



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

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

**MINUTES**

**July 14, 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**

July 14, 2026 Citrus County Courthouse  
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM.

**A.1. Invocation**

*Chair Diana Finegan requested a moment of silence in honor of former Judge Patricia Thomas.*

*Pastor Ernie Todd from Calvary Chapel gave the Invocation.*

**A.2. Pledge of Allegiance**

*Michael Belkin, a U.S. Army Veteran, led the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**[Public Speaker Form for Item A2](#)**

**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 Amy Novinger, Deputy Clerk Georgette Tozer

Absent: Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller Traci Perry

**A.4. Approval of Agenda**

*County Administrator Steve Howard requested the following changes: additional information for item I1; and addition of item E10.*

*Commissioner Rebecca Bays requested to pull item E1a and Mr. Howard addressed Chair Diana Finegan.*

**Motion to approve the agenda with the additions and pulling of item E1a.**

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

**B.   PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS**

**Motion to approve items B1, B2 and B3.**

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

**B.1.   Proclamation -- Colonel Curtis Ebitz Day**

Approve and authorize the Board to proclaim July 14, 2026, as "Colonel Curtis Ebitz Day" in Citrus County, Florida. **(Trina Murphy, Publisher, Citrus County Chronicle)**

**B.2.   Proclamation -- Run for the Money**

Approve and authorize the Board to proclaim Run for the Money Week- Key Training Center, July 20th through July 25th, 2026 **(Avis Craig, Special Projects, Key Training Center)**

**B.3.   Proclamation -- July is Smart Irrigation Month**

Approve and authorize the Board to execute a Proclamation declaring July 2026 as Smart Irrigation Month in Citrus County. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

**C.   CONSENT**

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.**

**RESULT:**       **Adopted**  
**MOVER:**       Jeff Kinnard D.C.

## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

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

## Minutes

### **C.1. Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners**

Approve the following minutes of the Board of County Commissioners:  
June 11, 2026 Regular Meeting  
June 22, 2026 Regular Meeting

## Administration

### **C.2. Corecivic Non-Performance Assessment**

Authorize the deduction of \$4,500.00 from the July 2026 billing from Corecivic under Service Area #4 of the contract between Corecivic and Citrus County.  
**(Joseph Whittick, Contract Monitor)**

### **C.3. Corecivic Non-Performance Assessment**

Authorize the deduction of \$1,500.00 from the July 2026 billing from Corecivic under Service Area #4 of the contract between Corecivic and Citrus County.  
**(Joseph Whittick, Contract Monitor)**

## Attorneys Office

*No items.*

## Clerk

### **C.4. County Warrants**

Accept the attached check registers outlining the County warrants.

**C.5. Deletion of Surplus Property**

Approve deletion of the following items from the inventory of the Supervisor of Elections and the removal of same items from the county's capital asset listing.

Asset #53283 - Samsung A/C Unit

**Community Services**

**C.6. Auction/Donation of Assets-Transit Services**

a. Approve the deletion of assets 51478, 51587, 51712 and 52521 by auction from the inventory of Transit Services and the county's capital asset listing.

Asset 51478-2014 Ford Passenger Bus VIN 1FDWE3FL3DDB16253

Asset 51587-2014 Chevrolet Passenger Bus VIN 1GB6G5BGXE1175519

Asset 51712-2015 Ford Passenger Bus VIN 1FDXE4FSXEDB00005

Asset 52521-2016 Ford Passenger Bus VIN 1FDEFE4FS8GDC53707

b. Approve the transfer of assets 51588 and 52532 by donation to the County from the inventory of Transit Services and the County's capital asset listing.

Asset 51588-2014 Chevrolet Passenger Bus VIN 1GB6G5BG7E1166096

Asset 52532-2016 Ford Passenger Bus VIN 1FDFE4FSXGDC51554 (**Eric Head, Community Services Director**)

**Fire Services**

**C.7. Deletion of Surplus Property - Asset No. 53533 from County Inventory Following Trade-In**

Approve the deletion of the following item from the inventory of Fire Rescue and the removal of the same item from the county's capital asset listing. Asset

#53533 - 2009 Ferrara Igniter Truck (**Craig Stevens, Fire Chief**)

**Human Resources**

**C.8. Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Trust Fund fee**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Form 720 IRS Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return for the PCROI fee payment of \$3,950.29. (**Jessica Flynn, Human Resources Director**)

