

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD JANUARY 7, 2010
BOARD CHAMBERS, FIRST FLOOR, ESCAMBIA COUNTY GOVERNMENTAL COMPLEX
221 PALAFOX PLACE, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
(3:33 p.m. – 4:23 p.m.)

Present: Commissioner Grover C. Robinson, IV, Chairman, District 4
Commissioner Kevin W. White, Vice Chairman, District 5
Commissioner Wilson B. Robertson, District 1
Commissioner Gene M. Valentino, District 2
Commissioner Marie K. Young, District 3
Mrs. Lisa N. Bernau, Chief Deputy Clerk, representing the
Honorable Ernie Lee Magaha, Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller
Mr. Robert R. "Bob" McLaughlin, County Administrator
Mrs. Alison Rogers, County Attorney
Mrs. Patricia L. Sheldon, Clerk & Comptroller's Administrator of Financial Services
Mrs. Shirley L. Gafford, Program Coordinator, County Administrator's Office
Ms. Lizabeth Carew, representing the Deputy Clerk to the Board

AGENDA NUMBER

1. Call to Order

Chairman Robinson called the Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 3:33 p.m.

2. Was the Meeting Properly Advertised?

The Board was advised by Patricia L. Sheldon, Clerk & Comptroller's Administrator of Financial Services, that the Meeting was advertised in the Pensacola News Journal on January 2, 2010, in the *Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule January 4, 2010 – January 8, 2010 – Legal No. 1442435*.

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3. Discussion Concerning the Board's Options and Direction, as Provided by the Human Resources Division, for Determining an Acting County Administrator Upon the Expiration of the Current County Administrator's Contract

Motion made by Commissioner Robertson, with no second, and carried unanimously, approving Option 2, to name an internal candidate as Interim County Administrator, and Option 4, to immediately start the recruitment process, nationwide, for a permanent County Administrator.

Motion made by Commissioner Valentino, seconded by Commissioner White, and carried 3-2, with Commissioner Young and Commissioner Robinson "no," approving that, effective with the termination of the employment agreement with the current County Administrator, Larry Newsom will serve as Interim Acting County Administrator, and that his terms of employment be negotiated with the County Attorney, for final approval by the County Commissioners on or before February 6, 2010.

Motion made by Commissioner Robertson, seconded by Commissioner White, and carried 4-1, with Commissioner Young voting "no," rescinding (*reconsidering*) the vote approving that, effective with the termination of the employment agreement with the current County Administrator, Larry Newsom will serve as Interim Acting County Administrator, and that his terms of employment be negotiated with the County Attorney, for final approval by the County Commissioners on or before February 6, 2010.

Motion made by Commissioner Valentino, seconded by Commissioner White, and carried 4-1, with Commissioner Young voting "no," approving that, effective with the termination of the employment agreement with the current County Administrator, Larry Newsom will serve as Interim Acting County Administrator, and that his terms of employment be negotiated with the County Attorney, for final approval by the County Commissioners on or before February 6, 2010.

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, appointing Joy D. Blackmon as the Interim Assistant County Administrator, with no salary budget changes.

Motion made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, approving that when an affirmative Administrator is named, Joy D. Blackmon reverts to the Public Works Bureau Chief position, and while she is the Interim Assistant County Administrator, she will remain the County Engineer.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BCC MEETING – Continued

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Robinson declared the Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

Ernie Lee Magaha
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

By: _____
Grover C. Robinson, IV, Chairman



Deputy Clerk

Approved: January 21, 2010