

Regular Meeting

Commission Board Room

Dixie County Courthouse

214 NE Hwy 351, Cross City, FL 32628

November 03, 2022 – 10:00 AM

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COMMISSIONERS

Jody Stephenson, District 1

W. C. Mills, District 2, Vice Chairman

Mark Hatch, District 3

Jamie Storey, District 4, Chairman

STAFF

Duane Cannon, County Manager

Paul Gainey, Asst. County Manager

Martha McCaskill, Administrative Asst/Grant Coordinator

Chana Watson, County Attorney

Della Rhymes, Asst. Chief Deputy Clerk

Brenda Royal, Chief Financial Officer

CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Commissioner Storey.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

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

Commissioner Storey informed everyone that Commissioner Valentine has resigned on October 26, 2022 due to health issues. He said his resignation letter has been sent to the Governor's Office. He said it will be up to the Governor to make any further decisions on the vacant position for District 5. He said the remaining Board members will assist with the District 5 duties.

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Minutes from the RV Special Exception and Airbnb Workshop of 10-20-2022. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

These were approved later in the meeting.

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 Mills. Seconded by Commissioner Hatch. Board approved.

A petition by **Dawn Wisniski Boyd** 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 09/26/2022 to be located on the property described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 24-10-13-4900-0002-0120, 65 NE 58 Ave, Old Town, FL 32680. **(Commission District 2, W.C. Mills)**
Tabled on 10-20-2022

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by *Dawn Wisniski Boyd*. There was opposition.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the Special Exception request made by Dawn Wisniski Boyd. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Ms. Boyd spoke to the Board and said she would like to build a home. She said the opposing neighbor lives out of town.

A petition by **Jasmine Breeze, LLC** requesting a **Special Exception** to be granted, as provided in Section 4.3.5 Special Exceptions: number (4) Campgrounds of less than 100 campsites of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations (ESA) Environmentally Sensitive Area zoning district, in accordance with the petition dated 09/20/2022 to be located on the property described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 16-13-12-0000-2926-0300, 30 SE 327th St, Old Town, FL 32680. **(Commission District 3, Mark Hatch)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by Jasmine Breeze, LLC. There was no opposition.

Building Official Leon Wright said this is to clean up some records on an existing RV Park so they may expand.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Special Exception request made by Jasmine Breeze, LLC. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Richard and Lori Bloom** requesting a **Special Exception** to be granted, as provided in Section 4.7.5 Special Exceptions of the Dixie County Land Development Regulations to permit one recreational vehicle in a (RSF/MH) Residential Single Family/Mobile Home zoning district, in accordance with the petition dated 09/30/2022 to be located on the property described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 30-09-10-0319-0000-0010, 64 SW 814th St, Steinhatchee, FL 32359. **(Commission District 5, James Valentine)**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by Richard and Lori Bloom. There was opposition.

Several people were present to voice their opposition: Cheryl Morgan, Debbie Corbin, Richard Myers.

Mr. Bloom said he has three (3) lots and wants to get a pole barn on the back lot and build a home on front lot later. He said he recently purchased this property. He was unaware of any Special Exceptions relating to his property when he purchased it. He said he does plan to build a home in the future.

Ms. Julie said there is a special exception already approved for a different parcel number that he owns.

Commissioner Storey said he is only allowed one special exception.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to deny the Special Exception request made by Richard and Lori Bloom. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board denied.

County Attorney Chana Watson reminded everyone of the temporary moratorium on RV special exceptions that is in place and that the Board has a workshop on those scheduled for today.

Commissioner Storey invited everyone to attend the Workshop.

Commissioner Hatch said the paperwork trail is needed for code violation cases.

Mr. Wright reminded everyone that five (5) years ago there was no pole barn application for RV's at all. He said several non-permitted structures were found throughout the county. He said they started this procedure for the paper trail. He said the process is the person fills out an application, it's advertised in the newspaper, a resolution is approved and then they get a permit. He said these are open pole barns, not to be enclosed. He said all this documentation is needed for court if there is a code violation in the future. He said this process works and needs to continue.

