

Tuesday, August 16, 2016 – 10:00 A.M.
County Administration Building
Grace Knight Conference Room
12 Southeast First Street
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Commission met in special session.

PRESENT: Chair Hutch Hutchinson; Vice Chair Ken Cornell Commissioners Chuck Chestnut, Mike Byerly, and Lee Pinkoson

ALSO PRESENT: County Manager Lee Niblock, Assistant County Manager Jim Harriot, County Attorney Michele Lieberman, and Deputy Clerk Steve Donahey

The meeting was televised live on Cox Cable Channel 12.

Call to Order (10:00AM)

Adoption of Agenda

Added to agenda

County Attorney Lieberman requested to add to the agenda two items. The first is the Board had requested information regarding overtime at the Sheriff's Office and how to obtain information regarding overtime. She stated that she has the information available and would like to present to the Board.

The second item is the Florida Green Finance Authority has provided a spot on their Board for a County Commissioner. Commissioner Byerly is unable to serve on the Board so the Board will need to appoint another Commissioner.

Chair Hutchinson appointed Commissioner Cornell as the Board of County Commissioner's representative on the Florida Green Finance Authority.

Commissioner Cornell moved adoption of the agenda as amended. The motion carried 5-0.

Items for Possible Discussion

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Discussion Item

1. FY17 Budget Development Meeting - Sheriff's Budget Request, Finalize Millage Rates and Tentative Budget

Amount: N/A

Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff for any adjustment to the tentative budget and proposed millage rates.

OMB Director Tommy Crosby and County Manager Niblock presented the above item.

Fleet Review Presentation

Alachua County Fleet Manager Gerald Bailey and Sheriff's Office Fleet Manager Stephen King presented the above item.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Pinkoson , Col. Huckstep, Commissioner Byerly, Col. Huckstep , OMB Director Crosby, Chair Hutchinson, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Cornell, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Byerly, OMB Director Crosby, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Cornell, OMB Director Crosby, Sheriff Darnell , Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Chestnut, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Cornell, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

Chair Hutchinson recognized Edward Earl Young, Darren Cook, Sheila Payne, Jason Fults, Kali Blount, and Sherry Dupree who presented comments.

COMMISSION RECESSED AT: 11:57 P.M.

COMMISSION RECONVENED: 12:11 P.M.

Commissioner Pinkoson proposed using the \$200,677.00 remaining in the MSTU to allocate to the Sheriff. This is to be matched to the correct amount from the General Fund by funds that are reduced at the County Jail. This would assist in funding the Sheriff's Office without affecting the General Fund from the balance of the \$631,000 for a one time allocation of the amount needed to fund the Sheriff's request.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Pinkoson, OMB Director Crosby, County Manager Niblock, County Attorney Lieberman, Sheriff Darnell, and Commissioner Pinkoson presented comments.

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Living Wage

OMB Director Tommy Crosby presented the above item.

Mr. Crosby stated that Court Recording would need an additional \$20,000.00, Tax Collector \$6,500.00, Law Enforcement \$21,608.00, the Jail \$28,705.00, Supervisor of Elections would need \$58,000.00 for Poll workers and \$72,000.00 for on call for a total of \$206,000.00 in addition to the \$43,000.00 for the County Employees to meet the County's Minimum Wage. He advised that there is no way to estimate how much it will cost in contracted services.

Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Chestnut, Jeremiah Tattersall, and Commissioner Hutchinson presented comments.

Health Department

Health Department Director Paul Myers presented the above item.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to provide an additional \$100,000.00 in funding for the Health Department. The motion carried 5-0.

Roads

County Engineer Ramon Gavarrete and Civil Engineer Brian Singleton presented the above item.

Commissioner Cornell, OMB Crosby, County Attorney Lieberman, and County Manager Niblock, presented the above item.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved the following

1. To approve the staff recommendations for the paving projects identified as C.R. 236, Tower Road, and 43rd Street.
2. Identify a way to make the funding for the Tower Road Project seamless.

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3. This motion includes the \$771,000.00 previously discussed.

The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved the following:

1. Moved to decrease appropriations from the Jail Function Personnel Services Object by \$170,000.00.
2. Increase appropriations to the General Fund Law Enforcement Function Personnel Service Object by that \$170,000.00.
3. Increase appropriations in the MSTU-Law Enforcement Function Personnel Services Object by \$201,000.00.
4. In November of 2016 during the carry forward process the Board will appropriate returned funds from the Jail Function by the Sheriff up to \$230,000.00 for Law Enforcement Capital Outlay matched by the appropriate percentage from the MSTU Law Enforcement Capital Outlay of \$270,000.00 for a total of \$500,000.00. This will be a one-time allocation with a future solution to be worked out during the upcoming budget.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly and Sheriff Darnell presented comments to the Board.

The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Byerly voting "Nay".

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to reduce the millage rate by \$300,000.00. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Living Wage

Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to delay the Living Wage discussion for one year. The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Cornell voting "Nay".

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Commissioner Pinkoson moved to reduce the millage by \$500,000.00.

Commissioner Cornell moved the substitute motion to allocate \$500,000.00 to road resurfacing. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved the substitute motion to reduce the millage by \$300,000 and allocate \$300,000 for a road project to be named later. The motion carried 5-0.

OMB Director Crosby and Commissioner Chestnut presented comments.

Sheriff Overtime Matter

County Attorney Lieberman and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

Commissioner Byerly moved that the County make a public records request for overtime hours and expenditures for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Commissioner Chestnut and Sheriff Darnell presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell moved the substitute motion to delay the public records request. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

Sheriff Darnell, County Attorney Lieberman, Commissioner Byerly, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

The motion failed 2-3 with Commissioners Pinkoson, Cornell, and Chestnut voting "Nay".

Time Certain

Public Comments

Commission General and Informal Discussion

Commissioner Cornell discussed the possibility of the County Assisting Sherry Dupree with her educational trip to the Panhandle of Florida.

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Commissioner Cornell moved to direct the TDC staff to work with the group to see if funding is available. The motion carried 5-0.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.