

**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON JANUARY 24, 2017 AT 3:00 PM
IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING ROOM
ROOM 103, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ARCADIA, FLORIDA**

The Board of County Commissioners held a Public Meeting on January 24, 2017.

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Juril "Buddy" Mansfield	Commissioner, District 1	Present	
James Selph	County Commissioner, District 2	Present	
Judy Schaefer	County Commissioner, District 3	Present	
Elton Langford	Chairman, District 4	Present	
Terry Hill	County Commissioner, District 5	Present	
Mandy Hines	County Administrator	Present	
Donald Conn	County Attorney	Present	
Jill Kersey	Transcribing Secretary	Present	
Richard Metzger	Facilities Director	Present	
Linda Nipper	Budget Coordinator	Present	
Eddie Miller	Utilities Director	Present	
Cindy Talamantez	Purchasing Director	Present	
Michael Taber	Economic Development Specialist	Present	
Earl Hahn	Development Director	Present	
Linda Waters	Library Director	Present	
Henry Grimes	Environmental Services Director	Present	
Michael Giardullo	County Engineer	Present	
Peggy Waters	Social Services Director	Present	
Peter Danao	Interim Finance Director	Present	
Jorge Hernandez	Compliance Director	Present	
Thomas Moran	Emergency Management Director	Present	
Larry Taylor	Public Safety Chief	Present	
Latrinda Jones	Interim Human Resources Director	Present	
Tara Anderson	Parks & Recreation Director	Present	
Shawn Edwards	Road & Bridge Director	Present	
Jody Sullivan	Turner Center Director	Present	

CALL TO ORDER 3:00 PM

TURN OFF OR SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES

PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Terry Hill

INTRODUCTION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff James Potter

SET/AMEND

Chairman Langford stated agenda items #15 & #17 have been moved to the 6:30pm agenda and Item #22 has been pulled.

RESULT:	AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

PUBLIC FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

James O'Leary expressed his concern that the truck stop on Highway 17 will not be issued an occupational license for the bar. Earl Hahn commented that in the special exception issued it would only allow the bar to operate along with the restaurant. The Department of Food and Safety closed the restaurant. Mr. Hahn also stated that Mr. O'Leary can apply for another special exception to operate the bar.

CONSENT AGENDA-MOTION TO APPROVE

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

1. Accounts and Warrants Drawn Per Schedule of Bills Payable.
2. Grant Florida Power and Light a utility easement within a vacated alley.
3. Grant Comcast Cablevision of West Central Florida, Inc. a utility easement within a vacated alley.
4. Grant the City of Arcadia, Florida, a municipal corporation, a Utility Easement within a vacated alley.
5. Grant Embarq Florida, Inc., DBA CenturyLink a Utility Easement within a vacated alley.
6. Sufficiency of Surety Bonds for County Officials.

PRESENTATIONS

REGULAR BUSINESS

7. Resolution/Budget Amendment

Linda Nipper presented a request to adopt a Resolution for budget amendments 2017-26, 2017-27 and 2017-28.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
SECONDER:	Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

8. Resolution-Lease Agreement/for network computer hardware and software licensing

Cindy Talamantez presented a request to adopt a Resolution and approve a lease agreement for network computer hardware and software licensing.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

9. Agreement/Roger's Petroleum

Cindy Talamantez presented a request to approve the agreement for a fuel contract with Roger's Petroleum for County fuel.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Terry Hill, County Commissioner, District 5
SECONDER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

10. Agreement/Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

Cindy Talamantez requested approval of a piggyback agreement between DeSoto County and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc using the Pasco County agreement for Professional Financial Services. Ms. Hines commented she would like to establish good fund balance policies for Utilities. Commissioner Mansfield questioned if more than one study can be done at the same time for the possibility of a better price. Ms. Hines commented it depends on the specialty and staff will research further.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
SECONDER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

11. Rural Co-Op Marketing Grant/ Enterprise Florida

Michael Taber requested approval of the DeSoto County & Enterprise Florida Cooperative Marketing and Communications Program Partnership Agreement. This is designed to create a marketing video that will market the Economic Development assets of DeSoto County.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

12. Resolution/Appointment to Planning Commission-Board of Adjustment

Earl Hahn requested approval to appoint Melinda Masters and Lynn Banish to the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment and search for alternates as well.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
SECONDER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

13. Resolution/Davis Minor Subdivision Without Plat Recordation

Earl Hahn requested approval to George & Christina Davis for a minor subdivision without plat recordation. A 20 acre parcel and 21 acre parcel was requested. Further discussion ensued. The Resolution was approved with conditions and striking #2 regarding a 10 foot easement.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
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14. Resolution/Drennan Replat

Earl Hahn requested approval of a re-plat in Horse Creek Acres to allow within the Agriculture 5 (A-5) zoning district two platted lots totaling 10.66-acres to be subdivided into a 5.65+ acre lot and a 5.0 acre lot on property Staff recommended approval.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
SECONDER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