A petition by **Justin G. Mezey** 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 an Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) zoning district, in accordance with the petition dated 11/19/2021 to be located on the property described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 36-09-13-4500-0000-0220, 320 NE 899 St, Old Town, FL 32680.

(Commission District 1, Jody Stephenson)

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Special Exception request made by Justin G. Mezey. There was no opposition.

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve the Special Exception request made by Justin G. Mezey. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

A petition by **Darryl and Buffy Feagle** to request a **Variance** for a reduction of rear setback from 15 feet to zero, for a home addition 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, by the petition dated 10/03/2022, to be located on the property described as follows: Dixie County Parcel # 30-13-12-3596-0001-0060, 91 SE 218th St, Old Town, FL 32680.
(Commission District 3, Mark Hatch)

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read the Variance request made by Darryl and Buffy Feagle.

Mr. Wright said this is in Suwannee and there is 15 feet behind this property that the ownership is not clear.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the Variance request made by Darryl and Buffy Feagle. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

The motion to go out of the Public Hearing was made by Commissioner Stephenson. Seconded by Commissioner Mills. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-159

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 RECREATIONAL VEHICLE IN AN ENVIROMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (ESA) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2022. **Dawn Wisniski Boyd**
Tabled on 10-20-2022

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read Resolution 2022-159 in support of Dawn Wisniski Boyd.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-159 in support of Dawn Wisniski Boyd. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-163

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 NUMBER (4) CAMPGROUNDS OF LESS THAN 100 CAMPSITES IN AN ENVIROMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (ESA) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 2022. **Jasmine Breeze Park, LLC**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read Resolution 2022-163 in support of Jasmine Breeze Park, LLC.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-163 in support of Jasmine Breeze Park, LLC. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-164

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 RECREATIONAL VEHICLE IN AN ENVIROMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (ESA) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2021.

Richard and Lori Bloom

Resolution 2022-164 was not approved due to the Special Exception it supported being denied earlier in the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2022-165

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 RECREATIONAL VEHICLE IN AN ENVIROMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREA (ESA) ZONING DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PETITION DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2021.

Justin George Mezey

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read Resolution 2022-165 in support of Justin George Mezey.

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-165 in support of Justin George Mezey. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

RESOLUTION 2022-166

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 REAR SETBACKS FROM 15 FEET TO ZERO FOR A HOME ADDITION WHICH IS LOCATED IN AN RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY/MOBILE HOME AREA (RSF/MH) ZONING DISTRICT, AS PROVIDED IN THE PETITION DATED OCTOBER 3, 2022. **Darryl and Buffy Feagle**

Ms. Julie Herring appeared before the Board and read Resolution 2022-166 in support of Darryl and Buffy Feagle.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Resolution 2022-166 in support of Darryl and Buffy Feagle. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

DEANNA SHEPPARD, HAVEN HOSPICE

PROCLAMATION 2022-162, Recognizing November as National Hospice and Palliative Care Month

Ms. Deanna Shephard appeared before the Board to request that they recognize November as National Hospice and Palliative Care Month by approving Proclamation 2022-162.

She said Haven Hospice represents and covers 18 counties, including Levy; Dixie; Suwannee and Lafayette. She said they offer end of life services and other types of care and planning.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Proclamation 2022-162. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

STEVE COPELAND, SUWANNEE WATER AND SEWER MANAGER

County manager Duane Cannon informed the Board that he had spoken to Mr. Steve Copeland and that all is well. He said that his report is included in their packet.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

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

GREG BAILEY, NORTH FLORIDA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Mr. Greg Bailey appeared before the Board to discuss the pre bid meeting of 362 and 364 on Tuesday. He said they are reviewing the drawings for the Courthouse door awning.

He said he met with the County manager and Asst. County Manager last week on the Working Waterfront dock in Horseshoe. He said they are updating the construction costs and the application. He said they are trying to schedule the on-site meeting for 95 and 97 for the CDBG project. He said the sign plans for County Road 353 are being reviewed.

He informed the Board that there is a new legislative session coming up. He said they have submitted the seawall project under the DEO program several times. He said there is no funding in that program available this year.

Mr. Bailey requested the Board approve requesting legislative appropriations for the seawall project.

