

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 13, 2022**

The Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida met in regular session at 3:00 p.m. with Chairman Bill Proctor presiding. Present were Vice Chairman Nick Maddox and Commissioners Kristin Dozier, Brian Welch, Carolyn Cummings, and Rick Minor. Also present were County Administrator Vincent Long, County Attorney Chasity O'Steen, and Clerk to the Board Beryl H. Wood.

Chairman Proctor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

The Invocation was provided by Dr. Michael R. Moore, Senior Pastor of Powerhouse Family Worship Center.

The Pledge of Allegiance was provided by Commissioner Carolyn Cummings.

**Awards and Presentations**

- Proclamation Honoring Fallen Tallahassee Police Officer Christopher Fariello
  - Vice-Chairman Maddox presented the Proclamation honoring fallen Tallahassee Police Officer Christopher Fariello to his father and the Tallahassee Police Department family.
  - Bishop Moore provided prayer to the family, TPD, the community, and others deeply affected by Officer Fariello's death.
  - Vice-Chairman Maddox thanked and commended the TPD family for its unity and support for one another and the family of Officer Fariello during this tragedy.
  - Commissioner Dozier thanked the TPD family for its presence and offered words of condolence.
  - Commissioner Welch thanked the TPD family for being here. He shared words of comfort and discussed the sacrifice that goes with wearing the uniform.
  - Commissioner Minor shared that his grandfather was a police officer, and he understands the sacrifice. He shared his condolences.
  - Commissioner Cummings acknowledged Officer Fariello for making the ultimate sacrifice. She thanked all the officers for their service and offered continued condolences to the family.
  - Chairman Proctor offered his empathy to the family of Officer Fariello and the TPD family.
- Proclamation Recognizing the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Capital Medical Society's WeCare Network
  - Commissioner Dozier presented the proclamation recognizing the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Capital Medical Society's WeCare Network.
  - Diana Bixler, Program Coordinator, thanked the Board for their continued support.
- Proclamation Recognizing September 30, 2022, as *Go Gold Day* in support of Pediatric Cancer Awareness

- Commissioner Welch presented the proclamation recognizing September 30, 2022, as Go Gold Day in support of Pediatric Cancer Awareness and encouraged all to participate.
  - Katelyn Irwin and Grayson Irwin of the Be Bold, Go Gold for Pediatric Cancer Awareness discussed why she started the awareness campaign and why each year her efforts have continued. Ms. Irwin noted that last year they raised over \$18,000 and is glad that Cascades Park will turn gold and everyone can participate. She encouraged all to participate during the month of September to raise awareness and funds for pediatric cancers.
  - Chairman Proctor vowed to give a contribution to her campaign.
  - Commissioner Cummings commended her for her efforts and service. Commissioner Cummings commented that she would contribute.
  - Commissioner Minor thanked and acknowledged Katelyn and asked that he be counted in for a donation.
  - Commissioner Dozier thanked Katelynn for her drive to continue even after her brother was healed. She also pledged to donate.
  - Vice-Chair Maddox commented on the level of selflessness to continue to help others. He also thanked her parents and shared with Katelynn the bright future ahead of her. He also pledged to donate.
  - Commissioner Welch introduced her parents.
- **ADDED** – Proclamation Recognizing Walker Smith’s Rodeo Athletics
    - Vice-Chair Maddox presented the proclamation recognizing Walker Smith’s Rodeo Athletics.
    - Walker Smith thanked the Board for the proclamation and thanked all the sponsors that help support him with the J.W.’s Bucking Autism Foundation.
    - Commissioner Dozier acknowledged Walker for his service for autism. She wished him the best of luck.
  - **Lake Munson**
    - Vice-Chair Maddox commented on recent conversations with citizens regarding Lake Munson. He requested that the suggestions and other feedback provided by citizens be incorporated into the upcoming agenda item on Lake Munson at the October 11, 2022, meeting. He also requested the item include additional information regarding the coordination of the education campaign with the Florida Department of Health as well as clarification regarding the protocols for health-related closures of parks.  
*Vice-Chair Maddox moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier, that the October 11th Lake Munson agenda item’s analysis include the specific recommendations of the Lake Munson citizen group, and for staff to continue to engage the citizen group through the agenda item development process. The motion carried 6-0.*

**Citizens to be Heard on Non-Agendaed Items**

(3-minute limit per speaker; there will not be any discussion by the Commission)

- Deloris Harpool, 856 Violet Street, spoke in support of renaming the street in honor of the late Congresswoman Carrie Pittman-Meek, who was born in Tallahassee, Florida.

