



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

Thursday, April 12, 2018

Regular Session

Roll Call

I. Commencement

Employee Recognition

1. **Presented:** Service awards to qualifying employees for the quarter ending March 31, 2018.

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 the February 22, 2018 Regular Session, with modification to item 3b, Agri-Civic Center Advisory Committee appointment.
- b. **Approved:** Minutes from the March 22, 2018 Regular Session.
- c. **Approved:** Warrants List 2018-7.

2. Proclamations/Public Hearings/Presentations

- a. **Presented:** a Proclamation for National Library Week in Okeechobee County for April 8-14, 2018.
Approved: Motion to issue the Proclamation.
- b. **Presented:** a Proclamation designating the month of April, 2018 as National Child Abuse Prevention Month in Okeechobee County, FL.
Approved: Motion to issue the Proclamation.
- c. **Presented:** a Proclamation designating the month of April 2018 as Guardian Ad Litem month in Okeechobee County, Florida.

Approved: Motion to issue the Proclamation.

3. General Business

- a. **Conducted:** an Executive Session pursuant to Section 447.605(1), Florida Statutes, regarding collective bargaining with the Local International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Union #2918 following the Regular Session.
- b. **Approved:** the Sheriff's request for a budget amendment up to the amount of \$382,400.40 for five (5) additional School Resource Officers for six (6) months of FY17/18 due to legislation passed for the "Marjory Stoneman Douglas HS Public Safety Act" and approve a budget transfer from General Reserves to the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Budget.
- c. **Received:** a quarterly report regarding the 2018 Legislative Session.
- d. **Approved:** the recommendation by the Centennial Committee for donation of remaining Centennial funds as well as the original \$10,000 start up funds to the Historical Society Log Cabin restoration project and approve a budget transfer from General Fund reserves to fund same and; direct the County Attorney to prepare a grant agreement with the Historical Society for a lump sum distribution for the Log Cabin restoration project and authorize the Chairman to execute same.
- e. **Approved:** donation of the remaining Centennial promotional items to the Historical Society at a cost value of \$1,823.61.
- f. **Approved:** appointment to the Construction Industry Licensing Board ("A" Board) WES ABNEY, Building Contractor to term that expire March 1, 2021.
- g. **No Action Taken:** and keep the eleven (11) members on the Agri-Civic Center Advisory Committee.
- h. **Approved:** the Grant of Easement (10' wide Utility Easement) between Okeechobee County and Florida Power and Light for a power line to the new Agri-Civic Center sign.
- i. **Received:** a report from staff regarding the emergency repairs to exhaust fans on the horse barn roof.
- j. **Adopted:** Resolution 2018-11 supporting the creation of a 4 County TD Service Area under Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO).
- k. **Approved:** to award Bid No. 2018-09 for the Re-roof of Fire Station No. 1 to Therma Seal Roof Systems, LLC in the base bid amount of \$118,730 plus Alternate No. 1 to add the Kynar 500 Paint Finish for an additional \$4,900, for a total bid amount of \$123,630 pending Contract review by the County Attorney; and approve Budget Transfer 18-67 from Landfill Trust Reserves to Hurricane Irma expense account.

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- l. **Approved:** an FPL Staging area on Lot 16 & 17 in the Okeechobee County Industrial Park on a zero cost basis and authorize the Chairman to execute a hold harmless Agreement as prepared by the County Attorney; term to be a maximum of five (5) months.
- m. **Approved:** to have the county attorney review the information from Kathy Scott on special provisions of Airport Land Lease parcel 7N between MAP Universal, LLC, as Tenant and Martin Mobarak as Trustee of Sibrani Revocable Trust, as Guarantor and bring back to the Board.
- n. **Approved:** to proceed with Option 2 for Florida Aviation, LLC; contingent upon securing a business license and getting salvage parts cleaned up in a timely manner.
- o. **Approved:** the purchase of one Ford F-150 4x4 1/2 ton Crew Cab for Fire Rescue from Gilbert Ford in the amount of \$30,379.00 and authorize the issuance of the Purchase Order.
- p. **Received:** a presentation from the Public Safety Director/Fire Chief regarding the current trends in emergency response that Fire Rescue is experiencing.

Approved: Motion to hire six (6) people for Fire Station 4 using reserves.
- q. **Received:** staff report on budget process.

Consensus of the Board: to schedule budget workshops for July 18, beginning at 1:00 pm, July 19, 20, 23, 24 and 25, beginning at 9:00 am, and schedule the first public hearing to adopt the tentative millage rate and budget on September 11, 2018 at 5:01pm.
- r. **Consensus of the Board:** to move to the next level in economic development with the hiring of an in-house (County employee) professional individual who possesses a proven record of success in economic development.

4. Administration Report

5. Commissioner Reports

6. Additional Documents, If Any, Presented At Meeting

V. Adjournment

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