

DECEMBER 15, 2015
PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA
SPECIAL MEETING

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in special session with the following members present: Chairman Ward McDaniel, and Commissioners Sandy Quinn, Jr. and Jerry W. Barnes.

Others present were: County Attorney Novak, Clerk Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk Director of Finance & Management Rhonda Woodward, Clerk Budget & Finance Officer Sherry Herring, Deputy Clerk Leanna Roberts, Assistant Administrator Michael L. Hammond, Deputy Administrator Kari Summers, Central Services Director Lynn Lanier, Gulf County E.D.C. Director Chris Holley, Gulf County E.M.S. Director Houston Whitfield, Preble-Rish, Inc./County Engineer Clay Smallwood, III, Public Works & Mosquito Control Director Mark Cothran, Assistant Public Works Director Lee Collinsworth, Gulf County RESTORE Act Coordinator Warren Yeager, Jr., Sheriff Mike Harrison, Solid Waste Director Joe Danford, and Veterans' Service Officer & S.H.I.P. Administrator Joe Paul.

Chairman McDaniel called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m., E.T.

Chairman McDaniel led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

GULF COUNTY E.M.S.

Assistant Administrator Hammond stated that based on some law changes, it would be beneficial for the County to eliminate the nine (9) hour shift slot and the paid back-up and go to a full-time second shift. He reported that this would mean the County will hire six (6) full-time employees and eliminate the paid back-up and nine (9) hour shift on the South end. Clerk Norris inquired if this change would be covered under their available budget. Assistant Administrator Hammond stated that there will be a negative impact to the budget of approximately \$120,000.00 to \$150,000.00 based on the benefits the County offers for full-time employees. He stated that Staff and E.M.S. Director Whitfield's recommendation to the Board is that the County eliminate the nine (9) hour slot and the paid back-up, and add another full-time crew (three (3) paramedics and three (3) EMTs). After discussion, Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There was no public comment. Commissioner Barnes motioned to approve Staff's recommendation. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

AWARD BID #1516-03 / LANDFILL CLOSURE

Assistant Administrator Hammond reported that Staff's recommendation is to award Bid #1516-03 for the closure of Five Points Landfill to GAC Contractors, Inc. (low bidder) and to modify the bid to add twenty (20) calendar days to the completion date for a total of 140 calendar days; contingent upon the County Attorney signing off on the final contract.

Public Works Director Cothran read the bids aloud to the Board. After discussion, Commissioner Quinn motioned to award Bid #1516-03 to GAC Contractors, Inc. (low bidder; to be paid from Landfill Closure Escrow Funds). Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (3-0). Discussion followed.

There being no further business, and upon motion by Commissioner Barnes, second by Commissioner Quinn, and unanimous 3-0 vote, the meeting did then adjourned at 8:14 a.m., E.T.

**WARD MCDANIEL
CHAIRMAN**

ATTEST:

**REBECCA L. NORRIS
CLERK**