Commissioner Hatch approved the request be made for legislative appropriations for the seawall project. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Mr. Bailey said they will need the support of Mr. Chuck Clemons.

Commissioner Storey asked about the widening and re-striping of Chavous Road.

Manager Cannon replied the previous county attorney was handling the bid packet and it has been passed along to the new county attorney. He said this should be ready for advertisement the first of the year for some work to be done on Chavous Road and the Willow Hole Road. He said this will be a LHAP project.

Mr. Bailey informed the Board that the LHAP is handled by FDOT and their policy and procedures is a long process.

Ms. Barbara Cummings suggested the Board paint the speed limit zones directly on the paved roads because the speed limit signs are continuously destroyed.

Commissioner Hatch asked if this is possible.

Mr. Bailey replied that a sign is standard, painting the road would be extra and it is possible in certain areas.

JERED LIZOTTE, LOCKLEAR AND ASSOCIATES

Mr. Lizotte had nothing to discuss at this time.

CINDY BELLOT, LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Ms. Bellot had nothing to discuss at this time.

STEVE FREMEN, CODE ENFORCEMENT & VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER

Mr. Fremen had nothing to discuss at this time.

STEVE HUTCHISON, COUNTY ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Hutchison was not present at this meeting.

DWAYNE CHAUNCEY, MOSQUITO CONTROL DIRECTOR

Mr. Chauncey was not present at this meeting.

MICHAEL LATSON, SOLID WASTE DIRECTOR

Manager Cannon informed the Board that Mr. Tim Johnson has been handling things in Mr. Latson's absence. He said 10 loads have been moved and two (2) sites have been burnt this week.

LEON WRIGHT, BUILDING AND ZONING OFFICIAL

Mr. Wright requested to schedule a Workshop to discuss the LDR revisions. He requested two (2) hours on November 17, 2022 1:00 PM.

He also informed the Board that the Dodge truck order for his department has been cancelled and the order will not be honored due to supply shortages.

He recommended they ask Big Bend Chevy about a truck to purchase.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the truck purchase from Big Bend Chevrolet for the Building and Zoning Department. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Mr. Wright informed the Board about Amendment 1 on the Ballot. He said this is related to flood protection improvements made to homes. He said there are no property tax increase for these improvements unless the home is sold.

DARIAN BROWN, DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Director Brown spoke to the Board and informed the Board they will provide Thanksgiving meals for veterans in the community.

He spoke about the annual Fire Expo that will be held on December 16, 2022 from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM at the Dixie County High School.

He said the EMS and Fire Rescue Christmas Safety dinner will be held at the Suwannee Belle restaurant on December 09, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Commissioner Hatch thanked him for providing Thanksgiving meals for the veterans. He asked where people can donate money for this cause.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion for the Board members to donate \$100.00 each, from their expense account, to this cause. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Ms. Benita Corbin announced that her church, Wind of the Spirit, hands out food every Tuesday at 10:30 AM in Old Town.

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

Mr. Pendarvis nothing to discuss at this time.

GAIL CARTER, INDIGENT CARE

Ms. Carter was not present at this meeting.

HOLLY HOUGHTON, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT

Ms. Houghton was not present at this meeting.

ANGIE CROWLEY, HUMAN RESOURCES ADMINISTRATOR

Ms. Crowley was not present at this meeting.

DUANE CANNON, COUNTY MANAGER

Manager Cannon appeared before the Board to request their approval of several items.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to execute the GSG Annual Maintenance Services Agreement for the Dixie County Fire and Solid Waste Assessment Program for FY 2023-2024 in the amount of \$20,500.00.

