

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD JANUARY 20, 2009.

The Gilchrist County Board of County Commissioners, in and for Gilchrist County Florida, convened in a **Regular Meeting** on Tuesday, January 20, 2009, at 4:00 p.m., in the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room located at 210 South Main Street, Trenton, Florida, with the following members' present to-wit:

Commissioner Sharon Langford, Chair
Commissioner D. Ray Harrison, Vice Chairman
Commissioner Randy Durden
Commissioner Tommy Langford
Commissioner Kenrick Thomas

Others in Attendance

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court; Jacki Johnson, Finance Director; Patty McCagh, Board Secretary; John K. McPherson, County Attorney; Ron McQueen, County Administrator; John Ayers, Gilchrist County Journal; Julee Brideson, Administrative Assistant; Taylor Brown, Planning Director; Justin Watson, Road Department Superintendent; Lee Mills, County Engineer; Nancy Nieman, Otter Springs Manager; Gene Parrish, Parrish Landscaping; Connie Sanchez, Supervisor of Elections; Wilma Mattucci and Anne Caraway, Trenton Library; GCSP, Sheriff Slaughter, Trisha Taylor and Tony Smith; Carl and Felice Swalla; Ed and Marion Poitevint; and Ed McAlpin.

Call to Order

Madam Chairman, Sharon Langford called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m. with Commissioner Tommy Langford delivering the invocation and Commissioner Kenrick Thomas led the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda Changes

- Mr. Gilliam, Clerk of Court, presented the following agenda changes:
 1. Remove: Time Certain at 5:15pm CANCELLED; Ms. Soulis, SHIP Reverse Mortgage Issue
 2. Addition: GCSO Cancellation of Byrne Grant; Child Abuse/Neglect, Sexual Abuse Prevention and Enforcement
- Mr. Ron McQueen, County Administrator, presented the following agenda changes:
 1. Addition EMS; Request for Carrie James and Kevin Benson to attend Fire Fighter II Training
 2. Addition: Community Development; Beck Impact Fee issue and Invitation to attend NCFRPC meeting at Otter Springs
 3. Addition: Hart Springs; Documentation of Bid and Quote Requests
 4. Addition: Lee Mills; Supplemental Agreements on CR 232 & CR 344 Bike Trails
 5. Addition: Gilchrist County Recreational Association & Bell High School requests for Road Department to haul clay

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, to approve the Agenda with noted changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda

- **Approval of Minutes**
Regular MeetingJanuary 05, 2009
- **Budget Entry**
BE09-002, Fund 140, Transportation \$16,100.00 and
Resolution 2009-01; to provide budget for the proceeds of the surplus property sale of a timber jack and fire truck

- **Request for Purchase Order Approval**

HD Supply, Inc.	\$5,451.21
Owner Direct, LKC Electric, Inc. for Trenton EMS Station	
Nextran	\$3,281.85
Road Department; transmission repair on truck #12	
University of Florida	\$3,800.00
Plan, Conduct and Provide Summary of 4 Visioning Committee Meetings	

- **Request for Invoice Payment Approval**

M&M Contracting of Central Florida, Inc.	\$10,400.00
Old EMS Building, Re-Roof	
Dixie County Inmate Housing Invoice	\$4,345.55
For the month of December 2008	
Art Walker Construction, Inc.	\$370,854.16
Pay Request No. 6 (for period 12/1/2008 through 12/31/2008) GCR 232	
VE Whitehurst & Sons, Inc.	\$44,545.75
Pay Estimate No. 1 (for the period 12/1/2008 through 12/21/2008) GCR C-307	
Mills Engineering Company (12/1/2008 - 12/31/2008)	
Invoice 2006051, Resurfacing GCR 232 from SR26 to SR47	\$13,397.50
Invoice 2007039, Hart Springs - Camp Ground Improvements	\$2,327.50
Invoice 2007105, Widen & Resurface GCR 307 & 307A	\$2,122.62

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

County Administrator’s Report

Mr. McQueen, County Administrator, presented documents, and/or addressed the following issues, for the consideration of the Board.

