BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Citrus County Courthouse
110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100
Inverness, FL 34450

MINUTES

March 10, 2026 - 1:00 PM

Diana Finegan, Chair, District 2
Janet Barek, 1st Vice Chair, District 3
Jeff Kinnard D.C. 2nd Vice Chair, District 1
Holly L. Davis, Commissioner, District 5
Rebecca Bays, Commissioner, District 4

Steve L. Howard, County Administrator
Denise A. Dymond Lyn, County Attorney
Traci Perry, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller

A. CALL TO ORDER

March 10, 2026 Citrus County Courthouse
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

A.1. Invocation

Pastor Bill Weaver from Pleasant Grove Road Church of Christ gave the Invocation.

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance

County Administrator Steve Howard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A.3. Roll Call

Present: Holly L. Davis, Rebecca Bays, Jeff Kinnard D.C., Diana Finegan, Janet Barek, County Administrator Steve Howard, County Attorney Denise Lyn, Deputy Clerk Georgette Tozer, Deputy Clerk Ashlyn Russ

Absent: Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Traci Perry

A.4. Approval of Agenda

Chair Diana Finegan requested to move item E2 to follow item B.

County Administrator Steve Howard submitted additional information for items C3 and E3, and added item E10.

Motion to approve the agenda with the changes.

RESULT: **Adopted**
MOVER: Holly L. Davis

SECONDER: Janet Barek
AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY: None

B. PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS

Motion to approve items B1, 2 and 3.

RESULT: **Adopted**
MOVER: Holly L. Davis
SECONDER: Janet Barek
AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY: None

B.1. Proclamation -- 24th Annual March for Meals

a. Approve and Authorize the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners to execute the Proclamation of the "24th Annual March for Meals Month".
b. Approve and Authorize the Presentation of Proceeds from the Circle of Friends Gift Shop. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director, Janice Hale, Senior Programs Supervisor)**

Additional Information for Item B1

B.2. Proclamation -- Florida Government Finance Professional Week March 16–20, 2026

Approve and Authorize the Board to proclaim March 16-20, 2026 as Florida Government Finance Professionals Week in Citrus County, Florida. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

B.3. Proclamation -- Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month

Approve and authorize the Board to proclaim the month of March 2026 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in Citrus County, Florida. **(Dr. Trupti Shinde MD. FFGS, FACG)**

C. CONSENT

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

First Vice Chair Janet Barek requested to pull item C3 and Community Services Director Eric Head provided clarification.

RESULT: **Adopted**

MOVER: Holly L. Davis
SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY: None

Minutes

No items.

Administration

No items.

Attorneys Office

No items.

Clerk

C.1. 2026-01B Court Alternatives Receipting Audit
Receipt and Acknowledgment of the 2026-01B Court Alternatives Receipting Audit. The Final Report will be available for public view on the Clerk's Website upon approval by the Board.

C.2. Release of Liens
a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Release of Lien for Special Assessments by and between Citrus County and certain property owners 2022 Citrus Springs Waterlines, 2025 Citrus Springs Waterlines special assessment district.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record the Releases of Lien in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida

Community Services

C.3. Library Services Asset Deletion - Asset #12280-013
Approve the deletion of the following items from the inventory of Library Services and the removal of said items from the county's Capital Asset listing: Asset #12280-013 **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

Additional information was received after the agenda was published.

Fire Services

C.4. Donation of Surplus Property - Zoll AED

Approve donation of the following item from the inventory of fire rescue to The American Legion Post 166 Inc. Previous Asset #54092/Serial #X05G053782 — Zoll AED Plus Defibrillator **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

Human Resources

No items.

Management and Budget

C.5. Budget Transfers

Approve the budget transfers for Capital Improvement Program (3), Inverness Airport, Emergency Medical Services (2), Utilities (3), Transit (4), Stormwater (2), Animal Services, State Attorney and Housing Services for fiscal year 2025-2026 **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

C.6. Budget Resolutions

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution amending/adopting the Department of Environmental Protection grant budget for fiscal year 2025-2026. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-013

Growth Management

No items.

