



Hernando County

Board of County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

Minutes

July 22, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

Attendee Name

Title

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
Todd Crosby	Interim Public Works Director/County Engineer
Omar DePablo	Development Services Director
Paul Hasenmeier	Public Safety Director/Fire Chief
Jon Jouben	County Attorney
Christopher Linsbeck	Community Services Director
Gordon Onderdonk	Utilities Director
Veda Ramirez	Housing and Supportive Services Director
Jeffrey Rogers	County Administrator
Carla Rossiter-Smith	Chief Procurement Officer
Melissa Tartaglia	Assistant County Attorney
Heidi Prouse	Deputy Clerk

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

Motion

To approve the Agenda.

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

SUNRISE CONSULTING GROUP PRESIDENT AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER SHAWN FOSTER

Update From Sunrise Consulting Group Regarding 2025 Regular Legislative Session

FINANCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR JOSHUA STRINGFELLOW

Presentation of Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FY Ended September 30, 2024

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

Amendment to Incentives Agreement With Barrette Outdoor Living, Inc., for Economic Development Investment

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds a/k/a SLFRF Reporting Requirements Form With State Department of Environmental Protection for Septic to Sewer District A, Phase 1 Project

Utility Locate Reimbursement Agreement Between Hernando County Water and Sewer District and Tillman FiberCo Florida, LLC, for Locate Services for Fiber Installation

Airport Infrastructure Grant Agreement With Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration for Taxiway A1 and D Improvements Project at Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport and Associated Budget Resolution

Resolution Approving New Leasing Policy for Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport

Approval of Minutes for Budget Workshop of July 10, 2025

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

Extension of 2025 Tax Rolls Prior to Completion of Value Adjustment Board Hearings

Request From Cabot Citrus Opco, LLC, a/k/a Cabot Citrus Farms to Amend Water and Sewer Agreement to Include Bulk Wastewater Treatment

This item was pulled and voted on separately.

Satisfactions of Second Mortgages for Benjamin F. Rice, Jr., and Timothy J. Rogers Through State Housing Initiative Partnership for Down Payment Assistance Program

Satisfactions of Second Mortgages for Stacey M. Aubery, Kandice Sanderson and Rosa I. Sosa-Rodriguez Through Neighborhood Stabilization Program Purchase Assistance Program

Transmittal of List of Accounts Payable Disbursements for Weeks Ended June 20, 2025, and June 27, 2025

Resolution Proclaiming August 7, 2025, as Purple Heart Day

This item was pulled and voted on separately.

Motion

To approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. H-1 through H-8 and H-10 through H-12 (Budget Resolution No. 2025-124 and Resolution No. 2025-125).

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

Request From Cabot Citrus Opco, LLC, a/k/a Cabot Citrus Farms to Amend Water and Sewer Agreement to Include Bulk Wastewater Treatment

Comm. Amsler made the following Motion.

Motion

To deny.

Comm. Amsler withdrew his Motion and made the following Motion.

Motion

To continue to a future date.

(Note: The Motion pertained to Item No. H-9.)

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

Resolution Proclaiming August 7, 2025, as Purple Heart Day

Motion

To approve Item No. H-13 (Resolution No. 2025-126).

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

CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

Notification of Final Tax Recapitulation and Certificates of Corrections for 2024 Tax Rolls as Submitted by Tax Collector

Transmittal of Annual Local Government Financial Report for FY Ended September 30, 2024

Transmittal of Rabies Surveillance Quarterly Summary Report for April 1, 2025, Through June 30, 2025

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 11:35 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Proofs of publication of Notices of Public Hearing were noted for the scheduled public hearings.

Ex Parte Communications

Chairman Hawkins and Comms. Campbell, Allocco, Amsler and Champion announced the ex parte communications that they had had concerning the quasi-judicial petitions being considered at this meeting.

County Attorney Jon Jouben advised the Commissioners that any ex parte communications, however received, could play no part in their deliberations.

Adoption of Informational Packet

The Agenda packet that was submitted to the Board included written information regarding the cases to be considered which needed to be accepted into evidence for the hearings.

The staff recommended that the Board accept the Agenda packet, including the staff reports, into evidence as if read aloud in their entirety.

Motion

To approve.

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

Mediated Settlement Agreement With NVR, Inc., Barbara Zellmer, Regional Land Entitlement Manager, Dated July 2, 2025, and Associated Resolution

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

Motion

To deny.

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

Appeal of Notice of Unsafe Building Against Property Located at 3273 Mangrove Drive

There was no public input.

