



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FINAL MINUTES
11/7/2023 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 ~ Pastor Jim Harp, Stuart Alliance Church
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Lew Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance. He shared his background regarding being in the service.

3. ADDITIONAL ITEMS
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hetherington, to approve the agenda, consent agenda with the additional item DEPT-4. 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: 24-0032

Communications Manager Laura Beaupre presented the proclamations to the Board.

Martin County Senior Veterans Services Officer Dan McHenry and Martin County Veteran employees accepted the Veterans Day proclamation.

Teri Pinder with the Nurse Practitioner Council of the Treasure Coast accepted the proclamation for Nurse Practitioner's Week.

Alzheimer's Community Care President Michael Jessup, Board Member David Dangerfield and Bianca Soler accepted the Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month proclamation.

Step Into Grace and New Life Ministries Pastor Joanne Rodriguez and Dr. Julie Bjornson accepted the Bible Reading Marathon Week proclamation.

Martin County Tax Collector Ruth Pietruszewski presented the County with a \$5,652,640.91 check. The County Administrator and Chair accepted the check on behalf of the County.

PROC-2 PRESENTATION OF MARTIN COUNTY FIRE RESCUE COMBAT CHALLENGE TEAM AWARDS FROM THE 2023 WORLD FIREFIGHTER CHALLENGE

Agenda Item: 24-0235

Martin County Fire Rescue District Chief Joseph Lobosco presented and acknowledged the Martin County Fire Rescue's Combat Challenge Team's award.

Commissioner Smith and Chairman Ciampi congratulated everyone.

PROC-3 UNITED WAY PRESENTATION - TOP 10 MOST GENEROUS WORKPLACES

Agenda Item: 24-0239

United Way President Carol Howard-Dietz presented the United Way's Top 10 Most Generous Workplaces award to the County.

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.

Megan Davis addressed the Board regarding increase in traffic and dangers of red lights; she suggested traffic calming circles.

Tom Pine addressed the Board with consent agenda concerns and County spending. He also commented on traffic safety.

Dewy Vinaya provided an update on the Stuart Airshow this Veterans Day weekend.

2. COMMISSIONERS

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Commissioner Smith mentioned that a County resident approached him in public to share a code enforcement issue that he was dealing with; he thanked Commissioner Smith for staff and the process Martin County has for code enforcement violations. Commissioner Smith mentioned that two cornerstones were laid for Acacia Lodge of Stuart; he shared it was a great ceremony.

Commissioner Heard inquired about the Martin Cares Class; both 2024 classes are full. She requested adding an additional class.

Commissioner Ciampi announced the Palm City Chamber of Commerce 5k run over the Veteran's Memorial Bridge.

Commissioner Jenkins shared his potable water project in an under-served area in Hobe Sound; he requested this item be added to the Board's appropriation request.

County Administrator Don Donaldson stated the recommendation is to authorize staff to submit a legislative appropriation for the Gomez neighborhood Pettway area potable water connections project with an approximate cost of \$2.31 million.

Commissioner Smith talked with staff at the Association of Counties to build "flexibility" into language.

Commissioner Jenkins stated the project is served by South Martin Regional, which is why they went through the appropriation direction.

Commissioner Hetherington spoke about a recent scenario in Monterey subdivision.

Commissioner Smith tagged on to Commissioner Heard's request for an additional Cares class and encouraged residents to participate.

PM

Commissioner Smith explained Joan was retiring as BDB Director, he requested staff bring back an agenda item that talks about the options the Board has and what the future holds for the County and BDB.

Commissioner Jenkins II, BDB Liaison, explained they are currently in the process of working all this information out.

Commissioner Ciampi reminded the public to run with him Saturday morning at Jock Leighton Park in the Palm City Chamber of Commerce 5k over the Veteran's Memorial Bridge; he also reminded everyone about the Stuart Air Show this weekend.

Commissioner Jenkins requested a change to his current LPA representative; he requested the Board's support. He stated Bob Thornton will be taking Commissioner Jenkins' seat.

County Attorney Sarah Woods explained that Commissioner Jenkins needs Board approval to remove the current member.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Jenkins II, seconded by Commissioner Heard, to remove Commissioner Jenkins' current member [LPA representative] and approve appointment of Bob Thornton. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

AM

None at this time.

