

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD MARCH 13 AND MARCH 14, 2014
BOARD CHAMBERS, FIRST FLOOR, ERNIE LEE MAGAHA GOVERNMENT BUILDING
221 PALAFOX PLACE, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA
(March 13, 2014 – 1:09 p.m. – 4:27 p.m.)
(March 14, 2014 – 9:00 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. – 1:33 p.m.)

Present: Commissioner Lumon J. May, Chairman, District 3
Commissioner Steven L. Barry, Vice Chairman, District 5
Commissioner Wilson B. Robertson, District 1
Commissioner Grover C. Robinson IV, District 4
Commissioner Gene M. Valentino, District 2
Alison Rogers, County Attorney
Doris Harris, Deputy Clerk to the Board
Judy H. Witterstaeter, Program Coordinator, County Administrator's Office

AGENDA NUMBER

1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Barry called the Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 1:09 p.m. on March 13, 2014 (Commissioner May had not yet arrived).

2. Invocation

Vice Chairman Barry advised that Reverend Evon Horton, Pastor, Brownsville Assembly of God Church, would deliver the Invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Vice Chairman Barry advised that he would lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

4. Was the Meeting Properly Advertised?

The Board was advised by Doris Harris, Deputy Clerk to the Board, that the Meeting was advertised in the *Board of County Commissioners – Escambia County, Florida, Meeting Schedule March 10-March 14, 2014 – Legal No. 1620249*, as published in the Pensacola News Journal on March 8, 2014.

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5. Adoption of the Agenda

Motion made by Commissioner Valentino, seconded by Commissioner Robinson, and carried 4-0, with Commissioner May absent, adopting the agenda, as prepared.

6. County Administrator Position Candidates

A. Overview of the Process for Selection of Five Finalists

The Board heard an overview of the Process for Selection of the Five Finalists from Andrea Battle Sims, The Waters Consulting Group, Inc.

CHAIRMAN MAY RELINQUISHED THE CHAIR TO COMMISSIONER BARRY

Motion made by Commissioner May, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, approving to "do a three months severance pay."

VICE CHAIRMAN BARRY RELINQUISHED THE CHAIR TO COMMISSIONER MAY

B. Interviews with the Following Five Finalists

The Board conducted interviews with each of the following five (5) candidates for the position of County Administrator:

- (1) Jack R. Brown
- (2) Ted O. Lakey
- (3) Albert M. Penksa, Jr.
- (4) William H. (Bill) Reynolds
- (5) John L. Weaver

MEETING RECESSED AT 4:27 P.M. ON MARCH 13, 2014

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C. Selection of County Administrator

Motion made by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, and carried unanimously, approving to "pick this up" in two weeks, at the April 3, 2014, Regular Board Meeting.

Speaker(s):

Barbara Mayall
John Peacock
Bob Price, Jr.
Andrew Blewer
Jesse Casey
Rory Cassedy

For Information: The Board:

A. Heard the following two motions:

(1) Motion made by Commissioner Robertson, seconded by Commissioner Valentino, that the Board offer the position of Administrator to Larry Newsom, and the motion failed 2-3, with Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Barry, and Commissioner May voting "no"; and

(2) Motion made by Commissioner Robinson, seconded by Commissioner Barry, that the Board extend the offer to Jack Brown, based on confirmation from Ms. Sims that everything was done in an acceptable manner as far as his deadlines, and the motion was subsequently withdrawn; and

B. Received a copy of an email communication, dated February 10, 2014, between Commissioner Robinson and Andrea Sims, confirming that all five final candidates submitted their materials in a timely manner and were in good standing as finalists, as provided by Commissioner Robinson.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BCC MEETING – Continued

ANNOUNCEMENT

1. FOR INFORMATION: The Board observed a moment of silence in honor of Reverend Steve Hill and former Governor Reuben Askew, who both passed away recently.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman May declared the Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners adjourned at 1:33 p.m. on March 14, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

Pam Childers
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller



By: _____

Lumon J. May, Chairman

Deputy Clerk

Approved: March 18, 2014