



**FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING  
COURTHOUSE ANNEX, COMMISSION MEETING ROOM**

**MAY 04, 2021**

**9:00 AM**

**AGENDA**

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*Public engagement is important to us and use of Zoom for public participation is still a new process. We appreciate your understanding.*

**Call to Order**

**Prayer and Pledge**

**Approval of Minutes**

- A. April 20, 2021 Regular Meeting

**Payment of County Bills**

**Public Comments**

*This is an opportunity for the public to comment on a non-agenda or non-action agenda item. When you are recognized to be heard by the Chairman, please adhere to the 3-minute time limit.*

**Clerk of Courts – Michele Maxwell – Report**

- B. Report (agenda packet)

**Department Directors Report**

**Superintendent of Roads and Bridges – Howard Nabors**

**C. Informational Items**

1. Detail of Work Performed and Material Hauled by District (agenda packet)
2. We hauled to our stockpile 38 loads (approx. 684 cubic yards) of milled asphalt from Graham Creek on 65 in Eastpoint from Roberts and Roberts.

**Solid Waste Director – Fonda Davis**

**D. Informational Item**

1. Right-of-Way Debris Pickup / Recycle Material Hauled (agenda packet)

**Emergency Management Director – Pam Brownell**

**E. Informational Items**

1. EOC Hosted a G-400 Class on 04/27 – 04/28/21.
2. IPAW/WEA/EAS System test was completed on 04/28/21.
3. EOC Staff along with our CERT Volunteers continue to distribute washable & reusable cloth mask throughout our community. We have partnered with the City of Carrabelle and City of Apalachicola Chamber of Commerce along with the St. George Island & Eastpoint Visitor Centers to assist with distribution to local businesses and residents. We will continue this effort as long as supplies are available.
4. EOC Staff continue to participate in conference calls with State DEM, Region 2, DOH, FEMA, etc. regarding COVID 19. We also continue to update WebEOC with Local State of Emergency and SitReps.
5. EOC Staff is participating in the K0705 Class.
6. EOC Staff filed quarterly reports for EMPG and EMPG-S.
7. EOC Staff participated in the FDEM Director Call on 04/28/21.
8. EOC Staff participated in the EMPA/EMPG Call on 04/15/21.

**Extension Office Director – Erik Lovstrand**

**F. Informational Items**

General Extension Activities:

1. During this period, the Extension office assisted citizens on the topics of disease in *Thuja arborvitae* trees, Master Gardener topics, snake identification, and more.
2. Extension Director participated in the NW District Natural Resource Agent program team webinar on the topic of Importance of Wetlands.
3. Extension Director participated in statewide Extension Symposium meeting virtually and provided two presentations related to collaborative work and sea turtle lighting project work.

#### Sea Grant Extension:

4. Planning continues for this Summer's Scallop-Sitter volunteer project. Volunteers will place and monitor bay scallops in predator-exclusion cages in St. George Sound to help restore the scallop population in this area.
5. Extension Director assisted with teaching a virtual Seafood HACCP class for students in a "seafood policy" course in the Florida Keys.

#### 4-H Youth Development:

6. Extension Director assisted with the District III 4-H Public Speaking Competition, held at the Wakulla IFAS Extension facility. First place winners this year were from Leon and Wakulla Counties. However, Franklin County was well represented by Bailey Allen in the 4th/5th grade division and Elena Rodriguez in the 6th grade division.

#### Family and Consumer Sciences:

7. Family Nutrition Program assistant continues providing nutrition programming in local schools.

#### Agriculture/Home Horticulture:

8. Two Master Gardener classes took place at the local Extension office during this period. There are ten people currently taking the training.

### **Library Director – Whitney Roundtree**

#### **G. Updates, Informational Items, & Events**

##### Updates

April 12th – Attended WILD Board Meeting

April 14th- Attended Friends of the Franklin County Public Libraries meeting

April 16th- Mailed My Florida Library advocacy statement postcards to Senator

Loranne Ausley.

April 28th- Attended WILD library directors meeting.

