



## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**FINAL MINUTES**  
**3/21/2023 9:00 AM**

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

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#### **COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

*Edward V. Ciampi, Chairman*

*Harold E. Jenkins II, Vice Chairman*

*Doug Smith*

*Stacey Hetherington*

*Sarah Heard*

*Don G. Donaldson, P.E., County Administrator*

*Sarah W. Woods, County Attorney*

*Carolyn Timmann, Clerk of the Circuit Court and*

*Comptroller*

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

1. INVOCATION ~ Senior Pastor Steve Bray, The Grace Place Church
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ~ Lew Jones, Vietnam Veteran
3. ADDITIONAL ITEMS
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to approve the agenda with consent. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Hetherington, Commissioner Smith, Vice Chairman 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: 23-0474

Senior Communications Coordinator Martha Ann Kneiss presented the proclamations to the Board.

Cathy McCartney Pinder, Lew Jones and the Vietnam Veterans of America Post 1041 accepted the proclamation for Vietnam War Veterans Day.

Marla Moore and Martin County Project Surveyor Jesse Perez accepted the Surveyors and Mappers Week proclamation.

Jennifer Manning and Stephanie Merle accepted the proclamation for Government Finance Professionals Week.

## **COMMENTS**

### **1. PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.**

Kathy Miscoski and Holly Hoover spoke before the Board regarding the Town of Sewall's Point Septic to Sewer Program (DEPT-5).

Pat Arena addressed concerns with declaring Lot 91 in Sugar Hills as wetlands. At the request of Commissioner Ciampi, County Administrator Don Donaldson provided an update on this issue; Commissioner Ciampi advised he will follow up more in depth.

Linda Smith addressed recent legislative session issues; she also spoke about reducing the cost of solid waste, Senate Bill 1240, House Bill 197 [water quality and water quantity pollution control] and Senate Bill 540, House Bill 359 [rural lifestyle].

Tom Pine addressed routine items placed on the consent agenda and County spending. He also spoke about the Fair Food Program and bridging the gap with farm workers.

Charles Bender [Place of Hope] addressed the board in support of the Cove Royale PUD [DPQJ-3].

### **2. COMMISSIONERS**

#### **AM**

Commissioner Hetherington announced upcoming Southeast Honor Flights on April 15, 2023 and May 7, 2023.

Commissioner Smith shared recent updates from a legislative session in Tallahassee. He also spoke about recent events at an MPO meeting concerning traffic accidents on SR-710 [in Indiantown]; as a result of meeting with the Governor's Office and FDOT, SR-710 will be converted into a four lane divided roadway.

**PM**

Commissioner Jenkins wished Commissioner Ciampi safe travels.

**3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**AM**

None at this time.

**PM**

County Administrator Don Donaldson extended his gratitude to Parks and Recreation Deputy Director Kevin Kirwin for recognizing his staff in his agenda item.

**CONSENT**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**CNST -1 CONTRACTS THAT MEET THE THRESHOLD FOR BOARD APPROVAL**

Agenda Item: 23-0320

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: 23-0328

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

**CNST -3 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES STATUS REPORT**

Agenda Item: 23-0314

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

**CNST -4 NOTED ITEMS**

Agenda Item: 23-0333

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

**CNST -5 ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL OVERSIGHT BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Agenda Item: 23-0456

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.8**

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

**CNST -6 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Agenda Item: 23-0566

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

**CNST -7 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEXUAL ASSAULT  
AWARENESS MONTH IN MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Agenda Item: 23-0568

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

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

Agenda Item: 23-0603

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

**AIRPORT**

**CNST-9 APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE WITH APP  
STUART FBO, LLC, TO CORRECT A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN THE  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE LEASED PREMISES**

Agenda Item: 23-0469

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

**PUBLIC WORKS**

**CNST-10 REQUEST TO MODIFY THE SPEED LIMIT ZONES ON SW LOCKS  
ROAD**

Agenda Item: 23-0548

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.9**

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

**CNST-11 ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING THE  
DEDICATION AND CONVEYANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG SW  
BRIDGE ROAD FROM THREE LAKES GOLF CLUB, LLC, AS A  
CONDITION OF APPROVAL OF THE REVISED FINAL SITE PLAN IN  
STUART**

