief update to the public on what was going on with the Naveen Crab traps.

DARIAN BROWN, DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Mr. Darian Brown asked the Board if he could start charging for No Transport Calls. He told the Board his employees are being abused by individuals that don't want to go to the hospital and need little to no medical care. The Board agreed with charging a small fee for all calls including the no transport calls.

Commissioner Mills made the motion for EMS to charge for all calls including the no transport calls. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board Approved

**SCOTT PENDARVIS, 911 COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR
& I.T. ADMINISTRATOR**

Mr. Scott Pendarvis had nothing to discuss with the Board at this time.

GAIL CARTER, INDIGENT CARE

Ms. Gail Carter was not present at this meeting

HOLLY HOUGHTON, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

Ms. Holly Houghton was not present at this meeting

ANGIE CROWLEY, HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Angie Crowley had to leave the meeting early.

DUANE CANNON, COUNTY MANAGER

Duane Cannon, County Manager appeared before the Board to request approval for several items.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to execute the request of the SHIP assistance purchase of a home for Deidra Garnett in the amount of \$20,000.00.

Commissioner Hatch made a motion to execute the request of the SHIP assistance purchase of a home for Deidra Garnett in the amount of \$20,000.00. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board Approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to execute the request of the SHIP repair reimbursement for Noah Keen in the amount of \$15,000.00.

Commissioner Stephenson made a motion to execute the request of the SHIP repair reimbursement for Noah Keen in the amount of \$15,000.00. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board Approved

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval of a 30-day time extension for the contract between Anderson Columbia and Dixie County for the bike path/trail on CR 351A (NE 223rd Ave) from US 19 to the Nature Coast Trail Road Project due to materials delivery and sub-contractor issues pending attorney review/approval.

Commissioner Mills made a motion to approve a 30-day time extension for the contract between Anderson Columbia and Dixie County for the bike path/trail on CR 351A (NE 223rd Ave) from US 19 to the Nature Coast Trail Road Project due to materials delivery and sub-contractor issues pending attorney review/approval. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board Approved

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to execute the Design Exception approval letter for the CR340 Road Project from SR 349 to the Suwannee River Bridge to meet FDOT guardrail deflection standards.

Commissioner Stephenson made a motion to execute the Design Exception approval letter for the CR340 Road Project from SR 349 to the Suwannee River Bridge to meet FDOT guardrail deflection standards. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board Approved

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to execute the Design Variation approval letter for the CR340 Road Project from SR 349 to the Suwannee River Bridge to meet FDOT guardrail deflection standards.

Commissioner Stephenson made a motion execute the Design Variation approval letter for the CR340 Road Project from SR 349 to the Suwannee River Bridge to meet FDOT guardrail deflection standards. Commissioner Hatch Seconded. Board Approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to move forward with the calendar purchase.

- a. 1000 Press-n-Stick calendars at \$0.44 each = \$440.00
 - b. 2500 Large Almanac calendars at 2.13 each = \$5,325.00
- TOTAL \$5,765.00

Commissioner Hatch made a motion to move forward with the calendar purchase. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board Approved.

County Manager Duane Cannon ask the Board for an update on the School Board Donation of Property.

County Manager Duane Cannon Gave an update to the Board on the NE 305 Road Project to start 1st week of May 2022.

Commission Hatch asked the Board if Mr. Brent Weeks could take his equipment on the Ruth Rains Middle School property and get the trees that are being cut and use them for his personal use. County Manager Duane Cannon stated he would like to check with the school and their attorney because it's on their property. Assistant county Manager Paul Gainey stated he would get with the School Board Attorney and get approval from them for Mr. Brent Weeks to get the trees off the School Board Property.

MICHAEL OSTEEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney Michael Osteen appeared before the Board and informed them that he has prepared all the closing documents for the property that the County sold.

BARBIE HIGGINBOTHAM, CLERK OF COURT

Clerk Higginbotham had nothing to discuss with the Board at this time.

COUNTY COMMISSION ITEMS

Commissioner Stephenson asked Duane Cannon County Manager about the speed limit signs on County Road 351. Manager Cannon stated he has been researching the signs with different agencies.

Commission Hatch stated that the county can put signs where they want them.

Mr. Greg Bailey explained to the Board what the requirements are pertaining to the speed limit signs.

Manager Cannon stated if the Board wants the signs up, he will contact the Road Department and have them put the signs up.

Commissioner Storey thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Commissioner Mills stated he had a gentleman ask him about the dirt that was dredged up.

Commissioner Hatch asked the County Attorney if they could legally sell the dirt.

Manager Cannon stated they can't sale the berm.

Attorney Michael Osteen stated he would the selling of the dirt to the public.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Ms. Dorothy Flemming appeared before the Board to discuss the missing speed limit signs on 351 and asked the Board for their help in returning the signs.

Ms. Krista Campbell appeared before the Board to discuss an advertisement on Facebook by Florida Blue Sky Adventures of a campground they are advertising.

Attorney Osteen stated that this group would have to come before the Board before any campground will be opened.

Commissioner Stephenson stated he has done some investigating and there no power at this location.

Commissioner Hatch stated we can't prevent them from putting things on their property.

Mr. Lavern Outlaw appeared before the Board and thanked the board for their due diligence and attention to detail.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to adjourn at 7:55p.m. Commissioner mills seconded. Board approved.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:



Jamie Storey, Chairman



Barbie Higginbotham, Clerk-Auditor

PLEASE BE ADVISED that if a person decided to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearings, he/ she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he/ she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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