

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE WORKSHOP OF THE ESCAMBIA
COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

APRIL 11, 2019

Present: Commissioner Lumon J. May, Chairman, District 3
Commissioner Steven L. Barry, Vice Chairman, District 5
Commissioner Robert D. Bender, District 4
Commissioner Jeffrey W. Bergosh, District 1
Commissioner Douglas B. Underhill, District 2
Honorable Pam Childers, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller
Amy Lovoy, Interim County Administrator
Alison Rogers, County Attorney
Lizabeth Carew, Administrative Specialist, Clerk and Comptroller's Office
Shamara Jernigan, Agenda Program Coordinator, County Administrator's Office

Location: Ernie Lee Magaha Government Building, Board Chambers, First Floor, 221 Palafox
Place, Pensacola, Florida

Report prepared by: Lizabeth Carew

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Chairman May called the Committee of the Whole Workshop (C/W) to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. Was the Meeting Properly Advertised?

The meeting was advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on April 6, 2019, in the Board's Weekly Meeting Schedule.

3. County Administrator's Search

A. Board Discussion – The C/W:

- (1) Heard comments from Vincent Long, Florida Association of County Managers, concerning the process by which the applicants were evaluated and ranked; and

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(2) Discussed the list of applicants provided by the Florida Association of County Managers and Human Resource Director Eric Kleinhert's personal list, and heard the request to add the following applicants to the list to be interviewed on April 29:

- (a) Commissioner Bergosh – Chris Martin;
- (b) Commissioner Barry – Janice Gilley; and
- (c) Commissioner Bender – Cedric Alexander

B. Board Direction – None.

4. Tourist Development Council

This item was dropped from the agenda.

5. Fees on Rosamond Johnson Beach

A. Board Discussion – The C/W discussed admission fees on Rosamond Johnson Beach for the Rosamond Johnson Memorial on May 4, 2019; and

- (1) Was advised by Commissioner Underhill that Superintendent Dan Brown, Gulf Islands National Seashore, sent a letter "up the chain of command" to allow for free entrance on the entire Gulf Islands Seashore on the morning of the Rosamond Johnson Memorial; and, in addition to that, he would like to have the County print out a flyer so that instead of a transfer of cash and getting a receipt back, every single person who comes through the gates of any part of Gulf Islands National Seashore that weekend, receives a postcard that says "your entrance today was paid for by the life of Rosamond Johnson"; and
- (2) Heard Commissioner May and Commissioner Bergosh commit \$1,000 from their discretionary fund for the event; and

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B. Board Direction – The C/W recommends that the Board:

- (1) Authorize the Chairman, on behalf of the entire Board, to write a letter in support of the Memorandum from Superintendent Daniel R. Brown, Gulf Islands National Seashore, requesting approval for a waiver of entrance fees for May 4, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., for the Rosamond Johnson Memorial event; and
- (2) Authorize the printing of flyers, based on what Superintendent Brown believes to be the number of cars that will come through the gate during the aforementioned time period, to be paid for by Commissioner Underhill's discretionary fund.

Recommended 5-0

For Information: Board direction for this item was ratified on April 16, 2019, during the Regular Board Meeting (Commissioner Underhill's Add-on Item #1).

6. Portable Storage Containers

- A. Board Discussion – The C/W viewed and discussed a PowerPoint, Presentation, entitled *Alternate Uses for Shipping Containers LDC Chapter 4*, presented by Tim Day, Senior Manager, Natural Resources Management Department, and agreed to add shipping containers to the definition of an auxiliary structure to a home and forward the amendment to the Planning Board; and

B. Board Direction – None.

7. Alcohol Sales Measurement

- A. Board Discussion – The C/W discussed the current method of measurement for alcohol sales between the place of business and churches or schools and the sale of alcohol on Sundays, and agreed to make no changes; and

B. Board Direction – None.

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8. Amending Resolution R2018-133 Establishing the Escambia County Youth Commission
 - A. Board Discussion – The C/W discussed the composition of the Escambia County Youth Commission and agreed to amend the composition to five members during the first year of establishment and remove the requirement that the student must attend school in Escambia County; and
 - B. Board Direction – None.

9. New Escambia County Correctional Facility Progress Report
 - A. Board Discussion – The C/W viewed and discussed a PowerPoint Presentation, entitled *New Escambia County Correctional Facility Progress Update*, presented by Steven Jernigan, Bay Design, and Bob Dye, Facilities Management, and:
 - (1) After being advised by Mr. Dye that the contract with the "DBE" does not address the return of excess retainage, was advised by County Attorney Rogers that the current contract does include the provision required by State law that allows the contractor to request a return after the 50% completion mark; and the issue that is not included in the contract, which staff is advising that the Board should add, would be language that would allow for the contractor to ask for the return of previously held retainage, once they've gotten past the 50% completion mark;
 - (2) Upon inquiry from Commissioner Barry, was advised by Paul Nobles, Purchasing Manager, that the contract was written predicated on what the State Statutes were at the time the contract was originally brought to the Board, and since then, there have been changes to the Statute; and
 - (3) Heard the request from County Attorney Rogers that staff be given time to put a chronology together of the changes in the Statute; and
 - B. Board Direction – None.

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10. Fire Service January 19, 2019, ISO Briefing

A. Board Discussion – The C/W viewed and discussed a PowerPoint Presentation, presented by Kyle Biles, ISO [Insurance Services Office] Senior Field Representative, and:

(1) Was advised by Mr. Biles that:

(a) Based on last year's evaluation, Escambia County has improved its classification from a 5 to a 4/4X, which puts the County in the top 30% of all of the fire districts in the entire country; and

(b) Areas of improvement include: Structure fire-related training for on-duty firefighters and responsive volunteers, and the deployment of the fire stations (where the fire stations and in turn the engine and ladder companies are located throughout the entire county); and

(2) Based upon inquiries from each Commissioner, heard comments from Mr. Biles concerning actions that can be taken to improve the ISO rating, including involving the local water utility company, as part of the solution, because 40% of the evaluation is based on the capability of the water systems to provide water throughout the entire county; and

B. Board Direction – None.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1. Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

The Board discussed staffing and management issues relating to Escambia County EMS that have recently been made public.

AGENDA ITEMS – Continued

11. Adjourn

Chairman May declared the Committee of the Whole Workshop adjourned at 11:57 a.m.