



Board of County Commissioners - Regular Meeting

Wednesday, July 16, 2025 at 9:00 am

**34 Forbes Street, COURTHOUSE ANNEX, COMMISSION MEETING
ROOM**

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Zoom Access Link

Additional Zoom access information located under the "Meeting Information" section at the end of this agenda.

1. Zoom Meeting Access

[Zoom Link](#)

2. Zoom Meeting Recording

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Call to Order

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda

The Chairman will ask for any proposed changes to the agenda, then request a motion to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes and Payment of County Bills

The Board will consider action on all Minutes and payment of County bills with one motion. A

Commissioner may request to have either the Minutes or payment of County bills considered with a separate motion.

3. **Approval of Minutes**
4. **County Bill List for Payment**

Awards and Recognitions

5. **Danny Gay -- Resolution of Appreciation**

Public Comments

This is an opportunity for the public to be heard. When you are recognized by the Chairman, please adhere to the 5-minute time limit.

Department Directors Reports

6. **Jennifer Daniels – Emergency Management Director**

[Report](#)

[Attachments](#)

County Staff & Attorney Reports

7. **Erin Griffith – Fiscal Manager/Grants Coordinator**

[Report](#)

[Attachments](#)

- a. **Request For Proposal -- Design Engineering Services**

[Notice](#)

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners is seeking civil engineering services relating to the design of improvements for the Otterslide/Avenue A to Vrooman Park Sidewalks Project. The scope of the project will include the surveying, design, permitting and preparation of construction plans and bid documents for a new 5' sidewalk on the west side of Otterslide Road from Ridge Road to Avenue A and a 5' sidewalk on the north side Avenue A from Otterslide Road to Vrooman Park in Eastpoint, FL as identified in the County's Local Agency Participation contract with the Florida Department of Transportation. The scope also includes design standards to ensure the sidewalks will be ADA compliant. The complete scope of services can be found in Section 1.2 of the Request for Proposals Package. Consideration will be given to only those firms that are qualified pursuant to law and that are qualified pursuant to law and that have been prequalified by FDOT to perform the indicated types of work.

8. **Michael Morón – County Coordinator**

[Report](#)

[Attachment](#)

9. Michael Shuler – County Attorney

[Report and Attachments](#)

10:00 a.m. (ET) Presentations/Updates/Requests

10. 10:00 a.m. (ET) Jon C. Creamer (Northwest Regional Director) -- FWC -- Update

This is a time certain agenda item. It cannot be heard prior to the agenda time but should be heard at that time or as soon thereafter as possible.

FWC staff will provide an update on the Apalachicola Bay Oyster Restoration project and discuss what information will be presented at the upcoming FWC Commission meeting.

[Presentation](#)

11. David Walker (Weems CEO) & David Bowling (Alliant CFO) -- Weems -- EMS Financial Update

[Attachment](#)

11:00 a.m. (ET) Public Hearings

This is a time certain agenda item. It cannot be heard prior to the advertised time but should be heard at the advertised time or as soon thereafter as possible.

12. 11:00 a.m. (ET) Land Use Change

[Notice](#)

[Draft Ordinance](#)

A 10-acre parcel of land at 75 Highway 65, Eastpoint, Florida, lying in Section 22, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, Eastpoint, Florida, be changed from conservation to commercial.

13. 11:05 a.m. (ET) Zoning Change

[Notice](#)

[Draft Ordinance](#)

A 10-acre parcel of land at 75 Highway 65, Eastpoint, Florida, lying in Section 22, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, Eastpoint, Florida, as shown on the attached map, be changed from P1 preservation to C2 commercial.

Commissioners' Comments

Adjournment

In accordance with Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, any person who wishes to appeal a decision made by the Franklin County Board of County Commissioners, with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, must have a record of the proceedings. He or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.

Meeting Information

The general public is welcomed in the commission meeting room for meetings. As an option, all meetings are live-streamed on Zoom and regular meetings are also live-streamed on Forgotten Coast TV. Those wanting to view the meeting on Forgotten Coast TV can use the livestream link <https://facebook.com/forgottencoasttv/> or go to Forgotten Coast TV's Facebook Page. You do not need a Facebook account to view Facebook live. The livestream feed will promptly start 5 minutes before the meeting commences.

Those wanting to view or participate virtually during the meeting should use the Zoom log-in/call-in information provided below. There is a link to a list of videos and Getting Started Resources on the main "Agenda and Minutes" webpage for those unfamiliar with Zoom. If you are experiencing any issues with the livestream or Zoom, call (850) 653-9783 for assistance.

To join the meeting via Zoom, click on this link on the meeting date and time.

If you do not have speakers or a microphone on your computer or prefer to call, you can dial in for audio. Call (301) 715-8592 or (312) 626- 6799 or (929) 205-6099 and enter ID number (836 1257 3763#). All attendees are muted by default. For those that have called into the meeting by phone, press *9 to raise your hand, then *6 to unmute.

If you would like to speak during the meeting in-person or via Zoom, you are required to complete the virtual speaker card [click here for card](#). If you are attending via Zoom, this card must be received by the County Commission Administrative Office no later than 15 minutes prior to the start of the meeting in order for you to speak during the meeting. If you are attending in person, this card must be received prior to the start of the meeting.

Once recognized by the Chairman, you may comment on a non-agenda or agenda item during "Public Comments" for up to 5-minutes.

Public engagement is important to us and use of Zoom for public participation is still a new process for some. We appreciate your understanding.

Agenda and reports are subject to change.