Motion

To continue to a date certain of August 26, 2025, with no further continuances granted.

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

Approval of Community Development Block Grant Program FY 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan to be Submitted to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

There was no public input.

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR VEDA RAMIREZ

Presentation Regarding Proposed Improvement Projects of Tangerine Estates

Approval of Hernando County Inclusionary Housing Incentive Policy

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 1:15 p.m. and reconvened at 1:25 p.m.

Community Development Block Grant Funding Agreements With Salvare, Inc., d/b/a Dawn Center of Hernando County and United Way of Hernando County Nonprofit Organizations

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

(Note: The Motion pertained to Salvare, Inc., d/b/a Dawn Center of Hernando County.)

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

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

(Note: The Motion pertained to United Way of Hernando County.)

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

Resolution Designating Environmental Certifying Officer and Environmental Officer for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Funds and Programs

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2025-127).

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

COUNTY ATTORNEY JON JOUBEN

Consideration of Request for Release of Five Public Nuisance Abatement Special Assessment Liens Recorded on Property Located at 8405 Hillcrest Drive

Motion

To approve with the principle amount of \$4841.12 to be paid within 90-days.

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

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET DIRECTOR ALBERT BERTRAM

Budget Amendment and Budget Resolution Realigning Department Budgets for FY 2025 Budget Recognizing Disaster Funds Received

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Budget Resolution No. 2025-128).

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

Discussion Regarding Submittal of Proposed Maximum Millage Rates to Property Appraiser for FY 2025-2026

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 3:15 p.m. and reconvened at 3:25 p.m.

Discussion Regarding Submittal of Proposed Maximum Millage Rates to Property Appraiser for FY 2025-2026

Motion

To make the cuts as discussed at the meeting with the additional \$2 million from Reserves until the Constitutionals revise their budgets, making the maximum millage rate, the rollback rate of 6.1650.

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

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 5:25 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER CARLA ROSSITER-SMITH

Award of Construction Contract to Goodwin Brothers Construction, Inc., for Powell Road From California Street to Suncoast Parkway (SR 589) Bridge Resurfacing Project (Contract No. 24-C00717/JG; Amount: \$1,769,229.67)

Award of Construction Contract to Hartman Civil Construction Co., Inc., for Ayers Road Stormwater Management Facility Repair and Quality Drive Pond Southeast Flume Restoration Projects for Department of Public Works (Contract No. 25-C01032/JG; Amount: \$237,388.00)

Award of Construction Contract to Kamminga & Roodvoets, Inc., for Old Spring Lake Road Embankment/Culvert Restoration Project for Department of Public Works (Contract No. 25-C01030/JG; Amount: \$258,642.40)

Award of Quote and Work Authorization Agreement to Deeb Construction & Development Co., for Hermosa West Lift Station Rehabilitation Project for Utilities

Department (Contract No. 23-T00040; Amount: \$482,258.04)

Award of Quote and Work Authorization Agreement to Seggie Custom Builders, LLC, for Utilities Department Administration Office Remodel Project (Contract No. 23-T00040; Amount: \$57,208.00)

Purchase of Generator From Mid Florida Diesel, Inc., for Fire Rescue and Emergency Services Logistics Warehouse (Contract No. 23-TFG037/JG; Amount: \$83,920.00)

Revisions to Hernando County Procurement Manual

Motion

To approve Item Nos. N-1 through N-7.

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

Utilization of Sourcewell Contract With Relocatable Building Solutions for Purchase of Mobile Restroom for Alfred A. McKethan Pine Island for Parks and Recreation Department (Contract No. 25-P0191K; Amount: \$62,756.75)

Motion

To approve Item No. N-8.

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

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/COUNTY ENGINEER SCOTT HERRING

Revocable License Agreement With Carlo Zarcone for Use of Portion of County Owned Property Located on Shoal Line Boulevard (Key #1489954)

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR CHRISTOPHER LINSBECK

Presentation and Update Regarding Hernando County Parks Master Plan From Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS

Appointment of Member to Library Advisory Committee Until December 31, 2028

Motion

To appoint Monty Floyd.

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

Appointment of Member to Waterways Advisory Committee Until December 31, 2028

Motion

To appoint Lucas Johns.

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

Presentation Regarding Hernando County Fire Station Design and Construction

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

There was Board consensus to direct the staff to proceed with Fire Station No. 16, using Option 2 of the staff recommendation, and to proceed with Option 3 for other stations.

Update Regarding Ongoing Board Directives

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board commented on various issues.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.