

October 5, 2021

The [Regular Meeting](#) of the Lee County [Board of County Commissioners](#) was held on this date with the following Commissioners present:

Kevin Ruane, Chairman
 Cecil Pendergrass, Vice-Chairman
 Ray Sandelli
 Brian Hamman
 Franklin B. Mann – *Absent*

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. The Invocation was given by Pastor Bruce Schreiber, of New Day Christian Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CEREMONIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. **Pet of the Month - Commissioner Pendergrass**
 Animal Services Public Information Specialist Karen Fordiani and Domestic Animal Services Director Pablo Adorno introduced Ransom a male Beagle mix who is the pet of the day. Each day there is a new pet of the day with the adoption fees being waived with each approved application. Ms. Fordiani informed the Board that October was National ASPCA Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, and that the adoption fee for all dogs was thirty dollars while the adoption fee for all cats was ten dollars.
2. **[SWFL 10-13 Club Presentation: Flag Commemorating 20th Anniversary of 9/11](#)**
 Southwest Florida 10-13 Club members, Detective Joseph Andujar of the Lee County Sheriff's Office, Fort Myers Fire Chief Tracy McMillion, Retired NYPD Sergeant Neil O'Conner, and Retired NYPD Sergeant Brian Sheehan presented the Board with a flag flown at the site of the World Trade Center. Detective Andujar thanked the Board for the opportunity to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the September 11, 2001 attacks.

RECAP/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Referring to the [Recap](#) Agenda of October 5, 2021, the Chairman announced that:

- **Commissioners Items:** Commissioner Ruane – Flood Insurance Premium Increases

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Chairman called for public comment on any Consent Agenda items and there were no speakers.

There were no items pulled for discussion by the individual Commissioners.

The Chairman requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items and Commissioner Hamman so moved, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

CLERK OF COURTS

1. **Approve and Record County [Disbursements](#) per Florida Law**
Item Summary: Chapter 136.06(1), Florida Statute requires that all County disbursements be recorded in the Minutes of the Board. This is for the check and wire registers viewable on the Clerk's website.
Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.
2. **Present Report on [Monthly Financial Summary](#) for the Month of August 2021**
Item Summary: This is a monthly, information report from the Clerk of Court's Office that provides interim information on selected revenues, expenditures, debt, reserves and investments.
Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.
3. **Present Report on [Driver Education Safety Trust Fund](#) for the Month of August 2021**
Item Summary: This is a monthly report from the Clerk of Court's Office that provides financial activity for the driver's education safety trust fund.
Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**4. Approve Plan to Phase Out Local Contractor Licensing Consistent with State Law**

Item Summary: Establishes a plan for the phase out of local contractor licensing consistent with HB 735 by: following the normal local contractor renewal process for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 only (licenses expire Sept. 30, 2022); and authorizing staff to proceed with the necessary revisions to the Lee County Construction Licensing Board Ordinance (No.00-26) and the related Administrative Code AC12-6.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

5. Authorize Committee Review of Draft Food Truck Regulations

Item Summary: Proposes regulations that would extend places where mobile food vendor operations are allowed to all appropriate commercial and industrial areas throughout Unincorporated Lee County (rather than only in Lehigh Acres). The draft regulations include safety measures, nuisance prevention and aesthetic considerations.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

COUNTY ATTORNEY**6. Approve Mediated [Settlement](#) in Eminent Domain Case Lee County v. EMDELAKI, LLC**

Item Summary: As part of the Ortiz Avenue Project, Lee County initiated a condemnation action against EMDELAKI, LLC and Florida Power & Light to condemn Parcel 320 on April 4, 2012, by filing its petition in eminent domain. At mediation, the property owner claimed damages in excess of \$100,000. As result of mediation, Lee County and EMDELAKI, LLC agreed to resolve the litigation matter for \$53,500 inclusive of all attorney's fees, expert fees and costs associated with litigation. Lee County will receive a credit for its good faith estimate of \$28,500 previously deposited in the court registry, meaning that the County is only obligated to pay an additional \$25,000.