- Betty Pittman, 1445 South Bronough Street, spoke in support of the renaming of South Bronough Street in honor of Carrie Pittman–Meek.
- Terry Ryan, 2538 Stonegate Drive, co-founder of Tallahassee Sewage and Wakulla Basin Advocacy Group, spoke on Item 21 and 22. He discussed the impact of septic tanks anywhere close to Lake Munson. He stated clean outs are needed for some at least twice a year.
  - Chair Proctor shared he had forwarded a request to the state’s Governor that he place priority on sewer enhancement and funding for south Leon County for infrastructure, health, and sanitation standards.
- Christian Caban, 611 Buena Vista Drive, candidate for County Commissioner District 2, discussed support for the citizen report on the Lake Munson clean up.
- Sean McGlynn, 568 Beverly Court, discussed the health effects of Lake Munson. He stated the sediments are dirty and it could make one ill. He asked that the sediments be removed. He asked that the remediation plans be implemented. He thanked the Board for their efforts.
- Letha L. Kilgore, 5406 Trinidad Drive, shared her thoughts about the history of Lake Munson. She discussed the draw down. She asked that they do it correctly, so they can enjoy their property.
  - Chair Proctor asked that they be provided with maps of the waterway.
- Linda Rivers, 5312 Trinidad Drive, thanked the Board for what has been done. She discussed the condition of the lake and the effects on residents. She asked that sediments be removed.
- Terry Ryan, 2538 Stonegate Drive, Tallahassee Sewage and Wakulla Basin Advocacy Group, summarized his handout to the Board. He asked that Leon County Health Department respond to citizen requests to come out and survey citizens for medical, health, emergency event protocols, and increased water quality testing.
- Dr. William Landing, 304 Timberlane Road, professor of Oceanography at Florida State University, discussed environmental issues with Lake Munson. He stated there is water quality monitoring being done. He discussed a drawdown of the lake is needed this year.
- Stanley Sims, 1320 Avondale Way, spoke on Betty Pittman-Meek’s commitment to work and the preservation of a legacy. He thanked the Board for the sensitivity that they have displayed to the people residing by Lake Munson. He shared that this is how government is supposed to work.
  - Chair Proctor discussed the need to prioritize septic system upgrades for homes closest to the Lake Munson and requested a map of the streamflow of water bodies.
  - Commissioner Dozier requested that the upcoming agenda item include the latest technologies available to improve the water quality of Lake Munson, and additional information on the role of the health department regarding the health hazards associated with contaminated water bodies.

**Consent**

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. The motion carried 6-0.*

Chairman Proctor passed the gavel to Vice-Chair Maddox.

**1. Minutes: February 22, 2022, Joint Affordable Housing Workshop, June 14, 2022, Regular Meeting, and June 21, 2022, Budget Workshop**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the minutes of February 22, 2022, Joint Affordable Housing Workshop, June 14, 2022, Regular Meeting, and June 21, 2022, Budget Workshop.*

**2. Payment of Bills**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the payment of bills and vouchers submitted for September 13, 2022 and pre-approve the payment of bills and vouchers for the period of September 14, 2022 through October 10, 2022.*

**3. Proposed Public Notice 2023 Tentative Board Meeting Schedule and Proposed 2023 Board Travel Schedule**

*The Board approved Option #1: Adopt the proposed Leon County Board of County Commissioners' Public Notice 2023 Tentative Board Meeting Schedule.*

*The Board approved Option #2: Approve the proposed Board of County Commissioners' 2023 Travel Schedule and authorize Commissioners' travel to the scheduled events.*

*The Board approved Option #3: Authorize Commissioners to use their travel budget to sponsor travel of an additional community member for the 2023 Honor Flight event.*

**4. Commissioner Appointments to the Science Advisory Committee, the Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls, and the Housing Finance Authority**

*The Board approved Option #1: Ratify Commissioners' appointment of citizens to the Science Advisory Committee for four-year terms ending September 30, 2026 as follows:*

