

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOVEMBER 10, 2020
8:30 A.M.**

Proceedings of a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) of St. Johns County, Florida, held in the auditorium at the County Administration Building, 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, Florida.

Notice of notice of a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, was communicated on October 9, 2020, via media, website, and social media postings.

Present: Jeb S. Smith, District 2, Chair
 James K. Johns, District 1
 Paul M. Waldron, District 3
 Henry Dean, District 5
 Hunter S. Conrad, County Administrator
 Patrick McCormack, County Attorney
 Sindy Wiseman, Deputy Clerk

Also present: Joy Andrews, Deputy County Administrator of Strategic Affairs

Absent: Jeremiah R. Blocker, District 4, Vice Chair

(11/10/20 - 1 - 8:30 a.m.)
CALL TO ORDER

Smith called the meeting to order. He provided opening comments regarding remote public participation.

(11/10/20 - 1 - 8:31 a.m.)
ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll. Commissioners Smith, Dean, and Waldron were present. Commissioner Johns participated remotely. Commissioner Blocker was absent.

(11/10/20 - 1 - 8:32 a.m.)
INVOCATION

Hunter S. Conrad, County Administrator, led the invocation.

(11/10/20 - 1 - 8:33 a.m.)
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dean led the Pledge of Allegiance.

(11/10/20 - 1 - 8:33 a.m.)
1. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Joseph Giammanco, Interim Director of Emergency Management, provided an update on the Emergency Operations Center's (EOC) response to COVID-19. He reported on Flagler Hospital's testing statistics in the County; distribution of personal protective equipment; and Intensive Care Unit (ICU) availability at Flagler Hospital, Baptist South, and Baptist Beaches.

(8:34 a.m.) Tom Reynolds, 50 Brigantine Court, questioned why Giammanco had not been made the Director of Emergency Management.

(11/10/20 - 2 - 8:35 a.m.)

2. EXTENSION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

Patrick McCormack, County Attorney, presented the details of the extension. He recommended an extension for a seven-day period.

(8:36 a.m.) Tom Reynolds, 50 Brigantine Court, spoke in support of the seven-day extension. Additionally, he spoke on emergency COVID-19 pay for first responders.

(8:38 a.m.) BJ Kalaidi, 8 Newcomb Street, requested the Board to lift the mandatory mask requirement in government facilities.

(8:40 a.m.) Motion by Dean, seconded by Waldron, carried 4/0, via roll call vote, to adopt St. Johns County Emergency Proclamation No. 2020-42, extending the local state of emergency for an additional seven-day period.

Yea: Dean, Waldron, Johns, and Smith

Nay: None

Absent: Blocker

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-42

A PROCLAMATION EXTENDING THE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY, AS PROVIDED BY CHAPTER 252, PART I, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND BY ST. JOHNS COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2019-40

(11/10/20 - 2 - 8:41 a.m.)

3. Any Other Business

Conrad requested to continue the Food for Finds program for the Library system, from November 16, 2020, through December 21, 2020.

(8:42 a.m.) Sherry Badger, 2772 South Collins Avenue, spoke on the drainage issues and semi-tractor trailer traffic on South Collins Avenue and presented pictures of flooding in the area, *Exhibit A*.

(8:45 a.m.) Motion by Dean, seconded by Waldron, carried 4/0, via roll call vote, to support the Food for Fines program, for the Library system.

Yea: Dean, Johns, Waldron, Smith

Nay: None

Absent: Blocker

(8:46 a.m.) Conrad stated that an update regarding the South Collins Avenue drainage would be heard on the December 1, 2020, BCC meeting.

(8:47 a.m.) Waldron questioned whether there had been any complaints regarding constituents not wearing masks in any of the government facilities. Conrad responded that he had not heard of any complaints.

(11/10/20 - 3 - 8:48 a.m.)
ADJOURN

With there being no further business to come before the Board, Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:48 a.m.

Approved _____ December 1 _____, 2020

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Henry Dean
Henry Dean, Vice-Chair

ATTEST: BRANDON J. PATTY,
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT & COMPTROLLER

By: Pam Halterman
Deputy Clerk