**Management and Budget**

**C.9. Budget Transfers**

Approve the budget transfers for Water Connection Fees, Solid Waste Management (4), Visitors & Convention Bureau, Code Compliance, Housing Services (8), Stormwater, Road Maintenance, Fleet Management, Supervisor of Elections, Fire Rescue - Homeland Security Program, Public Works Administration, Article V Technology, Parks and Recreation CIP and Aquatic Services for fiscal year 2025-2026 (**Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director**)

**C.10. Budget Resolutions**

Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution amending/adopting the Capital Improvement Project, the Public Safety, the Health Insurance Trust Fund, the Insurance Trust Fund, the State Housing Initiative Partnership (SHIP) grant, the State Aid to Libraries grant, the Transportation Operations 5311 grant, the US Environmental Protection Agency grant, the State of Florida Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) grant, and the Aquatic Plant Control grant budgets for fiscal year 2025-2026. (**Tammy Wilson, Management & Budget Director**)

**Resolution Number 2026-054**

**Growth Management**

*No items.*

**Public Works**

**C.11. Security Bond Continuation for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Webber Infrastructure Management, Inc.**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept the security bond continuation certificate for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, No. 285074253 extending the term to April 13, 2027, in reference to Webber Infrastructure Management, Inc. (Ferrovial)'s Waste Disposal Account Agreement, dated June 08, 2020. (**Carlton Hall, Public Works Director**)

**C.12. Security Bond Continuation for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Waste Management Inc. of Florida**

## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept the security bond continuation certificate for SiriusPoint America Insurance Company, No. SPA150121\_129 extending the term to June 05, 2027, in reference to Waste Management Inc. of Florida's Waste Disposal Account Agreement, dated June 23, 2025. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**C.13. Security Bond Continuation for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Wright Tree Service, Inc.**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept the security bond continuation certificate for Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, No. 107771888 extending the term to January 23, 2027, in reference to Wright Tree Service, Inc.'s Waste Disposal Account Agreement, dated April 25, 2023. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**C.14. Security Bond Increase for Monthly Charge Account Agreement – Waste Pro of Florida, Inc.**

- a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a monthly Waste Disposal Account Agreement between Citrus County and Waste Pro of Florida, Inc. for disposal fees up to \$325,000.00 at the Citrus County Central Landfill and accept Endurance Assurance Corporation, No. EACX4018551.
- b. Approve the termination of the existing Waste Disposal Account Agreement with Waste Pro of Florida, Inc., dated June 23, 2025. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**C.15. Acknowledgment 1 T-Hangar Lease -Bristell Aircraft KINF 1-H**

Staff requests that the Board of County Commissioners acknowledge the attached and executed T- Hangar Lease (Bristell Aircraft). **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**C.16. Vehicle Replacement Request - Slope Mower**

Approve the replacement and purchase of a slope mower in accordance with the Fleet Management policy for replacement of equipment due to extenuating circumstances. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

### **Systems Management**

*No items.*

**Visitors and Convention Bureau**

*No items.*

**Water Resources**

**C.17. LPA0130 Old Homosassa East Septic to Sewer DEP Grant Amendment 3**

Approve and authorize BOCC Chairman to execute grant contract LPA 0130 between Citrus County, Florida and FDEP for the CIP U2018-02 Old Homosassa East Septic to Sewer Project. **(Ken Cheek, P.E, Water Resources Director)**

**C.18. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Angela Jennifer Clarke**

**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 Angela Jennifer Clarke.

**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)**

**C.19. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Alan Reichel**

**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 Alan Reichel.

**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)**

**C.20. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - David L & Anita W Biggs**

**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 David L & Anita W Biggs.

**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)**

**C.21. Connection Charge Installment Lien Agreement - Judith Mae Malis & Robert Lee Malis**

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

- 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 Judith Mae Malis & Robert Lee Malis.
  - 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)**
  
- C.22. Release and Satisfaction of Lien Water and Wastewater Utility Services - Tracy Johnson**
  - 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 Tracy Johnson.
  - 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)**
  
- C.23. Assignment of Developer's Utility Pre-paid Credits - Lecanto Preserve Phase One**
  - a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to acknowledge receipt of this assignment from Lecanto Preserve, LLC to D. R. Horton, Inc.
  - b. Approve and authorize the Clerk to place an acceptance stamp on the assignment and record in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**
  