Florida Power & Light is also a party to this litigation and has claimed damages related to relocation of its power lines. Lee County anticipates that it will reach a relocation agreement with Florida Power & Light as part of the Ortiz Avenue Project and will likely not require additional litigation or payment of settlement funds on the County's part.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

7. Approve Settlement in Personal Injury Case Stanley & Heidi Petrone v. Lee County

Item Summary: Approval of the proposed settlement resolves the case in its entirety against Lee County and avoids the uncertainty of a jury trial. The case was brought forth due to an auto collision involving a county vehicle in which Mr. Stanley Petrone sustained injuries that required surgery.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

COUNTY LANDS**8. Accept Purchase [Agreement](#) to Acquire Office Space for a County/Constitutional Complex**

Item Summary: Approves the [purchase](#) of a 28,000+/- square foot office/retail strip center to house the Lee County Tax Collector and Supervisor of Elections, plus other current and future County operations. The purchase price is \$4,050,000 plus costs to close. This will be a new location for the Supervisor of Elections and will be a replacement location for the Tax Collector. The structure is located at 600/602 Homestead Road S., Lehigh Acres. The return on investment for this purchase is 10 years.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

9. Approve Funding [Agreement](#) with FDEO for Coast Risk Assessment & Resiliency Planning

Item Summary: Finalizes a \$253,000 grant from Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for coastal risk assessment and resiliency planning for Lee County's Evacuation Zones A&B. This CDBG-MIT-GPS (Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation – General Planning Support) grant covers the cost of planning to mitigate future costs associated with coastal flood and surge. It also enables Lee County to comply in part with Section 380.093, F.S., passed by the Florida Legislature earlier this year as SB 1954.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

HUMAN RESOURCES**10. Approve Temporary Revision of County Policy Number 402 – Vacation Leave**

Item Summary: Adopts proposed temporary revisions to Lee County Policy 402 - Vacation Leave, that for calendar year 2022, the maximum allowed carryover of vacation leave is increased from two hundred forty (240) hours to three hundred sixty (360) hours. As a result of operational changes due to COVID-19, many departments have restricted or limited their employees' use of accrued vacation leave hours. Based on these circumstances, Human Resources has identified the need to temporarily increase the total number of vacation leave hours allowed to carry over into the next calendar year.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

HUMAN SERVICES**11. Approve [Contract](#) with FLDOH to Support Lee County Department of Health Operations**

Item Summary: Approves a contract with the Florida Department of Health (FLDOH) in the amount of \$1,975,872.00 to maintain funding for the Department of Health in Lee County and approves an updated fee schedule to support the cost of operations. Approval provides public health services and retains the County-assessed portion of public health fees, other revenues, and in-kind services to "promote, protect, maintain, and improve the health and safety of all citizens and visitors of this state through a system of coordinated county health department services." Funds have been budgeted in the fiscal year 2022 budget, and will be allocated during the October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022 contract term.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

12. Approve Contract for Mental and Behavioral Health Services & Children's Medical Exams

Item Summary: Approval of state mandated contracts with [SalusCare, Inc.](#) and [Children's Advocacy Center of SW Florida](#) will provide county funding up to \$4,675,451 to purchase substance abuse and mental health treatment services and initial medical exams and consultations for children under the suspicion of abuse. Contracts are effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

NATURAL RESOURCES**13. Accept [State Grant](#) for Bonita Beach Nourishment**

Item Summary: Accepts award of a grant from Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Bonita Beach Nourishment in the amount of \$2,539,838.93 (\$946,090.00 FDEP share & \$1,593,748.93 local match requirement). The project includes modification to the design and permits, beach nourishment, and permit required monitoring on the critically eroded beach of Little Hickory Island. The work was anticipated and is consistent with the State Strategic Beach Management Plan. The local match of 62.75% will come from the City of Bonita Springs in accordance with our existing Interlocal Agreement (ILA), and the Beach Renourishment Trust Fund project. Estimated local costs are \$610,087 to the City of Bonita Springs and \$983,662 to the County. Project was anticipated and is budgeted in the current 5-year CIP plan.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

14. Approve Budget Amendment Resolution for Approved Waterway Development Projects

Item Summary: Approves the creation of seventeen new navigation related major maintenance projects that are funded by a grant from the West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) in the amount of \$1,655,738. For the majority of these projects, Lee County will serve as the administrator for other County sub-grant agreements. The projects to be funded are in the categories of marine law enforcement, environmental education, boating safety, boating recreation and navigation improvement.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

[RESOLUTION No. 21-10-01](#)

PUBLIC SAFETY**15. Approve [Piggyback](#) for E911 Fiber Optic Backup Network**

Item Summary: Approves a piggyback to use pricing on the MiCTA Contract with Crown Castle Fiber LLC, for the purchase of a fiber optic backup network through the contract expiration date of September 13, 2022, and any renewals or extensions approved by MiCTA, as approved in the departments' annual adopted budgets. This purchase will provide a redundant fiber optic connection for the County's Next Generation E911 network, serving all five Public Safety Answering Points. The term of the agreement is

