



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

Thursday, May 28, 2020

Regular Session

CALL TO ORDER

I. Commencement

Employee Recognition

II. Public Comments

Approved: Motion to close Public Comments

III. Revisions

County Administrator Robbie Chartier addressed the Board and stated Item 8b was removed from agenda; Construction Management At Risk Consulting Services Agreement- Jail Renovation & Expansion

Approved: Motion to accept Agenda as modified

IV. Agenda

1. *Consent Agenda*

- a. **Approved:** Minutes from the April 23, 2020 County Briefing updates COVID-19.
- b. **Approved:** Minutes from the April 27, 2020 County Briefing updates COVID-19.
- c. **Approved:** Minutes from the May 14, 2020 Regular Meeting.
- d. **Approved:** Warrants list 2020-10 in the amount of \$1,136,514.55.
- e. **Approved:** the proposed amendment with East Coast Migrant Head Start Program to extend the grace period from 15 days to 25 days and waive two recent penalties incurred by the program in the amount of \$267.20.
- f. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment 002 to Home Care for the Elderly (HCE) Grant Agreement IH019-9400 which adds two more approved services to the contractor's rate table of the original agreement.
- g. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment 002 to Alzheimer's Disease Initiative (ADI) Grant Agreement IZ019-9400 which adds two more approved services to the contractor's rate table of the original agreement.

- h. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment 002 to Community Care for the Elderly (CCE) Grant Agreement IC019-9400 which adds two more approved services to the contractor's rate table of the original agreement.
- i. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment 001 to the 2020 Older Americans Act (OAA) Standard Agreement IA020-9400 which contains a \$111,992.00 increase in funding and changes to sections relating thereto for the contract year January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, and adopt Resolution 2020-23 amending the 2019-2020 fiscal budget to appropriate unanticipated OAA grant funds for the Senior Services operating area providing an effective date and approve BA 20-05 in the amount of \$111,992.00.

2. *Proclamations/Public Hearings/Citizen Requests/Executive Session*

- a. **Conducted:** a public hearing and accept input from interested parties.

Approved: Motion to close the Public Hearing

Approved: Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-24 to vacate a portion of the plat of West Okeechobee subdivision returning to acreage all land within that portion of the plat so vacated.

- b. **Approved:** the Okeechobee Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Lodge 69 request for fee waiver of rental fees associated with use of the Agri-Civic Center area on Saturday, July 4, 2020 to host a Free Community Independence Day Celebration.
- c. **Received:** a presentation from Mr. Colin Kelly representing Brightmark Reimagine Waste - Digester Project venture for the purpose of constructing four (4) new anaerobic digesters at sites owned by Larson Dairy and JMLarson in Okeechobee County; and approve request for Ad Valorem Tax Abatement for seven (5) years for this project.

Approved: Request for Ad Valorem Tax Abatement from 7 years to 5 years for this project and negotiate the taxable value for the 5 years with staff and bring back to the Board.

- d. **Conducted:** an Executive Session pursuant to Section 447.605(1), Florida Statutes, regarding collective bargaining with the Local International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) #2918 at 11:30 AM.

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3. *Airport/ Industrial Park*

- a. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute the Industrial Building Unit Lease for Unit B at the Airport Industrial Park with PH3 Advanced Ionic Solutions, as tenant, and Nikolin Bujaj, as guarantor, in the amount of \$ 17,327.49 (Monthly 1,433.96 + applicable taxes) for a term of one (1) year, with four (4) one year options to renew, to begin June 1, 2020; as prepared by the County Attorney.

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- b. **Approved:** to execute the FAA Grant Agreement in the amount \$69,000; and Adopt Resolution 2020-25 authorizing the Chairman to execute the Grant Agreement between Okeechobee County and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Cares Grant Number 3-12-0056-021-2020 in the amount of \$69,000 for operational expenses at Okeechobee County Airport.

Adopted: to adopt Resolution 2020-26, amending the Fiscal Year 2019/20 budget to appropriate unanticipated grant revenues in the Transportation Trust Fund for the operating expenses at the Okeechobee County Airport, and providing an effective date.

