

At a recessed meeting of the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held in the Administration Building of said county on March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Garland H. Hamlett, Jr. Chairman  
Gary D. Walker, Vice Chairman  
Robert L. Shook, Jr.  
Kay M. Pierantoni  
Tony Reeves  
Donna Fore  
Will Garnett

Absent:

Chairman Hamlett called the meeting to order.

After due notice was given, the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to receive comments on an amendment to the FY2019-2020 Charlotte County Budget.

Chairman Hamlett called the Public Hearing to order.

**Public Comment:**

Brett Arbogast, Charlotte County Schools addressed the Board. Mr. Arbogast requested the Board reallocate funds for school Capital Improvement Projects. This will allow school projects to begin as outlined in the OWPR report and J. E. Jamerson proposal.

Chrissy Martin addressed the Board and encouraged them to approve the request made by Charlotte County Schools for improvements at Phenix and Bacon Elementary Schools.

Terry Ramsey provided the following comments read by Chairman Hamlett;

Mr. Ramsey requested the Board vote no for the additional appropriations for the School Capital Improvement Projects for the following reasons;

1. Procurement – Contractors can give a better price on one large contract than multiple small contracts for the same work. It will save money to wait and bid all the work out at one time rather than multiple small projects and an overall procurement may provide better ways to meet the overall needs.
2. Debt Service – The School has presented the debt service as money appropriated for school and they are repurposing. The money was appropriated to pay debt service and the cost is only delayed one year.
3. Matching Capital Costs to Useful Life – If the elementary school improvements will add 15 years to the school's life, borrowing should be used to spread the cost over the full estimated useful life. The proposed amendment pays for capital improvements all out of this year's budget. The \$586,000 is approximately 6 cents on the real estate tax rate which was not needed this year. This money should be saved as a cushion to avoid tax increases next year.

Mr. Ramsey also requested the Board vote separately on the two items in the proposed amendment.

Robbie Mason, Superintendent Charlotte County Schools addressed the Board. Mr. Mason wanted to make sure it is understood there maybe things on the list that can not be completed with the amount of funds requested. Mr. Mason also stated the School Board is taking care of the problems at Bacon District Elementary School.

There being no further comments, the public comment period was closed.

After due notice was given, the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to receive comments on an amendment to the Charlotte County Code Chapter 18 Buildings and Building Regulations.

Public Comment:

There being no public comment the public comment period was closed.

Dan Witt addressed the Board. Mr. Witt stated the building permit fee schedule in Chapter 18 of the Charlotte County Code, Buildings and Building Regulations does not address solar development. In addition, an ordinance update stating that permits need to be submitted to the Building Inspector's Office is needed.

After due notice was given, the Charlotte County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to receive comments on an amendment to the Charlotte County Code Chapter 42 Environment, Article II Erosion and Sediment Control.

Public comment period:

There being no public comment the public comment period was closed.

Dan Witt addressed the Board. Mr. Witt stated Charlotte County's Erosion & Sediment (E&S) Control Ordinance currently provides for a fee of \$150 for land disturbing permits. This fee does not address project size or the length of the land disturbing activities, key factors in determining the County resources needed to oversee a project.

The proposed amendment to the E&S Control Ordinance would remove the \$150 fee from the ordinance and allow the Board of Supervisors to establish a separate fee schedule by ordinance or resolution. The Board could then make changes to the fees by resolution without having to update the County's Code of Ordinances.

Chairman Hamlett closed the Public Hearings and called the meeting back to order.

Motion was made by Robert L. Shook, Jr., seconded by Will Garnett to amend the FY2020 budget in the following manner: to remove \$586,000 from Fund 10, Debt Service, and transfer \$586,00 to Fund 10, for a School Capital Project transfer and to appropriate this money to Fund 70 for School Capital Projects.

Roll call vote as follows: Robert L. Shook, Jr.-Aye; Will Garnett-Aye; Kay M. Pierantoni-Aye; Donna Fore-Aye; Tony Reeves-Aye; Gary D. Walker-Aye; and Garland H. Hamlett, Jr.-Aye.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Kay M. Pierantoni to appropriate funds to the FY2019/2020 Charlotte County Budget for the new communications system.

Roll call vote as follows; Donna Fore-Aye; Kay M. Pierantoni-Aye; Robert L. Shook, Jr.-Aye; Will Garnett-Aye; Tony Reeves-Aye; Gary D. Walker-Aye; and Garland H. Hamlett, Jr.-Aye.

Motion was made by Gary D. Walker, seconded by Tony Reeves to adopt the ordinance to amend and reordain Charlotte County Code Sections 18-57 & 18-58 of Chapter 18, Buildings and Building Regulations and to approve the resolution establishing Charlotte County's Building Permit Fee Schedule as presented.

Roll call vote as follows; Gary D. Walker-Aye; Tony Reeves-Aye; Donna Fore-Aye; Robert L. Shook, Jr.-Aye; Will Garnett-Aye; Kay M. Pierantoni-Aye; and Garland H. Hamlett, Jr.-Aye.

Motion was made by Donna Fore, seconded by Tony Reeves adopt the ordinance to amend and reordain Charlotte County Code Section 42040, of Chapter 42, Article 2

Erosion & Sediment Control and to approve the resolution establishing Charlotte County's erosion & sediment control fee schedule as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Donna Fore-Aye; Tony Reeves-Aye; Gary D. Walker-Aye; Kay Pierantoni-Aye; Will Garnett-Aye; Robert L. Shook, Jr.-Aye and Garland H. Hamlett, Jr.-Aye.

The meeting was adjourned.