36 months, with a total spend of \$239,796 for the term. A market analysis was completed against the 36 month service period and found that the purchase under this contract will represent a savings of 24%.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

SOLID WASTE

16. Approve Change Order for Landfill Ash Monofill Leachate Removal System Modifications

Item Summary: Engages design engineer Jones Edmunds & Associates, Inc. to provide expanded services during construction for the Capital Improvement Project known as Ash Monofill Leachate Force Main Modifications. The project will replace a temporary force main at the Lee-Hendry Landfill and is required by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Change Order #3 will provide contract administration, on-site observation of work progress, construction quality control, and submittals of all permit-required documentation to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

TRANSPORTATION

17. Award Contract for Design of Sidewalk along Bell Boulevard

Item Summary: Awards a contract to [Q. Grady Minor and Associates, P.A.](#) to provide design services for sidewalks along Bell Boulevard from State Road 82 north to Sunrise Boulevard, in the negotiated amount of \$621,763.50. This project was ranked by the Bicycle Pedestrian Committee in 2016 as the #3 priority. Funding for design is available in the current fiscal year budget and construction is budgeted in FY 2023/24, total project costs are estimated to be \$4.18 million.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

18. Approve CPA for Ben Hill Griffin Parkway Sidewalk Repairs

Item Summary: Approves a County Project Authorization (CPA) to the contract with BRT Development LLC dba Titan Foundations and Grading for Concrete Flatwork: Sidewalk, Curbs, and Gutters providing for sidewalk repairs on Ben Hill Griffin Pkwy from Alico Rd to Corkscrew Rd, in the total amount of \$173,692.60. Funds are included in the current fiscal year as part of a \$1 million per year sidewalk maintenance program. Work is expected to begin October 2021.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

19. Award Contract for Repairs of Bonita Grande Weir Gates

Item Summary: Awards a low bid contract to [Bearing Point Construction, Inc.](#) for the repair and replacement of mechanical components for the Bonita Grande Weir Gates, in the amount of \$393,216.00. This work includes removal of weir gates and repair and replacement of rollers and guides to ensure proper function. Work is expected to begin in February 2022. Funding is available in the current fiscal year budget.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

20. Approve CPA for Lehigh Acres Drainage System Pipe Lining

Item Summary: Approves a County Project Authorization (CPA) to a contract with Shenandoah General Construction Company for storm water drainage pipe lining, which provides for lining of pipes at several locations within Lehigh Acres, in the total amount of \$97,322.98. This project is to repair failing corrugated metal storm drain pipes in the Lehigh Acres Community. Work is expected to begin in October 2021. Funding for this project is included in the current fiscal year.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

COUNTY MANAGER

1. Transfer Operations & Maintenance and [Deed](#) of City of Palms Park to City of Fort Myers

Item Summary: With this [amendment](#) the County will return by appropriate conveyance to the City the stadium, practice fields, and training facility located at 2201 Edison Avenue, Fort Myers, known as City of Palms Park. The County will not demolish the City of Palm Park Downtown Stadium prior to returning the stadium to the City. The County will set aside an amount not to exceed \$1 million for a period of one year after execution of the Agreement to contribute to demolition if the City decides to

demolish the stadium. After that one year the County will have no obligation to pay for demolition if the City does not request demolition.

Board Discussion: Deputy County Manager David Harner presented the item to the Board and stated that the City of Fort Myers would take immediate possession and have fifteen (15) days to transfer the utilities.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Pendergrass moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Sandelli, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

2. Approve [Collective Bargaining Agreement](#) with Local 1826 I.A.F.F.

Item Summary: Ratify the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Lee County and the Southwest Florida Professional Firefighters and Paramedics, Local 1826, I.A.F.F

Board Discussion: Assistant County Manager Christine Brady presented the item to the Board.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there was [one \(1\) speaker](#).

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Pendergrass, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

TRANSIT

3. Approve Replacing LeeTran Route 150 with Mobility on Demand Service

Item Summary: Approval replaces LeeTran Route 150 in Bonita Springs with Mobility on Demand (MoD), a flexible curb-to-curb transit service. The new MoD service will encompass the entire Route 150 and will additionally include a 0.75 mile coverage area as shown within the proposed service area map. Service will operate from approximately 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Sunday excluding Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Independence Day and New Year's Day. Service will be provided through a mobile application or by phone request on a first come first serve basis. LeeTran Route 600 will continue to provide standard bus service.