##### Informational Items

1. The Friends of the Franklin County Public Library are offering a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.

They are looking for someone who wants to continue their education particularly at a vocational school.

They are not necessarily looking for a high achieving high school student, but would like to hear from GED recipients, homeschoolers, or students who have had to overcome difficulties and may not have considered applying for a scholarship.

Applications are available from the Franklin County School guidance counselor as well as at the public libraries in Eastpoint and Carrabelle.

2. June 1st will kick off our annual Summer Reading Program. The theme this year is "Tails and Tales" and when feature animals and stories. The library will offer a mix of live performances, educational programming, and fun reading incentives. The Franklin County Summer Reading Program is an all-ages event and is free and open to all members of the public.

Events

Carrabelle Branch

May 7th- Book Chat at 1:30 PM

May 8th- Story Time at 11:00 AM

May 11th- Anime Club at 4:PM

May 20th- Makerspace at 4:00 PM

Eastpoint Branch:

May 4th- Diabete's Awareness at 10:00 AM

May 4th- Book Chat at 1:30 PM

May 11th- Story Time at 10:30 AM

May 13th- Anime Club at 4:00 PM

May 19th- Writer's Forum at 1:00 PM

#### **Eastpoint Civic Association – Rex Pennycuff – Request**

Mr. Pennycuff, on behalf of the Eastpoint Civic Association, is asking the Board for assistance with the clean-up of the Eastpoint waterfront area.

#### **Airport Manager – Jason Puckett – Update**

#### **Weems Memorial CEO – David Walker – Report**

H. Report (agenda packet)

#### **Alliant Management CEO/President – Jim Coleman Jr. – Update**

I. Presentation

#### **ARPC & WSP – Evan Blythe – Update**

J. Evan Blythe (ARPC), Rick Harter (WSP), & Josh Adams (ARPC) will update the Board on the Franklin-98 project

#### **CDBG Administrator – Deborah Belcher – Report**

##### **K. Information Items**

1. As of Wednesday, April 28, 2021, all of the replacement mobile homes for the Eastpoint Wildfire CDBG project are set up. There is some minor work still underway, which is scheduled for completion by Friday, April 30, 2021, which is the grant expiration date. A total of 23 homes have been replaced in the Eastpoint Wildfire CDBG program.

2. Although I have inquired about the status of the County's Hurricane Michael CDBG-Disaster Recovery application for restoration of dunes on Saint George Island, we have not received any news from DEO about the odds of funding. I did advise the Board during the application process that the score would be low, because the project would not primarily benefit

low/moderate income persons, and it is not a potable water/sewer/drainage project. However, we have not received any notice of rejection.

### **SHIP Administrator – Lori Switzer-Mills – Report**

#### **L. Action Items:**

##### **1. Hurricane Housing Recovery Funds (HHRP)**

We advertised in April for bids for bid package #2 for 4 more mobile home replacements and had the pre-bid meeting on April 14th. The bid opening was April 28th. There were two bidders, Ironwood Mobile Homes of Perry and Clayton Homes. Ironwood Mobile Homes of Perry won all 4 of the bids.

Since bid package #1 last July, the prices of the mobile homes have went up 25-30% due to cost of materials to build them. When I opened the bids I was concerned that we will not have the funds to help the last few applicants on the list. I called Florida Housing to see if there are any more funds available to cover the increase in cost. There are no more funds. I spoke to Angela Webster with Capital Area Community Action (CAP) to see if they can cover the cost of some of the extra necessary things needed, i.e. septic replacement, engineered foundation, land clearing, tap fees. I was told that they can help with some or all of the costs. Their limit is \$10,000 per applicant.

Even with CAP taking care of some of the costs, we will still be over the \$75,000 mobile home replacement limit.

The bids are as follows:

#### **Patricia Moore-552 Oyster Road, Apalachicola**

##### **2 bedroom, 2 bath singlewide.**

Ironwood bid: **\$72,399.05** (price does not include engineered foundation \$8,500, if needed)

Clayton Homes Bid: \$124,000

I have already had the septic system pumped out and inspected. It did not pass inspection. She will need a new septic system. I spoke to Capital Area Community Action who will most likely be able to pay this cost.

