



Hernando County
Board of County Commissioners
Regular Meeting
Minutes

June 23, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 23, 2026, in the John Law Ayers County Commission Chambers, Government Center, Brooksville, Florida.

<u>Attendee Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Jerry Campbell	Chairman
Ryan Amsler	Vice Chairman
Steve Champion	Second Vice Chairman
John Allocco	Commissioner
Omar DePablo	Development Services Director
Erin Dohren	Office of Management and Budget Director
Tammy Heon	Tourism Development Manager
Scott Herring	Public Works Director
Dominique Holmes	Director of Communications & Government Affairs
Jon Jouben	County Attorney
Christopher Linsbeck	Community Services Director
Cynthia Loftis-Culp	Library Services Manager
Michelle Miller	Planning Manager
Jeffrey Rogers	County Administrator
Carla Rossiter-Smith	Chief Procurement Officer
Brad Smith	Utilities Director
Melissa Tartaglia	Assistant County Attorney
Nienke Osinga	Deputy Clerk

Brian Hawkins was not present at the meeting due to his resignation from the Board of County Commissioners effective June 10, 2026.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

America 250 Presentation

Snow Anna Mazourek sang the National Anthem

Chairman Blake Bell of Hernando County Salute to America 250 Committee Provided an Update Regarding Countywide Celebration to be Held on July 4, 2026

Resolution Proclaiming July 4, 2026, as 250th Anniversary of Signing of Declaration of Independence

(Note: Chairman Campbell read Item No. D-2 [Resolution Proclaiming July 4, 2026, as 250th Anniversary of Signing of Declaration of Independence] during the America 250 Presentation. This Item was later voted on during Item No. D [Commemorative Resolutions].)

AGENDA

Motion

To approve.

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

ELECTED OFFICIALS

There were no Elected Officials' Comments.

COMMEMORATIVE RESOLUTIONS

Resolution Proclaiming June 27, 2026, as National Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day

Resolution Proclaiming July 4, 2026, as 250th Anniversary of Signing of Declaration of Independence

Comm. Allocco made the following Motion:

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

Comm. Allocco revised his Motion as follows:

Revised Motion

To approve Item Nos. D-1 and D-2 (Resolution Nos. 2026-117 and 2026-118).

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

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS AND GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS DOMINIQUE HOLMES

Update From Sunrise Consulting Group Regarding 2026 Regular Legislative Session

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

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

Additional Documents Required for Amendment No. 4 to Grant Agreement With Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for Florida Boating Improvement Program Grant Funding for Improvements at Lake Townsen Park Boat Ramp

Public Transportation Grant Agreement With State of Florida, Department of Transportation for Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Funding for FY 2026 and Associated Resolutions

Hernando County Behavioral Health Transportation Plan With State Department of Children and Families for FYs 2027-2030

Ratification of Federal Aviation Administration Airport Infrastructure Grant Agreement for Airport Infrastructure Design Project at Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport and Associated Budget Resolution

Ratification of Application to Federal Aviation Administration for Airport Improvements Program for Perimeter/Wildlife Fencing Improvement Project at Brooksville-Tampa Bay Regional Airport

Resolution Amending Resolution No. 2025-195 Adopted on November 18, 2025, Relating to Execution of Public Transportation Grant Agreement With Florida Department of Transportation Under Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 Program Grant Funding and Associated Budget Resolution

Resolution Supporting Hernando County Utilities Department "Local Government Water Supply and Conservation Funding Assistance Program" Application to Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority for Development of Countywide Water Conservation and Quality Protection Program

Resolution Ratifying Grant Application for Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 FY 2021 Lapsing Funds, Federal Award Identification Number a/k/a FAIN FL-2026-021; Authorizing County Administrator and/or Designee to Submit and Execute Grant Related Documents and Associated Budget Resolution

Approval of Construction Drawing and Conditional Plat Time Extensions for Emerald Creek Subdivision

Approval of Minutes for Interlocal Governmental Meeting of April 22, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Land Use Meeting of April 7, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Land Use Meeting of May 5, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Land Use Meeting of June 2, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of April 14, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of April 28, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of May 12, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of May 26, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of June 9, 2026

Approval of Minutes for Special Meeting of January 13, 2026

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

Satisfaction of Second Mortgage for Christopher Ruggiero and Leslie M. Ruggiero Through Neighborhood Stabilization Program Purchase Assistance Program

Various Satisfactions of Code Enforcement Special Master Liens

Motion

To approve the Consent Agenda (Budget Resolution Nos. 2026-120, 2026-121, 2026-123 and 2026-126 and Resolution Nos. 2026-119, 2026-122, 2026-124 and 2026-125).

