



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FINAL MINUTES
9/12/2023 9:00 AM

MINUTES
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
2401 SE MONTEREY ROAD, STUART, FLORIDA 34996

County Commissioners

Commissioner Stacey Hetherington
Commissioner Doug Smith
Vice Chair Harold E. Jenkins II
Commissioner Sarah Heard
Chairman Edward V. Ciampi

Don G. Donaldson, P.E., County Administrator
Sarah W. Woods, County Attorney
Carolyn Timmann, Clerk of the Circuit Court and
Comptroller

CALL TO ORDER

Present: 5 - Commissioner Stacey Hetherington
Commissioner Doug Smith
Vice Chair Harold E. Jenkins II
Commissioner Sarah Heard
Chairman Edward V. Ciampi

1. INVOCATION - Reverend Anil K. Singh, Trinity United Methodist Church of Jensen Beach
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Jennifer Bulten, United States Air Force Veteran
3. ADDITIONAL ITEMS
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve the agenda with additional items CNST-19, PH-7 and withdrawal of DPQJ-3. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

PROC-1 PRESENT PROCLAMATIONS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED VIA THE CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda Item: 23-0758

Communications Manager Laura Beaupre presented the proclamations to the Board.

National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution, Halpatiokee Chapter,
Regent Amy Pinder accepted the Constitution Week proclamation.

Luci Delgado with Treasure Coast Food Bank accepted the proclamation for Hunger
Week.

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.

Casey Kniffin with Florida Oceanographic Society thanked the Board for their support with environmental protection. She expressed her concerns on issues effecting the ocean and a solar initiative grant opportunity with the Environmental Protection Agency. In celebration of Estuary Week, she invited the public to participate in a coastal clean up effort.

Tom Pine discussed items within the consent agenda and his attendance at a recent Treasure Coast Regional Planning Meeting.

Gil Smart with Friends of the Everglades highlighted legislative issues concerning wetland protections and fertilizer issues.

Brent Waddell addressed the Board concerning issues with solid waste [PH-4].

2. COMMISSIONERS

AM

Commissioner Heard announced Martin County Forever's efforts to seek input from Martin County residents regarding a referendum to purchase conservation lands on the 2024 General Election ballot. At the Board's direction, she requested that the County Attorney's Office be allowed to confer with Martin County Forever to create possible referendum and ordinance language.

Commissioner Hetherington requested a brief update today on Sandsprit Park boat ramps. County Administrator Don Donaldson advised a presentation is planned for the next agenda. He also informed the Board that the main boat ramp is nearing completion and the other is delayed due to issues with an FPL power line.

Commissioner Smith announced the passing of Jimmy Buffet.

Commissioner Ciampi also spoke about the passing of Jimmy Buffet and urged the use of sunscreen to help prevent skin cancer.

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

AM

None at this time.

PM

None at this time.

CONSENT

ADMINISTRATION

CNST-1 CONTRACTS THAT MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR BOARD APPROVAL

Agenda Item: 23-0841

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-2 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL OF WARRANT LIST FOR DISBURSEMENT VIA CHECKS AND ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS TO COMPLY WITH STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Agenda Item: 23-0844

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-3 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING TREASURE COAST DAY OF PRAYER IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Agenda Item: 23-1107

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-4 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING 4-H WEEK IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Agenda Item: 23-1130

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-5 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Agenda Item: 23-1144

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-6 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING CAREERS IN CONSTRUCTION MONTH IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

Agenda Item: 23-1158

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-7 POSITION CLASSIFICATION AND PAY PLAN 2023-2024

Agenda Item: 23-1088

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-8 APPROVAL OF MARTIN COUNTY DRUG LAB FEE SCHEDULE

Agenda Item: 23-1115

RESOLUTION NO. 23-9.1

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

BUILDING

CNST-9 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FINE REDUCTION STIPULATION AND AGREED RECOMMENDED ORDER REGARDING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT CASE OF ADAM SCHOENECK AND ROBERT SCHOENECK CASE NUMBER ENF2022090207-01

