

Meeting Summary
Okaloosa County Board of Commissioners
April 6, 2010 – 8:30 a.m.
Crestview Courthouse

Motion was made to approve the Proclamations for “Fair Housing Month”, “Gulf Coast Council’s Scout Jam Day,” and “Children’s Day” in Okaloosa County (item number 3 from the Consent Agenda). Approved 5, yeas.

Request approval of a Proclamation declaring April as “Fair Housing Month” in Okaloosa County, and presentation of same to Gloria Frazier, Past President, Emerald Coast Association of Realtors.

Request approval of a Proclamation declaring April 10, 2010 as “Gulf Coast Council’s Scout Jam Day” in Okaloosa County, and presentation of same to Rae Schwartz.

Employee Awards

5 Year Award

Ronald Allen Richards, Senior Jail Maintenance Technician, Facility Maintenance, 04-04-05

15 Year Award

James R. Helms, Utilities Technician II, Water & Sewer, 04-17-95

20 Year Award

Tony R. Larkins, Jail Custodian Crew Leader, Corrections, 04-02-90

Teri S. Hart, Correctional Officer I, Corrections, 04-02-90

Donald Carl Vanderhoek, Information Systems Director, Information Systems, 04-25-90

25 Year Award

Gary Smith, Correctional Officer I, Corrections, 04-15-85

Public Information Update

- Sustainability Tip: It is the 40th Anniversary of Earth Day on April 22 and April is Water Conservation Month. You are encouraged to choose 5 small actions you’ll commit to; use less water and electricity, commute without polluting, reuse and recycle! Or do something big, like purchase a (discounted) Composter or Rain Barrel at the Truck Load Sale April 17th; See fliers. Sustainability Committee will be at Earth Day/Arbor Day at the Landing on April 16th!

- April is also National County Government Month and the theme is “Healthy Counties.” Okaloosa Co., as previously reported, is #9 out of 67 Florida Counties in overall health. Dr. Chapman is going to discuss in more detail, with some surprising footnotes, in Focus on Okaloosa this month – tune in! I thought I would highlight a few stats for you today about Okaloosa County:

- NACo Discount Prescription Card available in Okaloosa County, offering about a 24 percent discount to any resident.
- 102,199 911 calls received in FY 09; A slight increase from the previous year of 100,507.
- EMS had 21,358 responses in calendar year 2009; 20,429 in 2008

- Emergency Management Division registered 1,654 for Ready Okaloosa, a hurricane preparedness database and 4,082 for Code Red, which calls your home or cell phone if there is bad weather in your neighborhood.
- 2009 shows 531 Dept. of Correction inmates, down from 633 in 08. Corrections hired a Population Manager that works closely with pretrial service releases, saving money, space in jail and new construction. Average length of stay in jail is about 21 days.
 - All inmates receive a health screening upon intake unless they are posting bail immediately.
 - All inmates receive a physical on day 14 and receive treatments as needed for anything from a minor cut/scrape to flu, obstetrics, cancer, etc... Whatever they come in with and whatever may emerge while they're here.
- Public Works Dept. maintains 41 county park areas to include boat ramps, beach areas and an arena in Baker.
 - maintains 73 bridges and box culverts
 - 652 miles of paved road
 - 74 miles of cold mix base stabilized roads
 - 207 miles of dirt road

- Emerald Coast Honor Flight #7 is scheduled to depart on May 5, 2010.

- Moment in History... Echoes from the Mall – Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund Organization. I will be sharing history notes on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall (VVMW) leading up to the arrival of the Traveling VVMW coming in June 17-20:

- From the Teacher’s Guide: Did you know...

The four-figure bronze sculpture, honoring the 265,000 military and civilian women who served during the Vietnam War, stands 6’8” tall and weighs one ton. It portrays three Vietnam-era women, one caring for a wounded soldier. Glenda Goodacre of Santa Fe, NM was chosen to design the Vietnam Women’s Memorial; the memorial was dedicated Nov. 11, 1993, 10 years after the idea was first conceived to pay tribute to the many women who served in Vietnam. The Korean War Memorial in Washington DC came after this one in 1995 and I’ll talk about it next time.