#### **Merry & Christopher Stokes-123 Long Road, Apalachicola**

##### **3 bedroom, 2 bath single-wide**

Ironwood bid: **\$80,269.80**

Clayton Homes bid: \$136,000

I have already had the septic system pumped out and inspected. It passed inspection.

#### **Emily Sullivan-151 Bear Creek Road, Eastpoint**

##### **3 bedroom, 2 bath singlewide**

Ironwood Homes bid: **\$79,069.80**

Clayton Homes bid: \$138,000

#### **Robert Lattimore-611 Ave D-7th Street, Carrabelle**

##### **3 bedroom, 2 bath singlewide**

Ironwood Homes bid: **\$85,869.80** ((price does not include engineered foundation \$8,500, if needed)

Clayton Homes bid: \$148,000

Capital Area Community Action will possibly pay for the engineered foundation if it is required.

**Action Item: Increase the limit for mobile home replacements from \$75,000 to \$86,000.**

**Action Item: Approval of bids**

**Patricia Moore**

Mobile Home	\$72,399.05
Possible Engineered Foundation	\$ 8,500.00
Pump out & Inspection (paid)	\$ 425.00
<b>Total not to exceed</b>	<b>\$81,324.05</b>

**Merry Stokes**

Mobile Home	\$80,269.80
Pump out & Inspection (paid)	\$ 425.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$80,694.80</b>

**Emily Sullivan**

Mobile Home	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$79,069.80</b>
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**Robert Lattimore**

Mobile Home	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$85,869.80</b>
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I am planning to put together bid package #3 in the near future in which we will be replacing two more mobile homes and possibly 1 more mobile home repair depending on the amount of funding we have left.

**SHIP 2018-2019 Funds**

We are required to have the 2018-2019 funds spent by June 30th. As of this board meeting we have spent all of the funds \$ 497,870.11.

We are required to have the 2019-2020 funds encumbered by June 30th. Total funds \$376,925.35. As of this date we have spent \$96,817 and encumbered \$198,942. We are working to get the remaining \$80,000 encumbered.

As you know, we did not get our funding for this year, 2020-2021. We have a total of \$68,945.84.

**Public Hearings 11:00 a.m. (ET)**

- M. Notice is given that on the 4th day of May, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. (ET), or as soon thereafter as is possible, in the courtroom at the Courthouse Annex, located at 34 Forbes Street, Apalachicola, Florida, the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners shall conduct a public hearing to consider adopting a county ordinance entitled:

An Ordinance Prohibiting the Parking or Leaving of Private Motor Vehicles, Trailers or Fifth Wheels on the Public Right of Ways on Alligator Point and St. George Island In Areas Marked No Parking; Providing Areas For Parking; Providing For Immobilization Devices; Providing for Towing at Owner's Expense on Authorization of County Sheriff; Providing for Penalties; Revoking All Other Ordinances Regulating Parking On Alligator Point and St. George Island; Providing for Severability and Providing for an Effective Date.

## **RFP / RFQ / Bids Opening**

- N. FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR THE COMPLETION OF A COUNTY-WIDE DUNE RESTORATION STUDY
- O. FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN – ST. GEORGE ISLAND STORM WATER DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

## **Fiscal Manager/Grants Coordinator – Erin Griffith – Report**

### **P. Action Items**

#### 1. Release RFQs to ranking committee RESTORE Projects

The Board is opening the RFQs for the County Wide Dune Restoration Study and the St. George Island Storm Water Drainage Improvement Projects today. Once the RFQs are opened, the Board will need to turn the RFQs over to the Evaluation Committee (as designated at your April 6th meeting: myself, Alan Pierce and Mark Curenton) to evaluate the responses and make a recommendation to the Board. Upon selection/confirmation of the recommended firm, county staff will then begin negotiations to create a budget to accomplish the Scope of Work in the RFQ. As reported at your meeting on February 16th, the contract will not be able to be awarded until the grant is formally approved by treasury. At this time Franklin County is still awaiting the final review. All costs associated with this work will be paid by RESTORE funds.

