



**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CITRUS COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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

MINUTES

June 22, 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

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The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

A.1. Invocation

Pastor Markel Lewis from Crossridge Church gave the Invocation.

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Citrus County Executive Assistant Reese Bilby 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 Ashlyn Russ

Absent: Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Traci Perry

A.4. Approval of Agenda

County Administrator Steve Howard requested the following changes: Addition of item E3, additional information for items C1 and U2, and to pull item I1.

Chair Diana Finegan requested to move up item E2 to follow the proclamations.

Motion to approve the Agenda with all changes as stated and moving E2 up but removing E3 because it is not an emergency. This motion was made by Commissioner Holly Davis but died for a lack of a second.

Motion to approve the agenda in its entirety with all of 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 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. Tourist Development Council — Celebrating Americas 250th Anniversary

Presentation of 'Big' check to both cities and Homosassa Area Council for America 250th Anniversary Celebration. **(Auvis Cole, Tourism Director)**

B.2. Proclamation -- Parks and Recreation Month

Approve and authorize the Board to execute a proclamation declaring July 2026 as Parks and Recreation month in Citrus County, Florida **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

B.3. Proclamation -- Lady Warriors girls softball team

Approve and authorize the Board to proclaim Lady Warriors of Inverness Little League girls' softball team **(Melissa Lynn)**

C. CONSENT

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda in full.

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

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NAY: None

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No items.

Administration

C.1. CoreCivic Contract Monitoring Update for May 2026

Concur with the recommended action of the non-performance assessment based on a tiered level of staffing pursuant to Amendment #2 of the contract with Corecivic for the month of May 2026 would be \$11,500.00 (**Joseph Whittick, Contract Monitor**)

Additional information was received after the agenda was published.

[Additional Information for Item C1](#)

C.2. Lecanto Preserve Community Development District

Set a Public Hearing in accordance with the requirement in Sec. 190.008(b), Florida Statutes. The Lecanto Preserve Community Development District public hearing on the proposed budget has been scheduled for Monday, August 17, 2026, at 3:00p.m. at the office of Burrell Engineering, 12005 N. Florida Avenue, Dunnellon, Florida 34434. (**Steve L. Howard, County Administrator**)

Attorneys Office

No items.

Clerk

C.3. Southwest Florida Water Management District Annual Comprehensive Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025

Acknowledge receipt of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report received from Southwest Florida Water Management District for fiscal year ended September 30, 2025.

C.4. Clerk Records Disposition #2315

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Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Clerk's Records Disposition Document #2315 for disposal of records that have met their assigned retention periods.

Community Services

C.5. NCBA - SCSEP Host Agency Agreement

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Designation of Signature Authority form for the application and required reporting forms. There is no budgetary impact. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

C.6. Transportation Disadvantaged Trip and Equipment 2026-2027 Grant Application

Adopt and authorize the Chairman, or 1st Vice Chairman, respectively, of the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, to execute the resolution authorizing the Chairman or 1st Vice Chairman to sign the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged Trip and Equipment grant application, contract, amendments, assurances and certifications as required to obtain funding from the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, after review by the County Attorney, without the need to bring the documents before the Board. **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

Fire Services

No items.

Human Resources

No items.

Management and Budget

C.7. Budget Transfers

Approve the budget transfers for Imperial Gardens Grant, Building Division, Utilities CIP/Non-Operating, WRWSA Renewal & Replacement, Supervisor of Elections, Gas Taxes and Detention Services for fiscal year 2025-2026 **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

C.8. Budget Resolutions

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution amending/adopting the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) grant and the Florida Department of Transportation Aviation Development grant budgets for fiscal year 2025-2026. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-050

Growth Management

No items.

Public Works

C.9. Acknowledgment 1 T-Hangar Lease (Harrell) & 1 Renewal (Hobson)

Staff requests that the Board of County Commissioners acknowledge the attached and executed T- Hangar Lease (Harrell) & one (1) Renewal (Hobson). **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

Systems Management

No items.

Visitors and Convention Bureau

No items.

Water Resources

C.10. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Mary Ellen Zendrian

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 Mary Ellen Zendrian.

