

**FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING
FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX
SEPTEMBER 28, 2009
4:00 PM**

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Joseph Parrish – Chairman, Bevin Putnal – Vice Chairman, Pinki Jackel, Cheryl Sanders, Noah Lockley

Others Present: Marcia Johnson – Clerk of Court, Alan Pierce – Director of Administrative Services, Michael Shuler – County Attorney, Michael Morón – Board Secretary

Call to Order 4:07 PM

Chairman Parrish called the Special Meeting to order.

Sidewalk Construction Projects

Mr. Pierce explained that after review of the bids by the committee the lowest bidder, BlackFin Construction, was disqualified because all necessary documents were not submitted with their bid packet for all three bids, so the review committee is recommending the second lowest bidder for each of the projects. SemperFi service was selected for the Bluff Road project, and BMI/Innovia was selected for the other two projects that are on St. George Island.

Commissioner Putnal wanted to make sure that all of the rules for the stimulus funding would be followed.

Commissioner Putnal and Mr. Pierce discussed the DOT rules associated with this project, local contractors benefiting from this project, BMI being a local contractor, SemperFi's experience with DOT. Commissioner Putnal asked since SemperFi is from the South Florida area, would they meet all of the stated timelines. Mr. Pierce stated that SemperFi was contacted and they stated that they would meet all timelines.

The Board, Mr. Pierce, and Mr. Michael Krehl, of BMI, discussed using lowest bidder for these projects.

Commissioner Jackel and Mr. Pierce discussed DOT's authority to have the final review of all bids submitted for this project.

Commissioner Sanders suggested that if any of the selected contractors cannot make the project's timeline, then the project be awarded to the next qualified lowest bidder.

Commissioner Lockley and Mr. Pierce discussed that each contractor's bid is within available funding for the project and Mr. Pierce stated that the project must be completed by December 31, 2009.

Motion by Lockley, seconded by Sanders, to accept the recommendation of review committee which is to select SemperFi for the Bluff Road sidewalk project and BMI/Innovia for the Franklin Boulevard and the Pine Street projects, and if there are any problems with these contractors, staff should negotiate with the next qualified lowest bidder; Motion carried 5-0.

Eastpoint Property Purchase Discussion 4:17 PM

Attorney Shuler explained that the Bank is not willing to pay any of the closing cost regarding the Eastpoint property purchase, so he is asking Board authorization to pay an additional \$2300 towards the purchase of this property which would include the closing cost.

Motion by Jackel, seconded by Putnal, to authorize an additional \$2300 towards the purchase of the Eastpoint property which will include the closing cost; Motion carried 5-0.

Attorney Shuler explained what else is necessary in order to complete the sale of this property.

Adjourn 4:22 PM

There being no further business Chairman Parrish adjourned the Special Meeting.

Joseph Parrish, Chairman – FCBCC

Attest:

Marcia M Johnson, Clerk of Courts