Public Works

C.7. Termination of Monthly Charge Account Agreement - Service Master of Citrus County

Approve termination of the Waste Disposal Account Agreement with Service Master of Citrus County dated August 08, 2011, and authorize staff to process all necessary documentation, including refund of remaining deposit and interest. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

C.8. Waste Disposal Account Agreement - Steadfast Contractor's Alliance LLC

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the monthly Waste Disposal Account Agreement between Citrus County and Steadfast Contractor's Alliance LLC for disposal fees at the Citrus County Central Landfill, with a limit of up to **$3,000.00**. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

<u>Systems Management</u>

No items.

<u>Visitors and Convention Bureau</u>

No items.

<u>Water Resources</u>

C.9. Release and Satisfaction of Lien Water and Wastewater Utility Services - James & Marcelene Howell

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Release & Satisfaction of Lien filed by and on behalf of the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and Wastewater Utility Services against property owned by James & Marcelene Howell.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Release & Satisfaction of Lien in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director, Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director)**

C.10. Release and Satisfaction of Lien Water and Wastewater Utility Services - William McLaughlin

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Release & Satisfaction of Lien filed by and on behalf of the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and Wastewater Utility Services against property owned by William McLaughlin.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Release & Satisfaction of Lien in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director, Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director)**

C.11. Release and Satisfaction of Lien Water and Wastewater Utility Services - Marcia B and Louis S Wingett

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Release & Satisfaction of Lien filed by and on behalf of the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and Wastewater Utility Services against property owned by Marcia B and Louis S Wingett.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Release & Satisfaction of Lien in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director, Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director)**

C.12. Release and Satisfaction of Lien Water and Wastewater Utility Services - Dickerson

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Release and Satisfaction of Lien filed by and on behalf of the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and Wastewater Utility Services against property owned by Richard Dickerson.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Release and Satisfaction of Lien in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director, Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director)**

C.13. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Mark & Lynn Skinner, Skinner Family Trust

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement by and between the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and/or Wastewater Utility Services for Mark & Lynn Skinner, Skinner Family Trust.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director/ Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director).**

C.14. Write off Uncollectible Accounts and File Lien on Owner Accounts

a. Approve the write off of $3,149.84 for uncollected utility accounts and approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a Claim of Lien to be filed by and on behalf of the Citrus County Municipal Service Benefit Unit for Water and Wastewater Utility Services against property owned by those listed in “Exhibit A under Columns B & C”.
b. Authorize the Clerk to record Release & Satisfaction of Lien in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director, Bernadine Flood-Nichols, Utility Business Services Director)**

Set Public Hearings Workshops

C.15. Set a Public hearing for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 and 5339 FFY26 Grant Funding

Approve and authorize the setting of the public hearing for March 31, 2026, at 1:45PM to obtain public input regarding the Federal Transit Administration FFY26 Program of Projects for Citrus County Transit grant application.

D. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

SCADAbob
Joe Hicks
Tod Cloud
Greg Hoying
Craig McCurdy
Mary McCurdy
Josh Wooten
Sondra Moylan
Rhys Campbell
John Labriola
Clay Shiller

Commissioners responded to public comments.

Public Speaker Forms for Item D

Additional Information for Item D - Submitted by Greg Hoying

Additional Information for Item D - Submitted by SCADAbob

Additional Information for Item D - Submitted by Sondra Moylan

E. REGULAR BUSINESS

E.1. Bids

Motion to approve items E1a, b and c.

RESULT: **Adopted**
MOVER: Holly L. Davis
SECONDER: Janet Barek
AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY: None

E.1.a. ITB 22-030 Amendment No. 4; Contract Mowing and Trimming of Median/Curbed Roadways with Litter Pickup; Gamco Properties III, Inc.

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Gamco Properties III, Inc., to renew the Agreement for an additional one (1) year term, extending the duration of the Agreement to March 28, 2027, and to modify the language in Section 19.4 Compliance with Laws and Section 19.17 Equal Employment Opportunity, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

E.1.b. ITB 24-058 Amendment No. 2; Mowing of County Properties Zone 1; Southern Lawn Care Mid Florida, Inc.

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Southern Lawn Care Mid Florida, Inc., to renew the Agreement for an additional one (1) year term, extending the duration of the Agreement to March 25, 2027, and to modify the language in Section 19.4 Compliance with Laws and Section 19.17 Equal Employment Opportunity, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

E.1.c. AGR 25-151 Amendment No. 2; Vending Machine Services for County Owned Buildings; Atrayo Vending LLC

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Atrayo Vending LLC, to modify the list of locations to be serviced by the Vendor by adding the Citrus County Courthouse for the remainder of the term, and to modify the language in Section 9.a Compliance with Laws, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

E.2. Citrus County Forfeiture Fund Request

Approve and authorize funding to the Sheriff's Office in the amount of $112,817.32 for the purchase of two FOCUS vehicles and the related budget resolution. **(Citrus County Sheriff David Vincent)**

Motion to approve item E2.