Agenda Item: 23-1132

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-10 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FINE REDUCTION STIPULATION AND AGREED RECOMMENDED ORDER REGARDING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT CASE OF R JULIAN ROGERS AND ESTALINE A ROGERS CASE NUMBER ENF2022030751

Agenda Item: 23-1133

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-11 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FINE REDUCTION STIPULATION AND AGREED RECOMMENDED ORDER REGARDING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT CASE OF GLADYS M JAFFE CO-TR AND ROSALIE JEAN CRYSTAL CO-TR CASE NUMBER ENF2022030751

Agenda Item: 23-1135

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

CNST-12 CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION ADJUSTING THE SCHEDULE OF MAXIMUM RATES FOR THE TOWING AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES

Agenda Item: 23-1111

RESOLUTION NO. 23-9.2

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS

CNST-13 APPROVAL OF TWO COUNTY DEEDS TRANSFERRING THE REMAINING COUNTY OWNED PARK, STORMWATER AND RIGHT-OF-WAY ASSETS LOCATED WITHIN THE CARTER PARK/WESTBROOK NEIGHBORHOOD TO THE VILLAGE OF INDIANTOWN

Agenda Item: 23-1058

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-14 APPROVAL OF A MAINTENANCE MAP FOR SE COUNTY LINE ROAD

Agenda Item: 23-1059

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-15 REQUEST THAT THE COUNTY GRANT A UTILITY EASEMENT TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY (FPL) FOR ADDED ELECTRICAL UTILITY SERVICES ON COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY AT WILLIAM DOC MYERS PARK IN HOBE SOUND

Agenda Item: 23-1138

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-16 REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE REVISED LIST OF SPECIAL EVENTS REQUIRING ROAD CLOSURE(S) JULY 1ST, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30TH, 2024 - SECOND REVISION

Agenda Item: 23-1078

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

UTILITIES AND SOLID WASTE

CNST-17 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE SOUTH SEWALL'S POINT FORCE MAIN EXTENSION PROJECT

Agenda Item: 23-1169

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

CNST-18 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE SOUTH SEWALL'S POINT DRAINAGE, RESURFACING AND WATER MAIN PROJECT

Agenda Item: 23-1170

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS

CNST-19 APPROVAL OF A PARTIAL RELEASE OF UTILITY EASEMENT AS A CONDITION OF POST-APPROVAL OF THE TUSCAWILLA P.U.D. REPLAT

Agenda Item: 23-1176

This item was approved by the first motion of the meeting.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

B&C-1 BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPOINTMENT

Agenda Item: 23-1037

Administrative Services Program Coordinator Donna Gordon announced the re-appointment of Edward Weinberg to the Business Development Board.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to re-appoint Edward Weinberg to the Business Development Board. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED TRICO SETTLEMENT FOR PETER SMITH VS. MARTIN COUNTY AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Agenda Item: 23-1137

Human Resource and Risk Management Manager Heather Dayan provided the item to the Board. Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder assisted with Board questions.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

PH-2 APPROVE THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP (SHIP) PROGRAM REPORTS AND TRANSMITTAL TO THE STATE

Agenda Item: 23-1121

Health and Human Services Manager Michelle Miller presented the item to the Board.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hetherington, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

PH-3 APPROVE THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP (SHIP) AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVE STRATEGIES REPORT BY THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (AHAC)

Agenda Item: 23-1126

Health and Human Services Manager Michelle Miller presented the item to the Board.

The following member of the public addressed the Board regarding this item: Linda Fithian.

MOTION: A motion was made by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, seconded by Commissioner Heard, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

**PH-4 AMENDMENT TO THE MARTIN COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES,
CHAPTER 151 - SOLID WASTE**

Agenda Item: 23-1147

ORDINANCE 1202

Commissioner Jenkins announced that he will be recused from participating in this item; he filed Form 8B Memorandum of Voting Conflict for the record.

Utilities and Solid Waste Director Sam Amerson presented the item to the Board. County Attorney Sarah Woods and County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board questions.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Recused: 1 - Vice Chair Jenkins II

**PH-5 LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (CPA) 23-05, 6900 SE
RIDGWAY TERRACE**

Agenda Item: 23-1027

Comprehensive Planning Administrator Clyde Dulin presented the item to the Board. Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder and Growth Management Director Paul Schilling assisted with Board questions.

