

PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA

DECEMBER 5, 2006

SPECIAL MEETING

The Gulf County Board of County Commissioners met this date in special session with the following members present: Chairman Carmen L. McLemore, Vice Chairman Bill Williams, and Commissioners Billy E. Traylor (entered at 4:46 p.m.), Nathan Peters, Jr. and Jerry W. Barnes.

Others present were: County Attorney Timothy McFarland, Clerk Becky Norris, Deputy Clerk Kari Summers, Clerk Finance Officer Carla Hand, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Deputy Administrator Lynn Lanier, Building Official Lee Collinsworth, County Judge Fred Witten, E.D.C. Director Alan McNair, Grant Writer Loretta Costin, Human Resources Director Denise Manuel, Planner David Richardson, Sheriff Dalton Upchurch, Sheriff's Office Bookkeeper Patty Bartlum, Sheriff's Office Captain Bobby Plair, Sheriff's Office Major Joe Nugent, Sheriff's Office Major Mike Harrison, Sheriff's Office Captain Evette Farmer, and State Court Administrator Court Operations Consultant Robyn Hatcher.

Chairman McLemore called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m., E.T.

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE - GULFSIDE M.S.T.U.

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider adoption of a proposed ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2006-14 (Gulfside M.S.T.U.), County Attorney McFarland read the proposed Ordinance, and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner Barnes motioned to adopt the following-titled ordinance. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, and it passed 3 to 1, with Commissioner Peters voting no.

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING IN ITS ENTIRETY ORDINANCE NO. 2006-14 OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

****Complete Ordinance on file with Clerk****

(End)

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE - GULFSIDE INTERIOR M.S.T.U.

Pursuant to advertisement to hold a public hearing to consider adoption of a proposed ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2006-15 (Gulfside Interior M.S.T.U.), County Attorney McFarland read the proposed Ordinance, and called for public comment. There being no public comment, Commissioner Barnes motioned to adopt the following-titled ordinance. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, and it passed 3 to 1, with Commissioner Peters voting no.

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING IN ITS ENTIRETY ORDINANCE NO. 2006-15 OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

****Complete Ordinance on file with Clerk****

(End)

RESOLUTIONS - GULFSIDE AND GULFSIDE INTERIOR M.S.T.U.

County Attorney McFarland read a proposed resolution (by title) amending and supplementing the Cape San Blas beach renourishment project (Gulfside and Gulfside Interior M.S.T.U.s). Commissioner Williams motioned to adopt the following titled resolution with all attachments. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed 3 to 1, with Commissioner Peters voting no.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-47

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION NO. 2006-24 OF THE COUNTY; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$12,000,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF LIMITED AD VALOREM TAX BONDS, SERIES 2006 (CAPE SAN BLAS BEACH RENOURISHMENT PROJECT - GULFSIDE AND GULFSIDE INTERIOR M.S.T.U.s), IN ORDER TO FINANCE CERTAIN BEACH IMPROVEMENTS; MAKING CERTAIN OTHER COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; PROVIDING CERTAIN TERMS AND DETAILS OF SUCH BONDS, INCLUDING AUTHORIZING A NEGOTIATED SALE OF SAID BONDS AND THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH RESPECT THERETO UPON COMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN PARAMETERS; APPOINTING THE PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRAR WITH RESPECT TO SAID BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A DEBT SERVICE RESERVE FUND POLICY AGREEMENT AND A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

****Complete Resolution on file with Clerk****

(End)

Ralph Cellon, of Morgan-Keegan, discussed that the bonds will be marketed on Wednesday, December 13, 2006, stating that the Chairman and the Clerk (or their designees) will need to sign the agreement on Wednesday, December 13, 2006. He discussed that on Wednesday, December 27, 2006, the pre-closing will be handled, stating that the Chairman and Clerk (or their designees) will need to be present to sign all documents, and the funds will be transferred on Thursday, December 28, 2006. Mr. Cellon commended the staff that has been involved on

preparing all the paperwork for these bonds. Chairman McLemore designated Vice Chairman Williams to sign the appropriate paperwork for this bond issue.

