

The Board of Sumter County Commissioners (BOCC/Board) convened in a special called session and workshop meeting on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at The Villages Sumter County Service Center in Wildwood, Florida with the following members present to wit: Gary Search, District No. 1; Doug Gilpin, District No. 2; Craig Estep, Vice Chairman, District No. 3; Garry Breeden, Chairman, District No. 4; and Oren Miller, 2nd Vice Chairman, District No. 5. The following individuals were also present and acting in their respective official capacities: Bradley Arnold, County Administrator; Caroline Alrestimawi, Deputy Clerk; and Jennifer Rey of The Hogan Law Firm, Attorneys for the Board. Commissioner Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The complete audio recording of this meeting is available on the Clerk's Website - www.sumterclerk.com.

1. Public Forum

The following individuals spoke during Public Forum on behalf of Hope Lutheran Church and Fairway Christian Church regarding concerns with a traffic improvement plan that is impacting their churches:

1. Kent Hamdorf, 627 Laurel Run, The Villages;
2. Pastor Jon-Marc McClean, 250 Avenida Los Angeles, The Villages;
3. Wayne King, 2379 Southwood Dr, The Villages;
4. Harry Harris, Chairman of the Board of Elders at Fairway Christian, 790 Startex St, The Villages; and
5. Bob O'Dell, 603 Leeds Pl, The Villages.

3-2-21-1-Hope Lutheran and Fairway Christian Letters, 3-2-21-1-Sumter County Memo

Bradley Arnold, County Administrator, addressed the concerns shared and the information contained in the attached memo. The Commissioners asked questions and provided comments. At this time, the only additional recommendation that can be made is to extend the left turn for the U-turn near the Santa Fe Plaza to accommodate more vehicles at that left turn to get more vehicles out of the through traffic, which will come before the Board as a Design Change Order at the regular meeting on March 9, 2021. Commissioner Breeden advised the individuals present that if there any new ideas or solutions, they could be channeled through Mr. Arnold.

2. Development Services Report March 2021 (For Information Only)

Mr. Arnold provided the attached Development Services Report.

3-2-21-2

Jennifer Rey, County Attorney, spoke regarding the attached letter to the Attorney General. Ms. Rey gave background information and provided laws regarding the issue disclosed in the letter.

3-2-21-Request for AGO RE Agritourism Exemption

3. Pavement Management Priority (For Direction)

Mr. Arnold provided this item for direction. At the 2/16/21 special called meeting, the Board supported the allocation of \$1,000,000 for pavement preservation and resurfacing of existing roads. Using the adopted pavement management prioritization methodology, staff recommends:

The Powell Road Section in the Major Urban category from CR 44A to C-466A at a projected cost of \$633,000.

The final phase of the safety project for the intersection of C-466 and C-475 at a projected cost of \$180,000.

The balance of \$187,000 reserved until the two above projects are determined to be under the project estimates and then pursue the following project:

Resurfacing of CR 622 and CR 622A off of C-575 at an estimated cost of \$391,000.

Commissioner Miller agrees with the C-466 and C-475 safety project but does not agree with the Powell Road project because there are so many roads in the County that are in terrible condition. Commissioner Miller provided the following roads as examples: CR 747, CR 730, CR 733, CR 656, CR 477, and CR 477N. Mr. Arnold noted that the County does not own the right-of-way to some of those roads. Mr. Arnold also noted that regional roads are usually given priority because they are costly to repair if not kept up, as well as being the most traveled. Additionally, the County does not carry a prioritization list of roads because it provides a false expectation. Commissioner Estep supports the recommendation provided. Commissioner Search would like to see the County have a prioritization list. Commissioner Gilpin and Commissioner Breeden discussed that there are smaller roads that they would like to see fixed, as well. Mr. Arnold noted that in the future, the hope is that some of the less traveled roads will be able to be prioritized. Commissioner Breeden agrees that the money should be put on roads that will serve the most people but also does not want everyone else to feel left out. Ultimately, the Commissioners provided consensus and direction to move forward, as proposed, with the goal to prioritize smaller, less traveled roads in the future.

Commissioner Miller also noted that C-478 is very nice and asked if the speed limit should be 45 mph instead of 55 mph. Mr. Arnold stated that the speed is set by the engineering justification speed study. The Board can change a speed limit but it would not necessarily be enforceable.

3-2-21-3

4. Purchase Order Approval For FY 2020/2021 (Staff Recommends Approval)

The attached open purchase requisition is recommended for approval. This is for an affordable home to be built through the SHIP program for a family that lost their mobile home in a fire. This is on the agenda to speed the project up a week.

3-2-21-4, 3-2-21-4-backup

Commissioner Miller moved, with a second by Commissioner Search, to approve the open requisition report for Demolition/Reconstruction Assistance for William and Casey Robertson (requisition 00021018). The motion carried 5 - 0.

5. State Of Emergency Declaration Extension (Staff Recommends Approval)

3-2-21-5

Commissioner Estep moved, with a second by Commissioner Miller, to approve the Local State Of Emergency Declaration Extension. The motion carried 5 - 0.

6. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.