

SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 – REGULAR MEETING

The Board of County Commissioners, Walton County, Florida held a Regular Meeting on September 11, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at the Walton County Courthouse Annex in Santa Rosa Beach, Florida.

The following board members were present: Commissioner W. N. (Bill) Chapman, Chairman; Commissioner Tony Anderson, Vice-Chairman; Commissioner Sara Comander, Commissioner Cecilia Jones, and Commissioner Melanie Nipper. Mr. Stan Sunday, Deputy County Administrator; and Attorney Sidney Noyes, County Attorney; were also present.

Chairman Chapman called the meeting to order.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Nipper, to approve the agenda with the revisions as follows. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

1. Addition: Consent Agenda (18-1417) Approve Minutes of the August 30, 2018 Land Use Hearing
2. Addition: Administration (18-1423) Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Construction Contract No.: 018-038 Walton County Health Department Painting Project with Edge Painting, Inc.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Commissioner Nipper asked to remove for discussion Consent Agenda Item 8 (18-1394): Request travel authorization for Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Anderson to attend the FSBPA 2018 Annual Conference in accordance with the travel policy.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Anderson, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows with the removal of Item 8. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

1. Approve the Expenditure Approval List (EAL) excluding the Waste Management expenditures

	Total	WM
General Fund	\$ 1,191,028.99	
County Transportation	\$ 279,860.83	
Fine & Forfeiture	\$ 1,021,171.76	
Section 8 Housing	\$ 522.05	
Tourist Dev. Council	\$ 157,187.37	
N.W. Mosquito Control	\$ 19,000.21	
Recreation Plat Fee	\$ 2,165.29	
Solid Waste Enterprise	\$ 859,487.03	\$ <u>401,550.28</u>
Bldg Dept/Enterp. Fund	\$ 14.02	
Debt Service Fund	\$ 31,791.48	
Capital Projects Fund	\$ 445,118.84	
Mossy Head Ind. Park Infrastructure Improvements	\$ 8,871.00	
Increment Tax Funding	\$ <u>44,911.12</u>	
Totals	\$ 4,061,341.34	\$ 401,550.28
Grand Total (minus WM)		\$ <u>3,659,791.06</u>

2. Approve the Minutes of the August 28, 2018 Regular Meeting
 - a. Add-on: Approve Minutes of the August 30, 2018 Land Use Hearing
3. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a **resolution (2018-75)** designating September 2018 as National Preparedness Month
4. Request to approve and authorize the chairman to sign a Release of Lien for Beverly Randle SHIP Mortgage
5. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a Satisfaction of Mortgage for Linda Lawrence SHIP Mortgage
6. Request approve to surplus vehicles, equipment, and miscellaneous items for the 2018 County Auction to be held on September 15, 2018 and request approval to surplus 3 computers (BCC 8221, 8222, and 8336) from the Tourist Development Council
7. Request to authorize the Chairman to sign the SHIP Program Annual Report/Certification and transmit both to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation
- ~~8. Request travel authorization for Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Anderson to attend the FSBPA 2018 Annual Conference in accordance with the travel policy~~
9. Request to approve and authorize the chairman to sign the State-Funded Hazard Analysis Sub-grant Agreement from the Florida Division of Emergency Management (Contract No.: 19-CP-11-01-76-23) in the amount of \$4,479.00 for the purpose of enhancing hazardous material response and coordination
10. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a Change Order to Kokolakis decreasing the amount of the contract by \$64,641.23

11. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for Walton County FY 2018 Annual Local Government Financial Report "AFR"
12. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for the FY 2018 annual testing of the county's required Gulf Coast Audit and the BCC's compliance with F.S. 288.8018
13. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for the FY 2018 E911 Audit and associated compliance and reportings per F.S. 365.172(10) and F.S. 365.173(2)(d)
14. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for the FY 2018 County-wide Audit and associated compliance and reportings
15. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for the FY 2018 County's Solid Waste Program Management Escrow Cash Account (schedule)
16. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for the FY 2018 Statement of County Funded Court-Related Functions, per F.S. 29.008 and F.S. 20.0085
17. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with Carr, Riggs, & Ingram for the FY 2018 Walton County Housing Authority Audit year ending September 30, 2018
18. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No. 18-022 Construction, Engineering, and Inspection Services for C.R. 185 SCOP Project with Genesis CE&I Services, LLC in the amount of \$226,962.56
19. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No. 018-019 Construction, Engineering, and Inspection Services for C.R. 183B SCRAP Project with Genesis CE&I Services, LLC in the amount of \$378,605.76
20. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No. 018-023 Construction, Engineering, and Inspection Services for C.R. 883 CIGP Project with EXP U.S. Services, Inc. in the amount of \$189,015.00
21. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to award and sign the contract for TDC Strategic Planning to Zeitgeist Consulting, Inc. d/b/a DMO PROZ
22. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a lease agreement with the Cultural Arts Alliance, Inc. for the Bayou Arts Center
23. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement with BurrellesLuce for media monitoring services
24. Request to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution (2018-76) and the Small County Road Assistance Program Grant Agreement (FPN: 438304-1-54-01) with the Florida Department of Transportation for C.R. 181A Resurfacing Project
25. Request to approve Change Order No. 1 to Task Order No. 17-13 Southbound Right Turn Lane for C.R. 283 (Bay Drive)/U.S. 98 Intersection with Poly, Inc. in the amount of \$78,343.31

(Additions are underlined. Deletions are strikethrough.)

Commissioner Nipper stated the Walton County Tax Payers Association voiced concern with the travel expenditure for Commissioner Jones. Commissioner Jones expressed her desire to go and address the Customary Use issue.

Mr. Bob Hudson, Executive director of the WCTPA, stated the association supported the representation for the county at the conference; however, the expenditure should not be spent on an outgoing commissioner. He questioned if a representative from the TDC should be attending rather than the board or if the two commissioners were representing the TDC. Chairman Chapman said the commissioners attending the conference would be representing the board. Mr. Tusa stated there would be no TDC representation at the conference. Commissioner Jones addressed Mr. Hudson's concern and stated she wanted to encourage more counties to join the fight.

Commissioner Comander stated a sitting commissioner should have the right to attend any conferences until the end of the term.

Ms. Coy Bowman spoke in opposition and stated the customary use problem was created by the board.

Mr. Bob Brooke spoke in opposition to Commissioner Jones attending the FSBPA concert.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Comander, to approve Consent Agenda Item 8 (18-1394): Request travel authorization for Commissioner Jones and Commissioner Anderson to attend the FSBPA 2018 Annual Conference in accordance with the travel policy. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Abstain, Nipper Aye. Commissioner Jones announced her abstention from the vote. (Form 8B: Jones)

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Anderson, to approve the Waste Management expenditures in the amount of \$401,550.28. Ayes 4, Nays 0. Chapman

Abstain, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye. Chairman Chapman announced his abstention from the vote. (Form 8B: Chapman)

Mr. Walter Bowers, Florida Forest Service, presented the 2017-2018 Commissioners Report and was available for questioning.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to award ITB 018-038 Walton County Health Department Painting Project (DeFuniak Springs main facility) to Edge Painting, Inc. as requested by Mr. Stan Sunday, Deputy County Administrator. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Nipper, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign construction Contract No.: 018-038 Walton County Health Department Painting Project with Edge Painting, Inc. as presented by Mr. Sunday. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Nipper, to award, approve, and authorize the Chairman to sign Construction Contract No.: 018-036 Records Retention Building with Birkshire Johnstone, LLC as lowest, most responsible bidder as presented by Mr. Sunday.

Mr. Sunday clarified the base bid (\$341,400.00) and an alternate for a sprinkler system (\$18,200.00) making the total \$359,600.00. Chairman Chapman questioned the type of fire suppression system. Mr. Sunday replied it was a dry chemical suppression unit.

Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Mr. Sunday presented a request from Habitat for Humanity to allow Public Works to assist with site preparation for construction. The project, Hope Village, is an initiative for affordable housing near Mossy Head.

