

BOARD ACTION
August 25, 2020

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mr. Tommy Carpenter, Director for the Office of Emergency Management, provided an update on the County's response to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19), including information regarding the number of cases, number of tests, percent positivity, number of deaths, age groups affected by the virus, hospitals, personal protective equipment (PPE), testing sites within the county, and cases within long-term care facilities. He also shared information for the Lake County Citizens Information Line and the Florida Department of Health (DOH) in Lake County COVID-19 hotline; additionally, he relayed an update on Lake Support and Emergency Recovery's (LASER) provision of PPE. He commented that Lake County Schools started on the previous day, and that his office was working with the DOH in Lake County and the schools to monitor activity. He also provided information on Adult Medicine of Lake County working with Lake County Schools. He then gave an update on hurricane season and said that his office continued to monitor tropics and cyclone activity. He remarked that the most active time of hurricane season began in the middle of August 2020 and would last through the end of October 2020, with the peak being September 10, 2020. He reminded everyone to be vigilant and prepared.

Mr. Aaron Kissler, Administrator/Director/Health Officer for the DOH in Lake County, provided information on COVID-19 testing, the percentage of positive cases, the mortality rate, and the change in age distribution of cases. He shared that Lake County's percent positivity had been under five percent, and that contact tracing was going well. He mentioned that they had been working with schools to consider training for contact tracing, and added that they had created care packets for kids who went home from exposure or testing positive. He mentioned that they were continuing to work with nursing homes, along with the Office of Emergency Management and the State, to ensure that those populations were protected. He said that their hospital rates remained low and that they continued to have testing available for residents. He reminded parents that even if their child was attending school virtually, they should have their immunizations up to date.

Ms. Jo-Anne Drury, Deputy County Manager, gave an update on funds allocated to assist Lake County residents, who were negatively impacted by COVID-19, with housing needs. She said that approximately \$2 million had been allocated for rent, mortgage and utility assistance, that \$1.36 million was coming from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, that \$400,000 was coming from the regular State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program, and that \$300,000 was from the CARES Act Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV). She commented that as it related to

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the \$1.36 million in CARES Act funding through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, the County had received 889 completed applications to date, that 359 had been for mortgage assistance, that 499 had been for rental assistance, and that 31 had been for utility assistance. She mentioned that they had started to review the first 200 applications in conjunction with United Way of Lake and Sumter Counties, and they anticipated that checks for the first 200 applicants who qualified would be cut by September 4, 2020. She remarked that several applications had been for utility assistance only; however, the Florida Housing Finance Corporation's CARES Act grant funds were earmarked for eviction and foreclosure prevention. She added that past due utilities without mortgage or rental assistance were not eligible. She commented that they were referring those individuals to United Way and The Salvation Army, who both had programs strictly for utilities, along with considering how to help them with the CDBG-CV funding. She added that they had 2,148 applications in process and pending submission, and that if every household were to qualify for the maximum award of \$3,000, they would be able to assist approximately 400 households with the CARES Act funding through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. She mentioned that for the regular SHIP funds, they had \$400,000 earmarked for housing assistance, and they had received 508 requests to date. She elaborated that of those requests, 157 had returned completed applications, 39 people had been approved for approximately \$157,000 in assistance, 60 applications that had been declined or closed for a variety of reasons, 19 applications were under review, and they had to request additional information for 39 applications to get them qualified. She then mentioned that for the CDBG-CV funding, they had \$100,000 available now for utilities and were working to finalize an agreement with United Way for them to help disburse those funds. She said that they were waiting for final approval for the substantial amendment to the grant, which reallocated COVID-19 testing and business assistance to rental and mortgage assistance, noting that this would be coming before the Board on September 15, 2020. She added that once this was approved, they would have an additional \$200,000 for rental and mortgage assistance, and they anticipated being able to start helping people with that funding around October 1, 2020.

