



**Hernando County**  
**Board of County Commissioners**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Minutes**

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**June 10, 2025**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

<b><u>Attendee Name</u></b>	<b><u>Title</u></b>
Brian Hawkins	Chairman
Jerry Campbell	Vice Chairman
John Allocco	Second Vice Chairman
Ryan Amsler	Commissioner
Steve Champion	Commissioner
Albert Bertram	Office of Management and Budget Director
Toni Brady	Deputy County Administrator
Carla Burrmann	Aquatic Services Manager
Omar DePablo	Development Services Director
Paul Hasenmeier	Public Safety Director/Fire Chief
Scott Herring	Public Works Director/County Engineer
Jon Jouben	County Attorney
Gordon Onderdonk	Utilities Director
Jeffrey Rogers	County Administrator
Carla Rossiter-Smith	Chief Procurement Officer
Rob Talmage	Parks and Recreation Administrator
Melissa Tartaglia	Assistant County Attorney
Heidi Prouse	Deputy Clerk

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**AGENDA**

**Motion**

To approve the Agenda with changes.

(Note: Agenda Item No. L-4 [Change Order No. 5 to Purchase Order With Titan Consultants & Engineers, LLC, for Parks and Recreation Department (Contract No. 24-TFG00704/AP; Changer Order Among: \$82,619.00)] was added to the Agenda, and Item No. F-4 [Request Submitted by Sheriff's Office to Apply for FY 2025 Community Oriented Policing Services Office Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement Grant] was removed from the Agenda.)



<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Steve Champion
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ryan Amsler
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

## **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

There were no Elected Officials' Comments.

## **CITIZENS' COMMENTS**

Citizens commented on various topics and issues.

## **BOARD/STAFF RESPONSES**

The Board and/or staff responded to questions and concerns expressed during Citizens' Comments.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of Certificate of Participation for FY 2024 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant**

**License Agreement With Department of Transportation for Pavement Improvement Project at Landfill Entrance Located on Landfill Road/US 98**

**Ratification of Donation Agreements Through County Travel Trailer Units Program for Disaster Housing Relief**

**Request Submitted by Sheriff's Office to Apply for FY 2025 Community Oriented Policing Services Office Safer Outcomes: Enhancing De-Escalation and Crisis Response Training for Law Enforcement Grant**

This item was removed during approval of the Agenda.

**Request Submitted by Sheriff's Office to Apply for FY 2025 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Grant**

**Utility Agreement With Pulte Home Company, LLC, for Caldera Subdivision Water Main Connection Project for Utilities Department**

**Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of May 27, 2025**

**Approval of Minutes for Land Use Meeting and 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan Discussion of June 3, 2025**



**Declaration of Various Tangible Property as Surplus for Disposal and Removal From Fixed Asset Inventory**

**Satisfactions of Code Enforcement Special Master Liens for John M. Carter and Jeremy A. Pope**

**Transmittal of List of Accounts Payable Disbursements for Weeks Ended May 9, 2025, and May 16, 2025**

**Various Satisfactions of Code Enforcement Public Nuisance Abatement Special Assessment Liens**

**Resolution Congratulating Bethlehem Progressive Baptist Church Upon Occasion of 164th Anniversary**

**Resolution Proclaiming June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth Day**

**Release of Performance Bond for Lake Hideaway Pods A and B and Acceptance of Maintenance Bond for Lake Hideaway Pods A and B**

**Motion**

To approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 2025-098 and 2025-099).

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Steve Champion
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE**

**Correspondence to Florida Department of Environmental Protection Regarding Weeki Wachee Basin Management Action Plan Amendments and Board of County Commissioners Comments**

**Notice of Purchasing Policy Exceptions for April 2025**

**Notice of Special Exception Use Permit Action Taken by Planning and Zoning Commission on May 12, 2025**

**Transmittal of FY 2025-26 Proposed Annual Operating and Maintenance Budget for Lake Hideaway Community Development District**

**Transmittal of FY 2025-26 Proposed Annual Operating and Maintenance Budget for Lake Hideaway II Community Development District**



**Transmittal of FY 2025-26 Proposed Annual Operating Budget for Sunrise Community Development District**

**Transmittal of Southwest Florida Water Management District Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY Ended September 30, 2024**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Proof of publication of Notice of Public Hearing was noted for the scheduled public hearing.

### **Resolution Amending Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Rates of Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Fire Rescue Services**

Comm. Champion temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

Comm. Champion made the following Motion:

#### **Motion**

To cap at 3%.

The Motion died for lack of a second.

