



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

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**March 25, 2025**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 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
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
Erin Thomas	Emergency Management Director
Patricia Tapia	Deputy Clerk

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**AGENDA**

County Administrator Jeffrey Rogers requested to add new Item No. G-3 [Rezoning Petition Submitted by NVR, Inc., on Behalf of Banc Development Limited and Emerson Capital Group, LLC (H2453)] to the Agenda.

The petitioner for this application requested a postponement of hearing to readvertise to a date certain of May 6, 2025.

Comm. Allocco noted a scrivener's error in Item No. F-1 that would be corrected by the Planning Department.

Comm. Champion made the following Motion:

**Motion**

To approve the Agenda "as-is" and to continue the new Item No. G-3 to a date certain of May 6, 2025.

<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

## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR ERIN THOMAS

**Ratification of Proclamation No. 2025-09 Twenty-Third Extension of Declaration of State of Local Emergency Due to Hurricane Helene and Twenty-First Extension of Declaration of State of Local Emergency Due to Hurricane Milton**

**Ratification of Proclamation No. 2025-10 Twenty-Fourth Extension of Declaration of State of Local Emergency Due to Hurricane Helene and Twenty-Second Extension of Declaration of State of Local Emergency Due to Hurricane Milton**

**Motion**

To approve Item Nos. C-1 and C-2.

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

## ELECTED OFFICIALS

Comm. Campbell conveyed condolences regarding the loss of former Hernando County School Board Member Linda Prescott.

The Board concurred.

## CONSENT AGENDA

**Sponsorship Agreement With Holiday Inn Express - Spring Hill for Mermaid Tale Trail Statue**

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

**Reimbursement to Property Owner for Overpayment of Municipal Service Benefit Unit Non-Ad Valorem Assessments for 2024**

**Transmittal of List of Accounts Payable Disbursements for Weeks Ended February 28, 2025, and March 7, 2025**

**Various Satisfactions of Code Enforcement Special Master Liens**

**Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of February 25, 2025**

**Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of March 11, 2025**

**Enabling Resolution Implementing May 2025 as Code Compliance Month**

**Resolution Proclaiming April 2025 as Donate Life Month**

**Resolution Proclaiming April 2025 as Water Conservation Month**

**Motion**

To approve the Consent Agenda (Resolution Nos. 2025-045 through 2025-047).

<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

**CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE**

**Notice of Special Exception Use Permit Action Taken by Planning and Zoning Commission on March 10, 2025**

**Notification From State Department of Environmental Protection Regarding Glen Subregional Water Reclamation Facility, Ridge Manor Subregional Wastewater Treatment Facility and Airport Water Reclamation Facility Compliance Inspection Reports**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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

**Proposed Ordinance to Regulate Distribution and Delivery of Unsolicited Newspapers or Circulars on Private Premises**

There was no public input.

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Ordinance No. 2025-03).

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

**Resolution to Adopt Non-Ad Valorem Special Assessment for Village at Hill-N-Dale Multi-Purpose Municipal Service Benefit Unit and Establishment of Future Maximum Rate**

There was no public input.

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2025-048).

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

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

**Budget Resolution Realigning Funds Received From American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding for Health and Human Services Department**

**Budget Resolution Realigning Funds Received From American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding for Utilities Department**

**Budget Resolution Realigning Funds Received From American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding for Various Departments**

**Motion**

To approve Item Nos. H-1 through H-3 (Budget Resolution Nos. 2025-049 through 2025-051).

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

**CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER CARLA ROSSITER-SMITH**

**Change Order No. 2 to Purchase Order With Coastal Engineering Associates, Inc., for Engineering Services for Septic Upgrade Incentive Program for Utilities Department (Contract No. 21-RG0045/PH; Amount: \$115,701.00)**

**Final Close-Out of Contract With Top Line Recreation, Inc., for Purchase and Installation of Playground Equipment for Pioneer Park and Coach Lorenzo Hamilton Sr. Park for Parks and Recreation Department (Contract No. 24-P0158/FH; Amount: \$239,952.23)**

**Professional Services Agreement With iParametrics, LLC, for Program Manager for Disaster Recovery Program for Emergency Management Department (Contract No. 25-RFPG00960/CT; Amount: \$798,495.89)**

**Motion**

To approve Item Nos. I-1 through I-3.

<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

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

**Resolution Reducing Speed Limit to 30MPH and Permitting Usage of Golf Carts During Daytime Hours Within Hernando Beach Business District on Shoal Line Boulevard Between Bluefish Drive and Calienta Street and Within Adjacent Residential Neighborhoods to West of Shoal Line Boulevard**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation (Resolution No. 2025-052).

<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

**Approval of Right of Entry Agreements With Allen Colon and Joshua William Heitl Colon; and Owl Investment Enterprises, LLC, to Repair and Reconstruct Road Located on Old Spring Lake Road**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

**Board Reconsideration of Lease Agreement With Robert A. Buckner for Office Space for Information Technology Department Located at 18 South Main Street and Associated Budget Amendment**

Chairman Hawkins recused himself from this item, passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Campbell, and he temporarily left the meeting.

Comm. Champion made the following Motion:

**Motion**

To deny the lease, keep it where it is and secure resources to get IT where they need to be within the space they have.

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

**RECESS/RECONVENE**

The Board recessed at 11:05 a.m. and reconvened at 11:10 a.m.

Chairman Hawkins rejoined the meeting and resumed the chairmanship.

**Contract for Sale and Purchase of Real Estate With Blue Wave Investments, Inc., for Additional Vehicle Parking Space for TheBus Service Expansion for Transit Operations and Associated Budget Amendment**

Comm. Allocco made the following Motion:

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

Comm. Campbell seconded the Motion.

Comm. Amsler made the following Motion:

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

With two Motions on the floor, Comm. Campbell rescinded his second on Comm. Allocco's Motion. The Board concurred that Comm. Amsler would be the mover on the Motion to approve the staff recommendation, and Comm. Allocco would be the seconder on the Motion.

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

**Contract for Sale and Purchase of Real Estate With Bulk Transport Company East, Inc.,  
for Hernando County Sheriff's Office Expansion and Associated Budget Amendment**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

**Contract for Sale and Purchase of Real Estate With Florence Sharkey for Property  
Located at 4144 Pine Dale Court for Waterways Department (Key #152426)**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

**Declaration of County Owned Property Located on Mobley Road as Surplus Property  
and Consideration of Purchase Offer Submitted by Gloria Browdy and Ronald Browdy  
(Key #1182892)**

**Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

**Residential Lease and On-Site Security Agreement With Jason Reiff for Cypress Lakes Preserve****Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

**RECESS/RECONVENE**

The Board recessed at 12:50 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

**UTILITIES DIRECTOR GORDON ONDERDONK****Presentation by UF/IFAS Extension Regarding Fertilizer Ordinance Recommendations and Fertilizer Survey Results**

There was Board consensus to direct the staff to draft a proposed amendment to the current Ordinance banning the user of fertilizer from October 1st to March 31st, and to bring it back to the Board on a future Agenda.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS****Request for Construction Coordinator Position Due to Increase of Projects Within Utilities Department and Associated Budget Amendment****Motion**

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

**Update Regarding Ongoing Board Directives****Recognition of County Employee Honorable Mentions**

There was no vote on this item of recognition.



**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.

Comm. Campbell left the meeting.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Board commented on various issues.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.