

BOARD ACTION  
January 24, 2023

APPROVED	<b><u>Tab 1.</u></b> Request for approval of the minutes of the BCC Meetings of November 15, 2022 (Regular Meeting) and November 22, 2022 (Special Meeting).	COONEY
	<p><b><u>CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD</u></b></p> <p>Ms. Deirdre Griffin, a resident of the City of Leesburg, expressed concerns for a proposed annexation rezoning case in the City of Leesburg which did not require a second access for ingress and egress. She opined that the only ingress and egress onto United States (U.S.) Highway 441 had heavy commercial development, and that it caused congestion and confusion. She relayed that the inadequate easements were legally granted 21 feet and 18.5 feet paved, noting that the easement was merely a driveway. She opined that this would become a significant safety risk due to the widths, as well as the lack of sidewalks for pedestrians. She opined that the road network has significant safety issues if something blocked the road, noting that since there was only one way in and out, there would be no way to allow an ambulance or fire truck to enter the area. She opined that this was not in harmony with the public’s best interest, as it jeopardized the safety and welfare of the existing community. She believed that this case should only be approved contingent that there was a second approved ingress and egress, and she asked the Board of County Commissioners to request that a preliminary design review (PDR) be completed prior to the second reading. She then showed images of the ingress and egress, including traffic coming off U.S. Highway 441.</p> <p>Ms. Cynthia Rahrig, a resident of the Hideaway 55+community in the City of Leesburg, expressed concerns about the amount of traffic that would be added by the proposed case, opining that it was challenging for ambulances and fire trucks to access her community. She opined that it was a dangerous area, and she said that the proposal was to place 48 two to three story homes in the area. She opined that single family dwellings would ease the congestion, and requested to have a PDR completed before the second reading.</p> <p>Mr. Joseph Richardson, Director for the Central Florida Freethought Community, recalled that he had provided the Invocation at the December 6, 2022 BCC meeting on behalf of his organization, and he opined that Commissioner Parks had suddenly planned a second Invocation, which was a Christian prayer, on that day; furthermore, he opined that this presumably occurred because his Invocation was not a prayer. He relayed that the fact that his Invocation was deemed insufficient prompted a letter of complaint from attorneys at the Freedom from Religion Foundation, a blog post which</p>	

was seen by half a million people, and a front page article in the *Orlando Sentinel*. He opined that the situation remained unresolved and that there had been no response to the Freedom from Religion Foundation letter of complaint; additionally, he had emailed Commissioner Parks in December 2022 and offered to meet with him, but received no response. He commented that Mr. David Williamson, with the Central Florida Freethought Community, had asked for clarification and was referred to the *Orlando Sentinel* article where Commissioner Parks had said through a spokesman that “he would apologize.” He opined that this had not happened, and that he had no assurance that this would not happen again if their Invocation was deemed inadequate. He expressed appreciation for Commissioner Parks’ sentiments as expressed in the *Orlando Sentinel* article; however, he opined that nothing in them constituted an acknowledgement that a mistake was made, nor an apology or a commitment to not repeating this mistake. He asked the Board for these three items.

Mr. Ray Hayden, a resident on Dennis Road, played a video regarding the proposed annexation in the City of Leesburg which showed the entrance to the proposed development. He then played another video which demonstrated that more often than not, when entering or leaving the community one would come face to face with another vehicle where drivers would have to yield in order to avoid a collision. He opined that traffic conflicts were a constant issue for most of the trips where people were coming in or out.

Ms. Lisa Hayden, a resident on Dennis Road, showed a map of the proposed development and noted that it was across from Lake Square Mall. She relayed her understanding that they were looking to build 46 to 48 units, which could be around 90 trips per day on the narrow path shown by Mr. Hayden. She asked for the BCC to send a letter to the City of Leesburg stating that the Board had significant safety concerns regarding the single substandard ingress and egress of the proposed development; additionally, she asked the Board to request that since access to the proposed development was based on private easements along a narrow path with no sidewalks, that both transportation and traffic safety studies be completed and submitted to the City of Leesburg’s planning board prior to the second reading. She commented that the second reading was scheduled for February 27, 2023, and she asked if a PDR could be done before the second reading. She also thanked Ms. Melanie Marsh, County Attorney, Mr. Seth Lynch, with the Public Works Department, and Ms. Jennifer Barker, County Manager, for their outstanding customer support.