Chairman Chapman asked how many home sites would need work. Mr. Sunday replied two lots.

Commissioner Nipper noted the Hope Village plat has 14 homes.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Nipper to approve for discussion. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Commissioner Comander voiced her support of Habitat for Humanity and the project, but voiced concern with future requests and the precedent which is being set.

Commissioner Anderson asked what the estimated cost would be to clear the lots. Mr. Wilmer Stafford, Public Works Director, stated he did not have that information. Discussion continued on what would be needed to clear the lots and whether or not additional lot clearing would be requested.

Mr. Bill Rennie, Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Construction Chairman, stated the goal is to develop the 14 lots for affordable housing. He said the organization does not have a way to remove large trunks and stumps from the lot slated for construction. Only one house can be built this year.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Nipper, to approve to allow County Public Works assistance with preparation of the specified lot for construction of affordable housing with the caveat that Habitat for Humanity presents more information as to the help that would be needed from the county in the future.

Mr. Brooke expressed his concern regarding the precedent which will be set with the approval of assistance. He recommended obtaining a cost estimate prior to approval.

Commissioner Anderson agreed that an estimate is needed. Mr. Stafford stated it could be done for less than \$500.00.

Chairman Chapman suggested the motion be withdrawn and a second motion made to continue the request to the next meeting to allow staff to bring back a cost estimate.

Motion amended by Commissioner Comander, second amended by Commissioner Nipper, to continue the request to the next meeting to allow staff to bring back a cost estimate for the specified lot. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve to advertise and hold a Public Hearing on September 25, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. or soon thereafter at the DeFuniak Springs courthouse to bring forward \$95,469.00 from Landfill Reserves for the design and permitting of the Class 3 Landfill as presented by Mr. Sunday. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Mr. Brian Kellenberger, TDC Beach Operations Director, requested approval to make the following improvements to Grayton Beach State Park: 1. Install a crosswalk at the main park entrance off of C.R. 30A; 2. Pave and maintain the trailhead parking lot north of C.R. 30A; and 3. Install and maintain a bathroom with a two person capacity at the trailhead in exchange for access to easement of state park property for the construction of a multi-use path.

Mr. Warren Poplin, Bureau Chief for State Parks District 1, stated the state parks approve of the plans and stated this is a partnership to enhance the visitors' experience.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Anderson, to approve for discussion the improvements to Grayton Beach State Park as presented by Mr. Kellenberger. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Ms. Celeste Cobena and Ms. Bowman spoke in opposition to the request.

Upon the request of Commissioner Nipper, Mr. Chance Powell, Traffic Operations Engineer, discussed the long term master plan which identifies areas which do not have multi-use paths. Commissioner Nipper questioned how these improvements would fit in the master plan. Mr. Powell said this particular path has been planned for a while and discussed the plans for the path.

Commissioner Anderson asked if this was planned as a safety issue due to the narrow bike path crossing the bridge. Mr. Powell stated that was a factor.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve to make the improvements to Grayton Beach State Park as presented by Mr. Kellenberger. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Mr. Jay Tusa, TDC Executive Director, announced the meetings which have been planned to update the Beach Activities Ordinance. He reported that there was a 4% increase in July's bed tax numbers for a total of \$5,337,266.40 and that there was an 8.49% increase year-over-year for a total of \$21,000,051.77.

Commissioner Comander voiced concern that the customary use issue was fueled by the lack of control of beach vendors and said that it needed to be addressed. She said the goal is to have safety, harmony, and protection along our beaches. Mr. Tusa stated the issues have been brought up and will be addressed.

Commissioner Nipper asked Mr. Tusa to address the access in which there were issues with the permits. Mr. Tusa said the permit issues have been cleared up with the State agencies and ground breaking would occur within a month.

Ms. Bonnie McQuiston thanked Commissioner Comander on her comments regarding the problems caused by beach vendors. She voiced concern with the vendors' lack of care on the beach.

