

**NOVEMBER 1, 2016**  
**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, Vice Chairman Carmen L. McLemore, and Commissioners Sandy Quinn, Jr. and Jerry W. Barnes <Commissioner Joanna Bryan was absent>.

Others present were: County Attorney Jeremy Novak, Clerk Rebecca L. Norris, Clerk Director of Finance & Management Rhonda Woodward, Clerk Budget & Finance Officer Sherry Herring, Deputy Clerk Leanna Roberts, Chief Administrator Don Butler, Assistant Administrator Michael L. Hammond, Deputy Administrator Kari Summers, Building Official George Knight, Central Services Director Lynn Lanier, Gulf County E.D.C. Director Chris Holley, Gulf County E.D.C. Staff Assistant Lianna Sigans, Emergency Management Director Marshall Nelson, County Planner Brett Lowry, Public Works & Mosquito Control Director Mark Cothran, Assistant Public Works Director Lee Collinsworth, Gulf County RESTORE Act Coordinator Warren Yeager, Jr., Sheriff Mike Harrison, T.D.C. Executive Director Jennifer Adams, T.D.C. Deputy Director Towan Kopinsky, and Veterans' Service Officer & S.H.I.P. Administrator Joe Paul.

Chairman McDaniel called the meeting to order at 8:59 a.m., E.T.

Commissioner Barnes led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**MSTU BOND RESOLUTION**

Chief Administrator Butler discussed the proposed modified resolutions for the MSTU (Municipal Service Taxing Unit) Bond due to insurance premiums being too high. County Attorney Novak discussed the proposed amendments to the proposed MSTU bond resolutions. Mark Mushlain, of Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson appeared before the Board to present the two proposed modified resolutions; reporting that on the Limited (Ad Valorem) Tax Bonds, the plan is to issue the bonds without insurance. Upon inquiry by Chairman McDaniel, Assistant Administrator Hammond reported that the County will escrow \$400,000.00 (Debt Service Reserve). He stated that an agreement was signed last week to sell the first bonds at a coupon rate of 1% (one percent). Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There was no public comment. Commissioner McLemore motioned to adopt the following Resolution regarding the MSTU Bond for the Limited Ad Valorem Tax Bond. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (4-0), as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-40**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING AND RESTATING IN TIS ENTIRETY RESOLUTION NO. 2016-20, ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2016; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

\* Complete Resolution on file with Clerk \*

(End)

Mr. Mushlain discussed the second proposed resolution that deals with the Non-Ad Valorem Bonds; stating that the underwriter wants to change the date of the bonds to be the date of issuance. Commissioner McLemore motioned to adopt the following resolution regarding the Non-Ad Valorem Tax Bonds. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (4-0), as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-41**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GULF COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING AND RESTATING IN TIS ENTIRETY RESOLUTION NO. 2016-21, ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2016; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

\* Complete Resolution on file with Clerk \*

(End)

**JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT – COUNTY ROAD 382/INDUSTRIAL ROAD**

Chief Administrator Butler discussed a J.P.A. (Joint Participation Agreement) with Florida D.O.T. for placing culvert, and paving before and after the culvert on County Road 382 (Industrial Road). He reported that the total project is estimated to be under \$200,000.00. He recommended the Board agree to the J.P.A. with D.O.T. and allow the Chairmen to sign. Chief Administrator Butler reported that there is no cost to the County or the City; stating that the money for this project will be reduced from the monies from next year's original project (paving from U.S. Highway 98 to U.S. Highway 71). Commissioner Quinn motioned to approve this recommendation. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

Chief Administrator Butler stated that a resolution also needs to be passed in conjunction with the D.O.T.'s Joint Participation Agreement (J.P.A.). Commissioner Quinn motioned to adopt the following Resolution. Commissioner McLemore seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (4-0), as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-42**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO**

**ENTER INTO A SMALL COUNTY OUTREACH PROGRAM JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (J.P.A.) WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

\* Complete Resolution on file with Clerk \*

(End)

**LANDFILL PROJECT CHANGE ORDER**

Chief Administrator Butler discussed a change order regarding the Five Points Landfill Closure Project (from GAC Contractors \* Bid #1516-03). After discussion by Assistant Public Works Director Collinsworth and Public Works Director Cothran, Chief Administrator Butler recommended that the Board approve Change Order #1, with an increase of \$62,064.77 for the Five Points Landfill closure (with GAC Contractors, Inc \* Bid #1516-03). Commissioner McLemore motioned to approve Change Order #1 with GAC Contractors, Inc. (increase \$62,064.77). Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**WILLIS LANDING PROPERTY/INDIAN BAYOU ROAD PROPERTY SWAP**

Chief Administrator Butler presented two maps for the Board's review <copy on file with Clerk>. Commissioner McLemore discussed Indian Bayou Road; stating that the Mormons (Deseret Ranches) want this road and intend on closing it. He reported that the area around the road is leased by hunters and they want it closed off as well; stating that it currently cost the County to maintain Indian Bayou Road. Commissioner McLemore reported that the Mormons (Deseret Ranches) have agreed to swap Indian Bayou Road for Willis Landing; asking the Board to support this property swap. Commissioner McLemore motioned that the Board move forward and begin negotiations regarding the swap of Indian Bayou Road for Willis Landing property (Boat ramp and approximately 3.2 acres). Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion for discussion. After discussion, Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

**BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR SHERIFF**

Clerk Budget & Finance Officer Herring appeared before the Board to present a budget amendment request from the Gulf County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$224,174.06, for outside funds that are not included as a part of the Board's budget transfer. Commissioner Quinn motioned to approve this request. Commissioner Barnes seconded the motion. Chairman McDaniel called for public comment. There being no public comment, the motion passed unanimously (4-0).

There being no further business, and upon motion by Commissioner McLemore, second by Commissioner Quinn, and unanimous vote, the meeting did then adjourn at 9:29 a.m., E.T.

**WARD MCDANIEL  
CHAIRMAN**

**ATTEST:**

**REBECCA L. NORRIS  
CLERK OF COURT**