

Action Notes of the Board of County Commissioners Okeechobee County, Florida

Tuesday, January 24, 2017

Regular Session

Roll Call

- I. Commencement
- II. Public Comments

Approved: Motion to close Public Comments.

III. Revisions

There were no revisions to the Agenda.

- IV. Agenda
 - 1. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approved: Minutes from January 12, 2017 Regular Session.
 - b. Approved: Warrants List 2017-02.

2. Proclamations/Public Hearings

a. **Conducted:** a Public Hearing regarding a Budget Amendment to carry forward prior year encumbrances for fiscal year 2016-17.

Approved: Motion to close the Public Hearing.

Approved: Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-04, amending the 2016-2017 fiscal budget to appropriate prior year encumbrances; and adjust projected balances for same; providing an effective date and approve Budget Amendment BA17-04 in the amount of \$3,159,454.

3. General Business

a. **Received:** a report from John Gurney on the accomplishments of the Chamber of Commerce on Economic Develop activities for the 2016 calendar year.

b. **Conducted:** discussion on a request from Ms. Susan George to consider whether or not to contribute financially, in an amount to be determined by the Board, to the placement of two Historical Markers for the Okeechobee Battlefield State Park.

Motion by Commissioner Culpepper and Seconded by Commissioner Hazellief for further discussion to contribute \$9,970 for the placement of two Historical Markers for the Okeechobee Battlefield State Park. There was no vote taken.

Approved: Amend Motion to contribute \$2000 for the placement of two Historical Markers for the Okeechobee Battlefield State Park, once the Daughters of the American Revolution show us their fundraising efforts and when they reach all but \$2,000 then distribute the funds to them once a budget transfer is approved by the Board.

- c. **Received:** a presentation and update from AVCON, Inc. for Okeechobee County Airport projects and planning.
- d. **Received:** an update regarding OMF17, the Okeechobee Music and Arts Festival scheduled for March 2-5, 2017.
- e. **Received:** discussion on revised conceptual design for the proposed Public Works Department Office Building for construction.
- f. **Approved:** awarding the bid for the maintenance of the Florida Department of Transportation traffic signals to Carr Construction in the annual amount of \$66,696 pursuant to the County's Contract with the Florida Department of Transportation and authorize the Chairman to execute a contract as prepared by the County Attorney, and approve Resolution 2017-05 amending the 2016-2017 fiscal budget to appropriate unanticipated revenues in the Transportation Trust Fund Road Department operating area providing an effective date and approve BA 17-05 in the amount of \$33,690.
- g. Consensus of the Board: for staff to schedule Board interviews of the following four (4) Professional Engineering firms which ranked the highest in response to Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for County Engineer function: Craig A. Smith & Associates, Culpepper & Turpening, CivilSurv Design Group, Johnson Engineering.
- h. **Consensus of the Board:** to agree on the priorities for applications two through eleven for the annual SCOP/SCRAP FDOT program submission.
- Approved: and authorize the Chairman to sign a Letter of Agreement which authorizes the Treasure Coast Crime Stoppers to act as Okeechobee County's agent for the purpose of applying for and receiving monies from the Crime Stoppers Trust Fund.
- j. **Conducted:** an educational workshop on Tuesday January 24, 2017 at 2:40 PM, to review the current and future vision, development, and direction of Fire Rescue.

- 4. Administration Report
- 5. Commissioner Reports
- 6. Additional Documents, If Any, Presented At Meeting
- V. Adjournment