Mike McCarty with McCarty and Associates Land Planning and Design addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant.

The Board voted to re-open this item as a result of PHQJ-1.

The following members of the public addressed the Board in opposition to this item: Tom Quint and Linda Fithian.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard to deny this item. The motion failed for the lack of a second.

Agenda Item: 23-1027

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, and Vice Chair Jenkins II

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-1027

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to re-open this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-1027

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hetherington, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to continue this item until September 26, 2023 at 9:00 am or as soon thereafter. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

PH-6 FIRST FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Agenda Item: 23-0853

RESOLUTION NOs. 23-9.8 through 23-9.41

OMB Director Jennifer Manning presented the FY 2024 tentative budget to the Board. Budget Financial Manager Stephanie Merle, County Administrator Don Donaldson, Public Works Director Jim Gorton, Martin County Sheriff William Snyder and Martin County Sheriff Office Budget and Finance Director Kevin Youngblood assisted with Board questions.

The Board collectively discussed the budget and shared concerns with increases and budget cuts. Commissioner Ciampi suggested the County Administrator and staff return with a budget reflective of an \$8 million reduction. Commissioner Heard shared she does not support decimating the budget. Commissioner Hetherington stated she does not support cutting funds from public safety or burdening the taxpayers with tax increases; she stated she will support a neutral budget. Commissioner Smith also suggested directing the County Administrator to return on September 26th with a proposed reduction, showing what an \$8 million reduction will look like and notify the appropriate impacted constituency.

Budget Financial Manager Stephanie Merle notified the Board of a slight technical

modification based on Board direction, a reduction in the Countywide mileage rate to 2.607%.

The following members of the public addressed the Board regarding this item: Richard MacAuley, Bonnie Flint, Frank Tidikis, Jerry Jackson, Michael Syrkus, Patrick McDonough, Patty Marchae, Monte McLendon, Richard Geisinger, Darlene VanRiper, Glenn Schmidt, Jim Fithian, Sheila Donivan, Luca Cesario, Gail Goldie, Julia Sansevere, Sherry Way, Pamela Gallina, Art Schwartz, Roz DeGraff and Larry Witherup.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, to allow the County Administrator to bring back on September 26th, a proposed reduction of \$8 million, that can be discussed. The motion failed for the lack of a second.

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to ask the County Administrator and staff to bring back on September 26th, recommendations that achieve a zero percent increase over last year's millage of \$7,950,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, for tentative approval of Countywide funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Countywide Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District One MSTU funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District One MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Two MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice
Chairman Jenkins II, for tentative approval of District Two MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Three MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Three MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Four MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Four MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Five MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District Five MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District A-61 (Hutchinson
Island) MSTU funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by
Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of District A-61 (Hutchinson
Island) MSTU funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice
Chairman Jenkins II, for tentative approval of Fire Rescue MSTU funds.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Heard

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, for tentative approval of Fire Rescue MSTU funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Heard

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Countywide MSTU Unincorporated (Stormwater and Road Maintenance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Countywide MSTU Unincorporated (Stormwater and Road Maintenance). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Countywide MSTU Parks and Recreation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Countywide MSTU Parks

and Recreation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of General Unincorporated Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Building and Permitting Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Impact Fee Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Special Revenue Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Grant Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Other Debt Service Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Other Capital Project Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Utilities Enterprise Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Solid Waste Enterprise Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Airport Enterprise Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Golf Course Enterprise Fund. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Internal Service Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Trust Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-0853

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Heard, for tentative approval of Community Redevelopment Area Trust Funds. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

PH-7 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ANIMALS, SEC. 9.1 AND SEC. 9.87 GENERAL ORDINANCES, MARTIN COUNTY CODE

Agenda Item: 23-1174

ORDINANCE NO. 1201

Senior Assistant County Attorney Melissa Pietrzyk presented the item to the Board. County Attorney Sarah Woods and County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board questions.