Ms. Bowman opined that the actions of the board have a socialist/communist mentality.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Nipper, to open the Public Hearing. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Chairman Chapman called to order the Public Hearing to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a resolution to recognize Proportionate Fair Share Fund in the amount of \$597,780.00 for the professional design and engineering services for the South Walton Connector Road from 30A to Highway 98.

Ms. Bowman spoke in opposition of a road through a state forest.

Ms. Cobena spoke in opposition citing lack of planning and said the property was purchased by the state for conservation. She stated that in her discussion with the State Forestry Department she was told that the state does not support a connector road through state lands. She expressed concern it would create greater traffic problems rather than alleviating the issues.

Mr. Powell stated the 2006 Genesis Study and the 2016 update study identified the need for a connector road for situations such as hurricane evacuation, alleviation of traffic, schools, etc. The PD&E study is needed to take this consideration to the next level to identify where a road can go and how to minimize the impacts. Commissioner Nipper stated there was no information on the effects the completion of the bridge and widening of U.S. Highway 331 would have on hurricane evacuation. Mr. Powell said the completion tremendously helps the evacuation times, but evacuating from C.R. 30A to U.S. 331 is an issue as well. Commissioner Nipper asked about the permitting of the properties by the forestry and felt this was an expensive venture to determine whether or not to move forward. Mr. Powell responded that every major project performed by FDOT begins with a PD&E study to identify the environmental and social impacts of the project. He said many public meetings would be held throughout the process. Research would be done to

determine the least impacted area. The first option is a no build option. Commissioner Nipper questioned if the no build option took into consideration the amount of time it takes to get to the bridge.

Commissioner Anderson clarified this study must be done before getting permission or permits from the state to build a road. Mr. Powell replied it has to be done before asking for easements.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Jones, to adopt **Resolution 2018-77** recognizing Proportionate Fair Share Fund in the amount of \$597,780.00 for the professional design and engineering services for the South Walton Connector Road 30A to Highway 98. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Nay.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to close the Public Hearing. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No.: 018-027 PD&E Services for South Walton Connector Road with Atkins North America, Inc. in the amount of \$597,780.00 as requested by Attorney Sidney Noyes, County Attorney. Ayes 4, Nays 1. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Nay.

Attorney Noyes announced the claims related to Headland Avenue in Seahighland Quiet Title Action (Hidell, et. al v. Pender, et. al.) will be dismissed. Chairman Chapman asked that Attorney Steve Hall keep an eye out for any other quiet title action that may be filed. No board action was taken.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Comander, to approve to advertise and schedule a Public Hearing to consider an ordinance designating the Sheriff as the Chief Correctional Officer to be held September 25, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the courthouse in DeFuniak Springs, FL as requested by Attorney Noyes. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Attorney Noyes presented for consideration a request from Coastal Innovations, Inc. regarding the Old Florida Fish House sign in the C.R. 30A right-of-way. There is an active code case regarding the sign due to its location in the right-of-way and that it is an off premises sign.

Commissioner Comander voiced concern about this issue being heard by the BCC prior to being heard by the Code Board. Attorney Noyes stated in Chapter 5 of the Land Development Code, a right-of-way agreement is required to be able to construct anything in the right-of-way. According to the LDC the only one allowed to approve a right-of-way agreement is the BCC or the county engineer. The request is being presented to satisfy one of the violations.

Attorney David Pleat, representing Coastal Innovations, Inc., gave a brief history of the sign and its location. He discussed other signs which are not contiguous with the businesses and are also in the right-of-way such as the Whiskey Bravo sign at the corner of U.S Highway 98 and C.R. 395. He asked that the sign be allowed to remain in place with a formal right-of-way agreement. Coastal Innovations would agree to any and all maintenance on the sign and would fully indemnify the county.

Commissioner Comander asked if the sign was grandfathered due to the length of time it has been in that location. Attorney Noyes stated that significant changes have been made over the years and that a lawsuit eliminated the easement for Coastal Innovations, Inc. She discussed the two violations. Attorney Pleat stated the easement did not involve the right-of-way and discussed

examples of signs which were placed in the right-of-way and do not have contiguous contact with the business.