Library Hours of Operation: Mr. McQueen presented the request to change the hours of operation at the Trenton Library. Ms. Wilma Mattucci, Librarian, addressed the Board and reviewed a projected time schedule. The following schedules reflect the change to close the Gilchrist Library on Saturday and open all day on Wednesday:

<u>Current Time Schedule</u>		<u>Projected Time Schedule</u>	
Monday	10am – 7pm	Monday	9am – 7pm
Tuesday	9am – 6pm	Tuesday	9am – 6pm
Wednesday	9am – 1pm	Wednesday	9am – 6pm
Thursday	9am – 6pm	Thursday	9am – 6pm
Friday	9am – 6pm	Friday	9am – 6pm
Saturday	9am – 1pm		

Ms. Mattucci stated that a three week survey of library patrons resulted in 40 patrons wanting the schedule to stay as it is and 116 wanted to close on Saturday and remain open all day Wednesday.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve the projected time schedule, for the Hours of Operation at the Gilchrist Library, as noted. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Change: Mr. McQueen addressed the issue of two (2) Supplemental Agreements for the addition of bicycle lanes on CR 232 and CR 344. County Engineer, Lee Mills presented the Board with an update on additional work to be performed on these two (2) projects.

Supplemental Agreements on CR 232 and CR 344: Mr. Mills addressed the Board and explained the additional work of bicycle lanes to be added along CR 344, off of CR 232, to the entrance of Hart Springs and along CR 232 from CR 344 to SR 26.

He recommended the Board approve the two Supplemental Agreements contingent to verification of funds (that the additional work is within the current budget), the County Attorney’s review, and authorize the County Administrator to be allowed to sign.

Mr. Mills also stated that these projects are going to require a Time Extension, 60 days on CR 232 and 45 days on CR 344 and recommended that the County Administrator be authorized to sign; Mr. McQueen to initiate the execution of the request for Time Extensions.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford to approve the two (2) Supplemental Agreements for bicycle lanes on CR 344 to the entrance at Hart Springs and on CR 232 from CR 344 to SR 26 contingent to verification of funding and review by County Engineer, County Administrator, County Attorney and Chairman. Motion carried unanimously.

4:15 pm Time Certain: Commissioner Tommy Langford presented flags, poles, bases, toppers and carrying bag that were donated to the Republican Executive Committee of Gilchrist County from the offices of Senator Mel Martinez and Congressman Cliff Stearns; the Board requested that thank you letters be sent out.

County Administrator's Report Continues...

Otter Springs Update

- **New Manager:** Mr. McQueen introduced the new park manager for Otter Springs, Nancy Nieman.
- **Request for waiver of Lodge fee:** Mr. McQueen presented the request made by the AARP, for the use of the lodge at Otter Springs, on April 21, 2009, at 10:30 a. m., for their annual picnic. They are requesting that the fee for the use of the lodge as well the entrance fee be waived.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to approve AARP's request for the fee to be waived for the use of the lodge at Otter Springs as well as the entrance fee on April 21, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Request for Credit Card:** Mr. McQueen requested that Ms. Nieman be issued a credit card to purchase supplies and such for Otter Springs Park & Campground. Ms. Nieman will be responsible for the use and purchases made on the card, as outlined in Section 2.2 of the Gilchrist County Manual of Rules and Procedures, USE OF COUNTY CREDIT CARD.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve a credit card for Ms. Nancy Nieman, under same guidelines as previously approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Hart Springs

- **Review of Quotes for FRDAP Grant:** Mr. McQueen reviewed the projects that would be funded by FRDAP Grants at Hart Springs.
- **Concession & (2) Bathrooms:** Mr. McQueen presented the obtained bids/quotes on the projects to be constructed consisting of a concession building, 2 bathrooms, lighting on the softball field and parking & drainage. He stated that these projects are very time sensitive and the funds have to be expended and completed by April 1st and the request for repayment has to be received by April 30th, 2009. He suggested that we proceed with these projects as soon as possible. The building portions of these projects are to be overseen by Julie Harrison, Ron McQueen and Gerald Lanier. Mr. Frank Ritter will be performing the building inspections. Mr. McQueen recommended the following low bids or quotes as follows:

Concrete Slab & Block: Capps Concrete, in the amount of \$11,138.00 and that the bid requirements be waived.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, to approve the award of LOW bid to Capps' Concrete, in the amount of \$11,138.00 and waive the bid requirements due to the grant funds being time sensitive. Motion carried unanimously.