Approved: to approve Budget Amendment BA20-08 in the amount of \$69,000. Grant expiration date: April 24, 2024.

4. **Budget & SHIP**

- a. **Received:** an overview of current combined Financial Update for fiscal year 2019/20 through April, 2020.
- b. **Conducted:** discussion on scheduling budget workshops July 16, 17, 20, 21, 22 starting at 9:00 a.m. for review of the FY2020/21 Budget and schedule the first public hearing to adopt the tentative millage rate and budget on September 14, 2020 at 5:01pm.

Approved: Motion to schedule budget workshops on July 16, 17, 20, 21, 22 at 9:00 am.

5. **County Attorney**

- a. There are no scheduled items

6. **Community Development**

- a. There are no scheduled items

7. **Community Services**

- a. **Approved:** and authorize the submission of the 2021 Cultural Facilities Grant Application to fund future capital improvements at the Douglas Brown Community Center.
- b. **Approved:** the Facility Sponsorship Guidelines for the Agri-Civic Center as recommended by the Agri-Civic Center Advisory Committee and staff.

8. **Capital Projects/Facilities Maintenance**

- a. **Received:** a Progress Report on the Jail Expansion and Renovation Project from the Architect of Record, Joe Mrak with Securitecture, LLC.

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- b. **Pulled from Agenda:** the Agreement with Ajax Building Company, LLC for Construction Management at Risk Consulting Services for the proposed Jail Renovation & Expansion.

9. Human Resources

- a. There are no scheduled items

10. Public Safety

- a. **Received:** a County Briefing to receive an update on COVID-19 from the Public Safety Director and County Administrator and its evolving situation as the County is actively planning for various scenarios and how it may impact the public, employees, and its operations.

Approved: to authorize the Chairman to execute Resolution 2020-27, extending the Local State of Emergency in response to COVID-19 pandemic. This Resolution of a Local State of Emergency will commence at 8:00 AM EDT on Friday, May 29, 2020 for a period of 7 days unless rescinded earlier by the Board.

- b. **Received:** a briefing from the Emergency Management Director on the current strategies for risk hurricane shelter activations during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- c. **Adopted:** Resolution 2020-28 amending the FY 2019-2020 Budget to appropriate unanticipated funding received from the CoronaVirus Aid, and Economic Security (CARES) Act in the amount of \$31,881.62 and approve Budget Amendment 20-09.
- d. **Adopted:** Resolution 2020-29 amending the FY 2019-2020 Budget to appropriate unanticipated funding received from the Florida E911 Board Spring 2020 Rural County Reimbursement Grant in the amount of \$ 127,520.53, for various E911 maintenance services, approve Budget Amendment 20-06, and authorize the Chairman to sign the grant documents.
- e. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute the Independent Contractor's Agreement (ICA) for Ongoing E911 Coordinator Support between TGundlach Resource Agency, LLC and Okeechobee County, with an effective date of July 1, 2020, for a period of two years, at a rate of \$2,500 per month, as prepared by the County Attorney.
- f. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute Letters of Agreement to Medicaid Managed Care providers 1. WellCare d/b/a Staywell, 2. Florida Community Care, 3. Humana, 4. Miami Children's Health, and 5. Simple Healthcare in order for Okeechobee County to receive funds from the Public Emergency Medical Transportation (PEMT) for the Medicaid Managed Care Option (MCO) program.

11. Public Works

- a. There are no scheduled items

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12. Solid Waste

- a. There are no scheduled items

13. Tourist Development

- a. There are no scheduled items

14. Administration

- a. **Approved:** and authorize the Chairman to execute Renewal 1 of 2 of the Independent Contractor's Agreement with Advanced Data Solutions to provide professional services in archiving records for all county departments into digital formatting, for a term of one (1) year, under the same terms and conditions as outlined in the original agreement and fee schedule, and authorize spending up to \$121,758.
- b. **Received:** federal grant update prepared by Merchant McIntyre Associates and accepted recommendation for non-renewal of Service Agreement with Merchant McIntyre Associates, LLC.

15. Administration Report**16. Commissioner Comments****17. Additional Documents, If Any, Presented At Meeting****V. Adjournment**

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