County Administrator’s Update

- Strategic Planning - Feedback pending from local government agencies
- Legislative Meeting in Tallahassee
 - EPA Nutrient Issue, briefed by Commissioner Jannazo
- State Issues – 6 Amendments to Florida Constitution will be on ballot
- Appraisal of property
- Next Agenda, April 20, 2010
 - Long Term Closure, Airport
 - Bob Sikes Expedited Permitting Process, Growth Management

Scheduled Items

Public Hearing Request public comment and consideration of a proposed Ordinance implementing the Employee Voluntary Separation Incentive Program for

2010. District: All. **Following discussion, this item was approved, 5 years.**

Visitor **Larry Sassano, President, Economic Development Council**, to address the Board concerning an Economic Development Ad Valorem Tax Exemption Program. **Motion made to approve this item, with the stipulation that EDC be the initial point of contact for any business. Approved, 5 years.**

Visitor **Angela Balent, Partner and Jody Henderson, Partner, O'Sullivan Creel, L.L.P.**, to present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 2009. **Informational.**

Consent Agenda – Items 1 – 2 and 4 – 29 were approved, 5 years (Item 3 approved earlier, 5 years).

1. March 2, 2010 Regular Meeting minutes.
2. Request approval of a Resolution in support of the U.S. space program and requesting legislative support from the Florida Legislative Delegation.
3. Request approval of a Proclamation declaring April 17, 2010 as “Children’s Day” in Okaloosa County.
4. Request approval of a Proclamation declaring the week of April 11-17, 2010 as “National Public Safety Telecommunications Week” in Okaloosa County.
5. Request approval of a Proclamation declaring the week of May 16-22, 2010 as “Emergency Medical Services Week” in Okaloosa County.
6. Request approval of a Proclamation declaring the week of May 24-31, 2010 as “National Beach Safety Week” in Okaloosa County.
7. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, General Fund, to reflect appropriations from budget transfer in from Fine & Forfeiture Fund for local match of Florida Department of Community Affairs Issue 81 – Public Safety Interoperable Communications grant equipment acquisition in the amount of \$6,167.
8. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, Fine & Forfeiture Fund, reflected too much appropriations from Florida Department of Law Enforcement for mobile joint information centers completion/build-out and expansion of public information campaign grants in the amount of (\$34,781).
9. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, Natural Disaster Fund, to reflect appropriations from both Federal and State for 2009 flood event grant in the amount of \$725,780.
10. BT-10-19 to provide local match for State fiscal year 2009 flood event grant in the amount of \$103,683.
11. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, Debt Service Fund, to reflect appropriations for courthouse revenue bond 2009 in the amount of \$796,798.
12. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, Road/Bridge Construction Fund, to reflect appropriations from United States Department of Agriculture for emergency watershed protection program grant in the amount of \$347,475.
13. BT-10-18 to provide local match for United States Department of Agriculture for emergency watershed protection program grant in the amount of \$115,825.
14. Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2010 Budget, Water & Sewer Enterprise Fund, to reflect appropriations from Northwest Florida Water Management District for plugging and abandoning of

- seven public supply wells and conversion of one public supply well to a monitor well at various locations grant in the amount of \$10,462.
15. BT-10-20 to provide local match for Northwest Florida Water Management District for plugging and abandoning of seven public supply wells and conversion of one public supply well to a monitor well at various locations grant in the amount of \$10,463.
 16. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute an Assignment of Lease from A.B. Galloway to Williams Electric for Block 3, Lot 3 at the Destin/Fort Walton Beach Airport.
 17. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute a Lease Agreement with Wayne Chernicky for a hangar storage room adjacent to t-hangar block 8, lot 10 at the Destin/Fort Walton Beach Airport.
 18. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute a Lease Agreement with Charles Custer for a hangar storage room adjacent to t-hangar block 8, lot 2 at the Destin/Fort Walton Beach Airport.
 19. Request approval of a County liability claim settlement.
 20. Request approval of a Public Event Permit for an Intersection Charitable Collection for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, to be held from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at the intersection of Highway 85 North and Highway 189 (Lewis Turner Blvd.) in Fort Walton Beach on April 10, 2010 with a rain date of April 17, sponsored by ERA American Realty.
 21. Request approval of an after-the-fact Special Public Event Permit for utilization of the county beach area at Beasley Park for a beach wedding which was held on April 4, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., sponsored by Nathan Duty.
 22. Request approval of a Special Public Event Permit to utilize the county beach area at the Boardwalk for a volleyball tournament sponsored by the Leadership Class at Fort Walton Beach High School, to be held on April 17, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m.
 23. Request approval of a change in dates from March 30 – April 1, 2010 to April 6 – 8, 2010 for the previously approved use of a portion of the Island Golf Center property for set up of an Emergency Medical Learning Resource Center (SimLab RV) for training of EMS staff.
 24. Request approval of final payment in the amount of \$65,085.00 to Semper Fi Services, Inc. for work associated with the Brookmeade Drive Sidewalk Addition Project.
 25. Request approval of the renewal of a grant application to receive commodities from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Food Commodities Program through the Florida Department of Agriculture.
 26. Request approval of the submittal of an on-line renewal of a grant application to receive funds from the Department of Education's National School Lunch Program.
 27. Request approval of the 4th Amendment to the Agreement and Declaration of Trust Creating and Establishing the Florida Association of Counties Trust (FACT) for insurance coverage; and request approval of a Resolution documenting written approval of the 4th Amendment.
 28. Request approval to award the bid for lift station equipment for the 7th Special Forces Group complex to Gilbert Pump & Mechanical, Inc., they being the lowest bidder meeting specifications. Bid Amount - \$136,000.
 29. Request approval to award the bid for the purchase of precast or prestressed concrete for the Fairchild Road Bridge to Conecuh Bridge and Engineering, they being the lowest bidder meeting specifications. Bid Amount - \$69,875.

