

# JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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## MEETING RECAP

Jackson County, FL. -

On December 14, 2021 at 9:00am, the Jackson County Board of County Commissioners held a Regular Meeting. This is a recap of some of the reports and requests included in that meeting.

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## *PROCLAMATION:* SNEADS HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

The Sneads High School Volleyball team won the State Championship in Fort Myers, Florida on Thursday, November 18. This was the ninth consecutive time that the SHS Volleyball Program has won this title, a record-breaking achievement. County Administrator, Wilanne Daniels, requested Board adoption of a proclamation honoring the team for their accomplishments.



## *PRESENTATION:* EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Human Resources Director, Judy Austin, requested Board approval for the presentation of "Employee of the Month" to Mary Smith, planner at Community Development. Mary received a \$50 check along with a paid day off. The board also adopted a proclamation recognizing Mary for her hard work and dedication to the County.



## *REPORT:* JCEDC - FRAZER

Zach Gilmore of the Jackson County Economic Development Committee gave a report on "Project Cowboy/Frazer." Gilmore announced the signing of a lease in by Frazer Ltd, a company that specializes in Emergency Medical Services (EMS) vehicles suitable for licensing and use as Mobile Clinics, Mobile Stroke Units, and Ambulances. The lease is located on the western end of the Winn-Dixie Shopping Center. This location will be a Frazer Service Center that will be utilized to provide customer support to Frazer's customer base in the surrounding area. Frazer will open with 3 employees sometime in the 1st Quarter of 2022.



## *PEACOCK BRIDGE BOAT RAMP* LEASE AGREEMENT

Public Works Director, Rett Daniels, requested Board approval of a short-term lease agreement for Peacock Bridge Boat Ramp. Peacock Bridge Boat Ramp has been open to the public until recently, as the landowner's lease with FWC is ending. The County is hoping to acquire a portion of the property so that it can remain open for public use. This short-term agreement will allow the property to remain open to the public as we work through the acquisition process with the Northwest Florida Water Management District.

# *NEXTSTEP @ ENDEAVOR ACADEMY:* SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY SERVICES

Tammy Dasher, NextStep at Endeavor Academy Director, made a request for board approval of a single source provider for Speech Language Pathology. Dasher stated, "NextStep at Endeavor Academy, the transition program for adults with autism, would like to procure Speech and Language Pathology services from FSU's Speech and Hearing Clinic, and requests board approval for the clinic to be designated a single source provider. Even though NextStep is still in the building process, we are pleased to offer a pilot program focusing on employment for the students in our first cohort beginning in January 2022. As part of their program to obtain and maintain employment, students will need support in the area of social communication (deficits in this area are a defining characteristic of autism); this support is provided by Speech Language Pathologists (SLP's). FSU's Speech and Hearing Clinic will provide services in the form of graduate student clinicians and their clinical supervisor. This use of interns is aligned with NextStep's vision--to not only prepare adults with autism for success, but also to educate and mentor new professionals to work successfully with this population. This collaboration with SLP grad students and their professor renders these services unrivalled and is the reason we are requesting them to be approved as a single source provider for the spring semester (January - May 2022).

# *NEXTSTEP @ ENDEAVOR ACADEMY:* AWARD CONTRACT TO FUTURE PATHWAYS, LLC

Hunter Potts, Administrative Services Director, requested Board approval to award a contract to Future Pathways, LLC and approve a Work Authorization at NextStep at Endeavor Autism Transition Academy. The County received bids for job coaching and training services at NextStep at Endeavor Autism Transition Academy. Future Pathways, LLC submitted a bid that met the requirements outlined in the RFP. The Board approved.

## *BOARD APPROVAL:* D2 CHIP SEAL BOND PROJECT

The Board awarded District 2 Chip Seal Bond project 2122-ENG-04 to Asphalt Paving Systems. This project will include chip sealing Mill Road (Gardenview Road to Charm Road and west of Hwy 231 from end of pavement to county line); Bethlehem (dirt road portion); Gum Creek Road (from SR 77 for 2550 linear feet); Barron Road (from SR 273 to first curve); Christy Lane (East of Tri-County Road).

## *BOARD APPROVAL:* ALDAY-HOWELL CEI SERVICES

The Board approved a request from Jeffrey Register, Road and Bridge Director, for Alday-Howell Engineering, Inc to perform CEI (Construction Engineering and Inspection) services on Blueberry Rd FEMA project 4177-38-A. This is a flood mitigation project with the intent of elevating portions of Blueberry Road as it is highly susceptible to flooding during high rain events. The Board reviewed several proposals, and AHE ranked the highest for this project.

**BOARD APPROVAL:**  
ADOPTION OF CODE OF ORDINANCES

The Board approved and adopted the Jackson County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 74, Section 74 removing mandatory ornamental landscaping provisions.

**BOARD APPROVAL:**  
FINAL INSURANCE SETTLEMENT

The Board approved the Policy Release/Final Insurance Settlement from Liberty Mutual for Hurricane Michael Claim. The final settlement of the property claim includes final payment of \$700,000 to the Board of County Commissioners. This funding is accounted for to complete hurricane recovery in County buildings.

**DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM**  
EXTENSION OF CONTRACT 1819-03

The Board approved a request from Hunter Potts, Administrative Services Director, for extension of contract 1819-03 Disaster Recovery Program Administration. GP Strategies is currently contracted with Jackson County to provide Disaster Recovery Program Administration and Management. Jackson County is currently working through three separate disasters with GP Strategies; 4177, 4399 (Michael), and 4564 (Sally). County staff recommended extending this contract for an additional year to continue to facilitate the closeout of disasters 4177 and 4399 as well as providing active management services for 4564 Hurricane Sally.

**ADOPTION BY ORDINANCE OF:**  
JACKSON COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Board approved adoption by ordinance of the Jackson County Comprehensive Plan Capital Improvement Element Five-Year Schedule Update for fiscal years 2021 through 2026. Per F.S. 163.3177(3)(a)(5)(b), Jackson County is required to review the Capital Improvements Element (CIE) of the Jackson County Comprehensive Plan on an annual basis. Modifications to update the 5-year Capital Improvements Element may be accomplished by ordinance and may not be deemed to be amendments to the local comprehensive plan.

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