

## **PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA**

**AUGUST 3, 2010**

### **SPECIAL MEETING**

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in a special meeting with the following members present: Chairman Carmen L. McLemore, Vice Chairman Warren J. Yeager, Jr., Commissioner Bill Williams, and Commissioner Nathan Peters, Jr. <Commissioner Billy E. Traylor was absent.>

Others present were: County Attorney Timothy McFarland, Clerk Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk Finance Officer Carla Hand, Deputy Clerk Kari Summers, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Assistant Administrator Michael Hammond, Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier, Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson, E9-1-1 Coordinator Ben Guthrie, Grant Writer Towan Kopinsky, Gulf County E.M.S. Director Houston Whitfield, Human Resource Director Denise Manuel, Mosquito Control Director Mark Cothran, Planner David Richardson, Sheriff Joe Nugent, and Sheriff's Office Major Bobby Plair.

Chairman McLemore called the meeting to order at 4:47 p.m., E.T.

#### **P.D.R.B. APPOINTMENT**

Commissioner Williams stated that he met with Dewey Blaylock concerning his re-appointment to the P.D.R.B., and due to health reasons Mr. Blaylock must decline the re-appointment. Commissioner Williams motioned to appoint Bo Springs to the P.D.R.B. Commissioner Yeager seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously (4-0).

#### **INDUSTRIAL PARK LEASE**

County Attorney McFarland discussed that he received a letter from Taunton Truss requesting additional time to vacate the Industrial Park. Upon inquiry by Chairman McLemore, County Attorney McFarland discussed that legally there would need to be an amendment to the contract. Chairman McLemore discussed that British Petroleum (B.P.) is going to close down, and he is willing to give Taunton a 30 day extension, stating that this may be an opportunity to create jobs in this County if he gets the Haitian project. Commissioner Williams discussed that this Board needs to do whatever to help, but that there needs to be some restrictions which are clear and specific of what has to occur in 30 days. After further discussion by members of the Board, Commissioner Yeager motioned to allow an additional 30 days; getting current on the lease or vacate the building. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously (4-0).

**GULF COUNTY E.M.S.**

Chief Administrator Butler discussed that Commissioner Yeager and Assistant Administrator Hammond have been working on the budget and recommended to advertise for R.F.P.'s for the Gulf County E.M.S. Commissioner Yeager motioned to approve this recommendation. Commissioner Peters seconded the motion for discussion. Gulf County E.M.S. Director Whitfield appeared before the Board and discussed that he has reduced their budget and would like to discuss it during the budget meeting. After further discussion by members of the Board, the motion then passed unanimously (4-0).

There being no further business, and upon motion by Commissioner Yeager, the meeting did then adjourn at 4:56 p.m., E.T.

**CARMEN L. MCLEMORE  
CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:  
REBECCA L. NORRIS  
CLERK**