PM

County Administrator Don Donaldson stated the County received the top 10 generous work places from the United Way; he said this is the time of year to renew pledges. He also spoke about the check the county received from the Tax Collector; he thanked Tax Collector for bringing in revenue.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Vice Chair Jenkins II, to authorize staff to submit a grant application for a Florida Black History Museum concept. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

CONSENT

ADMINISTRATION

CNST-1 CONTRACTS THAT MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR BOARD APPROVAL

Agenda Item: 24-0004

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: 24-0010

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

CNST-3 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

Agenda Item: 24-0148

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

**CNST-4 DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE AWARENESS COMMITTEE
APPOINTMENT**

Agenda Item: 24-0075

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.1

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

CNST-5 CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Agenda Item: 24-0079

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.2

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

**CNST-6 APPROVAL OF REVISED LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN
(LHAP) FY 2023-2026**

Agenda Item: 24-0233

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.3

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

**CNST-7 APPROVAL OF REVISED LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PLAN
(LHAP) FY 2020-2023**

Agenda Item: 24-0234

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.4

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

**CNST-8 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING PREMATURETY
AWARENESS MONTH IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Agenda Item: 24-0250

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 SHAHID SHAIKH HALEEM (ESTATE) CASE
NUMBER ENF2020090500-01**

Agenda Item: 24-0245

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 MARJORIE GARLAND CASE NUMBERS 08-0025896,09-0031436, 10-0040735

Agenda Item: 24-0249

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 DENNIS ROSE III CASE NUMBER ENF2019030201-01

Agenda Item: 24-0263

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

COUNTY ATTORNEY

CNST-12 APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARTIN COUNTY AND THE VILLAGE OF INDIANTOWN FOR COLLECTION OF IMPACT FEES

Agenda Item: 24-0273

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

PUBLIC WORKS

CNST-13 APPROVAL OF A SOVEREIGNTY SUBMERGED LANDS EASEMENT (SSLE) WITH THE TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND (TIITF) FOR THE TWIN RIVERS HYBRID LIVING SHORELINE PROJECT

Agenda Item: 24-0186

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

BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

B&C-1 BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT APPOINTMENT

Agenda Item: 24-0080

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.11

Administrative Services Program Coordinator Donna Gordon announced the appointment of Mac Ross to the Board of Zoning.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to appoint Mac Ross to the Board of Zoning. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

B&C-2 INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPOINTMENT

Agenda Item: 24-0078

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.12

Administrative Services Program Coordinator Donna Gordon announced the appointment of Kelly A. Layman to the Industrial Development Authority.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Vice Chair Jenkins II, to appoint Kelly A. Layman to the Industrial Development Authority. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

B&C-3 TREASURE COAST HEALTH COUNCIL APPOINTMENT

Agenda Item: 24-0077

Administrative Services Program Coordinator Donna Gordon announced the re-appointment of Teena White to the Treasure Coast Health Council.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Commissioner Smith, to re-appoint Teena White to the Treasure Coast Health Council. 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 LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER TRANSMITTAL OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (CPA) 22-11, THREE LAKES GOLF CLUB

Agenda Item: 24-0213

Growth Management Comprehensive Planning Administrator Clyde Dulin presented the item to the Board. Growth Management Deputy Director Peter Walden, Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder and County Attorney Sarah Woods assisted with Board questions.

Commissioner Heard asked if these properties are subject to the ag [agricultural] exemption.

Peter Walden responded and stated they do have equestrian facilities that would possibly qualify but the development overall is a residential use.

Elysse Elder stated the County doesn't participate in the evaluation of the ag exemption and it's completely through the Property Appraiser's Office.

County Attorney Sarah Woods stated Florida Law provides for ag classification based on the Property Appraiser's evaluation. She explained in her experience, single family homes wouldn't qualify unless it was associated with the ag.

Commissioner Heard asked how many golf cottages are allowable and how many congregate housing. Mr. Dulin confirmed one per hole up to a maximum of 54; congregate housing is six beds equivalent to one residence.

Gunster Law Firm Attorney Bob Raynes addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant in support of staff's recommendation. Proof of notices were filed at the LPA.

Lucido & Associates Senior Partner Morris Crady provided the applicant's presentation to the Board.

Commissioner Heard stated she will not support the motion.

Commissioner Smith requested Morris Crady work with staff to collect water data features that are going to be built and complete a future presentation with staff.

Commissioner Jenkins requested to see the financial part of the project.

Commissioner Smith gave thanks to everyone involved with this project.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

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

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

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Heard

PH-2

**LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT (CPA) 22-02 95 RIVERSIDE
PUD/PULTE I-95**

Agenda Item: 24-0240

ORDINANCE NO. 1207

Growth Management Senior Planner Daphne Schaub presented the item to the Board. Comprehensive Planning Administrator Clyde Dulin and Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder assisted with Board questions.