- a. Commissioner Minor reappoints Charles Cook*
- b. Commissioner Welch reappoints Dr. Nasrin Alamdari*

*The Board approved Option #2: Ratify the individual Commissioners' appointments of citizens to the Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls for two-year teams ending September 30, 2024, as follows:*

- a. Commissioner Dozier reappoints Katie Britt Williams*
- b. Commissioner Proctor appoints Janel Robinson*
- c. Commissioner Minor appoints Marisa Button*

*The Board approved Option #3: Ratify Commissioner Welch's appointment of a citizen, Christic Henry, to the Housing Finance Authority of Leon County for the remainder of the unexpired term ending September 30, 2024 and approve the associated Housing Finance Authority Certificate of Appointment.*

**5. Proposed Resolution for Acquisition by Eminent Domain of Temporary Construction Easements for Maylor Road Drainage Improvement Project**

*The Board approved Option # 1: Adopt the proposed Resolution for Acquisition of Property by Eminent Domain for the Maylor Road Drainage Improvement Project.*

**6. Interlocal Agreement for Cross-Jurisdictional Environmental Permitting for Public Infrastructure Projects**

*The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the Interlocal Agreement for Cross-Jurisdictional Environmental Permitting and authorize the Chairman to execute.*

**7. Approval to Rename a Segment of Suwannee Street, from Myers Park Drive to South Gadsden Street, to Adderley Way**

*The Board approved Option # 1: Approve renaming a segment of Suwannee Street, from South Gadsden Street to Myers Park Drive, to “Adderley Way,” and adopt the associated Resolution.*

**8. PULLED -Approval to Rename South Bronough Street, from FAMU Way to Palmer Avenue West, to Carrie Pittman Meek Street**

**9. Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Ground Ambulance Services for Leon County Emergency Medical Services**

*The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the renewal of a Ground Ambulance Service Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Leon County Emergency Medical Services.*

**10. Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Ground Ambulance Services for Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare, Inc.**

*The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the renewal of a Ground Ambulance Service Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Tallahassee Memorial Healthcare Inc.*

**11. Sheriff’s Request to Appropriate Federal Forfeiture Fund Assets**

*The Board approved Option # 1: Approve a Resolution and a Budget Amendment appropriating \$80,000 from the Federal Forfeiture fund balance for transfer to the Sheriff’s Office budget to support law enforcement.*

**12. Overview of Policy No. 16-1 “Leon County Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy” and Employee Cannabidiol oil (CBD) Usage**

*The Board approved Option 1: Accept the overview on the Leon County Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace Policy and employee Cannabidiol oil (CBD) usage.*

**13. PULLED -Community Human Services Partnership FY 2023 Agency Funding**

**14. Resolution Establishing the Trusted People Neighborhood Engagement Steering Committee**

*The Board approved Option #1: Adopt the proposed Enabling Resolution establishing the Trusted People Neighborhood Engagement Steering Committee.*

**15. Driver's Education Agreement with Leon County Schools for Fiscal Year 2023**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the Agreement with Leon County Schools for the Fiscal Year 2023 Leon County Expanded Driver's Education Program and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement; and  
Option #2: Accept the Leon County School's Summary Report for School Year 2021/2022 and Dori Slosberg Fund Proposals for FY 2023.*

**16. Agreement for the Distribution of U.S. Department of Justice Assistance Grant Funds**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the proposed Agreement between Leon County, the City of Tallahassee, and the Leon County Sheriff for the distribution of the FY 2022 U.S. Department of Justice grant funds totaling \$146,075, and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.*

**17. State Aid to Libraries Grant Agreement and Annual Plan for Library Service**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the FY 2023 State Aid to Libraries Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of State and the associated certifications ; and  
Option #2: Approve the proposed FY 2023 Annual Plan for Library Service.*

**18. Memorandum of Understanding with Florida A&M University TRIO Educational Opportunity Center at Florida A&M University**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the TRIO Educational Opportunity Center at Florida A&M University for the provision of resources and services for adult learners enrolled in the Library's Career Online High School Program, and authorize the County Administrator to execute the MOU subject to legal review by the County Attorney.*

**19. Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the Maintenance of a Section of Apalachee Parkway, Mahan Drive, Blountstown Highway, Pensacola Street, Capital Circle and Thomasville Road**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the maintenance of sections of Apalachee Parkway, Mahan Drive, Blountstown Highway, Pensacola Street, Capital Circle and Thomasville Road and authorize the County Administrator to execute with any minor, nonsubstantive modifications as may be needed, subject to legal review by the County Attorney; and  
Option #2: Adopt the Resolution approving the Memorandum of Agreement.*

**20. Approval of the Plat for Tapley Trail Subdivision**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the plat for Tapley Trail Subdivision for recording in the Public Record , contingent upon staff's final review and approval, and authorize the*



County Administrator to accept and execute the Performance Agreement and Surety Device, and any future extensions thereto .