Mr. Banks Helfrich, a resident of the City of Clermont, stated that he was a sustainable farmer and that he taught sustainability. He remarked that once per month he opened his farm to a tour, teaching, tasting of his crops, and

	<p>clippings of trees that individuals could take and grow themselves. He specified that it was the second Saturday of each month, and he invited everyone to visit his farm.</p> <p>Ms. Cindy Newton, a resident of Commission District 4 speaking via Zoom, thanked the BCC and staff for their support of the rural conservation design standards which would come before the Board for adoption on the current day, and for the progress being made regarding the countywide joint planning agreements (JPAs). She encouraged each County Commissioner to pair up with a City Commissioner to tour the area and see why residents had been passionate in working to preserve this unique area and protect the high recharge capabilities with the large amount of undisturbed open space, limited density, and impervious surface ratio (ISR).</p>	
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 2.</b> Approval of Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller’s Consent Agenda (Items 1-3)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notice is hereby provided of warrants paid prior to this meeting, pursuant to Chapter 136.06 (1) of the Florida Statutes, which shall be incorporated into the Minutes and filed in the Board Support Division of the Clerk's Office.</li> <li>2. Notice is hereby provided of having received Boundary Amendment Ordinance 2022-025 from the City of Fruitland Park.</li> <li>3. Notice is hereby provided of having received Ordinance 2022-58 adopting the Fiscal Year 2023 Carry Forward Budget Amendment for the City of Groveland’s Community Redevelopment Agency, per Florida Statute 163.387(6).</li> </ol>	COONEY
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 3.</b> Request from County Attorney to recommend approval and execution of a Second Amendment to Agreement for On Call Legal Services with Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue, McLain &amp; Mangan, P.A.</p>	MARSH
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 4.</b> Request from Human Resources and Risk Management to recommend approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To utilize Omnia Partners – Public Sector Agreement No. 18221 with KRONOS SaaS, Inc., for Workforce Management Systems and Related Products, Services and Solutions; and</li> <li>2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.</li> </ol> <p>The estimated fiscal impact for Fiscal Year 2023 is \$94,320 (expenditure) with subsequent fiscal years' annual estimated fiscal impact of \$64,320 (expenditure).</p>	KOVACS

APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 5.</b> Request from Planning and Zoning to recommend approval to advertise an Ordinance amending Section 14.00.09, Lake County Code, Land Development Regulations, entitled Res Judicata. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	STERN
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 6.</b> Request from Facilities Management to recommend approval:          1. Of Contract 23-402 for full maintenance and repair of chiller, boiler, cooling tower, and pump, including water analysis and treatment to Hill York, Inc. (Ft. Lauderdale, FL); and          2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.</p> <p>The estimated fiscal impact is \$320,994 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 7.</b> Request from Facilities Management to recommend approval:          1. Of Contract 23-417 for fire protection system services to Randall Mechanical, Inc. (Apopka, FL); and          2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.</p> <p>The estimated fiscal impact is \$206,337 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 8.</b> Request from Facilities Management to recommend approval:          1. To purchase services from ASCO Power Services, Inc. (Florham Park, NJ) for repair and modifications to the existing power control system, located at the Lake County Judicial Center; and          2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation; and          3. Of a budget transfer in the amount of \$299,831 from Facilities Repair/Maintenance to Facilities Buildings Capital for the cost of the modification of the existing ASCO Power Control System located at the Lake County Judicial Center.</p> <p>The fiscal impact is \$299,831 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the 2023 Fiscal Year Budget. Commission District 3.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 9.</b> Request from Parks and Trails to recommend approval:          1. To release the current Sublease Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Neighborhood Lakes Scenic Trail and Trailhead, a 165-acre portion of Wekiva Springs State Park; and          2. To accept FDEP's Partial Release of Lease related to Lease Number 2386, which terminates the Sublease Agreement; and          3. To authorize the Chairman to execute the new Lease Agreement with the</p>	CHRISTIAN