GULF COUNTY JAIL

Upon inquiry by Commissioner Peters regarding Sheriff Upchurch maintaining the jail until the next budget session, Sheriff Upchurch stated that he is committed to the January 1, 2007 deadline, and that he is committed to making this transition as smooth and cost effective as possible, stating that they will assist as long as it takes. He stated they will assist with the computer programs or transporting prisoners to make this transition as easy as possible. Chairman McLemore discussed that Chief Administrator Butler has a long-range plan in place, and that all Commissioners need to work with Chief Administrator Butler and take full operation of the jail. After further discussion, and upon inquiry by Commissioner Peters, Sheriff Upchurch stated that he designated Captain Farmer as the Jail Administrator. Commissioner Peters discussed that the Board has scheduled classes for Captain Farmer and Human Resources Director Manuel to attend. Commissioner Williams discussed the Board placing Captain Farmer as the Acting Jail Administrator, and Captain Farmer appeared before the Board and stated that she is willing to assist in any way with the Board in the Jail Administrator position. She discussed that some training is needed, and stated that she looks forward to working with the Board. County Attorney McFarland read a proposed resolution establishing the Gulf County Jail and appointing the Jail Administrator. Commissioner Peters motioned to adopt the following-titled resolution. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously (4-0). Chief Administrator Butler discussed that the Board needs to address issues with personnel, medical care, liability insurance and the audit process. Chief Administrator Butler requested permission for a third party Auditor to give direction to the Board on how to bring the jail up to compliance (at a cost of \$3,000.00). Commissioner Williams motioned to approve this request and to pay the \$3,000.00 from the Corrections budget. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously (4-0). After further discussion, Chairman McLemore requested that Chief Administrator Butler work closely with Captain Farmer on this transition. Upon inquiry by Commissioner Peters regarding the cost of insurance, Human Resources Director Manuel discussed that she has to complete a questionnaire before this amount can be determined.

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-48

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING THE GULF COUNTY JAIL AND APPOINTING THE JAIL ADMINISTRATOR.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Gulf County, Florida have received notification from the Gulf County Sheriff indicating that the Sheriff's Office will cease to operate/run the jail as of January 1, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Board realizes the necessity of a jail facility for Gulf County; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement requires the county to recognize and establish the Gulf County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement requires the county to recognize and appoint a jail administrator; then

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Commission of Gulf County, Florida does hereby establish and accept the Gulf County Jail as of January 1, 2007 and appoints Captain Evette Farmer as the Gulf County Jail Administrator; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

ADOPTED this 5th day of December, 2006.

(End)

The meeting did then recess at 4:35 p.m.

(Commissioner Traylor entered the meeting at 4:46 p.m.)

The meeting did then reconvene at 4:46 p.m.

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA OVERVIEW

Ray Hodge, from C.C.A., appeared before the Board and discussed a proposal for the County to review regarding emergency beds and short-term bed usage at their facility. He stated that Jennifer Taylor is the C.C.A. Representative for this area.

CUTOFF DRIVE

Chief Administrator Butler discussed that the shoulder of the road on Cutoff Drive has fallen into the river, and requested direction from the Board for this project. After further discussion, Michael Hammond, of Preble-Rish, Inc, appeared and discussed that the Coastal Engineer Michael Dombrowski is working on a proposal for the permitting.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

David Langston appeared before the Board and requested a donation from Special Projects for the David Langston Foundation. Upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, second by Commissioner Peters, and unanimous vote, the Board approved the following Special Projects payments:

Dist. 1 David Langston Foundation - Donation	\$250.00
Dist. 2 David Langston Foundation - Donation	\$250.00
Dist. 3 David Langston Foundation - Donation	\$250.00
Dist. 4 David Langston Foundation - Donation	\$250.00

Upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, second by Commissioner Williams, and unanimous vote, the Board approved the following Special Projects payments contingent upon this being a not-for-profit organization.

Dist. 1	Wewahitchka Womens Club	\$100.00
Dist. 2	Wewahitchka Womens Club	\$100.00

(End)

Commissioner Williams motioned to advertise to hold a supplemental budget hearing to adopt a resolution regarding the \$1,800.00 remaining in District 3 Special Projects from the 2005-2006 Budget for secondary female sports. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

AWARD BID #0607-07 - COURTHOUSE ROOF

Chief Administrator Butler discussed that three bids were received for the Courthouse roof (Cook Brothers, Cathey Construction & Development, and Whiterock & Associates). Chief Administrator Butler discussed that the local bidder (Cathey Construction) is within the 7% local bidder preference, and recommended that the local bidder appear before the Board to discuss the bid. Upon inquiry by Chairman McLemore, Chief Administrator Butler stated that they always try to use local bidders, reporting that the bid is within the local bidder preference, all of the sub-contractors are local except one, and that the bidder is willing to deduct items that the County can perform with inmate labor to reduce the costs (in the amount of \$100,000.00). After further discussion, Brian Cathey, of Cathey Construction & Development, appeared before the Board and discussed that all of his sub-contractors, (except one) are Gulf County sub-contractors, and that they are willing to work with the County as a team. Commissioner Peters motioned to award Bid #0607-07 (for the Courthouse roof) to Cathey Construction & Development, in the amount of \$1,735,245.00. Commissioner Traylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Chief Administrator Butler discussed that the plumbing cost is not included, but can be handled through a change order.

There being no further business, and upon motion by Commissioner Traylor, the meeting did then adjourn at 5:13 p.m., E.T.

**CARMEN L. MCLEMORE
CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:
REBECCA L. NORRIS
CLERK**