**21. Ratification of Standard Grant Agreements for the Advanced Septic Systems Pilot Project Grant and the Comprehensive Wastewater Treatment Feasibility Analysis Grant**

*The Board approved Option #1: Ratify the Standard Grant Agreement between Leon County and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Advanced Septic Systems Pilot Project Grant; and*

*Option #2: Ratify the Standard Grant Agreement between Leon County and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the Comprehensive Wastewater Treatment Feasibility Analysis Grant .*

**22. Springs Restoration Grant for Leon County Septic Upgrade Incentive Program**

*The Board approved Option #1: Accept the grant of \$1,111,111 from the Springs Restoration Grant Program for the Leon County Septic Upgrade Incentive Program and authorize the County Administrator to execute the grant agreement, including any future modifications, subject to final legal review by the County Attorney; and*

*Option #2: Adopt the Resolution and associated Budget Amendment Request.*

**23. Consideration to Amend Florida PACE Funding Agency Resolution and Expand the County's Property Assessed Clean Energy Program**

*The Board approved Option #1: Adopt an amended Resolution for the Florida PACE Funding Agency to provide residential and commercial PACE in Leon County; and*

*Option #2: Adopt the Resolution for the Green Corridor District to provide residential and commercial PACE in Leon County, and authorize the Chairman or County Administrator to execute all necessary documents to implement same, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.*

**24. Lease Agreement with the Seminole Radio Control Club, Inc.**

*The Board approved Option #1: Adopt a Resolution of Intent and approve the Lease Agreement with the Seminole Radio Control Club, Inc. for the use of the Apalachee Regional Park premises, and authorization for the County Administrator to execute the Lease Agreement, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.*

**Procurements:**

**25. Acceptance of Evaluation Committee Ranking for Consultant Services to Update the Land Use and Mobility Comprehensive Plan Elements**

*The Board approved Option #1: Accept the Evaluation Committee's ranking of vendors for consultant services to update the Land Use and Mobility Comprehensive Plan Elements of the Tallahassee-Leon County Comprehensive Plan.*

**26. Bid Award for the Leon County Sheriff's Office Detention Center Sliding Door Project**

*The Board approved Option #1: Approve the Agreement with Cornerstone Detention Products, Inc. in the amount of \$995,304 for the Leon County Sheriff's Office Detention Center Sliding Door Project , and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.*

**Status Reports:**

**27. August 2022 Quarterly Economic Dashboard Report**

*The Board approved Option #1: Accept the August 2022 Quarterly Economic Dashboard Report .*

**CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION**

**Item 8. PULLED -Approval to Rename South Bronough Street, from FAMU Way to Palmer Avenue West, to Carrie Pittman Meek Street**

Chairman Proctor pulled this item for further discussion.

*Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier, to approve Option #1: Approve the renaming of South Bronough Street, from FAMU Way to Palmer Avenue West, to "Carrie Pittman Meek Street", and adopt the associated Resolution.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

Vice- Chair Maddox acknowledged the Meek family.

Commissioner Cummings acknowledged the family of the late Congresswoman Carrie Pittman-Meek as she was a native of Tallahassee.

**Item 13. PULLED -Community Human Services Partnership FY 2023 Agency Funding**

This item was pulled by Commissioner Cummings. She noted she had conflicts of interest.

*Commissioner Minor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve Option #1: Approve the FY 2023 funding allocation of \$2,298,700 to the Community Human Service Partnership agencies; and*

*Option #2: Authorize the County Administrator to execute or modify agreements for FY 2023 with the Community Human Service Partnership funded agencies, as necessary, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.*

*The motion carried 5-0. (Commissioner Cummings recused).*



## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **28. Leon County 2022 Annual Report**

County Administrator Long distributed and presented the Leon County 2022 Annual Report and introduced a short video. He highlighted the achievements and significant accomplishments of the County in fiscal stewardship, economy, environment, quality of life, and governance. He thanked the Board for its leadership and thanked the Leon County team and community partners.