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.11. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Derik A & Laura E Touchton

- 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 Derik A & Laura E Touchton.
- 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.12. WRWSA Water & Conservation Grant Application

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution supporting the application to, and budgeting for, the Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority Water Supply and Conservation Grant in the amount of \$44,600 for the Department of Water Resources' water conservation program. The County match will be funded through the Citrus County Utilities Enterprise Fund. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

Resolution Number 2026-051

Set Public Hearings Workshops

C.13. Set a Public Hearing for the Local Provider Participation Fund Ordinance

Set a public hearing at 1:10PM on July 14, 2026, to consider amending the ordinance pertaining to the Citrus County Local Provider Participation Fund Ordinance. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director)**

D. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

Chuck Hutterli

John Wray

Dede Wray on behalf of Sugarbakers, LLC

Dell Kelleher

Jennifer Holly Grogan

Julie Kraynak

Karen Baldwin

Tracy Landry

John Procidano

Vicki Brown

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*Sandra Slowey
Rowena Kinchkey
John Stroud
Kimberly Muller
Alyssa Ballantyne
Tara Ballantyne
Barry Tillis*

*Steven Schwartz
Andrew Lopez
Rhys Campbell
Susan Rodriguez
Rachel Ervin
Greg Webb
Diane Lewis
Tekia Fiorentino
PJ Auffhammer
Anthony Ayo
Sherrylin Winczuk
Ethan Sapp
Ray Brown, Jr.
Susan Nelson
Tracey Duncan
Kelly Skanes
Curtiss Bryant
Robert Tloczynski*

Commissioners responded to comments from the public.

[Public Speaker Forms for Item D](#)

E. REGULAR BUSINESS

E.1. Bids

Motion to approve items E1a, b and c.

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

**E.1.a. AGR 26-100 Alzheimer's Disease Initiative Program and Local Services
Program Respite Care (In-Facility) and Adult Daycare; Citrus County
Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (CCARC)**

a. Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Citrus County Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (CCARC), to provide in-facility respite care on a daily basis to Clients of the Alzheimer's Disease Initiative (ADI) program and adult daycare to the Local Services Program (LSP), effective July 1, 2026, on a per hour rate and is grant funded.

b. Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute the Business Associate Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Citrus County Association for Retarded Citizens, Inc. (CCARC). **(Eric Head, Community Services Director)**

E.1.b. PB 26-136 Hernando County No. 23-T00019/JG Hydro Seed Application; Hydrograss Technologies, Inc.

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Hydrograss Technologies, Inc., to provide all labor, materials, and equipment needed to accomplish hydro seed application to right-of-way grassed shoulders, grassed medians, drainage retention areas, and drainage right-of-ways on an as-needed basis throughout the County, at a total cost not to exceed \$147,000. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

E.1.c. ITB 23-041 Amendment No. 1; Permanent Preformed Thermoplastic; Geveko Markings Inc.

Approve and Authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Geveko Markings Inc., to exercise the first and only option to renew the Agreement for one (1) additional two (2) year term, extending the duration of the Agreement to July 11, 2028, and to modify the language in Section 18.4 Compliance with Laws and Section 18.11 Equal Employment Opportunity, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

E.2. FY26 COPS Technology and Equipment Program (TEP) grant

Request approval to apply for the FY26 COPS Technology and Equipment Program grant to replace aging radio equipment with technologically advanced portable radios and authorize the Chairman to sign the required documents. **(Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director, Citrus County Sheriff David E. Vincent)**

Motion to approve item E2.

Sheriff David Vincent provided the presentation.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Holly L. Davis

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SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek

NAY: None

E.3. Continuance request CPA-2025-000012 & CPA-2025-000013

Motion and vote to direct staff to notify the Applicant that the County will not agree to a continuance and the matter will remain scheduled for our July 14, 2026 meeting. **(Commissioner Diana Finegan)**

Motion to deny the continuance.

The following citizens commented prior to the vote: PJ Auffhammer; Dede Wray, on behalf of Sugarbakers LLC; Chuck Hutterli; Susan Rodriguez; Cheryl Curtiss; Steven Schwartz; Tracey Duncan; John Stroud; and Alyssa Ballantyne.

Board discussion ensued and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn responded to questions from the Board.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Diana Finegan

SECONDER: Rebecca Bays

AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek

NAY: None

This item was received after the agenda was published.

[Additional Item E3](#)

[Additional Information for Item E3](#)

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F. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

F.1. Legislative Update

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

G. OUTSTANDING COMMISSION ITEMS

Special Projects Manager Veronica Kampschroer provided the update.

H. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - STEVE L. HOWARD

No items.

I. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

I.1. 1:05PM Presentation on Antitrust Lawsuits Relating to Fire Trucks

Provide direction on whether to join the antitrust lawsuits regarding fire trucks.
(Denise Lyn, County Attorney)

This item was pulled during the meeting.

[Pulled Item I1](#)

I.2. 1:10PM Public Hearing LifeStream Behavioral Center Financing, Inc.

a. Conduct public hearing concerning the issuance of an Industrial Development Revenue and Refunding Bond;

b. Approve and authorize the Chairman and certain other authorized officers to execute the Authorizing Resolution, Financing Agreement, Interlocal Agreement between Citrus County and Lake County, Tax Regulatory Agreement and any other required documents.

c. Authorize the Commissioners to execute the Certificate as to Public Meetings and No Conflict of Interest. **(Denise Lyn, County Attorney and Michael Wiener, Holland and Knight LLP)**

Michael Wiener, with Holland and Knight LLP provided the recommendation.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion to approve item I2a, b and c.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Holly L. Davis

SECONDER: Janet Barek

AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek

NAY: None

Resolution Number 2026-052

J. ADVISORY BOARD NOMINATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

No items.