He added that the property's with RV's have also been sent the \$310.00 bill this year.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve to execute the GSG Annual Maintenance Services Agreement for the Dixie County Fire and Solid Waste Assessment Program for FY 2023-2024 in the amount of \$20,500.00. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval of the following road projects to be submitted to FDOT for the Five (5) Year Road Project Plan in order of priority:

- NE 349th Ave McCrabb Landing, NE 765th Ave, NE 356th Ave from SR 349 to NE 339th Ave.
- CR 358 in Jena from US 19 to SW 661st St.
- SE 71st Ave on the Horseshoe Hwy, SE 265th ST, SE 269th St from CR 351 S to SE 60th Ave.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve the road projects as presented. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to have the property at 6516 NE Hwy 351 appraised for County purchase using MBAR grant monies for drainage purposes. He said this is 39 acres near the Watson Subdivision.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the property at 6516 NE Hwy 351 appraised for County purchase using MBAR grant monies for drainage purposes. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to hold the Safety Luncheon on December 15, 2022, from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM at the Old Town School Board Meeting Room.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve to hold the Safety Luncheon on December 15, 2022, from 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM at the Old Town School Board Meeting Room. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval for the NaturChem spraying proposal in the amount of \$7,700.00 for the vegetation treatment of the Airport Canal System.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve the NaturChem spraying proposal in the amount of \$7,700.00 for the vegetation treatment of the Airport Canal System. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to execute the Contract with DDD Construction and Site Work, LLC for the Cross City Flood Management Improvements (RRMS) in the amount of \$199,915.12.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve to execute the Contract with DDD Construction and Site Work, LLC for the Cross City Flood Management Improvements (RRMS) in the amount of \$199,915.12. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval for Suwannee Water/Sewer District to be part of the Dixie County BOCC Insurance Group Plan.

Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve Suwannee Water/Sewer District to be part of the Dixie County BOCC Insurance Group Plan. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to advertise to receive bids for the mulching/cleanout of the Old Town Residential Canal System Project based off the SWTF recommendation.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve to advertise to receive bids for the mulching/cleanout of the Old Town Residential Canal System Project based off the SWTF recommendation. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon requested the Board's approval to move forward with the purchase of the New Fuel Card Machine/Equipment in the amount of \$12,533.14. He said this provide more detailed information.

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve moving forward with the purchase of the New Fuel Card Machine/Equipment in the amount of \$12,533.14. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Manager Cannon informed everyone the County Offices will be closed Friday, November 11, 2022, for the Veteran's Holiday.

CHANA WATSON, COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney Chana Watson discussed a code enforcement issue from the last meeting. She said the Board had made the decision to not take anything lower than \$63,000.00. She presented a HUD statement draft and the contract for sale from the seller and the buyer of the property. He has received \$60,000.00 for the sale. He is offering the Board \$50,000.00 to settle the lien.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to accept the offer of \$50,000.00 from the property sale to settle the code enforcement lien. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Commissioner Hatch said that this shows the Board will hold people accountable for cleanup and paying the code enforcement fines.

Commissioner Mills agreed and said the Board is serious about this matter.

Attorney Watson said they will issue and record a satisfaction of the code enforcement lien after the money is paid and close this case. She requested this be added to the motion.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to accept the offer of \$50,000.00 from the property sale and Attorney Watson will issue and record the satisfaction of the lien once the money is paid and close the code enforcement case. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Attorney Watson informed the Board about a potential lawsuit with Morgan and Morgan.

Attorney Watson informed the Board that the SHIP lawsuit is still in limbo.

Commissioner Mills said the Mr. Steve Fremen works very hard on the code enforcement cases. He requested the Board members to not let the crab trap code enforcement issue fall to the wayside.

Ms. Carolyn Oglesby asked if this same principle applies to properties with junk and trash. She said there is a condemned property that has many safety issues and illegal activity present which depreciates the neighbor's property values.

Commissioner Storey instructed her to contact Mr. Steve Fremen with Code Enforcement.

Mr. Wright said there is an active case on this property.

Ms. Benita Corbin informed the Board of gambling at the Casey's Cove Convenience Store in Jena.

Commissioner Storey instructed her to call the Sheriff's Department.

BARBIE HIGGINBOTHAM, CLERK OF COURT

Chief Financial Officer Brenda Royal appeared before the Board and said Clerk Higginbotham was away at training and Chief Deputy Clerk Verna Wilson was out due to illness.

She presented the Board with updates from within the Finance Department. She said they got a new Munis program October 24, 2022 and it has been challenging to get the payroll checks printed and bills

paid. She said the direct deposits are not affected by this. She said they are fixing the issues with tech support.