Department Business

Kay Godwin/Human Resources

1. Request confirmation of the screening committee's and the County Administrator's

recommendation to hire Mark Bellinger for the position of Executive Director for the Tourist Development department. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

Dino Villani/Public Safety

1. Request approval of the renewal of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Life Net Air Medical Services to provide air medical transportation service in Okaloosa County. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

Greg Donovan/Airports

1. Request approval of Task Order No. 7 with AVCON, Inc. for design, permitting and bidding services associated with the Qwest Hangar Development at Bob Sikes Airport. District: 1. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
2. Request approval of Task Order No. 2 with Kimley-Horn and Assoc. for design of the west side credit card parking lot expansion; and request approval to solicit bids for construction of same. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

Jeff Littrell/Water & Sewer

1. Request approval of Contract Modification 10 to the contract with CDM Constructors for the design and construction of the Arbennie Pritchett Water Reclamation Facility project. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
2. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute 3 Grant of Easements with Eglin Air Force Base for construction and maintenance of water and sewer infrastructure associated with the Mid-Bay Bridge Connector Phase I. District: 5. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

Don Vanderhoek/Information Systems

1. Request approval of the implementation of a Voice Over Internet Protocol system for Court Administration, State Attorney, Public Defender and Sheriff's offices. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
2. Request ratification of the submission of the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program grant application which was submitted pursuant to grant emergency policies and procedures due to the March 26th deadline for grant submittal. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

Elliot Kampert/Growth Management

1. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute a letter to State Representative Dave Murzin concerning recommendations related to growth management laws for the Florida Council on Military Base and Mission Support. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
2. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute letters to several State Legislators concerning support for Governor Crist's proposed budget allotments for defense-related programs. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
3. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute a letter to the Florida Department of Community Affairs concerning the request of a conflict of interest waiver. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
4. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute a 2010/2011 Grant Acknowledgement Form and authorizing Resolution for Transportation Disadvantaged funds. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

John Hofstad/Public Works

1. Request acceptance and recording of a temporary construction easement to facilitate road repairs to Jordan Road located approximately one mile west of the intersection of Highway 189 North in the

- Escambia Farms area. District: 3. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
2. Request approval of a request submitted by Majestic Oak Vineyard, LLC for acceptance of a portion of Locke Lane roadway improvements into the County's permanent maintenance systems and release of letter of credit. District: 1. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
 3. Request approval of a request submitted by Tom Thumb Food Stores for acceptance of Antioch Road roadway improvements into the County's permanent maintenance systems and release of letter of credit. District: 1. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
 4. Request approval of and authorize the Chairman to execute a Project Agreement with the City of Destin for the use of Boating Improvement Funds for maintenance dredging of channels within Destin waterways. District: 5. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
 5. Request approval of the use of District One cold mix funds to pay for HDR Task Order #38 Phase I study of Okaloosa Lane. District: 1. **Approved, 5 yeas.**
 6. Request review and approval of the Parks Facility Reservation Agreement and Ball Field Reservation Agreement for the use of County parks facilities and ball fields. District: All. **Approved, 5 yeas.**

New Business

1. Request selection of an Okaloosa County representative for the Early Learning Coalition of Okaloosa and Walton Counties as required by Florida Statute. District: All. **Motion was made to post vacancy on County website in an effort to identify appropriate candidates and bring back to board at a later date. Approved, 5 yeas.**
2. Request approval of FY 2009/2010 4th Quarter BCC calendars. District: All. **Motion was made to move the July 6, 2010 meeting to July 13, 2010, change the location of the September 7, 2010 meeting to Fort Walton Beach and September 21, 2010 to Crestview, and seek an alternate location for the September 9, 2010 Budget Public Hearing.**

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