Mr. Mac Carpenter, Planning and Development Director, stated that another ground sign has been permitted and is located in the easement which provides legal access to Old Florida Fish House. He stated the Whiskey Bravo sign located at U.S. 98 and C.R. 395 is legally permitted and designated by FDOT as a billboard.

Commissioner Anderson questioned if this was the former entrance to the Old Florida Fish House. Attorney Noyes stated it was the former entrance and there is a sign at the current entrances as well.

Chairman Chapman asked if there was a fence which was partially in the road and if it affected Old Florida Fish House. Mr. Carpenter said the fence has been significantly removed and that it does not affect the restaurant.

Mr. Buddy Wright, Public Works, stated the survey shows the sign in the right-of-way and Public Works does not have the authority to issue permits for signs in the right-of-way. Discussion was held regarding the effects approval would have on other signage.

Commissioner Anderson asked what affects would be had if the Old Florida Fish House sign was grandfathered in. Mr. Carpenter stated the LDC only allows one ground sign; there is currently one properly permitted sign. He voiced concern about the precedents which would be set.

Officer Kurt Rose, Code Enforcement Office, was available for questioning. He confirmed a complaint had been filed by Kolomolo Holdings. He discussed the three tiered complaint and investigations have shown that all complaints do apply.

Attorney Pleat referenced the sign mentioned by Mr. Carpenter and stated it was a leased sign which has other businesses listed on the sign. Upon expiration of the lease, his client would not have any signage.

Ms. Jill McDonald, Old Florida Fish House, discussed how she came to lease the sign. She stated it was a short-term lease which will not be renewed.

Attorney Pleat stated that the monument is the one they wish to keep.

Mr. Carpenter added that there was language in Chapters 7 and 13 speak to the prohibition of signs in the right-of-way. Chairman Chapman stated based on the facts it is an illegal sign. Mr. Carpenter stated that the location of that sign would direct people into the driveway which is no longer the entrance to the Old Florida Fish House. Further discussion was held regarding the improper building of the sign and the lack of inspections.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Nipper, to deny the request for a right-of-way agreement.

Commissioner Anderson asked if there was room to put a sign at the proper entrance. Attorney Noyes stated it would have to be on someone else's property. Mr. Carpenter stated there is a sign adjacent to C.R. 30A which qualifies as a main identification sign. A directional sign in their parking lot could be considered.

Mr. Dave Raushkolb spoke in support of leaving the sign.

Attorney Noyes stated if the agreement is denied Old Florida Fish House will not be denied to come back once the lease has expired.

Mr. Keith O'Leary, complainant, objected to the sign and stated there are no grandfathered rights.

Commissioner Comander called for the question.

Ayes 4, Nays 1. Chapman Aye, Anderson Nay, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Commissioner Comander asked Mr. Carpenter to work with Ms. McDonald to insure she has adequate signage.

Attorney Noyes requested direction regarding the Opioid Litigation RFQ. She discussed the advertisement of a RFQ for a law firm to represent the county in this litigation. She stated the selection committee (comprised of Attorney Noyes; Attorney Heather Christman, Assistant County Attorney; and Major Joe Preston, Walton County Sheriff's Office) reviewed the bids and submitted their recommendations. There were concerns an interview was not held and it is being requested that the board reject the previous submittals and re-advertise. Attorney Noyes asked who should serve on the selection committee and whether or not the board wanted interviews conducted.

Chairman Chapman approved of the people currently serving on the selection committee.

A discussion was held to determine the need for an interview process and possible timeframes.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to reject the previous bids for the RFQ 018-017: Outside Legal Counsel for Opioid Litigation and to re-advertise.

Attorney Jeremiah Mosely stated there are some deadlines in the litigation which are in December. He suggested keeping the applicants and to move forward with interviews. Attorney Noyes stated said the RFQ process would be completed by December and the deadline discussed by Attorney Mosely would be met.

Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Commissioner Comander asked if the cities should be included. Attorney Noyes stated that the cities were performing their own claims.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the Notice to Opt In to a class action lawsuit regarding Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) (Kane County, Utah v. United States Case Nos. 17-739C and 17-1991-C (Consolidated)). Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Commissioner Comander had no items to present.