Chair Proctor acknowledged the great work and professionalism of the County Administrator and staff. He shared the work was phenomenal. He shared that the County Administrator is slated to accept the ICMA award later in September.

Commissioner Minor acknowledged the professionalism of County employees and the positive comments he continues to receive regarding their work. He shared he was grateful to be a part of this team.

Commissioner Dozier commended the presentation of the Annual Report as it showcased all that the County does for the community. She shared she was very proud of all the accomplishments in the Annual Report.

Vice-Chair Maddox acknowledged that this was Commissioner Dozier's last Annual Report and that she would be missed.

Commissioner Welch commented on the top-notch team and that the County staff reflects that. He shared they are the best at what they do.

Commissioner Cummings echoed all the sentiments and added that the Annual Report was beautiful. She recalled agenda items that come before them are very thoughtful and they support those initiatives. She thanked the County Administrator and his capable staff.

Vice-Chair Maddox thanked the County Administrator and staff for their hard work. He highlighted the fiscal stewardship and planning of the County with not having raised the millage rate in eleven consecutive years.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Chairman Proctor, approval of Option #1: Accept the 2022 Leon County Annual Report. The motion carried 6-0.*

#### Tallahassee Housing Authority (Orange Avenue Apartments Redevelopment Project)

Commissioner Maddox requested an agenda item to address the Tallahassee Housing Authority funding shortfalls related to Phase Two of the Orange Avenue Apartments Redevelopment project, for the September 20th budget public hearing meeting.

Commissioner Dozier recused herself from the vote due to a direct conflict of interest and indicated that she would also recuse herself from the vote on the upcoming agenda item.

*Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, to direct staff to provide an agenda item to address Tallahassee Housing Authority funding shortfalls related to Phase Two of the Orange Avenue Apartments project, for the September 20th budget public hearing meeting.*

*The motion carried 5-0. (Commissioner Dozier recused).*

*The Board recessed at 5:31 pm and resumed at 6:03 pm.*

**29. Proposed Acquisition and Renaming of the Fort Braden Community Center in Honor of Commissioner Jimbo Jackson**

County Administrator Long introduced the item.

Commissioner Maddox acknowledged Leon County Schools for coordinating with the County for the acquisition of the Fort Braden Community Center. He reflected on the need to ensure Leon County Schools is engaged in renaming the site in honor of Commissioner Jackson. He asked staff to coordinate with Leon County Schools to prepare a proclamation to be presented at the renaming ceremony.

Commissioner Dozier reflected on the leadership of both Commissioner Sauls and Commissioner Jackson in the Fort Braden Community.

Commissioner Welch expressed his support of the renaming of the Fort Braden Community Center and reflected on Commissioner Jackson's example in the community.

Commissioner Minor expressed his support of the renaming of the Fort Braden Community Center in Commissioner Jackson's honor.

Commissioner Cummings expressed her sentiments for Commissioner Jackson being a great humanitarian. She supported the renaming of the Fort Braden Community Center and thanked the County Administrator for his collaboration with Leon County Schools to acquire the Community Center.

Chairman Proctor reflected on Commissioner Jackson's support of initiatives in the 32304-zip code and expressed his support of the renaming of the Fort Braden Community Center.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Chairman Proctor, approval of Options #1-#3: Option #1: Approve the Conveyance Agreement with the Leon County School Board for the County's Acquisition of the Fort Braden Community Center property, and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Conveyance Agreement with any minor, nonsubstantive modifications as may be needed, subject to legal review by the County Attorney;*

*Option #2: Authorize the Chairman and/or County Administrator to execute any additional documents associated with the conveyance of the Fort Braden Community*

*Center and/or the dedication of the Moore Circle Road Segment, all subject to legal review by the County Attorney; and*

*Option #3: Approve the renaming of the Fort Braden Community Center in honor of Commissioner Jimbo Jackson.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

**30. Approval to Issue an Invitation to Bid for the Exclusive Franchise to Provide Waste Collection Services in Unincorporated Leon County**

Virtual Public Comment:

- Daniel Palmer, 2212 Turnbridge Court, Tallahassee, FL 32311, spoke about his recent services not being provided by Waste Pro.
  - Chairman Proctor asked staff to follow-up with Daniel Palmer regarding the issues he experienced with Waste Pro.