Bob Raynes, Land Use Attorney with Gunster Law Firm, addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant in support of staff's recommendation. He stated that he has proof of notices to the surrounding property owners with respect to the land use amendment; he filed the notices with the Clerk for the record.

HGA Design Studio President Mike Houston presented the applicant's presentation to the Board.

Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder made a point of clarification regarding the Live Local Act. She stated whether Live Local applies is a grey area.

Bob Raynes introduced Susan O'Rourke of O'Rourke Engineering and Planning to address traffic impacts of the project.

Bob Raynes stated he believes this is a potential site for Senate Bill 102. Commissioner Smith asked Mr. Raynes to clarify this statement, for members of the public who may not know what this is. Mr. Raynes explained Senate Bill 102 was put into effect by the legislature last year, as an attempt to address the affordable housing issues. Commissioner Smith went into more detail regarding the legislature and why it's being discussed.

Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder explained it has a PUD zoning agreement; and there are commercial uses in the PUD zoning agreement, it is unclear because of what the statute states.

Commissioner Heard questioned if there was a Live Local application currently being considered by Growth Management. Ms. Elder explained that there have only been pre-applications at this time.

Paul Schilling, Growth Management Director, stated there was an approval for commercial uses on this site, however the PUD zoning agreement time table has expired.

Commissioner Smith explained how the intent of the legislature is to take away local government's ability to say no to affordable housing and to make it streamline.

Commissioner Ciampi gave his input on this item. He stated the intersection needs to be addressed.

Commissioner Heard believes that this proposed land use provides for more compatibility and less intense development than the existing land use.

Commissioner Hetherington expressed concern about placing residential in lieu of commercial on all of these parcels.

Commissioner Smith spoke more on the legislature and expressed his concerns.

The following members of the public addressed the Board regarding this item: Lost River HOA Vice President Bob Brown and Lost River HOA President John Kazanjian.

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 Smith, Vice Chair Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi
- Nay:** 1 - Commissioner Hetherington

PUBLIC HEARINGS QUASI-JUDICIAL

PHQJ-1 REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE NINTH AMENDMENT TO THE NINETY-FIVE RIVERSIDE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) ZONING AGREEMENT INCLUDING REVISED MASTER/PHASING PLAN AND PHASE IV FINAL SITE PLAN (N027-013)

Agenda Item: 24-0241

Ex parte communication disclosures were filed by all commissioners. There were no interveners. Proof of notices were filed at the LPA. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Development Review Administrator Elizabeth Nagel provided staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Deputy Director Peter Walden and Deputy County Attorney Elysse Elder assisted with Board questions.

The following county exhibits were filed for the record: (1) agenda item/staff report, (2) Elizabeth Nagel's resume and (3) Michael Houston and Todd Troxell's resume.

APPLICANT: Gunster Law Firm Attorney Bob Raynes addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant.

Michael Houston and Todd Troxell's resumes were provided with staff's exhibits.

HGA Design Studio President Michael Houston and Todd Troxell provided the applicant's presentation to the Board.

Commissioner Smith suggested a larger sidewalk for the community's benefit. He questioned the lighting on Lost River Road and also inquired about potential improvements to Kanner that FDOT will be making when they complete the expansion of 95 that will improve the access. Traffic Engineering Administrator Luke Lambert, addressed Commissioner Smith's questions regarding the improvements to Kanner.

Susan O'Rourke spoke about FDOT and how they will look at all of the intersections, but said the more information we give them to help with the process, the better it will be.

Mr. Raynes confirmed that Susan O'Rourke's resume was submitted with the county exhibits.

Chairman Ciampi wished the members of the public had an opportunity to hear this presentation before leaving the meeting.

Commissioner Hetherington stated that there needs to be an effort to maintain some

commercial space. However, she said this is a quality project put together very well and Pulte is very reliable.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Jenkins II, to move approval of the PUD, the changes to the PUD, the agreement relative to the sidewalk conditions in the depiction before the Board; and also the notation both for the public and staff that there is follow up with FDOT to maximize the improvements to the intersection between Lost River Road and Kanner, to make it as safe as possible, and to give staff direction that whatever changes can be made ahead of schedule can be made, that aren't within FDOT's purview, but also that the County work with FDOT to address whatever safety concerns the county can. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

PHQJ-2 REQUEST BY FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY FOR MAJOR FINAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR THE FAWN SOLAR FACILITY PROJECT (F110-004)

Agenda Item: 24-0126

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.6

Ex parte communication disclosures were provided by all commissioners. There were no interveners. Proof of notices were filed at the LPA. The participants were sworn in by the deputy clerk.

