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Jackson County BOCC Regular Meeting Highlights

Jackson County, FL. - January 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm, 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.

REQUEST: Approval to Abate Property/Butler Road

County Code Enforcement plays an important role in the community by ensuring that public and private property is maintained in accordance with local codes and regulations. Jackson County Code Enforcement is a Report-Based Department that investigates complaints and take corrective actions when necessary. Code Enforcement is responsible for inspecting properties and taking appropriate actions to ensure compliance with zoning, building, health, and safety codes. Code Enforcement Officers help ensure that all buildings, businesses, and land are safe, healthy, and aesthetically pleasing for all members of the community.

Jackson County Code Enforcement Officer, Jessica Nabors requested Board approval to abate a property located at 7130 Butler Road, which has been deemed a public nuisance. Voluntary Compliance has not been obtained, due to lack of cooperation from the property owner who meets the criteria of a repeat offender. The condition of the property continues to deteriorate daily. It has become a health and safety hazard and infringes upon the neighboring properties.

Liz Delodge Ellis, Esq. NGN, and Code Enforcement Officer, Jessica Nabors addressed the Board, expanding on the case. They detailed the case history, steps that have been taken up to this point, as well as the suggested action to abate the property.

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The Property owner addressed the Board, claiming that he hasn't been contacted by Code Enforcement, and has received no formal notices despite multiple records and testimonies that prove otherwise.

The Board elected to allot the property owner 30 days to abate (clean) the property himself and bring the property into compliance with the ordinances.



REQUEST: Set a Public Hearing/Small Scale Amendment

Community Development Senior Planner, Amber Barnes requested Board approval to set a public hearing for February 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for a Small Scale Amendment for a Land Use Change of 4.578 acres of one parcel from Conservation (CON) to Agriculture 2 (AG2). This parcel is located on the west side of Old US Road approximately .69 miles north of the intersection of Hwy 90 and Old US Road in unincorporated Jackson County.



REQUEST: Set a Public Hearing/Project TAP

Community Development Senior Planner, Amber Barnes requested Board approval to set a public hearing for February 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for a General Development Order to construct a 10,496 square foot building to be used as a semi-truck center and parts store. This also includes construction of a 198,978.21 square foot vehicular use area which consists of concrete and gravel areas.



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REQUEST: Set a Public Hearing/Marianna Arcade

Community Development Senior Planner, Amber Barnes requested Board approval to set a public hearing for February 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. for approval to operate an adult arcade to be known as Marianna Arcade in the Crossroads Shopping Center located at 2800 Hwy 71 (former location of Goody's store) in unincorporated Jackson County.



REQUEST: Approval of Event Grant Funding

The Jackson County Tourist Development Council has a policy allowing it to provide initial funding to non-profit organizations with the intent to promote special events and projects. Visitor Enhancement Grants are offered specifically to advertise and promote events and projects to out-of-county markets to attract visitors to the county.

TDC Director, Kelsi Williams requested Board approval of event grant funding for "JaCo Social Circle." This is a new wedding and events expo that showcases various venues and vendors in Jackson County. Attendees will tour six venues, each of which will have several event service vendors showcased at each site. The event will take place on Sunday February 12th from 1-5pm. The event will help to promote Jackson County as a weddings and events destination. The TDC Board voted to approve \$1100 in grant funding during the January 9th, 2023 meeting.



REQUEST: Approval of Agreement with Florida Panhandle Technical College

Jackson County Fire Rescue Chief, Charlie Brunner requested Board approval of an agreement between Jackson County BOCC and Florida Panhandle Technical College to allow the Emergency Medical Technician students to ride on the ambulances to complete their required clinical hours for the program. Jackson County Fire Rescue will serve as a clinical site. The agreement was reviewed and approved by legal on 01/05/2023.



AGREEMENT 

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REQUEST: Acceptance Certificate of Substantial Completion/Blueberry Dr

Road & Bridge Director, Jeffrey Register, requested Board approval to accept a Certificate of Substantial Completion for the CR 286 (Blueberry Dr) Drainage Project, provided by Alday-Howell Engineering. All the work is done besides the thermos-striping, which requires 2-4 weeks after the asphalt has been put down for completion. This project is projected to have the striping completed in a week's time, then the project will be ready to closeout with the rest of the documents.



REQUEST: Approval of District 2 Dirt Road Asphalt Paving

Jackson County has finalized project (2021-ENG-007), a multi-road paving project in District 2. Road & Bridge Director, Jeffrey Register, requested Board approval of closeout documents, change order, and final pay request. This project was awarded to CW Roberts Contracting, Inc. All work has been inspected and completed. The Change Order is to remove the contract underruns, which decreases the contract amount \$255,084.52 making the contract price \$997,755.85.

The project list includes the following Roads:

Cliff Road. New Salem Road. Christy Lane. Dilmore Road. Sloan Road.



REPORT: Updated Phase Map/Indian Springs Sewer Expansion

Merritt's Mill Pond is a four-mile-long impounded spring run approximately four miles east of Marianna, Florida. Jackson Blue Spring, a first magnitude spring, forms the headwaters of the pond with seven additional named springs discharging into the pond. In turn, Merritt's Mill Pond is the source for Spring Creek, a tributary of the Chipola River within the Apalachicola River watershed. The primary groundwater contribution area for Jackson Blue Spring and Merritt's Mill

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Pond covers approximately 141 square miles in Jackson County, with agriculture and silviculture being the predominant land uses.

The Northwest Florida Water Management District and Jackson County (Grantee) have been working to reduce the amount OF nitrogen applied over the basin. Eliminating septic systems proximate to Merritt’s Mill Pond will help to reduce nitrate concentrations.

At this meeting, Deputy County Administrator, Rett Daniels requested Board approval of an updated phase map for the Indian Springs sewer expansion. This updated phase map moves 2C from Woodgate Way to Oak Drive and 2D from Oak Drive to Clubhouse Drive in an effort to repair the roads accessing the golf course. This will subsequently move 2E to Magnolia Blossom Lane from Clubhouse and 2F will consist of Woodgate. Staff recommended approval of the updates and submission to Water Management.



UPDATED MAP

REQUEST: Consideration of Policy/Appointment to Boards & Committees

The Jackson County Board of County Commissioners regularly appoints members to various boards and committees. To this date, there has not been a set policy for making these appointments. County Administrator, Wilanne Daniels requested Board consideration and approval of a policy to establish a fair and equitable procedure for appointments, reappointments, or replacement of members to County boards/committees.

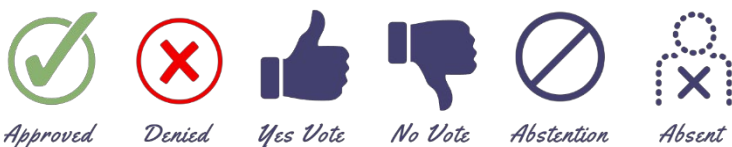


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