Commissioner Dozier commended County Administration for the new technology and tracking system requirement. She recalled the amount of phone calls she received since January from citizens. She shared her concern about signing another contract with Waste Pro.

Commissioner Minor commented on the quality of work with County staff in preparing the invitation to bid.

Commissioner Welch reflected on the anticipated level of citizen feedback during the upcoming solicitation process.

Commissioner Cummings asked the County Administrator for clarification from staff on the County's quality assurance process related to waste collection and remedying citizen complaints.

Chairman Proctor requested the County Administrator to clarify the percentage of complaints received across the total number of citizens being served.

- Maggie Theriot, Director of Office of Resource Stewardship, shared that there are currently 30,000 WastePro subscribers, and approximately 1% of the total collection service points have resulted in liquidated damages. She commented on the variation of complaint volume over recent months.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, approval of Option #1: Approve the issuance of an Invitation to Bid for the exclusive franchise to provide waste collection services in unincorporated Leon County.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

**31. Commissioner Appointments to the Juvenile Justice Circuit 2 Advisory Board and the Value Adjustment Board**

*Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, approval of Option #1: Full Board to appoint one Commissioner, the District 2 County Commissioner as elected during the upcoming election on November 8<sup>th</sup>, to the Juvenile Justice Circuit 2 Advisory Board for the remainder of the unexpired term ending December 31, 2023; and*

*Option #2: Full Board to appoint one Commissioner, the District 2 County Commissioner as elected during the upcoming election on November 8<sup>th</sup>, to the Value Adjustment Board For the remainder of the unexpired term ending April 30, 2024.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

**32. Full Board Appointment to the Leon County Research and Development Authority Board of Governors**

Commissioner Dozier requested a Proclamation to honor Ron Miller's impeccable career as the Executive Director of the Leon County Research & Development Authority/Innovation Park and his impact during his time at Innovation Park and for his 10 years of service at the October 11th meeting.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, to approve a Proclamation to honor Ron Miller's career as the Executive Director of the Leon County Research & Development Authority/Innovation Park and his impact during his time at Innovation Park.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, approval of Option #1: Reappoint three citizens, Raymond Bye, Kevin Graham, and Anne Longman, to the Leon County Research and Development Authority Board of Governors, based on the ratification of the recommendation by the LCRDA Nominating Committee, for four-year terms ending September 30, 2026, and adopt the associated appointment Resolution.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

**33. Full Board Appointments to the Board of Adjustments & Appeals, the CareerSource Capital Region Board, the Council on Culture & Arts, and the Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls**

*Commissioner Cummings moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, approval of Option #1: Appoint one citizen, John Phelps to the permanent member seat on the Board of Adjustments & Appeals for the remainder of the unexpired term ending June 30, 2025; and*

*Option #2: Appoint one citizen, Susanne Ryan to the alternate member seat on the Board of Adjustments & Appeals for the remainder of the unexpired term ending June 30, 2025.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

Commissioner Welch moved, seconded by Commissioner Cummings, to approve Option #3: Appoint one nominated and recommended citizen, *Cindy Lavoie*, to the CareerSource Capital Region Board for a three-year term ending June 30, 2025. The motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner Minor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve Option #4: Reappoint one recommended citizen, *Dan Taylor*, to the Practicing Artist seat on the Council on Culture and Arts (COCA) for a four-year term ending September 30, 2026; and

Option #5: Reappoint one recommended citizen, *Rachelle McClure*, to the At-large seat on the Council on Culture and Arts (COCA) for a four-year term ending September 30, 2026. The motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner Cummings moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, to approve Option #6: Ratify the Commission on the Status of Women & Girls' reappointment of three citizens, *Gina Giacomo, Bernice McMillan, and Jeanne O'Kon*, to the Tallahassee/Leon County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls for two-year terms ending September 30, 2024. The motion carried 6-0.

