



Gadsden County, Florida

Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners and Greensboro Town Council Joint Workshop

JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

June 09, 2016 at 06:00 PM

Creek Entertainment Gretna

Present: County

Brenda A. Holt, Chair, District 4
Eric Hinson, Vice Chair, District 1 (late)
Dr. Anthony "Dr. V" Viegbesie, District 2
Gene Morgan, District 3
Sherrie Taylor, District 5 (absent)
Robert Presnell, County Administrator
David Weiss, County Attorney
Beryl H. Wood, Deputy Clerk

Present: City

J.B. Toole, Council President
Wilford Kennedy
Nathan Kever (absent)
Lamar Alday
Howard Emerich
William E. Ellis, Jr., Town Clerk

AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Call to Order**
(Brenda A. Holt, Chairperson)

Chair Holt called the meeting to order. She then explained the purpose of the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves.

Mr. Harold Emerich asked that we keep Mr. Buddy Pitts in their thoughts as his health is not the best.

Awards, Presentations and Appearances

- 2. Recognition of Mr. Max Fletcher**
(Gadsden County Board of County Commissioners)

Commissioner Morgan and the Board presented a Resolution to the Town of Greensboro for Mr. Max Fletcher. One was presented to Mr. Fletcher at his residence by Commissioner Morgan and one to the Town of Greensboro for his service throughout 1984-2016 for over 30 years.

Citizens Requesting to be Heard on Non-Agenda Items (3 minute limit) – N/A

General Business

3. **Legislative Priorities**

(Robert M. Presnell, County Administrator)

Mr. Presnell said yearly they make legislative priorities in a unified voice. He asked for guidance and asked for the Managers to have the authority to work for you. Strategic Plan Workshop for Gadsden County for the next 2 years. He said ranking projects really helps. He said it was his goal to help with some of their desires.

Mr. Emerich said they were successful in getting a water grant to replace old transite pipping and valve. He said they where able to get it done with CDBG. He said it will take a year for the project to be completed.

Chair Holt asked did they serve citizens out of the City limits.

Mr. Emerich said they support their sister city in the City of Gretna. He spoke on other issues of concern: Electrical Redundancy at the Fire Department, Town Hall, and Library. Other items mentioned where: I-10 Waste Water; The local 11th street north falling apart.

Commissioner Dr. Viegbesie commented on roads in Quincy that are in dire need that need fixing.

Mr. Presnell said if it was joint owned you could, but no, if it's just in the City. Contractors may be able to assist.

Attorney Weiss said if no road is a part of the County, than you can't.

Mr. Toole thanked them for paving several roads in the area.

Mr. Presnell said thanked Commissioner Morgan. He had worked hard to ensure they received attention.

Mr. Emerich thanked the Chair for putting this together.

Chair Holt mentioned Depot, Swamp Gravy. She mentioned sponsoring something that can draw people. A day festival, she mentioned different grants to assist.

Mr. Alday asked about improving the law enforcement.

Mr. Emerich said the Sheriff would be at the next Council Meeting.

Mr. Kennedy discussed funding for sewage in Greensboro area.

Mr. Toole asked about the status on the Solar Farm.

Mr. Presnell said they have not heard from the older one. He said they have been approached by two other projects. He mentioned the Comprehensive Plan where the language was changed to accommodate.

Mr. Willis thanked the County for their assistance this far and looked forward to a great working relationship. He mentioned the 4th of July fireworks display. He asked for any help the County could offer. He asked that they keep Mr. Buddy Pitts in their prayers.

4. **Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) Appointment**
(Robert M. Presnell, County Administrator)

Commissioner Dr. Viegbesie said it may not be an issue on CRTPA. He recommended the City Manager work with the other City Managers to decide how they want to handle. He explained the process.

Mr. Emerich said they can work together to get a system together.

Commissioner Hinson commented it was a pleasure to work with them.

Mr. Presnell said if they all can agree they will get funded, unity is what they are looking for.

Chair Holt mentioned Gadsden County Day to lobby at the Capital.

5. **Infrastructure**
(Robert M. Presnell, County Administrator)

Mr. Presnell said they had already discussed the infrastructure with the Legislative priorities.

6. **General Discussion**
(All Board Members)

No additional discussion was held.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE CHAIR DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:55 P.M.

GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA

**BRENDA A. HOLT, Chair
Board of County Commissioners**

ATTEST:

**Nicholas Thomas, Clerk of Court
Gadsden County, Florida**