Mr. Brandon Matulka, Executive Director for the Agency for Economic Prosperity, provided a presentation which included information on the Lake CARES Small Business Assistance Grant, and a CARES Act funding overview. He mentioned that they began taking grant applications on August 17, 2020 for both nonprofit organizations and for-profit businesses, and had received over 700 applications in the past week. He also gave a CARES Act funding category update and review, which included the following funding amounts: \$21 million for business assistance; \$13 million for resident assistance; \$5 million for workforce/education assistance; \$6 million for public safety including emergency medical services (EMS) countywide

	<p>communications infrastructure, COVID-19 testing availability, and hurricane preparedness; \$15 million for City, County and Constitutional Officer assistance; and \$4 million for contingency funds.</p> <p>The Board approved to give the County Manager discretion to adjust the CARES Act business assistance program based on the number of applications, consistent with the Board’s discussion from the current meeting.</p> <p>The Board also approved to authorize staff to move forward with the funding for the City, County and Constitutional Officer assistance category of CARES Act funding, and also authorize them to seek an opinion from Commissioner Richard Corcoran, with the Florida Department of Education, which would include an opinion from the United States Department of Treasury, with regards to the use of CARES Act funding for workforce and education assistance.</p>	
PRESENTATION/ APPROVED	Tab 1. Presentation by the Sales Surtax Oversight Advisory Committee Chairman. There is no fiscal impact.	CAMPIONE
APPROVED	Tab 2. Request for approval of the minutes of the BCC Meeting of June 16, 2020 (Regular Meeting).	COONEY
	<p><u>CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD</u></p> <p>Ms. Sandra Stura, a resident of the RedTail community, described her community and opined that it had been impacted by the construction of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) realignment of County Road (CR) 46A, along with dump truck traffic from a nearby property. She expressed concerns for increased traffic, the number of trucks passing by their entrance, noise, and exhaust. She was worried that once the old CR 46A closed, the trucks would be using the new roadway that ran along their property line. She indicated concerns that the two lane roadway could become four lanes, and she relayed her understanding that the roadway was promised to be in harmony with the RedTail community. She suggested that there was supposed to be a depressed highway with a vegetative buffer along the roadway, though this did not occur. She also expressed concerns for the visibility of traffic and possible groundwater contamination.</p> <p>Ms. Ann Palmer, a resident of the RedTail community, expressed support for the landscaping at the road frontage of the newly aligned CR 46A due to the visibility of traffic. She opined that the FDOT had promised that residents would only see the tops of trucks at most, though this did not occur. She expressed concern for abundant landscaping around a retention pond, and she did not think that the landscaping would significantly help with noise. She</p>	

was also worried that her view would be impacted by the landscape at the road frontage. She asked for the County to consider the sound study done or to be determined by the FDOT, to ensure that they were not arbitrarily placing trees. She opined that the road noise and traffic would worsen due to FDOT not following through on several of their promises to RedTail residents, and she suggested to possibly increase landscaping at the road frontage rather than blocking residents' views.

Mr. Murphy Reynolds, a resident of the RedTail community, expressed concern for the new CR 46A entrance due to danger, a lack of lighting, and a higher speed limit there. He suggested that residents had met with Mr. Fred Schneider, Lake County Public Works Director, and Mr. John Tyler, with the FDOT; however, he felt that they needed the Board of County Commissioners' (BCC) support. He relayed an understanding that the road would be handed over to the County after the FDOT project was finished, and he supported addressing this before it became a County issue. He implied that there had not been any plantings yet in his area, and he requested the Board's support to keep the old CR 46A open as long as the trucks were still driving there.

Ms. Cheryl Hanna, a resident of the RedTail community, requested the BCC's support for the situation with the FDOT. She expressed concerns for noise, roadway safety, visibility of vehicles, the impact on their lake and bird sanctuary, and property values. She commented that Mr. Tyler had met with them and was trying to find solutions; however, she opined that the FDOT had promised that the road would be built differently. She relayed an understanding that the road was supposed to be depressed eight feet below grade in areas closest to RedTail, that residents would not see cars, that there would be a buffer of 170 feet, and that there would be sound reduction construction methods. She expressed a concern for removing trees, and she relayed her understanding that property values had already dropped. She requested sound reduction solutions, and she indicated an understanding that it was an environmentally sensitive home for species of birds.