The following members of the public addressed the Board regarding this item: Keri Burgess and Michelle Liebowitz.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation, with section c modified to 3000 square feet and section d modified to 12 months. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

PUBLIC HEARING QUASI-JUDICIAL

**PHQJ-1 PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO
THE MARTIN COUNTY ZONING ATLAS TO CHANGE THE ZONING
CLASSIFICATION FOR CPA 23-05, 6900 SE RIDGEWAY TERRACE**

Agenda Item: 23-1028

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the commissioners. There were no interveners. Return receipts were provided at the LPA. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Comprehensive Planning Administrator Clyde Dulin provided staff's presentation to the Board. County Attorney Sarah Woods, Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder and Growth Management Director Paul Schilling assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Clyde Dulin's resume.

APPLICANT: Mike McCarty with McCarty and Associates Land Planning and Design addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant. Return receipts were filed at the LPA.

Commissioner Hetherington requested to table this item based on public comment and reconsider PH-5. County Attorney Sarah Woods and Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder provided clarification on the Board's options to hear or continue this item. Vice Chairman Jenkins II requested the items [PH-5 and PHQJ-1] be tabled for a later date.

The following members of the public addressed the Board in opposition to this item: Tom Quint, Jim Fithian and Linda Fithian.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hetherington, seconded by Commissioner Heard, to table this item, PHQJ-1. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-1028

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Commissioner Heard, to reconsider PH-5. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair
Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

Agenda Item: 23-1028

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Hetherington, seconded by Commissioner Heard, to continue this item until September 26, 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

DEPARTMENTAL QUASI-JUDICIAL

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

**DPQJ-1 REQUEST PLAT APPROVAL FOR THE PRESERVE AT PARK TRACE
PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (V038-04)**

Agenda Item: 23-1113

Ex parte communication disclosures were made by the commissioners. There were no interveners. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Principal Planner Brian Elam presented staff's presentation to the Board. Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Brian Elam's resume.

APPLICANT: Lucido & Associates Senior Partner Morris Crady addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant in support of staff's recommendation.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

DPQJ-2 REQUEST PLAT APPROVAL FOR SAGO BLUFF (H148-003)

Agenda Item: 23-1112

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by the commissioners. There were no interveners. Return receipts were not required. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Principal Planner Brian Elam provided staff's presentation to the Board. Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder assisted with Board questions.

The following County exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report and (2) Brian Elam's resume.

APPLICANT: Mike McCarty with McCarty and Associates Land Planning and Designs

addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant in support of staff's recommendation.

The following member of the public addressed the Board in support of this item: Julie Preast (on behalf of Rio Civic Club).

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

PUBLIC WORKS

DPQJ-3 REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO ALLOW THE ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT ON A LEGAL LOT OF RECORD THAT DOES NOT FRONT AN OPEN ROAD BUT HAS ACCESS VIA AN EASEMENT

Agenda Item: 23-1120

This item was withdrawn from the agenda; the applicant did not notify surrounding property owners.

REQUESTS AND PRESENTATIONS

R&P-1 PRESENTATION REGARDING PREEMPTIONS FROM THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES' EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VIRGINIA "GINGER" DELEGAL

Agenda Item: 23-1157

Commissioner Smith introduced Ginger Delegal to the Board.

Florida Association of Counties Executive Director Virginia "Ginger" Delegal provided the presentation regarding preemptions to the Board. Legislative Coordinator Sarah Power assisted with Board questions.

DEPARTMENTAL

ADMINISTRATION

DEPT-1 OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ITEMS WHICH REQUIRE BOARD APPROVAL

Agenda Item: 23-0848

RESOLUTION NOs. 23-9.3 through 23-9.7

OMB Director Jennifer Manning presented the items to the Board. Public Works Director Jim Gorton assisted with Board questions.

