



The Board of Sumter County Commissioners (Board/BOCC) convened in workshop session on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, in Wildwood, Florida, with the following members present to wit: Al Butler, Vice Chairman, District No. 1; Doug Gilpin, Chairman, District No. 2; Don Burgess, Second Vice Chairman, District No. 3; Garry Breeden, District No. 4; and Steve Printz, District No. 5. The following individuals were also present and acting in their respective official capacities: Bradley Arnold, County Administrator; Bill Kleinsorge, Finance Director; and Caroline Alrestimawi, Deputy Clerk. Commissioner Gilpin called the workshop to order at 5:00 p.m. with the invocation given by Commissioner Butler followed by the flag salute led by Commissioner Breeden. The complete audio recording of this workshop is available on the Clerk's Website - www.sumterclerk.com.

1. Public Forum

Commissioner Gilpin provided the following statement: The Board of County Commissioners welcomes and encourages public input on all issues subject to the Board's jurisdiction which affect the residents of Sumter County. However, in order to preserve decorum in these proceedings, the Board respectfully requests that an individual wishing to address the Board during public forum be mindful of the following provisions of Section 2-31 of the Sumter County Code, which has been in effect since 1982. Each person shall limit his/her address to five (5) minutes unless granted additional time by majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners. All remarks shall be to the Board of County Commissioners as a body and not to any individual member. Additionally, any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous, shall be instructed to remain silent by the presiding officer until permission to continue is granted.

There was no input from the public.

2. Sumter County Fire & EMS Annual Overview

Chief Leland Greek gave a presentation on the Fire & EMS Annual Overview with periodic interjections from Bradley Arnold, County Administrator. It is critical that Sumter County Fire & EMS and The Villages Public Safety Department work together. Both agencies have monthly meetings and interagency training to ensure that they are optimizing the use of equipment and services. There is also a radio user group, which includes both agencies with the addition of AMR Ambulance. There are currently Interlocal and Mutual Aid Agreements between Sumter County Fire & EMS and The Villages Public Safety Department. Due to the Coleman Fire Station's close proximity to The

Villages recent expansion, The Village of Fenney, Sumter County Fire & EMS gave The Villages Public Safety Department the ability to cohabitate that station. There was some discussion regarding the Bomb Squad being brought in from Lake County when needed and if Sumter County would have a need for the specialty program in the future. Chief Greek also touched on the increased calls and decreased travel time over the last few years. Sumter Fire & EMS does not have staff solely responsible for one task. Once a firefighter completes a task, the firefighter moves to another task. This year, Sumter Fire & EMS received accreditation from the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI). Part of the accreditation process is showing continuous growth. The accreditation is good for a five year period. One of the things that CFAI will look for when Sumter County Fire & EMS is seeking reaccreditation is continuous growth. CFAI recommended focusing on the following three areas to show such growth: public education, training facility, and staffing. Public education and staffing are scheduled areas of focus for FY 17/18. Chief Greek also discussed community risk reduction being a potential way to cap the increasing call volume, through areas such as, the smoke alarm program, bicycle safety, and the relationship with area schools. Lastly, wildfires and burn bans were discussed. Primarily, the Florida Forest Service is the responsible party for the State of Florida. Sumter County Fire & EMS assists the Florida Forest Service upon their request. The Florida Forest Service issues permits for burning. Instead of being in conflict with the Florida Fire Service, Chief Greek closely monitors the conditions and the County refrains from issuing burn bans unless absolutely necessary. Refer to the attachment for the complete presentation.

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3. Public Safety Support Division Overview

The Public Safety Division was recently created per the BOCC's approval. Stephen Kennedy serves as the Public Safety Director/911 Coordinator and reports directly to Mr. Arnold. Mr. Kennedy gave a presentation regarding the Public Safety Support Division. In 2012, the new Public Radio System was implemented. The Public Radio System supports the entire County and all government agencies, as well as some other key community entities, such as, The Villages Hospital. The implementation of the Public Radio System improved radio coverage for the entire County by bringing everyone onto a single system. The Public Radio System has the capacity to allow all individuals in a talk group/channel to talk amongst themselves or the capacity to talk to everyone on system at one time. Mr. Arnold added that the School Board is the only County agency not participating in the Public Radio System. The County has reached out to the Superintendent but they

are not interested in getting involved with the Public Radio System at this time. The Commissioners voiced some concern regarding the School Board not being a part of the Public Radio System. Mr. Arnold will speak with the Superintendent regarding such concerns at their quarterly meeting. It is projected that the revised ambulance contract will be on the agenda for the end of May. Mr. Kennedy also discussed the following topics: Pulsepoint, Transport Data, Ambulance Compliance, Historical 911 Call Volume, and 911 Call Origin Type. For the complete presentation, refer to the attachment.

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4. Economic Development Update January - March 2017

Jada Glover, Economic Development Professional, provided an Economic Development update from January through March 2017. A roundtable luncheon was held last month with a few manufacturers, including Kottke Trucking. Crevalle Boats committed to hosting the next luncheon. Economic Development is currently working with Crevalle Boats and Highway Systems on their expansions. The Airport, Apiary Expansion, and Indoor gun range are relatively new active recruitment opportunities. Project Beef has been moved to the "Inactive Recruitment" category, as someone has purchased that facility. Project Hot Wheels and Project Fertilizer have also been moved to "Inactive Recruitment". Ms. Glover attended the CareerSource Sector Strategy Meeting and discussed other marketing activities. Significant growth is continued in The Villages and in the entire County. Also addressed were existing agribusiness support and infrastructure. Refer to the attachment for the complete presentation.

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5. Adjourn

The workshop session adjourned at 6:20 p.m.