

Hernando County

Board of County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

Minutes

February 27, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 2024, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

Attendee Name Title

Elizabeth Narverud Chairwoman Brian Hawkins Vice Chairman

Jerry Campbell Second Vice Chairman

John Allocco Commissioner Steve Champion Commissioner

Albert Bertram Office of Management and Budget Director

Toni Brady Deputy County Administrator Sandra Fisher-Grainger Mosquito Control Director

Paul Hasenmeier Public Safety Director/Fire Chief

Scott Herring Public Works Director/County Engineer

Jon Jouben County Attorney

Christopher Linsbeck Community Services Director

Darlene Lollie Transit Administrator
Gordon Onderdonk Utilities Director

Valerie Pianta Economic Development Director
Veda Ramirez Health and Human Services Manager

Jeffrey Rogers County Administrator
Carla Rossiter-Smith Chief Procurement Officer
Peter Schwartz Development Services Director

Heidi Kurppe Deputy Clerk

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

AGENDA

Motion

To approve the Agenda.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Brian Hawkins

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Hernando County Sheriff Al Nienhuis commented on various topics and issues.

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.

There was Board consensus to direct the staff to review the administrative approval of a hardship request within the Planning and Zoning Department and to bring it back to the Board at a future Board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Final Submission Report for Youth Planning Grant Submittal to Department of Children and Families by Lutheran Services Florida Health Systems as Lead Applicant

Letters to Department of State, Bureau of Historic Preservation and Tribal Entities Regarding Environmental Review for Small Cities Community Development Block Grant From State Department of Economic Opportunity for Housing Rehabilitation Funding

Resolution Proclaiming March 2024 as Irish American Heritage Month

Resolution Proclaiming March 2024 as National Women's History Month

Resolution Proclaiming March 2024 as Procurement Month

Resolution Proclaiming March 4, 2024, Through March 8, 2024, as Newspaper In Education Week

This item was pulled and voted on separately.

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

Discharges of Orders and Satisfactions of Animal Services Special Master Liens for Will Roger Honea and Melody Nichole Wallace/Melody Wallace

Discharges of Orders and Satisfactions of Code Enforcement Special Master Liens for Will R. Honea; and Carlos V. Rivas and Melinda Ramirez

Discharges of Orders and Satisfactions of Sheriff's Office Special Master Liens for Michael Paulter and Elizabeth Chartier

Transmittal of List of Accounts Payable Disbursements for Weeks Ended February 2, 2024, and February 9, 2024

Various Satisfactions of Code Enforcement Public Nuisance Abatement Special Assessment Liens

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of October 10, 2023

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of October 24, 2023

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of November 7, 2023

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of November 28, 2023

Motion

To approve the Consent Agenda except for Item No. F-6 (Resolution Nos. 2024-051 through 2024-053).

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Steve Champion

SECONDER: Brian Hawkins

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Resolution Proclaiming March 4, 2024, Through March 8, 2024, as Newspaper In Education Week

Motion

To deny.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Steve Champion

SECONDER: Jerry Campbell

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Criminal Justice, Mental Health, and Substance Abuse Reinvestment Grant Final Submission Report for Youth Planning Grant Submittal to Department of Children and Families by Lutheran Services Florida Health Systems as Lead Applicant

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

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

Comm. Champion temporarily left the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

Comm Champion returned to the meeting.

Correspondence From Various Customers Expressing Appreciation for Services Provided by Department of Public Works Staff

Notice of Purchasing Policy Exceptions for January 2024

Notice of Revisions to Special Exception Use Permit Actions Taken by Planning and Zoning Commission on February 12, 2024

Transmittal of Emerald Creek Community Development District FY 2023-24 Meeting Schedule

Transmittal of Minutes From Spring Ridge Community Development District Board of Supervisors Meeting of August 21, 2023

CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER CARLA ROSSITER-SMITH

Amendment No. 2 to Contract With Vortex Services, LLC, for Slip Lining for Gravity Sewer Lines (Contract No. 20-T00085/CH; Amount: \$750,000.00)

Final Close-Out of Contract With Right Way Elevator Maintenance, Inc., for Hernando County Detention Center Elevator Modernization Project (Contract No. 22-C00056/DK; Amount: \$7,482.10)

Increased Annual Expenditure of Professional Services Contract With SJUR Solutions, Inc., for Video Inspection Pro Software Solution for Building Division (Contract No. 24-PS00572; Amount: \$215,001.00)

Utilization of Pinellas County Schools and Omnia Partners Contract With Johnson Laux Construction, LLC, for Fire Station No. 1 Hurricane Protection for Fire and Emergency Services (Amount: \$173,097.95)

Motion

To approve Item Nos. H-1 through H-4.