*Board action to release the responses to the RFQ solicitations to the Evaluation Committee.*

#### 2. Perimeter Plants for Eastpoint Dredging Spoil Site

At the April 6, 2021 meeting, the Planting Plan for the Eastpoint Dredging Project was discussed and later approved by FWC (attached). The plan calls for a vegetative fringe for perimeter stabilization along the spoil site. As the county owns and maintains the spoil site, the needed plants are the county's responsibility. Ms. Jenna Harper, ANERR, has agreed to use her staff and volunteers to plant the vegetation with corporation from the Conservation Corps of the Forgotten Coast to harvest, transport, propagate, deliver, install and monitor the plants over a period of up to three years. Included today on the county bill list was a check for \$5,500 made payable to Friends of the Reserve for 2,250 Spartina Alterniflora (marsh grass) in 4" pots which will be split by ANERR and grown into the 4,500-5,000 plants that will be needed at the site. The county is requesting reimbursement for the cost of the plants from the County Soil and Conservation Board.

*Board action to authorize the \$5,500 expenditure to the Friends of the Reserve.*

#### 3. Budget Request Letters

Franklin County is beginning preparations for the fiscal year 2021/2022 Budget. All budget requests must be submitted by June 15, 2021. I have prepared the attached draft budget request letter with the following instructions: "At the direction of the Board, please keep your request at your current adopted budget. Please be aware, the long term financial impact from COVID-19 as it pertains to the economy nationwide and state shared revenues is uncertain at this time. On March 6th, 2021, the Commission authorized a contract with Evergreen Solutions to perform a wage and pay plan classification study for all county employees due by June 30th, 2021. Changes in compensation and phased implementation of this plan will be considered by the Board during the budget process."

*Board action to authorize sending the budget request letters as drafted or with any changes/additional instructions.*

#### 4. Trade-in authorization 2002 Caterpillar 963C

The 2021 Caterpillar 963 Track Loader that was ordered for the Franklin County Landfill in October was delivered in late March. At this meeting Franklin County is processing the payment for the new loader from the Tipping Fee Fund. The old 2002 Caterpillar 963C which was in need of repair was traded-in with a residual value of \$20,000 towards the new purchase. Ring Power will need the attached Bill of Sale signed by the Chairman to credit Franklin County for the trade.

*Board action to authorize the chairman's signature on the attached Bill of Sale and authorization to remove the 2002 Caterpillar Track Loader County Tag A00410 SN 2DS02657 from inventory.*

#### 5. Disposal Request Clerk's Office Obsolete Equipment

The Franklin County Clerk's Office has submitted the attached request to remove the following fixed assets from inventory: Savin Mapping Machine County Tag A004382 and Roll Feeder County Tag A004246 both from 2003 and a Minolta Copier County Tag A004168 from 2002. These items were in disrepair and functionally obsolete. The items will be discarded at the Franklin County Landfill upon authorization.

*Board action to authorize the removal from inventory and disposal of the three items noted above.*

#### 6. Sheriff's Department E911 Grants

*Action item pending – to be updated on Monday*

### **Q. Informational Item**

#### 1. Eastpoint Fishing Pier Hurricane Michael Washout Repair

For information the bid solicitation for the Eastpoint Fishing Pier Hurricane Michael Washout Repair Project is attached to this report. The bid solicitation is currently posted to the county website and the governmental bid platform DemandStar, and advertised in newspapers the Apalachicola Times and the Panama City News Herald. Bids are due by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 28th and will be opened on Tuesday, June 1st. The repairs include grading the embankment, patching the damaged asphalt parking area, the installation of articulated concrete block, removing and replacing the damaged guardrail, ADA wooden boardwalk and rubble.