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

CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

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

Transmittal of GlenLakes Community Development District Proposed Budget for FY 2026-27

Transmittal of FY 2026-27 Proposed Annual Operating Budget for Spring Ridge Community Development District

Transmittal of Sterling Hill Community Development District Proposed Budget for FY 2026-27

Transmittal of Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority FY 2026-27 Proposed Budget and Work Program

PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Second Public Hearing to Consider Ordinance Amending Hernando County Code to Impose Moratorium on Processing Applications for Development Orders and Development Permits for Data Centers for Period Up to 365 Days, Unless Extended or Terminated: Enacting a Temporary Moratorium on Data Centers

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

Chairman Campbell passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Amsler and temporarily left the meeting, and upon returning shortly thereafter, he resumed the Chairmanship.

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

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

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation (Ordinance No. 2026-15).

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

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 12:55 p.m. and reconvened at 1:05 p.m.

LIBRARY SERVICES MANAGER CYNTHIA LOFTIS-CULP

Presentation Regarding Hernando County Public Library Master Plan from Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PLANNING DIRECTOR OMAR DEPABLO

Discussion Regarding House Bill 399 Amending Land Use and Development Regulations

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET DIRECTOR ERIN DOHREN

Discussion Regarding Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan for FY 2027 Through FY 2031

DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT & STRATEGIC INITIATIVES CARLA ROSSITER-SMITH

Award of Term Contracts to Electrical & Mechanical Maintenance, Inc., and Electro-Mechanic Industries, LLC, d/b/a Vermana for Vertical and Horizontal Submersible Pump Repair, Rewind and Machine Work for Utilities Department (Amount: \$750,000)

Award of Contract and Professional Services Agreement With KMF Architects, LLC, for Architectural and Engineering Services for County Fire Station Prototypes (Contract No. 25-RFQ01153; Amount: \$296,902.60)

Utilization of Pasco County Schools Contract With Tri-County Locksmith of the Suncoast, Inc., for Emergency Lock and Key Services for Hernando County Facilities Department (Hernando County File No. 26-P01366; Amount: \$75,000.00)

Motion

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

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

TOURISM DEVELOPMENT MANAGER TAMMY HEON

Presentation of Proposed Florida's Adventure Coast Brand Refresh by Tourism Department

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

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

Motion

To approve the staff recommendation.

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

RECESS/RECONVENE

The Board recessed at 3:45 p.m. and reconvened at 3:50 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR SCOTT HERRING

Contract for Sale and Purchase of Real Estate With Antonio J. Cancelli-Patrick for Property Located on Leonard Street for Affordable/Workforce Housing (Key #11310)

Comm. Champion made the following Motion:

Motion

To approve.

Comm. Amsler seconded the Motion.

Comm. Champion clarified his Motion as follows:

Clarification to Motion

To purchase it with the intent of selling to a nonprofit for affordable housing.

The Board accepted public input on this matter.

Comm. Champion announced that his Motion stood.

Comm. Amsler confirmed his second on the Motion.

RESULT:	DEFEATED
MOVER:	John Allocco
SECONDER:	Jerry Campbell
AYES:	Amsler and Champion
NAYES:	Campbell and Allocco

Chairman Campbell made the following Motion:

Motion

To table this Item and bring it back.

Chairman Campbell announced that he could not make the Motion and was looking for a Motion from the Board.

Comm. Allocco made the following Motion:

Motion

To bring it back but would like to know how much the house would have to be built up to be in that flood zone.

Chairman Campbell seconded the Motion.

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

Proposed Road Median Landscaping Alternatives by Department of Public Works

Motion

To approve staff recommendation.

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

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JEFFREY ROGERS

Discussion Regarding 2025 - 2026 Committee Assignments

County Administrator Jeffrey Rogers requested temporary coverage for committee vacancies due to the resignation of Brian Hawkins from the Board of County Commissioners effective June 10, 2026.

Chairman Campbell would cover the following committee assignments: Salvation Army and Southwest Florida Water Management District a/k/a SWFWMD.

Comm. Amsler would cover the following committee assignments: Fair Association, Metropolitan Planning Organization a/k/a MPO and Waterways Advisory Committee.

Comm. Champion would cover the following committee assignments: Hernando County School Board and Tourist Development Council a/k/a TDC.

Comm. Allocco would cover the following committee assignments: Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council a/k/a MPOAC and Suncoast Transportation Planning Alliance a/k/a SCTPA.

There was no coverage for the Local Emergency Planning Council a/k/a LEPC due to the spring only obligation.

Update Regarding Ongoing Board Directives

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

There were no Board Comments.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.