

Tuesday, July 5, 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

Commissioner Pinkoson moved adoption of the agenda as printed. The motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Byerly out of the room.

Items for Possible Discussion

Discussion Item

1. FY17 Budget Development Meeting - General Budget Discussion by the Board

Amount: N/A

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

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

Commissioner Byerly entered at 10:02 a.m.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Pinkoson, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, and Chair Hutchinson presented comments.

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12.0 FTE – Maintain Three-Person Staffing in Rural Stations

County Manager Niblock and Alachua County Fire Chief Northcutt presented the above item.

Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, County Manager Niblock , Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, Chief Northcutt, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Pinkoson, Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Byerly , Commissioner Pinkoson , Commissioner Chestnut, and County Manager Niblock presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell moved to maintain the 12.0 FTE Three-Person Staffing in Rural Stations in the budget. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to have the Communications Office run the ISO Discussion with Chief Northcutt regarding the cost/benefit ratio of funding for Fire Services on Channel 12.

Commissioner Chestnut, Fire Chief Northcutt, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

The motion carried 5-0.

RTS Holiday Service and RTS Sunday Service Enhancements

Commissioner Cornell moved approval of the RTS Holiday Service Enhancement and the RTS Sunday Service Enhancement.

Commissioner Pinkoson requested that the motion be divided for the purposes of voting.

Commissioner Cornell moved approval of RTS Holiday Service Enhancement. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Cornell moved approval of the RTS Sunday Enhancements. The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Pinkoson voting "Nay".

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Addition of 10 FTEs to Traffic and Cops

Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, Manager Niblock, OMB Crosby, Commissioner Chestnut, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Pinkoson, and Commissioner Hutchinson presented comments.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved that ASO17001 Addition of 10 FTEs to Traffic and Cops, ASO17002 Crisis Intervention Training, ASO17003 Emergency Mental Health Dispatching (EMHD) Training, and ASO17004 1.0 FTE Racial and Ethnic Disparity (RED) Deputy Sheriff remain on the sheet as unfunded. The motion failed for lack of a second.

Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Byerly, Diane Smith, Sheriff Darnell, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell moved to defer the Sheriff's Budget Enhancements till after the appeal process and the discussion on the Fleet Management Issue and schedule another budget meeting for August 16, 2016.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Chestnut, County Manager Niblock, Commissioner Pinkoson, Sheriff Darnell, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

CSS17004 Grace Marketplace Funding

County Manager Niblock presented comments.

By consensus the Board deferred this matter to the August 16, 2016 meeting.

FRS17009A Radio System Replacement Study

Chair Hutchinson presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell moved to agenda the Study for a discussion.

County Manager Niblock, Sheriff Darnell, Commissioner Byerly, OMB Director Crosby, and Chief Northcutt presented comments.

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Commissioner Pinkoson moved the substitute motion to refer the Study to the County Manager and set aside tentatively \$85,000.00 to be shared by whatever funding agency there may be for next year's budget.

Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Chestnut, County Manager Niblock, Chief Northcutt, and County Manager Niblock presented comments.

The motion carried 5-0.

FRS17010 Engine 19 Relocation

Chief Northcutt presented the above item.

Commissioner Cornell moved to add this item to the funded list.

Commissioner Byerly and OMB Director Crosby presented comments.

Commissioner Cornell moved to add FRS17010 Engine 19 Relocation and Funding of Station #23 bonded which is \$360,000.00 to the funded list so that the Board can include the cost in the MSTU Fire TRIM Notice.

Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, County Manager Niblock, and Commissioner Cornell presented comments.

The motion carried 5-0.

OMB17012 General Fund Tax Rate Scenario

OMB Director Crosby presented the above item.

Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Pinkoson, Commissioner Cornell, Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Byerly, Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Chestnut, Chair Hutchinson, Commissioner Chestnut, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Cornell, OMB Director Crosby presented comments.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to allocate for a potential millage rate reduction \$200,000.00 from Fire, \$100,000.00 from CAPP, \$100,000.00 from Children Services, and \$150,000.00 from the excess calculation from property increases.

Commissioner Byerly and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

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Commissioner Byerly moved the substitute motion to authorize the deferment of the purchase of the rescue unit at \$200,000.00 and a reduction of \$100,000.00 from CAPP.

Commissioner Cornell requested that the motion be split for the purposes of voting.

Commissioner Byerly moved the substitute motion to authorize the deferment of the purchase of the rescue unit at \$200,000. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Byerly moved the substitute motion to authorize a reduction of \$100,000.00 from CAPP. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioners Cornell and Hutchinson voting "Nay".

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to reduce Children's Services by \$100,000.00. The motion failed 2-3 with Commissioners Byerly, Cornell and Hutchinson voting Nay.

Chair Hutchinson and County Manager Niblock presented comments.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to return \$150,000.00 to the taxpayers.

Commissioner Cornell moved the substitute motion to designate the \$150,000.00 that was not allocated to the pavement fund. The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Byerly and Hutchinson voting "Nay".

Commissioner Cornell presented comments regarding the 3% funding for the Sheriff's raises.

By consensus the Board authorized staff to work with Commissioner Cornell to break out the 3% raise data regarding the Sheriff's funding.

Time Certain

Public Comments

Commission General and Informal Discussion

Chair Hutchinson proposed transferring the County's Metamorphosis to Meridian Behavioral Healthcare. He stated that the details need to be worked out but there are real benefits to doing so.

Commissioner Pinkoson moved to authorize staff to discuss the transfer of Metamorphosis to Meridian Health with the appropriate parties. The motion carried 5-0.

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Commissioner Byerly inquired about the audit being conducted on USRP fund. He inquired how long the matter would take.

OMB Director Crosby stated that the initial report will take approximately 60 days and the final report about 90 days.

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 1:19 P.M.