Citrus County Sheriff David Vincent provided an overview.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
SECONDER:	Holly L. Davis
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Resolution Number 2026-014

E.3. The Citrus County "Race to the Center" Artificial Reef Public Science Program: A Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, Division of Marine Fisheries, Artificial Reef Program Grant Proposal

a. Motion to approve the submission of grant applications to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) Artificial Reef Program for the 'Race 2 the Center' (Race2) experimental reef project
b. Adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the Resolution authorizing the application and execution of a resulting contract for a grant from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Division of Marine Services for funds to monitor artificial reef material and authorizing the signatories for such instruments.
c. Adopt and authorize the Chair to execute the Resolution authorizing the application and execution of a resulting contract for a grant from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Division of Marine Services for funds to deploy secondary concrete material to the County's permitted artificial reef site and authorizing the signatories for such instruments.
d. Motion to approve the use of the General Fund Reserve for Contingency as the grant match to increase the County's competitive score for the Race2 grant project not to exceed $40,000. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director, Andrew Owens, Aquatics Division Director)**

Motion to approve item E3a, b, c and d.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Resolution Numbers 2026-015 and 2026-016

Additional information was received after the agenda was published.

Additional Information for Item E3

E.4. Acceptance of Perpetual Stormwater Flow Rights and Access Easements – Lynn Gellerman

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept a Perpetual Stormwater Flow Rights and Access Easement from Lynn Gellerman. The ingress, egress, stormwater and drainage easement is for the purpose of constructing, inspecting, improving, repairing, and maintaining stormwater and drainage facilities in, upon, under, over, across and through the property.
b. Authorize Clerk to place acceptance stamp on the Perpetual Stormwater Flow Rights and Access Easement from Lynn Gellerman and record the easement in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Motion to approve item E4a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.5. Acceptance of Warranty Deed

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept the donation of a Warranty Deed from Diversity LLC for property that is needed for a subregional sewer lift station.
b. Authorize Clerk to place acceptance stamp on the Warranty Deed upon receipt and record in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Motion to approve item E5a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.6. Water and Wastewater Developer's Agreement - Bobbie Glen Pre-pay Credits

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Water and Wastewater Developer's Agreement for pre-pay credits in the Bobbie Glen subdivision.
b. Authorize the Clerk to place an acceptance stamp on the agreement and record in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Motion to approve item E6a and b.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.

AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.7. Water and Wastewater Developer's Agreement - Brentwood Farms, LLC and/or Davis Reserve Community Development District Pre-pay Credits

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Water and Wastewater Developer's Agreement for pre-pay credits in the Davis Reserve subdivision.
b. Approve and authorize the Chairman to acknowledge receipt of this assignment from SAT Sr. Limited Partnership to Hampton Hills, LLC, as shown in Exhibit "E".
c. Authorize the Clerk to place an acceptance stamp on the agreement and assignment and record in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Motion to approve item E7a, b and c.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

E.8. Citrus Springs Civic Association Inc., Resolution and Lease Agreement – Citrus Springs Community Center

a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution of the Board acknowledging the request from Citrus Springs Civic Association, Inc. to lease property owned by the County.
b. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Lease Agreement for a period of one (1) calendar years, beginning April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2027, and the monthly rent shall be One Thousand One Hundred Dollars and Eighty Cents ($1,100.80). **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

Motion to approve item E8a, b, and add verbiage in section c to say "for an additional 3, 1-year renewal".