Agenda Item: 23-0574

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.10**

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

**UTILITIES AND SOLID WASTE**

**CNST -12 FLORIDA GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY ENCROACHMENT  
AGREEMENT**

Agenda Item: 23-0577

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

## **BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

### **B&C-1 PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Agenda Item: 23-0457

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.11**

Administrative Services Program Coordinator Donna Gordon announced the appointment of Craig Taylor and Jack Mathison, Casey Case (Commission District 2) and Anthony Bruce Burr (Commission District 3) to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Heard, seconded by Vice Chairman Jenkins II, to appoint Craig Taylor [term to begin immediately] and Jack Mathison [term to begin April 9, 2023] to the at large position; and to reappoint Casey Case (Commission District 2) and Anthony Bruce Burr (Commission District 3) to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **PH-1 CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REPEALING DIVISION 2 INDIANTOWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, ARTICLE 10, SPECIAL DISTRICTS, CHAPTER 71 FINANCE AND TAXATION, GENERAL ORDINANCES, MARTIN COUNTY CODE AND DISSOLVING THE INDIANTOWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Agenda Item: 23-0606

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 1194**

County Attorney Sarah Woods presented the item to the Board.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

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

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

## **DEPARTMENTAL QUASI-JUDICIAL**

### **GROWTH MANAGEMENT**

### **DPQJ-1 REQUEST PLAT APPROVAL FOR THE MAGNOLIA RIDGE OF PALM CITY PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) (P161-005)**

Agenda Item: 23-0302

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

COUNTY: Growth Management 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: Robert Johns addressed the Board; no presentation was given.

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 Chairman Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

**DPQJ-2 REQUEST PLAT APPROVAL FOR THE WILLOUGHBY TOWNHOMES PUD PROJECT (W096-003)**

Agenda Item: 23-0573

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.12**

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

COUNTY: Growth Management Deputy Director Peter Walden 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) Peter Walden's resume.

APPLICANT: Lucido & Associates Senior Vice President Morris Crady addressed the Board on behalf of the applicant in support of staff's recommendation; no presentation was given.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

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

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

**DPQJ-3 REQUEST APPROVAL OF THE 2ND AMENDMENT TO THE COVE ROYAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING AGREEMENT INCLUDING A REVISED MASTER AND PHASING PLAN AND REVISED PHASE 1 FINAL SITE PLAN (C165-005)**

Agenda Item: 23-0586

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.13**

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

COUNTY: Growth Management Deputy Director Peter Walden 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) Peter Walden's resume.

APPLICANT: Donald Cuzzo addressed the Board in support of staff's recommendation; no presentation was given.

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 as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

**DEPARTMENTAL**

**ADMINISTRATION**

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

Agenda Item: 23-0340

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-3.14**

OMB Director Jennifer Manning provided the items to the Board. Traffic Engineering Manager Lukas Lambert assisted with Board questions.

The following items were approved: (1) Apply for funding from Florida Inland Navigation District for derelict vessel removal, (2) Allocate unanticipated contributions for enhanced pedestrian lighting, and (3) Salerno Road traffic safety improvements.

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

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

Agenda Item: 23-0348

There were no items.

**DEPT-3 2023 LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM UPDATE**

Agenda Item: 23-0632

Legislative Coordinator Sarah Powers provided the legislative update to the Board. County Administrator Don Donaldson and Ecosystem Restoration and Management Manager John Maehl assisted with Board questions.

Commissioner Smith suggested a Chair letter of appreciation to the Governor's Office and the Florida Department of Transportation for supporting funding for the four lane divided roadway in the Village of Indiantown.

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

**DEPT-4 PUBLIC PURPOSE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MARTIN COUNTY  
AND HALPATIOKEE OUTDOOR CENTER, LLC., TO MANAGE AN  
OUTDOOR RECREATION CENTER AT HALPATIOKEE PARK**

Agenda Item: 23-0576

Parks and Recreation Deputy Director Kevin Kerwin presented the item to the Board. Assistant County Attorney Sebastian Fox assisted with Board questions. Halpatiokee Outdoor Center LLC Owner Rick Clegg addressed the Board.

The following member of the public addressed the Board regarding this item: Tom Pine.

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 Chairman Jenkins II, Commissioner Heard, and Chairman Ciampi

**UTILITIES AND SOLID WASTE**

**DEPT-5 THE TOWN OF SEWALL'S POINT (TOWN) IS REQUESTING A  
VARIANCE TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)  
ADOPTED SEPTIC TO SEWER PROGRAM**

Agenda Item: 23-0643



Utilities and Solid Waste Director Sam Amerson provided the item to the Board. County Administrator Don Donaldson assisted with Board questions and provided a brief history of this item.

Town of Sewall's Point Town Manager Robert Daniels thanked the Board for their collaborative efforts and requested to formally withdraw this item.

Chairman Ciampi solicited public comment; none was heard.

**PUBLIC - PLEASE LIMIT COMMENTS TO THREE MINUTES.**

None at this time.

**ADJOURN**

The Board of County Commissioners March 21, 2023 meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

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Carolyn Timmann, Clerk of the  
Circuit Court and Comptroller  
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Edward Ciampi, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

Minutes approved:

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