

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF  
THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**JUNE 17, 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  
Matt Coughlin, Interim County Administrator  
Alison Rogers, County Attorney  
DeLana Allen-Busbee, Administrative Specialist, Clerk and Comptroller's Office  
Shamara Jernigan, Administrative Assistant, County Administrator's Office

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

Minutes prepared by: DeLana Allen-Busbee

**AGENDA NUMBER**

1. Call to Order

Chairman May called the Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 9:04 a.m.

FOR INFORMATION

The Board heard comments from the following speakers during a public comment period:

Margaret Hostetter  
Kelly Moore  
Larry Downs, Jr.  
Melissa Pino

2. Proof of Publication

The Meeting was advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on June 15, 2019, in the Board's weekly meeting schedule.

<b>Motion:</b> Move to waive the reading
<b>Made by:</b> Commissioner Barry
<b>Seconded by:</b> Commissioner Bender
<b>Disposition:</b> Carried unanimously

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3. Adoption of the Agenda

Recommendation: That the Board adopt the agenda as prepared (or duly amended).

<b>Motion:</b> So moved
<b>For Information:</b> Chairman May advised that he would likely have an add-on Item and that the Chair would entertain a motion to adopt the agenda as prepared, unless there are any modifications.
<b>Made by:</b> Commissioner Barry
<b>Seconded by:</b> Commissioner Bender
<b>Disposition:</b> Carried unanimously

4. Local Option Sales Tax III and IV Plan Discussion

A. Board Discussion – The Board of County Commissioners discussed Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) III and IV allocations, and the Board:

- (1) Heard comments from the Honorable David Stafford, Supervisor of Elections, concerning the LOST allocations for the Supervisor of Elections office and his office's plans for the funding;
- (2) Was advised by Commissioner Barry that he would like to move Kingsfield Road from the Sector Plan discussion to the Interchange discussion and use LOST III reserves carry forward to move the Well Line Road and Quintette Road projects to 2019;
- (3) Was advised by Stephan Hall, Budget Manager, that all movement of LOST funds come before the Board;
- (4) Discussed planned improvements and funding for the Pinestead Road project and the Longleaf Drive project;
- (5) Heard comments from Commissioner Bender regarding potential grant funding for various projects;
- (6) Discussed the funding coming back from Navy Federal Credit Union and whether to put it in the General Fund or split it amongst the five districts;

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- (7) Was advised by the Honorable Scott Lunsford, Tax Collector, that his office would like to request the purchase of two buildings for operations, which would aid in ending costly lease agreements; discussed financing the purchase versus paying up front; and put a placeholder of \$3 million and a blank line for potential financing costs in LOST IV 2020;
- (8) Agreed to ask staff to zero out small remaining balances on old and closed out projects;
- (9) Was advised by Commissioner Underhill that if the Board agreed to support his funding request from RESTORE to complete construction on the Perdido Key Bike Path, he would allocate \$2 million of his discretionary LOST IV funds for the Jackson Street Sidewalk project;
- (10) Added a line in District 2 Discretionary LOST IV of \$2 million for Jackson Street Sidewalks/Drainage improvements;
- (11) Discussed Phase 2 of the new jail construction and asked Bob Dye, Interim Facilities Director and Risk Manager, to reach out to Whitesell-Green, Inc., and discuss whether there would be any savings to start Phase 2 now;
- (12) Was advised by Commissioner Bergosh to put a line for \$2 million of his discretionary LOST IV funds in 2020 for the Beulah Fire Department;
- (13) Heard the request from Commissioner Underhill to allocate \$17 million each year in LOST IV for road resurfacing and \$9.3 million each year for the next ten years for bridge improvements/replacements based on the Mott MacDonald report;
- (14) Was advised by Commissioner May that he would like to find support to add funding for workforce housing into LOST and heard comments of support from Commissioner Underhill, especially if the funding could be used to help with infrastructure to encourage developers of workforce housing;

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(15) At Commissioner Bender's request, discussed moving the Gulf Coast Minority Chamber of Commerce, the Century Chamber of Commerce, Job Development Skills for Youth, and Subsidized Day Care line items from LOST IV Economic Development projects back to the General Fund and agreed to discuss a goal of making the change for the three smallest allocations next fiscal year; and

(16) Agreed to add lines to 2019 LOST III Transportation and Drainage for \$1.5 million for Well Line Road, \$1.5 million for Quintette Road, and \$500,000 for workforce housing from LOST III carry forward; and

B. Board Direction

<b>Motion:</b> No action taken
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<b>Speaker(s):</b> Larry Downs, Jr., Melissa Pino, and Margaret Hostetter
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**ITEMS ADDED TO THE AGENDA – COMMISSIONER LUMON J. MAY**

1. Recommendation: That the Board approve the Funding Allocation of \$750.00 from Commissioner Lumon May's Discretionary Fund to support the Movement for Change 21<sup>st</sup> "Freedom is Not Free" Banquet.

[Funding: Fund 001, Discretionary Money, Cost Center 110101, Object Code 58201]

<b>Motion:</b> Have the Board approve discretionary funding of \$750 from Commissioner May's discretionary fund to the Movement for Change 21 <sup>st</sup> annual "Freedom is Not Free" banquet.
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<b>Made by:</b> Commissioner Barry
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<b>Seconded by:</b> Commissioner Bender
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<b>Disposition:</b> Carried unanimously
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**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 12:20 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lumon J. May, Chairman

ATTEST:

Pam Childers  
Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

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Deputy Clerk

Approved: July 18, 2019