

**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON JANUARY 9, 2018 AT 9:00 AM
IN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING ROOM
ROOM 103, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
ARCADIA, FLORIDA**

The Board of County Commissioners held a Public Meeting on January 9, 2018.

ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Juril "Buddy" Mansfield	County Commissioner, District 1	Present	
James Selph	Chairman, District 2	Present	
Judy Schaefer	County Commissioner, District 3	Present	
Elton Langford	County Commissioner, 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	
Lauri Benson	Administration Office Manager	Present	
Thomas Moran	Emergency Management Director	Present	
Eddie Miller	Utilities Director	Present	
Brian Wagner	Budget Coordinator	Present	
Latrinda Jones	Interim Human Resources Director	Present	
Jody Sullivan	Turner Center Director	Present	
Linda Waters	Library Director	Present	
Shawn Edwards	Road & Bridge Director	Present	
Linda Nipper	Budget Coordinator	Present	
Henry Grimes	Environmental Services Director	Present	
Tara Anderson	Parks & Recreation Director	Present	
Earl Hahn	Development Director	Present	
Michael Giardullo	County Engineer	Present	
Peter Danao	Interim Finance Director	Present	

CALL TO ORDER 9:00 AM

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Selph.

TURN OFF OR SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES

PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Matt Clayton with First Baptist Church of Arcadia offered the invocation.

INTRODUCTION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

SET/AMEND

A motion was made by Commissioner Buddy Mansfield to set the Agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Elton Langford. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, County Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER:	Elton Langford, County Commissioner, District 4
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

PUBLIC FORUM FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Tim Twohig expressed his concern over a neighbor parking a bus at a residential property that was previously denied parking of a commercial truck and trailer. Mr. Twohig was instructed by Code Enforcement to take photos and that they would also need to see the violation in person. The bus is not on the property during the hours of 7:00am-6:00pm. Mr. Twohig is concerned there will be damage to the culvert as a result of the bus being over weight. Ms. Mandy Hines stated Code Enforcement will be allowed to make a visit to the property after normal business hours.

Ms. Bonnie Malloy, Treasurer of the DeSoto Memorial Hospital Foundation expressed her concern over the decision made by DeSoto Memorial Hospital Board to close the OB/GYN Department and feels this is a major loss of services to the community. Ms. Malloy stated DeSoto Memorial Hospital has continued to experience large losses despite the 1.3 million dollars collected in sales tax revenue in the past three years.

CONSENT AGENDA-MOTION TO APPROVE

A motion was made by Commissioner Elton Langford to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Buddy Mansfield. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elton Langford, County Commissioner, District 4
SECONDER:	Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, County Commissioner, District 1
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

1. Accounts and Warrants Drawn Per Schedule of Bills Payable.
2. Minutes of December 12, 2017 BOCC Public Meeting.
3. Declaration of Surplus Property.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Presentation / 2016/17 4th Quarter Budget Report

Brian Wagner reviewed the 4th Quarter Budget to Actual Report. As part of the report information, Ms. Mandy Hines commented once we receive bid on the Lake Suzy Lift Station, we have an appropriation and the balance will be funded out of waste water capital. The balance of the waste water capital will be used to re-finance the USDA debt.

RESULT:	PRESENTATION GIVEN
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REGULAR BUSINESS

5. Resolution/Agreement Amendment S.W. Fletcher Street

Mike Giardullo presented a request to adopt a Resolution and FDOT Supplemental Agreement for S.W. Fletcher Street. FDOT granted an additional \$199,145.00 to assist in resolving an issue with the project. A motion was made by Commissioner Elton Langford to adopt the Resolution as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Terry Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Elton Langford, County Commissioner, District 4
SECONDER:	Terry Hill, County Commissioner, District 5
AYES:	Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

6. Bid Award-Contract/Gator Grading & Paving

Mike Giardullo presented a request to approve the contract with Gator Grading and Paving for S.W. Fletcher Street. A motion was made by Commissioner Elton Langford to approve the contract as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Judy Schaefer. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Elton Langford, County Commissioner, District 4
SECONDER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

7. State Homeland Security Grant/Florida Division of Emergency Management

Tom Moran presented a request to approve the State Homeland Security Grant Program Agreement between the Florida Division of Emergency Management and DeSoto County for the purpose of training. A motion was made by Commissioner Buddy Mansfield to approve the agreement as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Terry Hill. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, County Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER: Terry Hill, County Commissioner, District 5
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

8. Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority Development Plan Modification

Earl Hahn presented a request to adopt a Resolution granting the Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority Development Plan modification approval with conditions. Mr. Hahn stated the request is for the construction of an 11,755 square foot maintenance building. Further research found there was an existing facility in the location previously and Mr. Hahn feels the request should be vested and requested the Board to remove the requirement to file a Special Exception. A motion was made by Commissioner Elton Langford to adopt the Resolution with conditions and excluding condition #3. Seconded by Commissioner Judy Schaefer. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Elton Langford, County Commissioner, District 4
SECONDER: Judy Schaefer, County Commissioner, District 3
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

9. Water Projections/Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority

Eddie Miller presented a request to approve the DeSoto County 20 year Water Supply Projections to be provided to the Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority. A motion was made by Commissioner Buddy Mansfield to approve the request as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Elton Langford. Motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Juril "Buddy" Mansfield, County Commissioner, District 1
SECONDER: Elton Langford, County Commissioner, District 4
AYES: Mansfield, Selph, Schaefer, Langford, Hill

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Mandy Hines stated at a previous meeting residents expressed their concerns with Brownville Park. Ms. Hines suggested forming a Special Purpose Advisory Committee which all members would be general public with one county staff member present during meetings. Ms. Hines stated a Resolution will be presented to the Board in the future.

Ms. Hines feels extending Landfill operating hours to Monday through Saturday 7:30am-5:30pm would be a positive change for the community and staff. The Board agreed to extend the Landfill hours beginning February 2018.

Ms. Hines reported the Recycling Program has been suspended for now due to a low demand and will possibly resume in five to six months.

Ms. Hines requested approval to re-appoint Peggy Water or the Social Services Director to serve as the public representative for the Manatee Community Action Agency for 2018; there was Board consensus.

COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Don Conn stated he had nothing further to add.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Commissioner Elton Langford wished everyone a Happy New Year and looks forward to new and exciting things moving forward.

Commissioner Judy Schaefer stated she hopes the new year will be even better than last and thanked staff.

Commissioner Terry Hill thanked staff and is looking forward to a successful year.

Commissioner Buddy Mansfield stated he is looking forward to 2018.

Chairman James Selph wished everyone a Happy New Year. He is looking forward to 2018 and feels the County has great staff.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman James Selph adjourned the meeting at 9:39a.m.

ATTEST:

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

**MANDY HINES
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**JAMES F. SELPH
CHAIRMAN**