K. COMMISSIONER REBECCA BAYS - DISTRICT 4

K.1. Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Letter of Support Funding the RRAP Update

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Letter of Support for the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) application for grant funding to assist in conducting the 5-year update of the Regional Resiliency Action Plan (RRAP).

Commissioner Rebecca Bays provided the recommendation.

Motion to approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Letter of Support for the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council application for grant funding.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Rebecca Bays

SECONDER: Holly L. Davis

AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek

NAY: None

L. COMMISSIONER HOLLY L. DAVIS - DISTRICT 5

Commissioner Holly Davis complimented the Partners in Tourism meeting held at the Cattle Dog Roastery and the Citrus County Chamber mixer at ClearSky Rehabilitation Center.

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

Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. provided the update on the Redfish release held at Pirates Cove last Saturday, June 20th.

N. 1ST VICE CHAIR JANET BAREK- DISTRICT 3

First Vice Chair Janet Barek provided the update on the ribbon cutting for the probation van for the 5th Circuit and the resources provided by Career Source.

O. CHAIR DIANA FINEGAN - DISTRICT 2

No items.

P. COUNTY ATTORNEY DENISE A. DYMOND LYN

No items.

Q. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:

*Steven Schwartz
Chuck Hutterli
Anthony Ayo
Cheryl Curtis
Tracey Duncan*

County Administrator Steve Howard and 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, July 14, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450
2. Regular Meeting, July 28, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450
3. Regular Meeting, August 11, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450

T. UPCOMING WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL MEETINGS

1. Preliminary Budget Hearing **Wednesday, July 22, 2026**, Governing Body of the Special Library District **8:30am**, Fire Services Special District **8:45am**, Board of County Commissioners, **9:00am**, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida

2. Tentative Budget Hearing, **Thursday, September 10, 2026, at 5:00pm**, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida
3. Final Budget, **Monday, September 21, 2026, at 5:01pm**, Citrus County Courthouse, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Room 100, Inverness, Florida.

The meeting recessed at 3:57pm.

U. PUBLIC HEARINGS

The meeting resumed at 5:02pm.

U.1. 5:01PM CPA-2026-00002 CR-486 Interchange Management Area (IMA)

If recommended for consideration, direct the Chair to transmit application **CPA-2026-00002 CR-486 Interchange Management Area (IMA)** to the State Department of Commerce and State agencies for review and comment. **(Eric Landon, Growth Management Director)**

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn read the proposed ordinance title into the record.

Growth Management Deputy Director Joanna Coutu provided the project overview and introduced Amanda Warner, Planner with Wade Trim who provided the presentation.

Ms. Warner introduced Brad Cornelius, Planner with Wade Trim.

Board discussion ensued with Ms. Warner, Ms.Coutu, and Mr. Cornelius.

The following citizens commented: Sherrylin Winczuk, Curtiss Bryant and Anthony Ayo.

Ms. Coutu and Ms. Warner responded to citizen comments.

Motion to approve and transmit CPA-2026-00002 CR-486 Interchange Management Area.

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Holly L. Davis

SECONDER: Jeff Kinnard D.C.

AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan

NAY: Barek

[Public Speaker Forms for Item U1](#)

U.2. 5:05PM OA-2026-00001 Land Development Code Update – Multiple Sections

If approved, direct the Chair and Clerk to execute the ordinance for OA-2026-00001 Land Development Code Update – Multiple Sections (**Eric Landon, Growth Management Director**)

County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn read the proposed ordinance title into the record.

Growth Management Deputy Director Joanna Coutu provided the staff presentation and responded to questions from the Board with Ms. Lyn.

The following citizens commented: Anthony Ayo, Curtiss Bryant, Tracey Duncan, and Sherrylin Winczuk.

Motion to approve OA-2026-00001 LDC Update with all of the sections as outlined in the backup with the addition of conditions for Light Industrial - concrete batch plant changed from conditional use to PUD and Heavy Industrial - added asphalt plant and concrete batch plant also as PUD outside of Coastal High Hazard Area (CHHA).

RESULT: Adopted

MOVER: Holly L. Davis

SECONDER: Janet Barek

AYES: Davis, Bays, Kinnard D.C., Finegan, Barek

NAY: None

Ordinance Number 2026-A16

Additional information was received after the agenda was published.

[Additional Information for Item U2](#)

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V. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16pm.

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