

Thursday, August 16, 2018 - 12:30 P.M.
BoCC Special Budget Meeting
Grace Knight Conference Room
County Administration Building
12 Southeast First Street
Gainesville, Florida

PRESENT: Chair Lee Pinkoson, Vice-Chair Charles "Chuck" Chestnut, Commissioners Ken Cornell, Mike Byerly and Robert "Hutch" Hutchinson

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy County Manager James Harriot, Assistant County Manager Crosby, Interim County Attorney Sylvia Torres, and Clerk Tierra McClendon

The meeting was televised on Cox Cable Channel 12.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pinkoson at 12:31 P.M.

Approval of Agenda

1. Approve the agenda
Fiscal Consideration: N/A
Recommended Action: A Motion to Approve the Agenda: (a) approve any amendments to the Agenda; and (b) adopt the Agenda

Commissioner Cornell moved the approval of the agenda. **The motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Byerly out of the room.**

Action Items

2. FY19 Budget Development Meeting
Fiscal Consideration: Accept or modify the proposed FY19 Budget.
Recommended Action: Provide direction to staff for appropriations to the FY19 Budget.

Assistant County Manager Crosby presented comments.

3. Sustainability Program Update
Fiscal Consideration: Accept or modify the proposed FY19 Budget.
Recommended Action: Accept or modify the proposed FY19 Budget.

Deputy County Manager Harriott presented the above Item.

Commissioner Byerly entered the room at 12:35 P.M.

Commissioner Hutchinson, Commissioner Byerly, Deputy County Manager Harriott, Commissioner Cornell, EPD Chris Bird, , Strategic Initiatives Manager Sean McLendon, Commissioner Byerly and Chair Pinkoson presented comments.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved the following:

1. To draft a request of proposals for a Consultant to inform the Board of County Commissioners regarding the economic feasibility, electrical interconnect issues, and regulatory matters involved in the creation of one or more solar photovoltaic installations sufficient to approximately offset the total energy expenditures of the Alachua County Government. The Consultant would also inform the County whether there would be financial advantages in forming a utility.
2. Direct Staff to contact all of the Utility Companies that currently provide power to Alachua County to give feedback on what should be included in the RFP.

Vice-Chair Chestnut, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Assistant County Manager Crosby, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Hutchinson, Strategic Initiatives Manager Sean McLendon, Commissioner Cornell, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson, Chair Pinkoson, Commissioner Byerly, Commissioner Hutchinson, Commissioner Byerly, Chair Pinkoson, Chair Cornell, and Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Byerly moved the following:

1. Direct Staff to create an FTE in this year's budget as a place holder for a potential sustainability manager.
2. Return to the Board with a job description which would include performance measures.
3. Look to other Counties with regards to the models that they are using for the job description.

The motion carried 5-0.

Assistant County Manager Crosby presented comments.

Proposed FY 19 Water Quality Projects (Assumes 50% EPD Allocation at \$45 ERU rate)	
\$ 146,700	Newnans Lake Phase II
\$ 25,000	UF Soil Nitrogen Leaching Evaluation
\$ 25,000	UF LID Design for Nitrogen Removal
\$ 345,000	Sweetwater Preserve Trailhead LID Retrofit
\$ 150,000	Collection Center and Library LID Retrofits
\$ 110,000	North Main Street Basin LID Retrofit
\$ 100,000	Mill Creek Sink LID Retrofit Phase I
\$ 901,700	Total Water Quality Project Expenditures

The motion carried 3-2 with Chair Pinkoson and Vice-Chair Chestnut voting “Nay”.

5. Public comments

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Hear Public Comments

No comments were presented.

6. Commission comments

Fiscal Consideration: N/A

Recommended Action: Hear Commission comments

Commissioner Cornell discussed the Local Option Fuel Tax sheets that contain every County in the State of Florida. Further, he provided for the Board a summary of the 7 surrounding Counties (the splits between the County and their largest City) and wanted to acknowledge that Alachua County is at the bottom of the Surrounding Counties list and the Peer Counties.

Commissioner Hutchinson asked about Northern property boundary of Little Orange Creek Nature Preserves streams’ water quality and what best practices are necessary to get the Western stream to the same quality.

EPD Chris Bird presented comments.

Commissioner Hutchinson moved to request Staff to come back to the Board with any concerns discovered about the condition of Little Orange Creek and contact the FDAX and/or the owner to discuss no longer dumping cow manure into the Creek.
The motion carried 5-0.

Chair Pinkoson read aloud a document regarding voting procedures from the Supervisor of Elections Kim A. Barton.

Commissioner Byerly presented comments.

Commissioner Byerly moved to direct Staff to take a look into putting together a brief summary and distributing it to the Public through the appropriate media, explaining security issues with the voting process the Alachua County Residents should be focused on. **The motion carried 5-0.**

Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.