	<p>Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida as the replacement for the Sublease Agreement, and any subsequent lease documents related to the termination of the Sublease Agreement.</p> <p>The annual fiscal impact is \$300 (expenditure).</p>	
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 10.</b> Request from Public Works to recommend approval:</p> <p>1. Of Contracts 22-543 for Traffic Signs and Materials as needed with a pool of vendors: Crown USA, Inc. (Woodbury, GA), Osburn Associates, Inc. (St. Petersburg, FL), Safety Products, Inc. (Lakeland, FL), Safety Zone Holdings, Inc. dba Safety Zone Specialists (Lakeland, FL), Swarco Industries, LLC (Columbia, TN), Mandel Metals, Inc. dba US Standard Sign (Franklin Park, IL), Vulcan, Inc. (Foley, AL), and Xcessories Squared Development &amp; Mfg., Inc. (Auburn, IL); and</p> <p>2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.</p> <p>The estimated fiscal impact is \$150,000 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 12.</b> Request from Public Works to recommend approval of an Interlocal Agreement between Lake County and the City of Leesburg to transfer the jurisdiction of Rumford Road (3220) to the City of Leesburg.</p> <p>The fiscal impact is \$44 (expenditure - recording fees) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget. Commission District 3.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 13.</b> Request from Public Works to recommend approval of an amendment to the Developers Agreement with Galvin Land Services to dedicate right of way associated with the County Road (CR) 437 in exchange for transportation impact fee credits.</p> <p>The estimated fiscal impact is \$41,556.24 in transportation impact fee credits. Commission District 4.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 11.</b> Request from Public Works to recommend approval of an Interlocal Agreement to transfer ownership and maintenance of Obrien Road (CR 2427) and South Obrien Road (CR 2227) to the City of Groveland.</p> <p>The fiscal impact is \$52.50 (expenditure - recording fees) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget. Commission Districts 1 and 3.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b>ADDENDUM Tab 26.</b> Request from Public Works to recommend approval to award contract 22-917 to OnSyte Performance, LLC (a State of Georgia company), to undertake water quality improvement projects such as the</p>	SCHNEIDER

	<p>abandonment and replacement of traditional septic systems with individual distributed wastewater treatment systems. Also, recommend approval of :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Installation Agreement with Onsyte Performance, LLC; and</li> <li>2. Operations and Maintenance Service Agreement with OnSyte Performance, LLC; and</li> <li>3. Florida Department of Environmental Protection Grant WG070 for Lake County Septic to Sewer Conversion; and</li> <li>4. Adoption of unanticipated revenue <b>Resolution 2023-8</b> in the amount of \$1,000,000 to receive grant funds from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to assist in funding the County’s septic to sewer conversion.</li> </ol> <p>The fiscal impact is \$2,000,000 (expenditure - \$1,000,000 FDEP grant and \$1,000,000 ARPA funds).</p>	
APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 14. PUBLIC HEARING:</u></b>          Recommend adoption of <b>Ordinance 2023-8</b> to amend the Comprehensive Plan to incorporate rural conservation design concepts and criteria. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	MARSH
APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 15. PUBLIC HEARING:</u></b>          Recommend approval and adoption of <b>Ordinance 2023-9</b> creating Chapter XVII, Lake County Code, Appendix E, Land Development Regulations, to be entitled Rural Conservation Subdivision Design Standards. There is no fiscal impact.</p> <p><b>Approved with the addition to the language with regard to habitat protection regarding the natural communities of longleaf pines, sand hill, sand pine, and xeric oak scrub, along with an errata sheet.</b></p>	MARSH
DENIED	<p><b><u>Tab 16. PUBLIC HEARING:</u></b>          Recommend approval and adoption of an ordinance dissolving the Board of Adjustment and transferring its functions to the Lake County Planning and Zoning Board. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	MARSH
APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 17. PUBLIC HEARING:</u></b>          Recommend approval and adoption of <b>Ordinance 2023-10</b> amending Section 24-19, Lake County Code, entitled Charter amendment, to allow the Board of County Commissioners to issue administrative and operational directives to the Lake County Water Authority and amending Section 24-5, entitled Governing Board, to require annual ethics training. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	MARSH