#### **SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS, 6:00 P.M.**

#### **34. First Public Hearing for Adoption of the FY 2022/2023 Tentative Millage Rates and Tentative Budgets**

Vice – Chair Maddox announced the public hearing. He stated this was the first of two required public hearings on Leon County budget for FY2022/2023.

County Administrator Long read into the record the required statutory language announcing the countywide millage rate was 8.3144 mills. He announced that there were no public speakers.

Commissioner Cummings moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, for approval of Option #1: Adopt, via Resolution 22-31, the tentative FY 2022/2023 Countywide millage rate of 8.3144 mills. The motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner Minor moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier, for approval of Option #2: Adopt, via Resolution 22-32, the tentative FY 2022/2023 Countywide budget. The motion carried 6-0.

Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Cummings, for approval of Option #3: Adopt, via Resolution 22-33, the tentative FY 2022/2023 Emergency Medical Services MSTU millage rate of 0.5000 mills. The motion carried 6-0.

Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier, for approval of Option #4: Adopt, via Resolution 22-34, the tentative FY 2022/2023 Emergency Medical Services MSTU budget. The motion carried 6-0.

*Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, for approval for Option #5: Direct staff to advertise, in accordance with the Florida Statutes, the tentative millage rates and budgets for FY 2022/2023, and the date, time, and place of the public hearing to adopt the final millage rates and budgets for FY 2022/2023. The motion carried 6-0.*

**35. First and Only Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of a Resolution Approving and Adopting the Local Provider Participation Fund Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll**

County Administrator Long introduced the item and read into the record.

There were no public speakers.

*Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Chairman Proctor, approval of Options #1 - #4: Waive the requirements of subsection V(L), Policy No. 01-05, and ratify the notices by publication and mail;*

*Option #2: Conduct the first and only public hearing and adopt the proposed Resolution 22-35 approving and adopting the Local Provider Participation Fund non-ad valorem assessment roll;*

*Option #3: Authorize the County Administrator to execute an agreement with the State of Florida, Agency for Health Care Administration, in a form approved by the County Attorney; and*

*Option #4: Approve the Resolution and associated Budget Amendment Request budgeting the revenue and expenses for the non-ad valorem assessment.*

*The motion carried 6-0.*

**36. First and Only Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of Related Resolution and Financing Agreement for The Holy Comforter Episcopal School, Inc. Conduit Refinancing Request**

County Administrator handed the item over to the County Attorney, who introduced the item..

The following citizens provided in-person comments:

- The County Attorney asked a series of questions related to the Bond and Kyle Phelps, representing Holy Comforter, provided specific responses regarding the public interest and repayment.

*Commissioner Minor moved, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to approve Option #1: Conduct the first and only Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act (TEFRA) public hearing and adopt the related Resolution and Financing Agreement for the debt refinancing for Holy Comforter Episcopal School, Inc.*

The motion carried 6-0.

**37. REMOVED - First and Only Public Hearing to Approve the Bell's Landscape and Design Type "C" Site and Development Plan Application**

*This public hearing has been rescheduled for October 11, 2022.*

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDAED ITEMS** (3-minute limit per speaker; Commission may discuss issues that are brought forth by speakers.)

- Chairman Proctor confirmed that there were no speakers on Non-Agendaed Items or list of speakers for non-agendaed items.

**COMMENTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**County Attorney Chasity O'Steen:**

- No additional comments.

**County Administrator Long:**

- No additional comments.

**COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Vice-Chair Maddox:**

- Entered correspondence into public record pursuant to County Code 2-670. County Attorney O'Steen handed it to the Deputy Clerk.

**Commissioner Minor:**

- Shared that the City of Tallahassee would be dedicating a park at Smokey Hollow in honor of Althemese Barnes on September 20, 2022, at 10 a.m. He requested a proclamation in recognition of the park dedication in honor of Althemese Barnes for her service at preserving local history.
  - *Commissioner Minor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve a proclamation in recognition of the City's upcoming park dedication in honor Althemese Barnes. The motion carried 6-0.*
- Announced that the Survive and Thrive Advocacy Center has free training available on their website ([www.stackpro.org](http://www.stackpro.org)) on the topic of recognizing signs of human trafficking. He encouraged all to take the class.

**Commissioner Dozier:**

- Recognized students in attendance from the FSU Applied Politics & Policy Learning Experience (Apple) Program and welcomed them.