Motion by Commissioner Nipper, second by Commissioner Comander, to accept the resignation of Mr. Danny Glidewell from the Planning Commissioner. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Commissioner Nipper motioned to appointment Mr. Gary Adams to the Planning Commission District 3 seat. Commissioner Anderson asked if an application had been submitted. It was determined an application had not been submitted. Commissioner Anderson requested the item be continued until an application could be submitted.

Commissioner Nipper withdrew her motion.

Discussion was held regarding the selection process to fill vacant seats on county boards.

Commissioner Jones had no items to present.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve the allocation of D5 Recreational Plat Fees in an amount not to exceed \$7,700.00 for the purchase of a 60" commercial style Electric range with 6 burners, 24" griddle, and (2) 26 ½" ovens for Helen McCall Park as presented by Commissioner Anderson. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Commissioner Comander said that other county parks needed to be considered for possible upgrades as well.

Commissioner Anderson directed the TDC to evaluate county owned beach properties and continue searching for beach properties that are available for purchase. Mr. Tusa said he had been working with realtors for other properties for purchase and will present those at the next meeting.

Chairman Chapman had no items to present.

The meeting briefly recessed.

Mr. Ryan Wetherell, Kimley-Horn, presented a review of the 30A/395 Safety Study on behalf of the South Walton Community Council. He discussed a review of the intersection improvements and signalization plans; crash trends evaluation; and bicycle and pedestrian safety review. He recommended relocating the existing trail to the south side of C.R. 30A to reduce conflicts.

Mr. Chance Powell, Traffic Operations Engineer, addressed the presentation and stated that conditions occurred which would not allow the path on the south side. Chairman Chapman expressed concern with the number of driveways which would impact the path if it is relocated as suggested. Mr. Powell said it is a safe intersection as designed. Commissioner Anderson questioned how long it would take to move the utilities if the county were legally able to move the path to the south side of C.R. 30A. Mr. Powell discussed the intersection and the long-term improvement plan and said the initial goal was for this to be a three year project. He stated there is an agreement with EBSCO that the path would not be moved for 10 years and asked to leave the intersection as is. Work will be done to improve stormwater drainage. Commissioner Comander asked if the signal has solved most of the problems. Mr. Powell stated he had received positive feedback and will continue to monitor the intersection.

Mr. Fred Tricker, South Walton Community Council, thanked Kimley-Horn for the study. He said the improvements have worked well and discussed the safety for pedestrians and cyclist.

Dr. Allen French, representative for Trees on the Coast-Beautification of Scenic Highway 30A, requested approval to donate trees to the county and its citizens and to plant the trees in the right-of-way. A discussion was held regarding the benefits of this program and the long-term utility needs to be considered. The board recommended that Dr. French work with planning staff and the utility companies.

Mr. Ryan Douglass, Regional Utilities; and Mr. Matthew Avery, CHELCO; individually discussed the concerns with the project regarding the utilities.

Ms. Leah Moore, Scenic Corridor Foundation; and Mr. Tricker spoke in support of the project.

Ms. Ashley Horsley, The Sonder Project Co-founder, requested to approve the 30A Half Marathon & 5K and to close both lanes of C.R. 30A from Spires Lane at Gulf Place to Buttercup in Watercolor from 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 14, 2018. She discussed the increased safety precautions which have been made.

Commissioner Comander discussed the increased number of requests for road closures for C.R. 30A and stated policies needed to be put into place. She recommended finding other venues other than C.R. 30A.

Chairman Chapman asked for details regarding The Sonder Project. Ms. Horsley discussed the projects performed by the non-profit entity to bring clean water and agriculture to areas in West Africa.

Commissioner Jones questioned what the plan would be for locals needing to use C.R. 30A to go to church. Ms. Horsley replied that some churches have said that with prior notice, they could accommodate and change schedules if necessary.

Commissioner Anderson asked how long this event has occurred. Ms. Horsley stated three years.

Motion by Commissioner Jones, second by Commissioner Anderson, to approve the closure of C.R. 30A as requested for this year.