### **County Coordinator – Michael Morón – Report**

#### **R. Action Items**

1. Jingoli Power Laydown Yard: I was recently contacted by a Jingoli Power representative asking if the County would be interested in a lease for a storage and laydown yard for telephone poles, transformers, services trucks, heavy equipment and other related products. Jingoli Power acts as a subcontractor for Duke Energy. The requested area was next to the County's "State yard" off of Bluff Road (see attached map). Prior to seeking your approval today, Jingoli's representatives have cleared the use of this area with AVCON, as this is Airport property but outside of Runway 6/24 Protection Zone, and with Mr. Howard Nabors your Road and Bridge Superintendent, as this is located next to the County's Road Department storage and staging "State yard" that is used mostly during storms and disasters. Jingoli Power would like approval from the Board as soon as possible since hurricane season is approaching and it will take some time for them to prepare the site for use. If the Board is inclined to approve this request, it should be contingent on Attorney Shuler's review of the lease. *Board action to approve the lease agreement for a storage and*



*laydown yard with Jingoli Power for the area shown on the map contingent on Attorney Shuler's review.*

2. Scrivener's Error on Bluff Road: While reviewing the property for the Jingoli Power storage and laydown yard a possible Scrivener's Error was discovered. I asked Mr. Curenton to research this possible error and his statement, attached to my report, is as follows: "The northeast corner of the Apalachicola Airport, where the Franklin County Road Department yard is located is currently Zoned R-4 Single Family Home Industry, as shown on the attached copy of the zoning map, which was originally drawn in 1990. This map was copied from a smaller scale map at that time. The map on the following page from the Franklin County Property Appraiser's website shows the different lots in the area along with the location of the R-4 zoning on the southwest side of Bluff Road. The area highlighted in red is the private residential property located on the southwest side of Bluff Road. In my opinion the R-4 zoned area should only encompass this private residential property. The remainder of the property belonging to Franklin County on the southwest side of Bluff Road should be zoned I-1 Industrial, like the rest of the Apalachicola Airport." Based on Mr. Curenton's information and opinion, will the Board consider declaring this a Scrivener's Error and direct Mr. Curenton to correct the zoning? *Board action to determine if this is a Scrivener's Error.*

3. Gulf County Request: A couple of weeks ago Gulf County sent a request to inquire if Franklin County would be interested in partnering with and participating in funding a dry dock and ship repair facility at the St. Joe Port. I suggested that Mr. Jim McKnight, Director of Gulf County's Economic Development Coalition, meet with each Commissioner to discuss this proposal in detail. Mr. McKnight informed me that he did contact each Commissioner and asked to be added to today's agenda to discuss this with the entire Board. I explained to Mr. McKnight that because the request included a \$5,000,000 commitment of Franklin County's Triumph Allocation to the project, it was important for this Board to discuss it today to voice any concerns or additional questions you may have about the project to each other, before Gulf County representatives appear before you seek a commitment. Mr. McKnight was concerned that even though their request to this Board was last minute, any delay on our end may affect the timeline or deadline for the project, so in the request he is asking for this Board to schedule a workshop as soon as possible to discuss this matter with Gulf County. *Board discussion and direction.*

4. Paving & Striping Projects: Roberts and Roberts is in the County working on a State funded paving project. Due to Leslie Street closer between Highway 98 and Market Street and Forbes Street closer between the main Courthouse Building and the Annex Building, Chairman Jones suggested that I contact the City of Apalachicola about temporarily opening eastern end of Leslie Street, between Market Street and Water Street, as a two-way for access to the Courthouse. The City agreed to the request, so I then contacted Roberts and Roberts for a quote to restripe Leslie Street as a two-way, instead of a one-way with on-street parking, when their striping crew is in the County for the State project, with the expectation that the County would save on mobilization cost. Roberts and Roberts submitted a \$2500 quote for this project. I recommend that since this is for Courthouse access, the cost for this project is divided equally between all five Commissioners from your paving funds. With that same thought process, some of you have requested quotes on small projects in your district. Chairman Jones requested asphalt and striping on portions of 5th, 6th, and 7th streets on St. George Island for a total of \$63,180 which will be paid from District 1's paving funds. Commissioner Lockley asked for asphalt overlay and striping on what is the eastern end of Martin Luther King Jr. Street (Ave J) and also known as the street to the "fish cleaning table" from Water Street. Commissioner Lockley also requested a quote for an asphalt overlay for the Chapman Building parking lot. The total cost for both projects is \$46,530 and will be paid from District 3's paving funds. Commissioner Parish requested repairs, an asphalt overlay and striping on Bluff Road along with grading and an asphalt overlay at the