Concrete & Block – Materials Only: Bell Concrete, in the amount of \$19,383.80.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve the award of LOW bid to Bell Concrete, in the amount of \$19,383.80 and waive the bid requirements due to the grant funds being time sensitive. Motion carried unanimously.

Framing, Drywall, Roof – Labor: Quote from Wright & Van Custom Homes, in the amount of \$6,095.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve the quote from Wright & Van Custom homes, in the amount of \$6,095.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Truss – Materials Only: Quote from Mayo Truss, in the amount of \$2,621.50.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford, to approve the quote from Mayo Truss, in the amount of \$2,621.50. Motion carried unanimously.

Metal Roofing –Materials Only: Quote from Tri-County Metal, in the amount of \$3,214.52.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve the quote from Tri-County Metals, in the amount of \$3,214.52. Motion carried unanimously.

Plumbing: Quote from Hodge Plumbing, in the amount of \$8,200.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to approve the quote from Hodge Plumbing, in the amount of \$8,200.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Electrical: Quote from Tri County Electric, in the amount of \$6,400.00, this is not the low quote received, but the best value for the money.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden, to approve quote from Tri County Electric, in the amount of \$6,400.00, as best value for the money. Motion carried unanimously.

Softball Field Lighting – Electrical Only: Quote from Tri-County Electric, in the amount of \$1,700.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve quote from Tri-County Electric, in the amount of \$1,700.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Softball Field Lighting – Poles Only: Quote from Summerfield Electric, in the Amount of \$3,000.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve quote from Summerfield Electric, in the amount of \$3,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McQueen requested that the Board appoint someone to authorize/approve any additional purchase order requests, for the Hart Springs grant projects, due to the issue of the projects being time sensitive, to oversee the purchases requests without having to come back to the Board for approval.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford, to allow the County Administrator, the Chair and/or Vice Chair, to approve the balance of purchase order requests for the time sensitive projects at Hart Springs. Motion carried unanimously.

- **Parking & Drainage:** Mr. McQueen presented and reviewed the bid results for the parking and drainage project at Hart Springs. He recommended Clint's Asphalt & Driveways be awarded LOW bid, in the amount of \$50,600.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, to approve the award of LOW bid to Clint's Asphalt & Driveways, in the amount of \$50,600.00, for the parking and driveway project at Hart Springs. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. McQueen stated that there was also a bid put out for additional concrete work and Clint's Asphalt & Driveways was LOW bid, in the amount of \$2,700.00, for gutter walls. He recommended LOW bid be awarded to Clint's Asphalt & Driveways.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden, to approve the award of LOW bid to Clint's Asphalt & Driveways, in the amount of \$2,700.00, for additional concrete work. Motion carried unanimously.

4:30 Time Certain

Road Department Report

- Monthly Limerock Report: Mr. Justin Watson, Road Department Superintendent, presented the December 2008, Monthly Townsend Pit Limerock Report as follows:

			<u>Loads paid for out of Stock Pile</u>
District 1	09	Loads	29
District 2	04	Loads	00
District 3	03	Loads	03
District 4	84	Loads	00
District 5	31	Loads	02
Shop Stock Pile	69	Loads	00
Solid Waste (47)	<u>32</u>	<u>Loads</u>	<u>00</u>
Monthly Total	131	Loads	34 Loads

- Requests to haul clay: Mr. McQueen addressed the issue of the Road Department hauling clay as requested by the Suwannee Valley League and Bell High School. He stated that Mr. Justin Watson had agreed that the Road Department would be able to satisfy the requests and will schedule the hauling of clay accordingly with the daily duties/responsibilities of the road department. Suwannee Valley League requested eight (8) loads and Bell High School requested three (3) loads, of clay, to be hauled by the Road Department.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to allow the Road Department to haul clay for Suwannee Valley League and Bell High School, to be scheduled by the Road Department. Motion carried unanimously.