Mr. Vincent Niemiec, a resident of the City of Clermont, displayed maps of Hartwood Marsh Road from 2004 and 2020, opining that over 3,500 homes had been added to the road; however, he relayed his understanding that the only change to Hartwood Marsh Road was a traffic light. He expressed a concern for the City of Clermont approving a large construction site on Hartwood Marsh Road. He showed images of the site, along with an email from the City of Clermont indicating that they opposed another site in the area due to the traffic conditions on Hancock Road and Johns Lake Road. He indicated an understanding that a resolution from the City stated that a traffic report was supposed to be shared with all jurisdictions, and he expressed interest in obtaining this report. He also asked if there was an update on the

	<p>CR 455 realignment.</p> <p>Mr. Vance Jochim, a concerned citizen, thanked Commissioner Sullivan and Commissioner Breeden for their service. He requested that the Board approve a full rollback on the millage rate, along with freezing spending. He also relayed his understanding that landlords were having issues with tenants paying rent, and he expressed a concern for businesses closing. He thought that governments and elected officials should show empathy with constituents who were being harmed. He then indicated a concern for mobile home parks mistreating elderly residents.</p> <p>Mr. David Serdar, a concerned citizen, congratulated Commissioner Blake for his reelection, and praised Commissioner Sullivan and Commissioner Breeden for what they had done for the county. He also made comments related to local government.</p> <p>Ms. Victoria Morris, a resident of Mt. Plymouth, expressed a concern for code enforcement complaints in her area, relaying an understanding that while Mt. Plymouth was only one percent of Lake County's population, it made up close to ten percent of all Lake County code enforcement complaints and ten percent of all cases in Lake County determined to be found to have no violation. She suggested that she had prepared a residents report that would show a pattern of repeated complaints on specific addresses which were found with no violation. She asked the County to consider the use of these resources and to find a solution for accountability. She expressed concern for taxpayer dollars being abused, and she opined that anonymous reporting allowed this to continue.</p>	
<p>APPROVED</p>	<p>Tab 3. Approval of Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller's Consent Agenda (Items 1-6):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Request to acknowledge receipt of the list of warrants paid prior to this meeting, pursuant to Chapter 136.06 (1) of the Florida Statutes, which shall be incorporated into the Minutes as attached Exhibit A and filed in the Board Support Division of the Clerk's office. 2. Request to acknowledge receipt from Utilities Inc. of Florida of an application for an increase in water and wastewater rates in Charlotte, Highlands, Lake, Lee, Marion, Orange, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Seminole Counties. Docket No. 20200139-WS. 3. Request to acknowledge receipt from Gibson Place Utility Company, LLC of a Notice of Application for Original Water and Wastewater Certificates in Lake and Sumter Counties pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, and Section 25-30.030, Florida 	<p>COONEY</p>

	<p>Administrative Code, to provide water and wastewater service in Section 35, Township 19 South, Range 23 East, in Sections 1, 2, 3, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, and 22 in Township 20 South, Range 23 East, all in Sumter County, and in Section 7, Township 20 South, Range 24 East in in Lake County, which is in the vicinity of Florida’s Turnpike and County Road 470. Docket No. 20200185-WS.</p> <p>4. Request to acknowledge receipt of Lake County’s Semi-Annual Investment Report of June 30, 2020.</p> <p>5. Request to acknowledge receipt of Annexation Ordinance 2020-07-604 from the City of Mascotte.</p> <p>6. Request to acknowledge receipt of the following items from the Town of Lady Lake: Ordinance 2019-23; Ordinance 2020-01; Ordinance 2020-02; Ordinance 2020-03; Resolution 2020-101; and Resolution 2020-103.</p>	
APPROVED	Tab 4. Request approval of Proclamation 2020-144 designating August 2020 as National Women's Suffrage Month in Lake County, per Commissioner Campione.	CAMPIONE
APPROVED	Tab 5. Request from County Attorney for approval of a Lease Agreement for the Lake County Sheriff's Office Caretaker Residence with James "Clay" Watkins and Elaine Watkins. There is no fiscal impact.	MARSH
APPROVED	Tab 6. Request from County Attorney for approval of First Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Plaza Truck & RV Center for Lake County Public Safety Support Logistics and Fleet Facility located at 2345 U.S. Highway 27, Leesburg. The fiscal impact is \$86,520.00 (expenditure). Commission District 3.	MARSH
APPROVED	<p>Tab 7. Request from County Attorney for approval regarding the following County-owned properties:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Award bid to the highest bidder for purchasing Alternate Key 1638500. 2. Accept Offers to Purchase on Alternate Keys 1335175 and 1479967. 3. Accept and surplus Alternate Key 1803934, then donate to the City of Eustis and authorize Chairman to execute the associated Resolution 2020-147. 4. Authorize the Chairman to execute any necessary closing documents. <p>The total fiscal impact is \$9,900.00 (revenue). Commission Districts 4 and 5.</p>	MARSH