Buddy Ward Park Museum. The total cost for both projects is \$83,070 which will be paid from District 4 paving funds. *Board action to approve these change orders to the County's paving project and authorize Roberts and Roberts to do the four projects as stated above. The first for \$2,500 paid from all five district paving funds, the second for \$63,180 paid from District 1's paving fund, the third for \$46,530 paid from District 3's paving fund, and the fourth for \$83,070 paid from District 4's paving funds.*

5. CareerSource Agreement: CareerSource Gulf Coast is requesting Board action to approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on the new Grantee/Sub-grantee agreement, which begins on May 15, 2021 and may continue for three years, through May 15, 2024. This final Grantee/Sub-grantee agreement serves as a contract between the CareerSource Gulf Coast board and DEO and outlines each partner's roles and responsibilities. Attorney Shuler has not had the opportunity to review this agreement as yet. *Board action to approve and authorize the Chairman's signature on the new Grantee/Sub-grantee agreement contingent on Attorney Shuler's review.*

6. 8 County Oil Spill Meeting: I received an invitation from State Senator Doug Broxson's office to attend an 8 County Oil spill Administrator's meeting on Monday, May 24th at 12:30 p.m. (ET) at the Walton County Courthouse Annex in Santa Rosa Beach. One of the main meeting topics for discussion are projects that the Board would like to fund with TRIUMPH dollars. I think it is proper for the Board to create a list of projects to submit to the Senator's office for Triumph funding prior to the May 24th meeting. The Board could finalize this list, hopefully a one-page list, at your May 18th regular meeting. *Board discussion and direction.*

7. CRS-LMS: Attached to my report and as part of the County recertification process is the Community Rating System (CRS) Progress Report prepared by Mrs. Angela Lolley, your Floodplain Administrator. As part of the CRS, County homeowners are able to save on their premiums as part of the national flood insurance program. Copies of the report are available for the public and must be submitted to the Board at a public meeting and made part of the official records. The County's Local Mitigation Strategy is submitted as part of the report along with information from your Emergency Management Office. The recertification submission deadline is Monday May 10th. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Lolley. *Board discussion.*

## **S. Informational Items**

1. Ethics Class: Inform the Board that your Ethics Class is scheduled for 9 a.m. (ET) here in the Commission meeting room on Saturday, May 15th. This class will certify you for 2020. As you may recall we tried to schedule a number of classes last year but due to COVID and other reasons was unsuccessful. Later this year we will schedule another class for 2021 certification.

2. CareerSource Funding: At your last meeting the Board was informed that the last day for the workers participating in the Hurricane Michael program would be on April 30th as there was no additional funding. Once the accounts were balanced, there is actually enough funds for a few more weeks of work. Mr. Fonda Davis, CareerSource, and QLM (the employment agency) worked together to create a list of the current employees and supervisors that will continue to work for the next few weeks. I will ask Mr. Davis to inform the Board once the funds are completely expended.

3. Equal Shot Program: I wanted to use this opportunity to bring some attention and exposure to the Equal Shot basketball program led by JT Escobar. My 6-year-old grandson, Xavier Lewis, participated in this program for the first time this year and that exposed me to some of the great things this program is providing to the County's youth. What makes this program unique from other sports programs is the core mission, "to develop and launch notable leaders & creative problem solvers in the community". They focus not only on

athletic development, but also leadership development and skill acquisition. This program is a great compliment to the successful baseball, soccer, and football programs already in the County. I've included a hand-out that provides additional information on the program.

4. LSE Covid-19: As authorized by the Board, Chairman Jones signed COVID-19 Local State of Emergency Declarations for the weeks starting April 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th.

**County Attorney - Michael Shuler - Report**

T. Report (agenda packet)

**Commissioners' Comments**

**Adjournment**

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