- Rainy Day Policy: Mr. McQueen addressed the issue of the need to clarify the interpretation of the language in the Rainy Day Policy. Due to a recent situation, Mr. McQueen is suggesting that the current policy be done away with as it now stands, and the County Attorney draft new language *allowing one hour be paid to the employees the morning that they are sent home and that during a Monday through Friday work week (recall to work) that they be required to come in if its required, unless they have a valid sick day excuse.*

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford, to authorize the County Attorney to draft new language in the Rainy Day Policy, such as noted, for the Road Department and be brought back to the Board for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

- Tentative Five Year Work Program: Mr. McQueen informed the Board of the notification from the FDOT on the addition to the Tentative 5-Year Work Program (FY2009/2010 – 2013/2014). He stated that CR 337 from CR 232 to SE 298th Street had been added since the Work Program Public Hearings were held. No Board action required.

4:45 Time Certain

Noise Ordinance: The Board had requested that Sheriff Slaughter be present at today's meeting to discuss the issue of *noise complaints* within the County.

The County does not have a noise ordinance in effect. The GCSO responds to the calls received on noise complaints but are not able to enforce any type of action under the current laws that we have.

Discussion continued on what the Board could do to help the GCSO alleviate some of these problems and work together to resolve the noise disturbances that are reported.

Madam Chairman called for any public comments...Ms. Marion Poitevint addressed the Board with the concern if the noise ordinance will include the disturbance of excessive barking dogs. The Board agreed that this issue will be included for consideration.

Madam Chairman called for anymore public comments...none noted.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, Seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to direct the County Attorney to draft a noise ordinance and bring back for the Boards consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

County Administrator's Report Continues...

Community Development

- **NCFRPC Meeting at Otter Springs:** Mr. Taylor Brown, Gilchrist County Planning Director, addressed the Board extending an invitation to the second meeting of the North Central Florida Rural Planning Network. He stated that the meeting will provide an opportunity to meet other planners within the region, learn about rural planning resources, and to decide how this group can continue to work best for you. The meeting will be hosted by Gilchrist County, Mr. Brown, on January 23, 2009, 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Otter Springs Park and Campground, Trenton, Florida. NCFRPC will provide lunch; pre-registration for attendance and lunch is January 19th; information purposes only; no Board action necessary.

EMS

- **Request for Paramedics to attend Fire Fighter II Training:** Mr. McQueen presented a request from Chief Linda Walker to allow paramedics Carrie James and Kevin Benson to attend the Fire Fighter II Training. Mr. McQueen provided a copy of the Employee Education Agreement for Fire Fighter II from each employee for the Boards information.

Motion made by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden, to allow Carrie James and Kevin Benson to attend Fire Fighter II Training, with acknowledgement of signed agreements; and the costs to be funded out of the Fire budget. Motion carried unanimously.

Solid Waste

- **Recycling Conference:** Mr. McQueen requested the Boards authorization allowing him to participate as a guest speaker and attend the Recycling Conference scheduled to be held in Key West. Additional information on conference to be provided at a later date.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford, to allow County Administrator to attend the Recycling Conference in Key West. Motion carried unanimously.

FYI

- **FAC Legislative Day:** Mr. McQueen presented information on the upcoming FAC Legislative Day to be held on March 25, 2009. No Board action necessary.
- **Golf Tournament:** Mr. McQueen presented information on the upcoming event, 4-Pets Sake Golf Tournament, to be held on March 7th at Chiefland Golf & Country Club. Commissioners were invited to participate. No Board action necessary.