Although MoD expands beyond current Route 150 fixed service, a much smaller vehicle is utilized, resulting in a substantial savings to operate. Current Route 150 annual expenditures are approximately \$598,000 for fixed route service and the MoD service is anticipated to cost \$290,000 resulting in an annual savings of \$308,000

Board Discussion: LeeTran Director, Robert Codie presented the item to the Board. Commissioner Hamman, commented on the cost savings to the county and inquired as to ways that riders could request a MoD ride. Mr. Codie informed the Board that riders could request rides either by phone call or ride share application such as Uber.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Pendergrass moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Hamman, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

TRANSPORTATION

4. Approve Funding [Agreement](#) with FDOT for Littleton Road Widening Project

Item Summary: Execution of this Funding Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) enables Lee County to receive \$5,000,000 in State funding for the construction of Littleton Road from Corbett Road to US 41. The project is expected to begin in early 2022 and has a total project estimated cost of \$14.8 million.

Board Discussion: Director of Transportation Randy Cerchie presented the item to the Board.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Sandelli, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

[RESOLUTION No. 21-10-02](#) and [RESOLUTION No. 21-10-03](#)

PUBLIC HEARING - 9:30 AM

1. Approve Petition to Vacate at 6501 Jacobs Drive, Fort Myers, FL

Item Summary: Extinguishes the public interest in the unimproved public utility easement lying along the north lot line of Lot 1 of the platted lots at 6501 Jacobs Drive in Fort Myers. This action is for the after-the-fact removal of an easement under an existing residence. There were no objections from the public utility providers and there are no other affected property owners.

County Attorney: Assistant County Attorney David Halverson approved and submitted the [Affidavit of Publication](#) for entry into the record and summarized the request.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

[RESOLUTION No. 21-10-04](#)

2. Approve Petition to Vacate at 1310 Olivet Street, Lehigh Acres, FL

Item Summary: Extinguishes the public interest in the unimproved public utility and drainage easement centered along the common lot line between Lots 6 and 7 of the platted lots at 1310 Olivet Street in Lehigh Acres. This action will remove encumbrances in order to create a unified building site for a residence. There were no objections from the public utility providers and there are no other affected property owners.

County Attorney: Assistant County Attorney David Halverson approved and submitted the [Affidavit of Publication](#) for entry into the record and summarized the request.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

[RESOLUTION No. 21-10-05](#)

3. Approve Petition to Vacate at 307 Bradley Avenue, Lehigh Acres, FL

Item Summary: Extinguishes the public interest in the unimproved public utility and drainage easement centered along the common lot line between Lots 2 and 3 of the platted lots at 307 Bradley Avenue in Lehigh Acres. This action will remove encumbrances in order to create a unified building site for a residence. There were no objections from the public utility providers and there are no other affected property owners.

County Attorney: Assistant County Attorney David Halverson approved and submitted the [Affidavit of Publication](#) for entry into the record and summarized the request.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Hamman moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Ruane, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

[RESOLUTION No. 21-10-06](#)

4. Conduct Public Hearing to Approve Elimination of LeeTran Bus Route 160

Item Summary:

Approval eliminates LeeTran Bus Route 160 that currently services Pine Island one day each week. For 20+ years, LeeTran has provided bus service to Pine Island with minimal ridership. A total of 115 passengers rode the bus in FY19 which equates to approximately two riders per week and ridership continues to decline each year. LeeTran will provide Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) services for Pine Island riders who qualify for that service. Route 160 expenditures are approximately \$75,000 annually. Elimination of the Route will allow LeeTran to expand TD services on Pine Island, redirect resources to meet ridership demand, and maximize available funding.

County Attorney: Assistant County Attorney Joe Adams approved and submitted the [Affidavit of Publication](#) for entry into the record and summarized the request.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and there were no speakers.

Vote: Commissioner Pendergrass moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Hamman, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

5. Conduct Public Hearing to Consider 2020 Census Data and Redistricting Alternatives

Item Summary: Convenes the first of three scheduled public hearings in the 2021 Lee County Commission Redistricting process. Florida law requires that after each decennial census, the Board of County Commissioners adjust commission districts to reduce imbalances in population distribution. Lee County's Home Rule Charter dictates that Commission district boundaries can only be changed after notice and public hearing pursuant to general law. Historically, Lee County's redistricting process has begun in March or April of the year following the U.S. Census. While late release of Census data this year condenses the timeline for redistricting at both the state and local levels, the County has undertaken the same process it would have otherwise but on a schedule that allows redistricting to be completed in the statutorily required odd-numbered year. The five redistricting alternatives contained in the attached report comply with all legal requirements and satisfy common redistricting practices. An [Affidavit of Publication](#) was provided for this public hearing.