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner Brian Elam provided staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Deputy Director Peter Walden and 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: Dennis Murphy with Culpepper and Terpening, Inc. addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant; no presentation was given. Notices were filed at the LPA.

Elysse Elder asked for confirmation that notices were turned in at the LPA meeting.

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

DEPARTMENTAL QUASI-JUDICIAL

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

DPQJ-1 REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE HIGHPOINTE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) ZONING AGREEMENT, INCLUDING REVISED MASTER SITE PLAN, REVISED PHASING PLAN, AMENDED PRESERVE AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN, AND PHASE 2 FINAL SITE PLAN (C148-013)

Agenda Item: 24-0201

RESOLUTION NO. 23-11.7

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

COUNTY: Growth Management Principal Planner Allison Rozek provided staff's presentation to the Board. Growth Management Deputy Director Peter Walden and 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) Allison Rozek's resume.

Elysse Elder stated there was an error in the PUD amendment in Exhibit F under special conditions paragraph 2C IV, the size of an internal sign says 84x48 but it should be 144x84.

APPLICANT: Leah Heinzelmann with Cotleur & Hearing addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant in support of staff's recommendation; no presentation was given.

Commissioner Smith requested to see the amenities area on the site plan.

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 with the change on Tyson's signage that Elysse Elder pointed out in the PUD language change. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**DEPARTMENTAL
ADMINISTRATION**

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

Agenda Item: 24-0020

RESOLUTION NOs. 23-118 through 23-11.10

OMB Director Stephanie Merle presented the items to the Board.

The following items were approved: (1) FY 2024 Section 319 Grant, (2) State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection Florida Resilient Coastlines Program infrastructure Grant, (3) Florida Department of Environmental Protection Beach Management Funding Assistance Program Grant, (4) Emergency Operations Center Grant Program for the Uninterruptible Power Supply and (5) Request for Funds for Martin County Sheriff's Office.

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

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

Agenda Item: 24-0026

Chief Procurement Officer Krysti Brotherton presented the items to the Board. Stephanie Merle assisted with Board questions.

The following items were approved: (1) Building 17 Renovations for the Reach Center, (2) Motor & Pump Repair and (3) SW Waterside Way and Kanner Roadway Construction.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chair 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

DEPT-3 MARTIN COUNTY CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION STATUS UPDATE

Agenda Item: 24-0110

Assistant County Administrator George Stokus provided the item to the Board.

Commissioner Heard supports plaques and banners.

Commissioner Jenkins II asked what the Historical Society's roll would be. Mr. Stokus stated that we would have to roll into the Historic Preservation's Board budget.

Martin County Attorney, Sarah Woods, clarified that the Historical Society is the Elliott Museum and the House of Refuge. They are a non-profit organization which have a lot

of Martin County centric displays.

Commissioner Hetherington agreed with plaques, banners and a book.

Commissioner Smith stated a lot of this was to coincide with the Artsfest. He said it comes down to if the County wants to create an event for the anniversary.

Commissioner Ciampi agrees with a plaque and supports a book.

Attorney Sarah Woods said she can look into a non-profit partner.

Commissioner Jenkins spoke about non-profits and how they can come to the Board with a proposal.

County Administrator Don Donaldson suggested to see what the investment is to get book layout done.

Commissioner Heard suggested making the month themed towards the centennial.

George Stokus confirmed the book cost based on the proposal provided. He confirmed the Board's direction with plaques, banners and further details on the book cost.

DEPT-4 BRIGHTLINE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Agenda Item: 24-0281

Assistant County Administrator George Stokus presented the Brightline update to the Board.

Commissioner Smith requested to work as collaboratively as possible with City of Stuart to set a unified front.

Commissioner Heard explained we must consider who's making the biggest contribution. The County can make a compelling case on locating the station in Martin County.

County Administrator Don Donaldson wanted to recognize that this would be a joint application with the City of Stuart.

Business Development Board of Martin County, Joan Goodrich, addressed the Board regarding this item.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chair Jenkins II, to approve staff's request with the side note that Martin County's collaboration and application be joint with the City of Stuart to the extent 100% feasible by both parties. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.

None at this time.

ADJOURN

The Board of County Commissioners November 7, 2023 meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Carolyn Timmann, Clerk of the
Circuit Court and Comptroller
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Harold Jenkins II, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes approved:

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