Community Development

- Impact Fee; Replacement Mobile Home: Mr. McQueen readdressed the issue of the request to waive the Impact Fee on the replacement mobile home of Bubba Beck. Discussion took place...

The Board of County Commissioners *DID NOT* require an Impact Fee be paid due to the fact that the Special Assessments were continuously paid after mobile home burned as if mobile home was still there.

Attorney's Report

Mr. John McPherson, County Attorney, presented the following documents, and/or addressed the following issues, for the consideration of the Board.

Ordinance 2009-02; Amendment to Land Development Code: Mr. McPherson stated that Ordinance 2009-02, Amendment to the Land Development Code will be noticed for an adoption hearing on February 16, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

RFQ for Engineering Services: Mr. McPherson stated that the RFQ for Engineering Services will be published next week. He and Mr. McQueen recommended that the Board appoint a Review Committee, made up of County Administrator, County Attorney and Clerk, to review RFQ's for Engineering services and bring recommendation to the Board.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to appoint the County Administrator, County Attorney, and Clerk to the Review Committee for RFQ's for Engineering Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Blue Springs v. Gilchrist County: Mr. McPherson stated that he had agreed to a 20-day extension for Blue Springs to file its Reply Brief, due to the holiday schedule. A motion to intervene had been filed by the Santa Fe River Group; they are intervening on behalf of the County.

Saunders v. Gilchrist County: Mr. McPherson stated that there is no activity at this time and is waiting for action by court on question whether appeal filed late.

Gilchrist County v. Richard: Mr. McPherson stated that Judge Glant had sentenced Ms. Lisa Richards to six months in jail, but after much deliberation, Judge Glant suspended the sentencing for 45-days. This allows Ms. Richards to show progress. If no progress is made or if she doesn't show up for the hearing scheduled for March 10th, she will go to jail.

FAC, etc. v. Conflict Counsels and Department of Revenue: Mr. McPherson stated that the State had filed Notice of Appeal of decision in favor of counties.

Clerk's Report

Mr. Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court, presented documents, and/or addressed the following issues, for consideration of the Board.

Resolution 2009-04: Mr. Gilliam presented a resolution to accept a loan of \$114,000.00 to purchase a tractor and boom mower for the Road Department. Madam Chairman read the short title as follows:

RESOLUTION 2009-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GILCHRIST COUNTY, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING A LOAN FROM AMERIS BANK AND AUTHORIZING THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO EXECUTE A PROMISSORY NOTE FOR \$114,000.00 TO AMERIS BANK IN ORDER TO PURCHASE A TRACTOR AND BOOM MOWER.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Harrison, to approve Resolution 2009-04 and Promissory Note and to allow the Chairman to sign the Resolution and the Clerk to sign the Promissory Note. Motion carried unanimously.

Certification of Acceptance; Byrne Grant: Mr. Gilliam presented for the Boards approval and Chairman's signature, the Certification of Acceptance/Request for Payment, for the award of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant, in the amount of \$1,000.00, for the project entitled BUTTON CAMERA.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, to approve the Certification of Acceptance/Request for Payment, for the award of the Byrne Grant, in the amount of \$1,000.00, for the BUTTON CAMERA project and to allow the Chairman to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2009-03: Mr. Gilliam presented a resolution accepting the Florida Department of Health 2008-2009 EMS Grant, in the amount of \$6,218.00, to purchase medical equipment. Madam Chairman read the short title as follows:

RESOLUTION 2009-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACCEPTING THE 2008-2009 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNTY GRANT AWARDED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE COUNTY'S PREHOSPITAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SYSTEM.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden, to approve Resolution 2009-03. Motion carried unanimously.

Travel Summary Report: Mr. Gilliam requested the Board of County Commissioners to provide the Finance Department a *detailed* Travel Summary Report, for one month during FY 08/09 (current budget year) for auditing purposes.