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond requested clarification of the motion.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Janet Barek
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Resolution Number 2026-017

E.9. ITB 25-164 Construction of a New Animal Services Facility; H. A. Contracting Corp.

a. Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and H. A. Contracting Corp. for the construction of a new animal services facility in Lecanto, Florida in the amount of $18,839,000 with an additional 10% contingency allowance of $1,883,900 for a total of $20,722,900 once the signed Agreement has been received from Contractor and reviewed by County Attorney and Risk Management.
b. Authorize the purchase of necessary furniture, fixtures and equipment, including technology, consistent with functional operation of the animal services facility, not to exceed $220,000.
c. Approve a project funding plan directing that: designated donations be used solely for the specific alternates for which funds were designated; undesignated donations, land sales and accumulated interest be applied first to the remaining alternate balance; then furniture, fixtures and equipment, then base construction costs; and the remaining construction balance be financed through bond financing proceeds in an amount not to exceed $15 million and any remaining construction balance will be paid from Public Building Impact Fees.
d. Authorize the Chairman to sign and execute all necessary bond closing and related financing documents, once finalized, in connection with the issuance of bond financing in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed $15 million and associated issuance costs.**(Eric Head, Community Services Director and Tammy Wilson, Management and Budget Director)**

Motion to approve item E9a, b, c and d.

The following citizens commented: Erik Anthes, Wanda Moak, Susan Bonard-Bygrave, and Karen Hanna.

Commissioner Rebecca Bays commented and Commissioners responded to public comments.

Chair Diana Finegan and First Vice Chair Janet Barek commented.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C.
NAY:	Finegan, Barek

Public Speaker Forms for Item E9

Additional Information for Item E9 - Submitted by Wanda Moak

Public Speaker Authorization for Item E9 - Submitted by Wanda Moak

E.10. Discussion and Determination of Countywide Burn Ban Status
Discuss and provide direction regarding rescission of the burn ban pursuant to Chapter 46 of the Citrus County Code of Ordinances

Motion to approve item E10.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
SECONDER:	Holly L. Davis
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

This item was received after the agenda was published.

Additional Item E10

F. OUTSTANDING COMMISSION ITEMS

F.1. Outstanding Commission Items

Outstanding Commissioner Items update **(Veronica Kampschroer, PMP, Special Projects Manager)**

Special Projects Manager Veronica Kampshroer provided the updates.

There was no action taken with this item.

F.2. 2026 Targets for Action

Five projects were presented at the retreat as potential Targets for Action, receiving the following consensus:

- Citrus Springs Park Acquisition: No consensus to support provided
- CR-491 Expansion (Pine Ridge to Hampshire): Consensus to support provided
- Homeless Shelter Public-Private Partnership: No consensus to support provided
- Mobility Fee Analysis: No consensus to support provided; direction given to focus on impact fees/transportation concurrency
- Workforce Housing Definition: Consensus to support provided **(Veronica Kampschroer, PMP, Special Projects Manager)**

Special Projects Manager Veronica Kampshroer provided the updates, followed by Commissioner discussion and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn and Ms. Kampshroer addressed the Board.

Consensus of the Board was given to provide staff direction on which target projects to move forward with.

Board discussion continued with Ms. Lyn and Ms. Kampshroer.

G. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

G.1. Legislative Update

Acknowledge Receipt of Legislative Update **(Alexander Alt, Intergovernmental Liaison & Administrative Development Review Expeditor)**

Intergovernmental Liaison and Administrative Development Review Expeditor Alexander Alt provided the update.

There was no action with this item.

H. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - STEVE L. HOWARD

No items.

I. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

I.1. 1:15 pm Public Hearing on an Ordinance Regarding Ch. 18, Buildings/Building Regulations

If approved, direct the Chair and Clerk to execute the ordinance for revisions to Chapter 18, Buildings and Building Regulations, of the Code of Ordinances. **(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)**

Growth Management Director Eric Landon provided the recommendation.

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn requested withholding the reading of the ordinance into the record, followed by Board discussion.

Commissioner Rebecca Bays commented and Mr. Landon responded to the questions.

Motion to approve item I1.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Ordinance Number 2026-A08

I.2. 1:30 pm FY 26/27 Budget Development Presentation

Conduct Budget Presentation to receive direction regarding the development of the 2026/2027 budget. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

Management and Budget Director Tammy Wilson provided the presentation, and Ms. Wilson and County Administrator Steve Howard addressed Board questions.

Board discussion ensued with Ms. Wilson.

Consensus of the Board was given to direct staff regarding: how the budget book for the Preliminary Budget Hearing (PBH) will be broken down; to hold the millage of where it is at currently; to raise the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA); to find out from the Constitutionals what salary increases they would be budgeting; to wait on the decision of funding the Special Projects Fund until the values of the Duke properties are obtained; to continue with the grant matches of $500,000 a year; and to keep health insurance at the same percentage increases as the Constitutionals.

County Administrator Steve Howard and Human Resources Director Jessica Flynn provided clarification to the Board, followed by further Board discussion with Ms. Wilson.