ITEM ONE APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 18. PUBLIC HEARING:</u></b>          Recommend approval:          1. To adopt <b>Resolution 2023-9</b> accepting Challenger Drive (County Road No. 3358B) and Lenze Drive (County Road No. 3356) into the County Road Maintenance system; and          2. Of an assessment roll containing the properties subject to the non-ad valorem assessments associated with the Challenger Drive and Lenze Drive Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU-1).</p> <p>The fiscal impact is \$620,733.63 (revenue). Commission District 3.</p> <p><b>The Board approved item one, and denied item two.</b></p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 19. PUBLIC HEARING:</u></b>          Recommend approval:          1. Of an amended budget for Fiscal Year 2023, which includes a reconciliation of the beginning fund balance and other adjustments; and          2. To adopt <b>Resolution 2023-6</b> for a supplemental budget for Fiscal Year 2023.</p>	BARKER
DISCUSSION	<p><b><u>Tab 20.</u></b> Discussion and direction on adjusting the rate schedules for Library, Parks, Fire Rescue and Transportation Impact Fees.</p>	BARKER
APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 21.</u></b> Recommend approval of <b>Resolution 2023-7</b> authorizing an easement modification in favor of the Lake County Water Authority as required by Section 24-10, Lake County Code. The property subject to the easement modification is located on Palatlahaha Creek (Battaglia PUD).</p> <p><b>Approved with the addition of requirements for the dimensions to be established to assure sufficient parking, and that conditions be in place to assure that the maintenance of the area for parking did not fall on the public, the County or the Lake County Water Authority (LCWA).</b></p>	BARKER
APPOINTMENTS/ APPROVED	<p><b><u>Tab 22.</u></b> Request approval to appoint members to the Children's Services Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• District 2- Tanya Moore (who resides in District 4) to complete an unexpired term ending on 05/14/2023 and an additional 2 year term.</li> <li>• District 5 - CJ Blancett (who resides in District 4) to complete an unexpired term ending on 05/14/2024.</li> </ul> <p>In the event there are no eligible applicants from a commission district, the County Commission may select any eligible individual regardless of district residency. Commissioner Smith is the liaison to the Children's Services Council.</p>	SMITH

APPOINTMENT/ APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 23.</b> Request approval to appoint Michael Ertel as the primary member to the Library Advisory Board, representing the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills.</p> <p>Commissioner Blake is the liaison to the Library Advisory Board.</p>	BLAKE
APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 24.</b> Request approval to extend the term expiration date of the following Planning &amp; Zoning Board members to May 23, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laura Jones Smith (District 2)</li> <li>• Dan Matthys (At-Large Representative)</li> <li>• Bill Mathias (School Board Alternate)</li> </ul>	SMITH
APPOINTMENTS/ APPROVED	<p><b>Tab 25.</b> Request approval to appoint members to the Board of Building Examiners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SECTION 489.105(3)(a)-(c) A contractor in the following areas: Sheet Metal, Roofing, Class A Air-conditioning, Class B Air-conditioning, Class C Air-conditioning, Mechanical, Commercial Pool/Spa, Residential Pool/Spa, Swimming Pool/Spa, Plumbing, or Underground Utility and Excavation: Thomas Grayford (reappointment)</li> <li>• SECTION 489.105(3)(d)-(o) A contractor in the following areas: Sheet Metal, Roofing, Class A Air-conditioning, Class B Air-conditioning, Class C Air-conditioning, Mechanical, Commercial Pool/Spa, Residential Pool/Spa, Swimming Pool/Spa, Plumbing, or Underground Utility and Excavation: William Lawson (reappointment)</li> <li>• Two (2) consumer member seats:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Bill Giffing (reappointment)</li> <li>○ James Argento (appointment) and approval of a potential ethical conflict waiver</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Shields mentioned that on March 1, 2023, there would be a traffic meeting in the City of Groveland, and he asked if there was a plan to promote this meeting.</p>	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Shields relayed that he had attended his first Lake Economic Area Development (LEAD) meeting and that they now had three dedicated people for economic development. He specified that one individual was going to all of the businesses, particularly the ones that needed some help, and that another individual was doing entrepreneurship. He added that the third individual was recruiting businesses, and that there were two proposals to bring companies in.</p>	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Shields commented that he had an East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC) meeting in the previous week, and that there was some federal economic development funding that they may possibly be</p>	SHIELDS