Ms. Royal asked the Board to accept an Accounts Payable Report in place of the actual vouchers for review and approval at the Board meetings. She said each Board member will get a copy of the report.

Commissioner Mills asked if this new report will be detailed.

Commissioner Hatch said they can try this next month to see how it will work.

Ms. Royal agreed.

Ms. Royal presented the Board with the Tax collector's end of year financial statement and a check to the Board.

Ms. Royal presented the Board with a Budget Amendment for Supervisor of Elections Starlett Cannon in the amount of \$5,509.00.

Commissioner Stephenson made the motion to approve the Budget Amendment for Supervisor of Elections Starlett Cannon in the amount of \$5,509.00. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.

Ms. Royal presented the Board with a letter from the Supervisor of Elections for an advance for bills in the amount of \$11,000.00.

Commissioner Mills made the motion to approve an advance to the Supervisor of Elections for bills in the amount of \$11,000.00. Commissioner Stephenson seconded. Board approved.

Ms. Royal informed the Board there are no requisitions for the Constitutional Officers yet.

Commissioner Hatch asked about the problems with the Munis program communicating with other equipment and programs. He asked about new employees and their direct deposits.

COUNTY COMMISSION ITEMS

Commissioner Hatch asked about a status update on the Jail roof vents.

Manager Cannon said they will have an on-site visit tomorrow to look at this with roofers and he will get quote on this. He said there have been some changes to the plans.

Commissioner Hatch thanked Commissioner James Valentine and his family for his 22 years of service to the community and the Board.

Commissioner Stephenson asked for an update on 351 stripping of the lines that are faded.

Manager Cannon said he can get a quote from Jenkins' Painting for center line painting and reflectors.

Commissioner Stephenson asked for an update on the Dixie Lakes Estates access road.

Manager Cannon said this has been gated, fenced and no trespass signs are posted.

Commissioner Mills said that Hwy 351 to Jena is in bad shape and needs repair. He asked why FDOT continues to deny this project request.

Commissioner Mills addressed everyone and thanked them for their support of him over the past eight (8) years he has served on the Board.

Commissioner Storey thanked everyone for attending.

He also thanked Commissioner Mills for his service and leadership and Commissioner Valentine for his service.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Ms. Carolyn Oglesby spoke to the Board on behalf of the Mount Olive Cemetery Committee. She informed the Board of a legal description issue on the deed of the cemetery. She said they had the cemetery property surveyed and the cemetery deed does not match. She said the property next door to the cemetery was given to the county by Mr. Dale Herring years ago. She said another person has purchased property adjoining the cemetery and wants to fence and close the road to the West. She said Mr. Herring has agreed to meet and fix the deed issue. She said they will need a Corrective Deed for the cemetery.

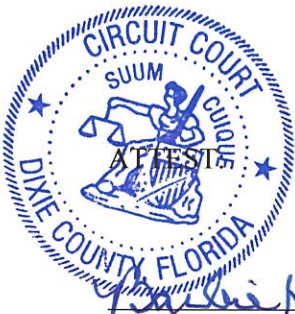
Commissioner Hatch made the motion to approve County Attorney Chana Watson to handle and resolve this issue with the Mount Olive Cemetery Deed legal description. Commissioner Mills seconded. Board approved.

Ms. Sarah Ross spoke to the Board about safety concerns for the Jena Hwy. She said there has been a lot of accidents on this road and a recent fatality. She said side by sides and four-wheelers are a concern for the Rocky Creek residents. She said they drive on the Hwy at night and asked if law enforcement could help and if the Board could issue an Ordinance prohibiting this.

Mr. Mike Flynn spoke to the Board and said he is concerned with traffic and speeding on 796 street and 356 avenue. He said that law enforcement needs to address this safety issue. He said the speed limit signs on 349 avenue and 356 are on the ground. He said he is also opposed to RV Special Exceptions.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Mills made the motion to adjourn at 11:35 AM. Commissioner Hatch seconded. Board approved.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DIXIE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Jamie Storey

Jamie Storey, Chairman

Barbie Higginbotham

Barbie Higginbotham, Clerk-Auditor

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