APPROVED	<p>Tab 8. Request from Management and Budget for approval of seven resolutions providing for certification of the non-ad valorem assessment rolls for the Greater Groves Municipal Services Benefit Unit (Resolution 2020-148), Greater Hills Municipal Services Benefit Unit (Resolution 2020-149), Greater Pines Municipal Services Benefit Unit (Resolution 2020-150), Picciola Island Subdivision (Resolution 2020-151), Sylvan Shores Subdivision (Resolution 2020-152), Valencia Terrace Subdivision (Resolution 2020-153) and Village Green Subdivision (Resolution 2020-154) for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020. The fiscal impact is \$925,037.93 (revenue).</p>	BARKER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 9. Request from Planning and Zoning for approval to advertise an ordinance to amend Section 4.03.03, Land Development Regulations, to remove the minimum acreage requirement of Planned Unit Developments. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	MOLEND A
APPROVED	<p>Tab 10. Request from Public Safety for approval of an Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Howey-In-The-Hills for Lake County to administer and process addressing within the municipal limits. The fiscal impact (revenue) cannot be determined at this time. Commission District 3.</p>	MOLEND A
APPROVED	<p>Tab 11. Request from Public Safety for approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Groveland for a temporary City Fire Station. 2. To grant a perpetual utility easement to Sumter Electric Cooperative, Inc. (SECO). 3. To grant a permanent utility easement to City of Groveland. 4. For the County Manager to execute any required permitting or modification documents. 5. For the Chairman to execute any other necessary documents to facilitate the temporary fire station following County Manager and County Attorney review and approval. <p>There is no estimated fiscal impact. Commission District 1.</p>	MOLEND A
APPROVED	<p>Tab 12. Request from Public Works for approval to execute a Local Agency Program agreement and supporting Resolution 2020-155 with the Florida Department of Transportation for construction and inspection services for the County Road 42 safety project. The estimated fiscal impact is \$1,191,277.00 (revenue/expenditure – 100% grant funded). Commission District 5.</p>	DRURY
APPROVED	<p>Tab 13. Request from Public Works for approval of time extension amendments with the St. Johns River Water Management District and the Lake County Water Authority for the Lake Yale Marsh Park Stormwater Improvement Project Cost Share Agreements. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	DRURY

	Commission District 4.	
APPROVED	Tab 14. Request from Public Works for approval of Resolution 2020-156 authorizing the installation of a “No Left Turn” sign on County Road 44 at Lock Road and a “Right Turn Only” sign on Lock Road in the Leesburg area. The fiscal impact is \$200.00 (expenditure - sign materials). Commission District 3.	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 15. Request from Public Works for approval: 1. Of Contracts 20-0918 for on-call civil engineering services with: Booth, Ern, Straughan & Hiott, Inc. (Tavares, FL); and OM Engineering Services (Orlando, FL). 2. For the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation. The estimated annual fiscal impact is \$115,000.00 (expenditure).	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 16. Request from Public Works for approval to: 1. Accept a Quit Claim Deed from the Florida Department of Transportation for the transfer of a portion of State Road 44 (East Orange Avenue) to Lake County. 2. Accept and execute an Assignment of Easement from the Florida Department of Transportation to Lake County for a Perpetual Drainage Easement recorded in Official Record Book 1970, Page 609. The fiscal impact is \$54.00 (expenditure - recording fees). Commission District 4.	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 17. Request from Public Works for approval to accept the final plat for Harbor Hills Phase 6C, and all areas dedicated to the public as shown on the Harbor Hills Phase 6C final plat, located near Lady Lake. The fiscal impact is \$1,551.00 (revenue - final plat application fee). Commission District 5.	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 18. Request from Public Works for approval to release a maintenance bond of \$74,913.47 that was provided for the maintenance of improvements in Serenoa Village 1 Phase 1A1, located south of Clermont. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 1.	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 19. Request from Public Works for approval of Unanticipated Revenue Resolution 2020-157 to receive revenue from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for education and outreach on nutrient pollutant sources. The fiscal impact is \$4,000.00 (revenue/expenditure - 100 percent grant funded).	DRURY