The following items were approved: (1) State Division of Library and Information Services State Aid to Libraries Grant, (2) FWC Habitat Management Assistance Grant (Gopher Tortoise Habitat at Halpatiokee Regional Park), (3) FWC Habitat Management Assistance Grant (Gopher Tortoise Habitat at Mapp Creek Preserve), (4) Florida Inland Navigation District derelict vessel removal, (5) Resilient Florida

Implementation Grant (Jensen Beach Causeway shoreline stabilization), (6) Resilient Florida Implementation Project Grant (Mangrove Island shoreline stabilization), (7) Resilient Florida Implementation Project Grant (Stuart Causeway shoreline stabilization), (8) FY24 Florida Department of Environmental Protection Innovative Technology for Harmful Algal Bloom Grant, (9) Florida Department of Environmental Protection Innovative Technology Grant (seagrass restoration project), (10) Indian River Lagoon Water Quality Improvement Grant (Palm City Farms STA), (11) Indian River Lagoon Water Quality Improvement Grant (Golden Gate STA), (12) FAA Infrastructure Law (BIL) Grant (Martin County Airport/Automated Weather Observing System Type II), (13) Contributions for the Hoke Library outdoor space, (14) Request for funds (Sailfish Splash Waterpark), (15) Request for Funds Reserve, (16) Budget Resolution for Supervisor of Elections, (17) E911 State Grant (geospatial routing upgrade) and (18) Budget Resolution to amend the Florida Emergency Medical System Trust Fund Grant.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to approve all items. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

**DEPT-2 CONTRACTS THAT MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR BOARD APPROVAL
\$1 MILLION OR GREATER**

Agenda Item: 23-0851

Chief Procurement Officer Krysti Brotherton presented the items to the Board. Public Works Deputy Director George Dzama assisted with Board questions.

The following items were approved: (1) Golden Gate Neighborhood Resurfacing, (2) CR-714/ SW Martin Hwy Resurfacing Project (from SR-710/Warfield Boulevard to SW Fox Brown Road), (3) Civil Engineering Services for Community Redevelopment Areas, (4) Right of Way landscaping & mowing, (5) Chemicals for water and wastewater treatment and (B) (1) CR-A1A/ SE Dixie Highway Resurfacing (SE Monterey Road to SE 5th Street).

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to approve all items. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

**DEPT-3 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF GRANT AGREEMENT FOR
SPECIAL OLYMPICS OF FLORIDA, INC.**

Agenda Item: 23-1080

Assistant County Administrator George Stokus provided the item to the Board. Health and Human Services Manager Michelle Miller and Parks and Recreation Director Kevin Abbate assisted with Board questions.

Special Olympics Regional Director Adam Grams assisted with questions.

The following members of the public addressed the Board in opposition to the method of funding for this item: Gail Goldie and Jim Fithian.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to approve staff's recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, and Chairman Ciampi

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Hetherington, and Commissioner Heard

DEPT-4 2024 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS

Agenda Item: 23-1145

Administrative Services Manager Kim Levee introduced the item and thanked staff for their efforts. Legislative Coordinator Sarah Powers presented the State and Federal legislative priorities to the Board. Public Works Director Jim Gorton and County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board questions.

Martin County Sheriff William Snyder provided insight on the Mental Health Housing Pod.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to adopt the State and Federal legislative programs, with changes as discussed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

GENERAL SERVICES

DEPT-5 PRESENTATION OF ENERGY MANAGEMENT AND SAVINGS PROGRAM SUMMARY

Agenda Item: 23-1149

General Services Director Sean Donahue provided the presentation to the Board.

UTILITIES AND SOLID WASTE

DEPT-6 UPDATE ON THE SEPTIC TO SEWER PROGRAM SERVICE AVAILABILITY AND CONNECTIONS

Agenda Item: 23-1146

Utilities and Solid Waste Deputy Director Jeremy Covey provided the presentation to the Board. County Administrator Don Donaldson, Project Manager David Duncan and Billing Coordinator Christine Nappie assisted with Board questions.

PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.

James Campo thanked Commissioner Hetherington for being a tough mother during the budget process.

Corey Crowley addressed the Board regarding CRA spending.

Jim Fithian suggested renegotiating contracts to assist with budget cuts.

Linda Fithian thanked the Commissioners for their consideration.

Michael Syrkus addressed the Board regarding the budget as presented.

ADJOURN

The Board of County Commissioners September 12, 2023 meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Carolyn Timmann, Clerk of the
Circuit Court and Comptroller
/lp

Harold Jenkins II, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes approved:

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