Hernando County

Board of County Commissioners

Regular Meeting

Minutes

February 10, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 10, 2026, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

Attendee Name	Title
Jerry Campbell	Chairman
Ryan Amsler	Vice Chairman
Steve Champion	Second Vice Chairman
John Allocco	Commissioner
Brian Hawkins	Commissioner
Toni Brady	Deputy County Administrator
Omar DePablo	Development Services Director
Paul Hasenmeier	Public Safety Director/Fire Chief
Scott Herring	Public Works Director
Jon Jouben	County Attorney
Christopher Linsbeck	Community Services Director
Valerie Pianta	Economic Development Director
Jeffrey Rogers	County Administrator
Carla Rossiter-Smith	Chief Procurement Officer
Brad Smith	Interim Utilities Director
Rob Talmage	Parks and Recreation Administrator
Erin Thomas	Emergency Management Director
Paige Jefferys	Deputy Clerk
Heidi Prouse	Deputy Clerk

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

CHAIRMAN JERRY CAMPBELL

Presentation by Responder's First, Inc., Jesse Diaz-Franco, of America's 250th Moment

AGENDA

Motion
To approve the Agenda.

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS

This Item was not heard on the Agenda as there were no Elected Officials, aside from the Board of County Commissioners, present.

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 research options for a proposed amendment to the Ordinance pertaining to on-call trucks parking in residential areas, and to bring it back to the Board for discussion on a future Agenda.

PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR/FIRE CHIEF PAUL HASENMEIER

Update Regarding Status of Declaration of Temporary Burn Ban Due to Drought Conditions

CONSENT AGENDA

Confirmation of Authorized Representative Carla Rossiter-Smith, Director of Procurement and Strategic Initiatives, for FY 2025 U.S. Economic Development Administration Disaster Supplemental Grant Application on Behalf of Hernando County and Associated Budget Resolution

Tourist Development Council Special Events Marketing Grant Awards to Promote Florida's Adventure Coast Events for FY 2026

This item was pulled and voted on separately.

Corporate Hangar Lease Agreement With Pem-Air, LLC, for Corporate Hangar Located at 16316 Flight Path Drive at Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport

Ground Lease Agreement With AHST 438, LLC, for Property Located at 15216-15222 Telcom Drive at Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of August 26, 2025

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of December 16, 2025

Approval of Minutes for Port Authority Meeting of December 16, 2025

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

Transmittal of List of Accounts Payable Disbursements for Weeks Ended January 9, 2026, January 16, 2026, and January 23, 2026

Acceptance of Perpetual Utility Easement From Hawk Sunrise, LLC, With Hernando County and Sewer District for Sunrise Development Located From Sunrise Boulevard to Ridge Manor Wastewater Treatment Plant

Acceptance of Perpetual Utility Easement From Hernando County With Hernando County Water and Sewer District for Property Located at 7701 Forest Oaks Boulevard, 7751 Forest Oaks Boulevard and 0 Forest Oaks Boulevard

Resolution Proclaiming February 21, 2026, as Heritage Day

Comm. Hawkins made the following Motion.

Motion
To approve the Consent Agenda.

Comm. Hawkins amended his Motion as follows:

Amendment to Motion
To approve Item Nos. G-1 and G-3 through G-12 (Budget Resolution No. 2026-031 and Resolution No. 2026-032).

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

Tourist Development Council Special Events Marketing Grant Awards to Promote Florida's Adventure Coast Events for FY 2026

Motion
To approve Item No. G-2.

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

CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

Transmittal of Minutes From Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Delegation on Government Efficiency a/k/a DOGE Committee Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Economic Development and Airport Technical Advisory Committee Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Fine Arts Council Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Library Advisory Committee Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Tourism Development Council Meetings of 2024 and 2025

Transmittal of Minutes From Waterways Advisory Committee Meetings of 2025

Transmittal of Rabies Surveillance Quarterly Summary Report for October 1, 2025, Through December 31, 2025

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Second Public Hearing to Consider Resolution Amending Wellhead Protection Areas and Special Protection Areas Maps Associated With Ordinance Relating to Groundwater Protection and Siting

There was no public input.

Motion
To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2026-033).

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

COUNTY ATTORNEY JON JOUBEN

Consideration of Request to Forgive Outstanding Civil Restitution Lien Order Filed Against Robert Norman Benson

Motion
To waive the interest of $12,720.68, with 90-days to pay.

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

Renewal of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Requested by Rocky Mountain Holdings, LLC, d/b/a Bayflite for Provision of Advanced Life Support and Basic Life Support Helicopter Ambulance Transport Services

Comm. Champion temporarily left the meeting.

Motion
To approve the staff recommendation.

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

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Comm. Champion was present when the meeting reconvened.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PLANNING DIRECTOR OMAR DEPABLO

Update Regarding Initiatives From Development Services Department

DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT & STRATEGIC INITIATIVES CARLA ROSSITER-SMITH

Amendment No.1 to Sole Source Contract and Innovation Agreement With Quantum Partners, LLC, d/b/a SwiftGov, for Artificial Intelligence (AI) Implementation Plan Project for Planning Department (Contract No. 25-TSS0230/JC; Amount: $1,687,500.00)

Award of Contract to Clark Productions, Inc., for Audio Visual Design, Installation and Implementation Services for 5th Judicial Circuit Courtrooms Project (Contract No. 25-RFP01060/CT; Amount: $1,756,843.69)

Change Order No. 1 to Purchase Order With McKim and Creed, Inc., for Utility Locator Subsurface Services for Utilities Department and Associated Budget Amendment (Contract No. 24-RFQG00543; Amount: $481,908.00)

Change Order No. 2 to Purchase Order With Centrisys CNP Corporation for Repair of Centrifuge Equipment for Utilities Department (Contract No. 25-TS0204; Amount: $94,148.39)

Change Order No. 3 to Purchase Order With Tyler Technologies, Inc., for Public Sector and Education Administration Software Solutions With Related Services for Enterprise Resource Planning Software and Enterprise Permitting and Licensing Software and Related Services for Various County Departments and Entities (Contract No. 25-P0191C; Change Order Amount: $132,641.00)

Request for Approval of FY 2026 Purchase Order With Amazon for Library Materials and Electronic Resources for Library Department (Amount: up to $100,000.00)

Motion
To approve Item Nos. L-1 through L-6.

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

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 12:05 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR/FIRE CHIEF PAUL HASENMEIER

Recognition of Emergency Management Team Members Angel Turner and Tyler DeBlare for Award of Certificate of Florida Professional Emergency Manager

Resolution Supporting and Adopting 2025 Five-Year Update of Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan

Motion
To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2026-034).

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

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR SCOTT HERRING

Acceptance of Warranty Deed From NNN Reit, LP, for Newly Constructed Frontage Road Right-of-Way Located on Commercial Way

Three-Year Contract With State Department of Corrections for Inmate Work Squad Program for Department of Public Works

Motion
To approve Item Nos. N-1 and N-2.

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

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR CHRISTOPHER LINSBECK

Removal of Brian Woolfolk as Member of Waterways Advisory Committee

Motion
To approve the staff recommendation.

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS

Update Regarding Ongoing Board Directives

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Board commented on various issues.

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

There was Board consensus to direct the Parks and Recreation Department to implement dog friendly park options throughout the County.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.