- Requested a placeholder for a Proclamation at the October 11th meeting to honor a local Eagle Scout.
  - *Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve a proclamation to recognize a local Eagle Scout. The motion carried 6-0.*
- Requested approval to use her office travel budget to attend the Florida Regional Planning Council Association Board meeting.
  - *Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Cummings, to approve Commissioner Dozier's travel expenses for the Florida Regional Planning Council Association Board meeting. The motion carried 6-0.*
- Commented on traffic impacts related to the Amazon Fulfillment Center and the need for extended bus service beyond Mahan Drive. She confirmed with the County Administrator that the City has provided no additional information at this time regarding its plans to extend service. Commissioner Dozier encouraged the City to move forward with extending service. She confirmed with the County Administrator that the development review process required Amazon to build a bus shelter near the new facility and suggested that Amazon may be able to encourage the City to extend transit service.
  - Commissioner Maddox discussed the possibility of sending a letter from the Chairman to the City Commission expressing the County's interest in seeing bus service extended to the Amazon facility and requesting an update from the City on its efforts in this regard.
  - Chairman Proctor stated his opposition to sending a letter. He reflected on his previous efforts to encourage the City to extend sewer service to southern Leon County.
  - *Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, for the Vice Chairman to send a letter to the City Commission regarding the expansion of bus services to the Amazon Fulfillment Center. The motion carried 5-1. (Chairman Proctor in opposition).*
  - *Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier, for the Chairman to send a letter to the City Commission expressing support for the extension of sewer services in southern Leon County within the Urban Services Area. The motion carried 6-0.*
- Congratulated Keith Bowers for his appointment as the new director of the Tallahassee-Leon County Office of Economic Vitality.

**Commissioner Welch:**

- Stated that he had received a constituent request for streetlight to be installed at a bus stop on Rifle Avenue and Crump Road in the unincorporated area of the County.
  - *Commissioner Welch moved, seconded by Commissioner Minor, to request staff provide an agenda item to consider amending the County's Streetlight Policy to allow for the installation of streetlights at bus stops in the unincorporated area. The motion carried 6-0.*
- Congratulated the Division of Tourism Development on its efforts toward winning the bid to host the 2026 World Cross Country Championship.

**Commissioner Cummings:**

- Congratulated Keith Bowers for his appointment as the new director of the Tallahassee-Leon County Office of Economic Vitality.
- Requested a proclamation recognizing Rickards High School student Amaya Wayman for the Girl Flo Project and her efforts to ensure access to feminine hygiene products for Leon County Schools students and requested that Leon County School Board and Superintendent be invited to attend the presentation of the proclamation at the November meeting.
  - *Commissioner Cummings moved, seconded by Commissioner Dozier to approve a proclamation recognizing Amaya Wayman for the Girl Flo Project and her efforts to ensure access to feminine hygiene products for Leon County Schools students.*  
The motion carried 6-0.

**Chairman Proctor:**

- In response to comments by the Chairman, the County Administrator provided an overview of the existing Board policy which provides for an annual evaluation process for the County Administrator and stated that an annual agenda item will be brought back to the Board at the October 11 meeting to ratify commissioners' performance evaluations.
- Commended staff for their work during the County's recent 9/11 Day of Service.
- Requested a proclamation recognizing Eddie Jackson and George Thompson for their work on behalf of the community.
  - *Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Cummings to approve a proclamation recognizing Eddie Jackson and George Thompson.*  
The motion carried 6-0.
- *Requested a proclamation recognizing his mother's career contributions, to be presented to coincide with her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday.*
  - *Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Commissioner Welch to approve a proclamation recognizing his mother's career contributions and 85th birthday.*  
The motion carried 6-0.
- Requested an update on Amazon's efforts to hire local minority workers and vendors.
- Announced that he will be hosting a two-part Southside candidates' forum, with announcements to come next week.

**RECEIPT AND FILE:**

- Children's Services Council Financial Report – 3rd Quarter
- Capital Region Community Development District Meeting Minutes for May 12 and June 9, 2022

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

**LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA**

ATTEST:



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BY: Nick Maddox, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gwen Marshall Knight", written over a horizontal line.

BY: Gwen Marshall Knight, Clerk of Court  
& Comptroller, Leon County, Florida