15. Bid Award/ Fishkind and Associates, Inc.

Earl Hahn presented a request to approve the bid award to Fishkind and Associates, Inc for Housing Element and Workforce Housing Study.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Hines commented there are two upcoming Workshops with one on platting and subdividing of land and the other on the density bonus issue. She would like to combine those into one Workshop to be held on March 14, 2017 at 1:00pm. Consensus of the Board. Ms. Hines reported positive comments on staff members.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Nothing further to add.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Selph congratulated the Honorable Danielle Brewer on her investiture. Thanked Turner Center and Staff for the hard work on the Florida Cattleman's Institute and Allied Trade Show. Fire Station 1 groundbreaking was held today and he appreciates all the hard work of all involved. He thanked Tom Moran for updates of the past weekend's bad weather. He thanked Richard Metzger for the use of the tents at the groundbreaking today and complimented Shawn Edwards for his work on county roads. Commissioner Selph feels Highway 31 extension is critical and needs to be completed in 5 years or less especially for the purpose of the rodeo and high school traffic.

Commissioner Hill commented he enjoyed the ceremony held for the Honorable Danielle Brewer. He attended the Allied Trade Show and heard many exceptional compliments. There is a new historical plaque by the Tree of Knowledge.

Commissioner Schaefer commented she is happy to see the new Fire Station 1 become a reality. The Trade Show went well and staff did a great job. She is extremely concerned about the traffic from the new rodeo arena. Commissioner Schaefer questioned the possibility of amending the LDRs to prohibit or place a time limit on submission of an application that has been denied. Mandy Hines stated this is possible and she will research the matter along with staff. Consensus of the Board to create an LDR amendment. Commissioner Schaefer complimented staff on a job well done.

Commissioner Mansfield agreed with Commissioner Selph regarding the Highway 31 extension. Tallahassee trip last week. Requested an open Wifi for the Boardroom only during Board meetings. He commented the LDRs were created as a living document so that changes could be made and there are some areas that need to be corrected. Ms. Hines suggested a Workshop on April 11, 2017 at 1:00pm to discuss possible/proposed changes to the LDRs. Consensus of the Board.

Cindy Talamantez gave an update on the Gradall and stated Sarasota County has this item on the agenda for February 28, 2017.

Chairman Langford commented he is happy to see Fire Station 1 coming together and thanked Mandy, staff and Chief Taylor. He also received comments regarding the Turner Center and staff did a great job with the Trade Show. Ft. Ogden Baptist Church is finally being built and there has been discussion regarding the old Church building becoming a shelter. He feels we need to fight for FDOT to expand Hwy 31 and it is quickly becoming the busiest road in DeSoto County. West Farms Road Extension is missing one section that will make this project a possibility. Chairman Langford gave an update on the positive possibilities of the HRTPO.

RECESS UNTIL 6:30 PM PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING

16. Resolution of Intent-Ogden Acres Lighting District

Linda Nipper presented a request to adopt a Resolution of Intent for Ogden Acres Lighting District. Commissioner Selph suggested making it clear that as the rates go up the monthly bill will go up as well. Mr. Conn commented the Board could increase the rates in subsequent years if there is a need. Further discussion ensued.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
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17. Resolution of Intent-Cedar Ave Culvert Repair District

Linda Nipper presented a request to adopt a Resolution of Intent for Cedar Avenue Culvert District. There is only a portion of the residents with drainage issues in this area and the cost would be added to tax bill for those residents only. This would also cover any ongoing culvert maintenance. The County would front the capital and reimbursement would take place over a period of time. Further discussion ensued.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

18. Resolution of Intent-Hoth Road Improvement District

Linda Nipper presented a request to adopt a Resolution of Intent for Hoth Road Improvement Maintenance District. Further discussion ensued.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
SECONDER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

19. Ordinance/Amend Interim 2040 Future Land Use Map - Peace River State Forest

Earl Hahn stated the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services acquired substantial acreage and are now operating as the Peace River State Forest. He would like to amend the Land Use Map to reflect this change. A motion was made by Commissioner Mansfield to approve on first reading an Ordinance amending DeSoto County Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Series #3 the Interim 2040 Future Land Use Map by changing the designation of the Peace River State

Forest from 4230+ acres of rural agriculture and 15+ acres of Public Lands Institutional to 4245 of preservation, the street address being 4300 SW CR 769. Seconded by Commissioner Selph. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: PRESENTATION GIVEN

20. Resolution/Amend Transportation Element Support Documents

Earl Hahn presented a request to adopt a Resolution amending the Transportation Element Support Documents. This is to designate 769 as a secondary evacuation route.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
SECONDER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

21. Ordinance/Amend Capital Improvements Element Support Documents

Earl Hahn presented a request to adopt an Ordinance amending the Capital Improvement Element Support Documents which is required to be updated annually.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER: James Selph, County Commissioner, District 2
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING

22. Ordinance/Red Rock Land Corp Rezoning: A-10 to PUD

Request to adopt an ordinance granting to Red Rock Land Corp. an Official Zoning District Atlas amendmenet.

RESULT: PULLED **Next: 2/28/2017 3:00 PM**

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Langford adjourned the meeting at 6:52pm.

ATTEST:

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION
DESOTO COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**MANDY HINES
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**ELTON A. LANGFORD
CHAIRMAN**