Ms. Wilson announced the following dates: April 28, 2026 for the CIP Workshop; July 22, 2026 for the Preliminary Budget Hearing; Sept 10, 2026 for the Tentative Budget Hearing; and Sept 21, 2026 for the Final Budget Hearing.

Board discussion continued with Ms. Wilson and Mr. Howard.

I.3. 1:45 p.m. Nature Coast Forever Conservation Planning Study — Tasks #2 & 3

Joint presentation from the North Florida Land Trust and Trust for Public Lands regarding the Nature Coast Forever Conservation Planning Study Task 2 (Deliverable 2 of 3) and complementary feasibility analysis (Deliverable 3 of 3). **(Ramesh Buch, Director of Conservation Acquisitions, North Florida Land Trust, Pegeen Hanrahan, P.E., Associate Director of Conservation Finance, Trust for Public Land)**

Ramesh Buch provided the North Florida Land Trust presentation and addressed Board questions.

Pegeen Hanrahan provided the Trust for Public Land presentation and Ms. Hanrahan and Mr. Buch addressed Board questions.

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn addressed the Board regarding ballot language, followed by Board discussion with Ms. Lyn and Ms. Hanrahan.

There was no action taken on this item.

J. ADVISORY BOARD NOMINATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

No items.

K. COMMISSIONER REBECCA BAYS - DISTRICT 4

No items.

L. COMMISSIONER HOLLY L. DAVIS - DISTRICT 5

Commissioner Holly Davis discussed the Tourist Improvement District Tax.

M. 2ND VICE CHAIR JEFF KINNARD D.C. - DISTRICT 1

M.1. Commercial Watercraft and Tour Permit Program

Request County staff to draft program documents to establish procedures creating and implementing permit requirements and permit pricing for identified County facilities.

Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. provided the request, followed by Board discussion.

Consensus to direct staff to take a look at these other programs that are out there and bring them back to us.

N. 1ST VICE CHAIR JANET BAREK- DISTRICT 3

No items.

O. CHAIR DIANA FINEGAN - DISTRICT 2

Chair Diana Finegan recognized Veterans Services staff.

O.1. Update of Land Development Regulations for Natural Preservation and Buffering

Motion to direct staff to amend our land development regulations to adjust all applicable standards to ensure site development, tree preservation and subdivision development maintains existing vegetation, natural topography and trees to the greatest extent possible.

Chair Diana Finegan provided the recommendation.

Motion to direct staff to amend our land development regulations to adjust all applicable standards to ensure site development, tree preservation and subdivision development maintains existing vegetation, natural topography and trees to the greatest extent possible.

There were no citizen comments.

Board discussion ensued.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Diana Finegan
SECONDER:	Jeff Kinnard D.C.
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

P. COUNTY ATTORNEY DENISE A. DYMOND LYN

No items.

Q. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

Susan Nelson
Kenneth Ferguson

Commissioners responded to comments from the public.

Public Speaker Forms for Item Q

R. ADVISORY BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

No items.

S. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. Regular Meeting, March 31, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

2. Regular Meeting, April 14, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

3. Regular Meeting, April 28, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

T. UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

No items.

U. PUBLIC HEARINGS

U.1. 5:01 PM CPA/AA/PUD-2025-00011 – Guardian and HC Lecanto, LLC for the VA Clinic

If approved, direct the Chair and Clerk to execute the Ordinances for CPA/AA/PUD-2025-00011 – Guardian and HC Lecanto, LLC for the VA Clinic. **(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)**

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn polled the Board for ex parte communications and read the proposed ordinance titles into the record.

John Brasswell, representing HC Development and Ownership HC Lecanto, addressed the Board.

Land Development Planner Melissa Morris provided the staff presentation and Mr. Brasswell addressed the Board.

Citizen Josh Wooten, CEO of the Citrus County Chamber of Commerce, commented.

Motion to approve CPA/AA/PUD-2025-00011 Guardian and HC Lecanto, LLC for the VA Clinic.

Growth Management Deputy Director Joanna Coutu requested clarification of the motion.

The motion was amended to add: with the conditions, including the additional condition.

RESULT:	**Adopted**
MOVER:	Holly L. Davis
SECONDER:	Janet Barek
AYES:	Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek
NAY:	None

Ordinance Numbers 2026-A09 and 2026-A10

V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40pm.

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