Board Discussion: Assistant County Manager Glen Salyer presented an in-depth [PowerPoint](#) outlining the five (5) redistricting map options and the criteria that was used to complete them. County Attorney Richard Wm. Wesch informed the Board per Commissioner Pendergrass's request that redistricting maps do not affect the way County Commissioners are elected, as all Lee County Commissioners are At-Large members and act on behalf the entire county. Mr. Wesch also stated that it is the responsibility of the School Board to either adopt the Lee County Commissioners district map or to configure their own.

Public Comment: The Chairman called for public comment and [eight \(8\) speakers](#) came forward and there were [nine \(9\) eComments](#).

Board Discussion Continued: Following public comment Commissioner Hamman inquired as to how citizens could/should provide input in regards to redistricting maps. Mr. Salyer directed those who wish to provide input to do so by email or on the county's redistricting website, <https://www.leegov.com/countymanager/redistricting>. Commissioner Ruane discussed while numerous

residents have requested a public advisory panel for redistricting, less than ten (10) percent of Florida counties have used public advisory panels, however Mr. Ruane did request that those handling information be as transparent as possible and requested that County Manager Roger Desjarlais confirm that all web based information and mapping be as detailed as possible. Commissioner Hamman requested an additional redistricting map option that reflects public input regarding the Dunbar and Lehigh Acres areas, and stated that at this time he was not ready to focus on only one of the maps provided, a statement that was echoed by the Board as a whole.

The Chairman recessed the meeting at 10:34 a.m. and reconvened the meeting at 10:39 a.m. with all Commissioners present except Commissioner Mann who was absent.

Vote: Assisted by County Attorney Richard Wm. Wesch, Commissioner Hamman moved approval directing staff to prepare at a minimum a sixth map that depicts the possibility of the Dunbar and Lehigh Acres areas combines as one district. In doing so the Board is not precluded from reacting to any public information or submissions that are presented to the Board. Public submissions should be submitted by Friday, October 15, 2021, and further analysis will be presented to the Board as an Administrative Agenda item at the Tuesday, October 19, 2021 meeting. Commissioner Sandelli seconded the motion, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

COMMISSIONERS ITEMS

Commissioner Ruane:

1. FEMA Flood Insurance Risk Rating 2.0

Commissioner Ruane brought to the Boards attention the recent historical rise in flood insurance premiums and its effects on residents and first time home buyers in Lee County. Mr. Ruane asked the Board to assist in the collection of information that would help local residents with mitigation concerns and move the passage of FEMA program Risk Rating 2.0 along at the federal level.

Commissioner Ruane provided a [hand-out](#) that explained that Risk Rating 2.0 allows FEMA to calculate premiums more equitably across all policyholders based on the value of their home and individual property's flood risk. Under Risk Rating 2.0, roughly two-thirds of policyholders with older pre-Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) homes will see their premiums decrease. For policyholders whose premiums will increase, their policies will be transitioned using the existing statutory limits on increases imposed by Congress. In general, that means that the annual increases will be capped at 18%, only increasing until the full risk rate has been reached. Additionally, FEMA will allow existing policyholders to transfer their current discount with the sale of their property.

COMMISSIONERS APPOINTMENTS

Commissioner Hamman:

Moved approval to:

- Reappoint Amy Thibaut to the Land Development Code

Vote: Commissioner Sandelli seconded and the motion was called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

Commissioner Pendergrass:

Moved approval to:

- Reappoint Fitzroy Alexander to the Whiskey Creek Club Estates Committee

Vote: Commissioner Ruane seconded and the motion was called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

Commissioner Ruane:

Chairman Ruane requested a motion of approval for:

- Reappoint Jah-Mau Lambert to the Community Action Agency Committee

Vote: Commissioner Pendergrass moved approval, seconded by Commissioner Hamman, called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

Commissioner Sandelli:

Moved approval to:

- Reappoint Robert Pease to the Town and River Improvement Unit Committee

Vote: Commissioner Hamman seconded and the motion was called and carried with Commissioner Mann absent.

PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF MATTERS BY CITIZENS

The Chairman called for presentation of matters by citizens and there was [one \(1\) speaker](#) that came forward.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

ATTEST:
LINDA DOGGETT, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Chairman, Lee County Commission