Commissioner Anderson commented that the complaints are increasing each year regarding races held on Sunday. He encouraged Ms. Horsley to look at other venues and directed staff to look at all the races to see what can be done to formulate a plan for future events.

Mr. Sunday said staff would work with the Sheriff's Office regarding accommodations.

Mr. Tusa said the TDC is a sponsor and would offer their resources as well.

Ayes 4, Nays 1. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Nay, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Mr. Derek Berube requested to officially change the name of a portion of Seacrest back to its original name Seacrest Beach. A form is needed from the board to submit to the United States Geological Survey Board in order for the area to be added as recognized populated area. This action would allow the area to be recognized on maps and GPS. The area to be recognized would be west of Rosemary Beach and east of Alys Beach.

Motion by Commissioner Anderson, second by Commissioner Comander, to approve to officially change the name of a portion of Seacrest back to Seacrest Beach. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

There were no other public comments.

Mr. Mac Carpenter, Planning and Development Director, requested to transmit the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element including a substantially revised Future Land Use Map to the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO). The amendment was heard by the board on September 12, 2017 and October 10, 2017 and was transmitted at that time

to the appropriate State and Federal agencies. However, State Statute requires the adoption of the amendment within 180 days; that timeframe has expired and there have been substantive amendments to the draft that were not included in the original transmittal draft. He also requested an adoption hearing be set for October 9, 2018.

Motion by Commissioner Nipper, second by Commissioner Jones, to approve to transmit to DEO the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element including a substantially revised Future Land Use Map and to set an adoption hearing for October 9, 2018. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Aye.

Mr. Carpenter presented for second and final reading of the proposed amendments to Chapters 1 and 3 of the Land Development Code and striking Chapters 8, 9, 10, and 11 which have been incorporated into Chapters 1 and 3. The amendments to Chapters 1 and 3 include substantive and technical amendments to Chapter 1-General Provisions and Chapter 3-Concurrency Management. He requested to continue the second and final reading of Chapter 2 to the October 9, 2018 meeting. Chapter 2 provides for the creation of an Official Zoning Map and the establishment of Zoning Districts for the unincorporated areas of Walton County.

Motion by Commissioner Nipper, second by Commissioner Comander, to adopt Ordinance 2018-21 amending Chapters 1 and 3 of the Land Development Code and to continue to October 9, 2018 the second and final reading of Chapter 2 of the Land Development Code.

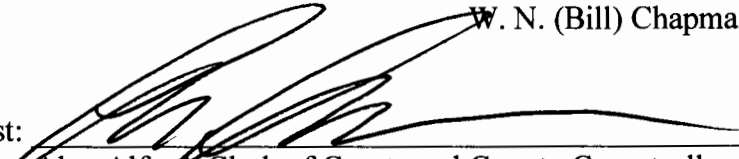
Mr. Carpenter commented that the thresholds for major and minor developments appear in Chapter 1. The proposal is to keep the residential density thresholds of 20 single-family and 30 multi-family lots the same. It is also being proposed that the 5,000 square foot non-residential threshold be increased to 20,000 square feet. He discussed the improvements which have been

Mr. Scott Jenkins, Jenkins Engineering, Inc.-applicant representative, briefly discussed the request and the surrounding developments. He stated the request would allow the parcel to be split into five lots which will be a minimum of one half acre. He stated the original Bannerman Covenants and Restrictions determined that the lots were to be one half acre. Mr. Jenkins said the original request, which was presented in 2015, was denied due to the number of units proposed at that time. The request would be a more restrictive land use. He said if the request is approved the Development Order process will still be followed.

Motion by Commissioner Comander, second by Commissioner Jones, to adopt Ordinance 2018-22 approving the Bannerman SSA (#2018-008). Ayes 4, Nays 1. Chapman Aye, Anderson Aye, Comander Aye, Jones Aye, Nipper Nay.

There being no further items to present, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Approved: 
W. N. (Bill) Chapman, Chairman

Attest: 
Alex Alford, Clerk of Courts and County Comptroller