APPROVED	Tab 20. Request from Transit Services for approval of Contract 20-0518 with Tindale-Oliver and Associates, Inc. (Tampa, FL) to conduct Federal Transit Administration consulting services. The estimated fiscal impact is \$50,000 for year one and \$25,000.00 for each of the remaining years of the initial three-year term (expenditure - 100 percent grant funded).	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 21. Request from Transit Services for approval of the 2020 Transit Development Plan Progress Report. There is no fiscal impact.	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 22. Request from Transit Services for approval of a Second Amendment to the Agreement with Mid Florida Community Services, Inc. (Brooksville, FL) to provide transportation services to meal sites for senior citizen clients. The total fiscal impact is \$224,241.00 (expenditure - \$95,437.00 County and \$128,804.00 Mid-Florida Community Services, Inc.).	DRURY
APPROVED	Tab 23. Request from Transit Services for approval to purchase bus fareboxes from Creative Bus Sales, Inc. (Jacksonville, FL). The estimated fiscal impact is \$25,688.00 (expenditure - \$25,000.00 in grant funding and \$688.00 in County funding).	DRURY
	Tab 24. <u>REZONING AGENDA</u>	
	<u>CONSENT AGENDA REZONING CASES:</u>	
APPROVED	Tab 1. Ordinance 2020-44 Rezoning Case # RZ-20-20-1 Lake County Fleet Property Rezoning Rezone from Planned Industrial (MP) to Community Facility District (CFD) to facilitate a fire station.	MOLEND A
APPROVED	Tab 2. Ordinance 2020-45 Rezoning Case # RZ-20-19-5 Goralnick Property Rezoning Rezone approximately 5.12 +/- acres from Rural Residential (R-1) to Agriculture (A).	MOLEND A
APPROVED	Tab 3. Ordinance 2020-46 Rezoning Case # CUP-20-03-4 Southern Oaks Training Center Amend CUP #2005-47 to include an additional six (6) recreational vehicle spaces, for a total of eighteen (18) recreational vehicle spaces.	MOLEND A
	<u>REGULAR AGENDA REZONING CASES:</u>	

APPROVED	<p>Tab 4. Ordinance 2020-47 Rezoning Case # CUP-19-16-1 SaveaFox Sanctuary Conditional use permit (CUP) to allow an exotic animal sanctuary on Agriculture (A) zoned property.</p> <p>Approved with Board modifications.</p>	MOLEND A
APPROVED	<p><u>Tab 25. PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Request approval of a Maintenance Map of Round Lake Road, located between State Road 46 and the Orange County line in the Sorrento area. The fiscal impact is \$177.60 (expenditure – certified mail cost). Commission District 4.</p>	DRURY
APPROVED	<p><u>Tab 26. PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Request approval of Resolution 2020-158 to vacate a portion of platted side lot line utility easements in the plat of Bella Collina, located on Pendio Drive, in the Montverde area. The fiscal impact is \$2,295.00 (revenue - vacation application fee). Commission District 2.</p>	DRURY
APPROVED	<p><u>Tab 27. PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Request approval of the Fiscal Year 2021 Infrastructure Sales Tax Project Plan.</p>	BARKER
APPROVED	<p><u>Tab 28.</u> Request approval of the attached Position Description, Advertisement and Timeline to recruit a County Manager.</p> <p>Approved as amended by Commissioner Breeden.</p>	COLE
APPROVED	<p><u>Tab 29.</u> Request approval of the McKinnon Groves Boundary Analysis to allow McKinnon Groves, LLLP, to proceed as a Master Planned Unit Development within the Wellness Way Area Plan, located in the Clermont area. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 2.</p>	MOLEND A
APPROVED	<p>Commr. Parks stated that he had a proclamation that he would like to present. He said that Ms. Erin Hartigan, former Assistant County Attorney, had passed away over a week prior. He mentioned how good of an attorney she was for them, along with her service and dedication to the County. He thanked Ms. Melanie Marsh, County Attorney, and staff for helping with this proclamation. He then read Proclamation 2020-146, which honored Ms. Hartigan. He mentioned how hard Ms. Hartigan worked for the County, and said that she would be missed. He felt that this was a good way to honor her.</p> <p>The Board voted to approve Proclamation 2020-146.</p>	PARKS

FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Breeden relayed that in the previous week, she had attended the groundbreaking of Avalon Groves in the City of Tavares. She said that this project had been worked on for many years, and that the school building was complete. She thought it was great to see them moving forward with their project.	BREEDEN
DISCUSSION	Tab 30. Discussion regarding the Leesburg-Sunnyside Loop Trail area.	BREEDEN
CLOSED SESSION	Tab 31. Closed Session of the Board of County Commissioners to discuss Lake County vs. Christopher Douglas Leifer, et al.	MARSH