Comm. Campbell made the following Motion:

#### **Motion**

To approve at 5.75%.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jerry Campbell
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell and Allocco
<b>NAYES:</b>	Amsler and Champion

## **RECESS/RECONVENE**

The Board recessed at 12:05 p.m. and reconvened at 12:15 p.m.

## **CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE**

### **Notice of Special Exception Use Permit Action Taken by Planning and Zoning Commission on May 12, 2025**

There was Board consensus to rehear the special exception request (SE2414) at a future Board meeting on August 5, 2025.



(Note: The consensus pertained to a request for appeal to the decision made by the Planning and Zoning Commission denying the request for a Special Exception Use Permit for a Place of Public Assembly, namely a community center, by Unitarian Universalist Church in the Pines.)

## **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PLANNING DIRECTOR OMAR DEPABLO**

### **Petition Submitted by David Collins and Nydia Collins for Hardship Relief From Subdivision Regulations**

#### **Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2025-100).

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Steve Champion
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

## **COUNTY ATTORNEY JON JOUBEN**

### **Consideration of Request for Reduction or Waiver of Civil Restitution Lien Order Filed Against William Joseph Sly**

#### **Motion**

To waive the interest of \$10,564.34, for a balance due of \$12,000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ryan Amsler
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

## **OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET DIRECTOR ALBERT BERTRAM**

### **Budget Resolution Recognizing Additional Revenue From Duke Energy Foundation Grant for Emergency Preparedness Initiatives**

#### **Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Budget Resolution No. 2025-101).

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ryan Amsler
<b>SECONDER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion



**Budget Resolution to True Up Fund Balances for FY 2024-25****Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Budget Resolution No. 2025-102).

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Steve Champion
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jerry Campbell
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER CARLA ROSSITER-SMITH**

**Amendment No. 2 to Contract With Integrated Environmental Technology, LLC, for Leachate and Gas Collection System Maintenance Services at Landfill (Contract No. 20-T00034/CH; Amount: \$121,320.00)**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Ryan Amsler
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jerry Campbell
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**Award of Term Contract to Waste Management, Inc., of Florida for Recycling Processing (Solicitation No. 25-T01029/JC; Amount: \$499,500.00)**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Ryan Amsler
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**Change Order No. 2 to Purchase Order With Vector Fleet Management, LLC, for Contractor Operated Parts Store for Fleet Department (Contract No. 21-RG0014/PH; Amount: \$535,000.00)**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.



**RESULT:**       **ADOPTED**  
**MOVER:**       Steve Champion  
**SECONDER:** Jerry Campbell  
**AYES:**       Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**Change Order No. 5 to Purchase Order With TITAN Consultants & Engineers, LLC, for Hurricane Helene Repair Project at Alfred A. McKethan Pine Island Park for Parks and Recreation Department (Contract No. 24-TFG00704/AP Q4; Change Order Amount: \$82,619.00)**

This item was added during approval of the Agenda.

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

**RESULT:**       **ADOPTED**  
**MOVER:**       Steve Champion  
**SECONDER:** Ryan Amsler  
**AYES:**       Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**Discussion Regarding Linda Pedersen Park Observation Tower**

There was Board consensus to direct the staff to maintain the closure of Linda Pedersen Park Observation Tower due to safety concerns identified in structural inspections, and to research options for community sponsorships of the tower.

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/COUNTY ENGINEER SCOTT HERRING**

**Resolution Adopting Near- And Long-Term Improvements of Road Safety Audit Report Pursuant to Chapter 336, Florida Statutes: Implementation of Report Finding Into Capital Improvement Plan for Spring Hill Drive Corridor From US 19 to East of Kenlake Avenue**

Comm. Champion temporarily left the meeting and returned shortly thereafter.

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2025-103).

**RESULT:**       **ADOPTED**  
**MOVER:**       Steve Champion  
**SECONDER:** John Allocco  
**AYES:**       Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion



**Resolution Designating Richloam Clay Sink Road as No Thru Trucks Route and Reducing Speed Limit to 20 MPH; and Providing for Placement of “No Thru Truck” and “20 MPH” Signs**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2025-104).

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Steve Champion
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jerry Campbell
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**AQUATIC SERVICES MANAGER CARLA BURRMANN**

**Memorandum of Agreement With Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission a/k/a FWC for Jenkins Creek Assessment and Enhancement Project**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	John Allocco
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Steve Champion
<b>AYES:</b>	Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion

**Update Regarding Weeki Wachee River Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Restoration Project**

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS**

**Update Regarding Ongoing Board Directives**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Board commented on various issues.

Comm. Champion requested Board consensus to direct the staff to request the Hernando County Sheriff's Office to provide information regarding the cameras installed throughout the county, and to bring it back to the Board for discussion on a future Agenda.

The Board concurred.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.