	able to utilize.	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields remarked that he had attended a City of Groveland Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) meeting on the previous night, and that he heard more about traffic issues there.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields said that he had attended an Arts and Cultural Alliance meeting and that they did not have a quorum. He mentioned that the Cities were supposed to have individuals attend; however, this was not occurring with some of the Cities. He expressed concerns for how it was set up, and he mentioned the possibility of not making it a County board anymore.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields related that he had a Zoom meeting with a constituent and Ms. Marsh regarding a noise issue, and he relayed his understanding that the County's noise ordinance had not been reviewed since 2019. He requested some consensus, relaying his understanding that the constituent wanted relief and that there was nothing that the Office of Code Enforcement or the Lake County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) could do to stop this.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks relayed that he was looking forward to their meeting on the following morning at the Tavares Pavilion on the Lake regarding the quarterly update for the joint planning agreements that they hoped to achieve countywide, along with the countywide conservation strategy. He said that he was looking forward to an update from the ECFRPC, along with hearing from the Cities about their vision. He urged that following this would be the next steps, and he also urged the importance of communication. He suggested that the BCC should have an update from the ECFRPC in two to three months, as well as time to discuss the conservation strategy and the land trust aspect. He added that a conservation strategy could possibly include the transfer of development rights (TDRs) or an ability for developers to contribute, and that the discussion could include something to educate the Board regarding how to manage this, noting that the Alachua Land Trust had been discussed.	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks thought that a recent Strong Towns meeting went over well, and that it could encourage some challenging discussion.	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Campione stated that she had attended an initial Strong Towns kickoff meeting and event at the Clermont Arts and Recreation Center. She mentioned an example that was given of a community which was trying to develop an older commercial area which was a catalyst for the area, creating economic activity and promoting walkability. She mentioned that she was thinking about Sorrento's main street district, noting that by doing this, they could possibly promote a level of economic activity. She thought that some	CAMPIONE

	<p>other towns were interested in the concept, and that it was mentioned to not be afraid to do things slightly differently. She added that they had a great discussion in the City of Clermont about utilities and the idea of how a City government could make a distinction in how far they would have utilities, if they could have tiered rates, etc., to promote more compact development. She said that she was glad to see so many Cities, planners and engineers participating, noting that Lake County was one of the only locations doing this, and that they were the first in the United States.</p>	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Campione commented that she was signed up to help do the point in time count on the following Thursday. She explained they were required to do this annually to determine the number of people who were living in homeless conditions, noting that it had to be done to receive U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding. She stated that there were many volunteers who did this each year, and that they knew where these communities were.</p>	CAMPIONE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Blake remarked that he had attended an event for Florida Governor Ron DeSantis in Sumter County, where the Governor had announced his legislative proposal to try to lower prescription drug costs in the state.</p>	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Blake mentioned that in the previous week, there was a Public Safety Coordinating Council meeting, noting that individuals from the Mid Florida Homeless Coalition had discussed the point in time count. He added that the Council had elected Mr. Chad Monty as their new Chairman, and that there was a presentation from the Florida Department of Corrections about the different things they did to help the Public Safety Coordinating Council reduce recidivism and the demand on the jail.</p>	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Blake said that there was a Library Advisory Board meeting in the previous week, though they did not have a quorum. He added that they met at the Tavares Civic Center, and that he received a tour of the Tavares Public Library expansion. He stated that he also got to see the design for the new Astor library, and he relayed his understanding that it would be completed over the next year.</p>	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Smith related that the W.T. Bland Public Library in the City of Mount Dora had a great dinosaur exhibit, and he encouraged everyone to visit.</p>	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Smith stated that he attended the League of Cities meeting.</p>	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	<p>Commr. Smith thanked Commissioner Campione for attending the Strong Towns meeting, and he expressed appreciation for staff and everyone in</p>	SMITH

	attendance.	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith said that the current day was National Compliment Day.	SMITH