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Brian Hawkins
SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Revisions to County Procurement Manual

Chief Procurement Officer Carla Rossiter-Smith requested Board consensus to have Item No. H-5 be combined with Item No. I-1 on the Agenda.

The Board concurred.

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 11:10 a.m. and reconvened at 11:20 a.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article V Providing for Dividing Article V Into Division 1 for Procurement and Division 2 for Competitive Solicitation Protests

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Ordinance No. 2024-02).

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Brian Hawkins
SECONDER: Jerry Campbell

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Revisions to County Procurement Manual

Comm. Allocco requested Board consensus to postpone this item, and for staff to bring it back to the Board for consideration on a future Agenda.

The Board concurred.

Ordinance Repealing Blackberry Court Paving Municipal Service Benefit Unit

There was no public input.

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Ordinance No. 2024-03).

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: John Allocco
SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Ordinance Repealing Milgate Court Paving Municipal Service Benefit Unit

There was no public input.

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Ordinance No. 2024-04).

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Steve Champion

SECONDER: Brian Hawkins

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Ordinance Repealing Warbler Road Paving Municipal Service Benefit Unit

There was no public input.

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Ordinance No. 2024-05).

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: John Allocco
SECONDER: Brian Hawkins

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

COUNTY ATTORNEY JON JOUBEN

Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 2022-95; and Placing Proposed Referendum for School Sales Surtax on Election Ballot of November 5, 2024, as Requested by Hernando County School Board

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2024-054).

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Brian Hawkins

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS

Appointment of Elizabeth Ann Powanda and Joseph Nicholas Pastore to Affordable Housing Advisory Committee for Two-Year Term in Accordance With State Housing Initiatives Partnership Act

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Jerry Campbell

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Presentation Regarding Proposed Master Plan for Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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

Request for Development Services Facilitator Within Development Services Department and Associated Budget Amendments

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Jerry Campbell

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Discussion Regarding Potential for Sales Tax Referendum

There was Board consensus to direct County Administrator Jeffrey Rogers to update the ballot title to "Whole Cent for Hernando for Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Roadway and Economic Development Infrastructure", and the ballot language as directed.

Chairwoman Narverud passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Hawkins and temporarily left the meeting, and upon returning shortly thereafter, she resumed the Chairwomanship.

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

Update Regarding Ongoing Board Directives

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 3:00 p.m. and reconvened at 3:20 p.m.

County Administrator Jeffrey Rogers requested Board consensus to move Item No. P up in the Agenda, and for the item to be heard prior to Item Nos. N and O.

The Board concurred.

HOUSING AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR VEDA RAMIREZ

Purchase Order Agreement With Lutheran Services Florida, Inc., d/b/a LSF Health Systems, a Florida Non-Profit Corporation for Management of Florida Opioid Allocation and Statewide Response Agreement (Opioid Settlement) in Hernando County and Associated Budget Resolution

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Budget Resolution No. 2024-055).

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Brian Hawkins

SECONDER: Jerry Campbell

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

Purchase Order Agreement No. 2 With Lutheran Services Florida, Inc., d/b/a LSF Health Systems, a Florida Non-Profit Corporation for Management of Florida's Coordinated Opioid Recovery Network of Addiction Care in Hernando County and Associated Budget Resolution

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Budget Resolution No. 2024-056).

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Brian Hawkins
SECONDER: Jerry Campbell

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins and Campbell

NAYES: Allocco and Champion

DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TONI BRADY

Discussion Regarding Cash Handling Processes by County Departments

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET DIRECTOR ALBERT BERTRAM

Budget Resolution Recognizing Additional Revenue From Hernando County Fine Arts Council 2024 Community Arts Grant for Operation Water Color Project for Utilities Department

Budget Resolution Recognizing Revenue and Expenses From US Department of Homeland Security for FY 2023-24 Assistance to Firefighters Grant for Hernando County Fire and Emergency Services

Motion

To approve Item Nos. O-1 and O-2 (Budget Resolution Nos. 2024-057 and 2024-058).

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Brian Hawkins

SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

MOSQUITO CONTROL DIRECTOR SANDRA FISHER-GRAINGER

Presentation by Mosquito Control Department Regarding Hernando County Mosquito Control Products

TRANSIT ADMINISTRATOR DARLENE LOLLIE

Approval of Task Work Order No. 2025-2034 to Research and Technical Assistance Master Agreement With The University of South Florida Board of Trustees for Professional Services Related to Major Update to Hernando County's Transit Development Plan

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Brian Hawkins
SECONDER: Steve Champion

AYES: Narverud, Hawkins, Campbell, Allocco and Champion

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board commented on various issues.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.