Property Tax Oversight Program & Resolution 2009-05: Mr. Gilliam presented the request from the DOR Property Tax Oversight Program notifying the Tax Collector, Marilyn Bruce, of the option of being a budget officer or a fee officer. As a re-elected official, she has elected to continue to be a budget officer. In doing so, it is required that a resolution be entered into with the Board of County Commissioners affirming that she will submit to the BoCC projected revenues and expenses as required by Section 195.087 F.S. annually for their approval beginning with the 2008/2009 fiscal year. A resolution has been drafted and presented for the Boards approval. Madam Chairman read the short title as follows:

RESOLUTION 2009-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE GILCHRIST COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE GILCHRIST COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

Motion made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden, to approve Resolution 2009-05 and to allow the Chairman to sign. Motion carried unanimously.

GCSO Cancellation of Byrne Grant: Mr. Gilliam addressed the request of the GCSO to cancel the Byrne Grant (award #2009-JAGC-GILC-1-T7-055) for Child Abuse/Neglect, Sexual Abuse Prevention and Enforcement, in the amount of \$20,000.00. Mr. Gilliam stated that he had spoken with Sheriff Slaughter who explained that this is a *position* grant and feels that it would be beneficial to cancel this grant, absorb the difference in his budget for the salary and utilize the position of investigator in additional areas. The Board is noted for being the recipient of the grant; therefore Sheriff Slaughter requested approval to cancel.

Motion made by Commissioner Randy Durden, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas, to approve the request of the GCSO, Sheriff Slaughter, to cancel the Byrne Grant, award #2009-JAGC-GILC-1-T7-055, in the amount of \$20,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Gilchrist County Legislation Delegation Hearing: Mr. Gilliam reminded the Board members of the scheduled Legislation Delegation Hearing on Wednesday, January 28, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. being held in the BoCC Boardroom. He stated that this is an opportunity to present issues that need to be addressed.

Crime Forum: Mr. Gilliam addressed the issue of a project that he has been working on, Forum for Crime, which has been scheduled for Thursday, February 5, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the Trenton High School Auditorium. He stated that the purpose of this forum is to address the concerns of crime, in Gilchrist County. These crimes range from murder to theft, most, if not all, can be linked to illegal drugs. Elected and appointed officials from the state, county, schools and municipalities have been invited to participate in this countywide forum to address these concerns and develop a plan of action.

Commissioners Reports

- Commissioner Sharon Langford addressed the issue of changing the time of the first meeting of the month from 1:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison, seconded by Commissioner Kenrick Thomas to approve the request to change the time of the first meeting of the month from 1:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business: None noted.

New Business: None noted.

Public Participation:

- Mr. Edwin A. McAlpin, Gilchrist County Concerned Citizen, who resides at 1550 SE 21st Terrace, requested that the Board consider his request to grade “Nettles Grade”, a one-time job, to be performed by the County Road Department. He stated that the residents are willing to pay the County for the cost to properly grade this road and the maintenance will be taken care of by the residences, in the future.

The Board directed Justin Watson, Road Department Supervisor, to work with the citizens who reside on “Nettles Grade” to determine a cost for one-time grading.

Motion made by Commissioner Harrison, seconded by Commissioner Tommy Langford, to allow Justin Watson to work with the citizens who reside along “Nettles Grade” to determine a cost for a one-time grading. Motion carried unanimously.

- Mr. Gene Parrish, Parrish Land Surveying, addressed the issue of Agricultural Zoning and Agricultural Classification. At this time, Mr. Parrish requested that the Board provide clarification on the language as noted in the LDC that determines how a *Family Lot Split* is classified. Discussion took place...

The Board directed Mr. McPherson, County Attorney, to review the current language in the Land Development Regulations and bring back a draft clarifying the language on the classification on Family Lot Splits, for the Boards review. No further action was taken at this time.

Adjourn: With there being no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Langford, seconded by Commissioner Randy Durden to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Madam Chairman adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Board of County Commissioners
Gilchrist County, Florida

Attest:

Sharon A. Langford, Chair

Joseph W. Gilliam, Clerk of Court

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