- C.24. Deletion of Surplus Property**

Approve the deletion of the following items from the inventory of the Department of Water Resources, Utilities Division and the removal of the same items from the county's capital asset listing: Asset# 17209-000 - Honeywell Paperless Chart Recorder, Asset #17029-001 - (5) Surge Protectos, Asset #17211-000 Honeywell Paperless Chart Recorder, Asset #17211-001 (6) Surge Protectors. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**
  
- Set Public Hearings Workshops**
  
- C.25. Set A Public Hearing Proposed County Surplus Property Inventory List Appropriate for use as Affordable Housing**

## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

Set a Public Hearing on August 25, 2026, at 1:32 p.m. pursuant to Section 125.379, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of considering an inventory list of County owned, surplus real property determined to be appropriate for use as affordable housing. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

#### **D. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

*The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:*

*Jason Hoskins, Warden of the Citrus County Detention Facility  
Chuck Hutterli  
Orlando Lopez  
Robert Schultz  
Steven Schwartz  
Jennifer Holly Grogan  
Ray Brown  
Rachel Ervin  
John Parlman  
Curtiss Bryant  
Rowena Kinchley  
Dede Wray  
Susan Nelson  
Tony Ayo  
Sherrylin Winczuk  
Cheryl Squillante*

*Commissioners responded to comments from the public.*

*County Administrator Steve Howard, County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn, Public Works Director Carlton Hall and Growth Management Director Eric Landon addressed Board questions.*

**[Public Speaker Forms for Item D](#)**

**[Additional Information for Item D — Submitted by John Parlman](#)**

#### **E. REGULAR BUSINESS**

##### **E.1. Bids**

**Motion to approve items E1b through f.**

*First Vice Chair Janet Barek commented.*

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

**E.1.a. SGS 22-020 Amendment No.1; On-Site Medical Services at County Employee Wellness Center; Medical Risk Solutions, LLC dba My Health Onsite**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Medical Risk Solutions, LLC dba My Health Onsite, to renew the Agreement for an additional five (5) year term, extending the duration of the Agreement to November 8, 2031, and modify the language in Section 17.4 Compliance with Laws and Section 17.12 Equal Employment Opportunity, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. **(Jessica Flynn, Human Resources Director)**

*This item was pulled during the meeting.*

**E.1.b. SGS 26-149 Population Forecasting Analysis Modeling & Continuing Planning and Consulting Services; Metro Forecasting Models, LLC**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Metro Forecasting Models, LLC to prepare population and development forecasts for the County's utility service area based on Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs), at a cost not to exceed \$50,000. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

**E.1.c. SGS 26-169 Purchase & Installation of CMCE Lightning Protectors for CAB I & II; The Avanti Company**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and The Avanti Company, for the purchase and installation of CMCE Lightning Protectors at a cost of \$37,200. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

**E.1.d. ITB 24-147 Amendment No. 3; Imperial Gardens Mobile Home Park (MHP) Plant Interconnection Project; MidSouth, Inc.**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and MidSouth, Inc., to ratify the terms of the Amended Notice to Proceed issued on June 10, 2026, and extend the time for final completion to August 22, 2026. There is no cost increase associated with this Amendment. **(Ken Cheek, P.E., Water Resources Director)**

**E.1.e. ITB 24-016 Amendment No. 3; Mowing and Trimming of Median/Curbed Roadways Groups 1&3; Gamco Properties III, Inc.**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Gamco Properties III, Inc., to add additional trimmings to locations to be serviced by the Contractor, set forth in Revised Exhibit B, to amend the fee schedule with an increase of \$7,600 annually, and to modify the language in Section 19.4 Compliance with Laws, in accordance with Executive Order 14173. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**E.1.f. ITB 25-021 Amendment No. 2; Crystal River Airport (CGC) Fuel Farm Project; Gonzalez & Sons Equipment, Inc.**

a. Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement between Citrus County, Florida and Gonzalez & Sons Equipment, Inc., to add Temporary Fuel Storage and Dispensing Solution to the project description; and amend the Fee Schedule as shown in Revised Exhibit A. The additional cost associated with this Amendment is \$66,250.

b. Approve related Budget Transfer **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**E.2. Supervisor of Elections - Canvassing Board**

Appoint Judge Mark Yerman to serve as substitute Canvassing Board member for Commissioner Holly Davis for the 2026 election cycle. **(Supervisor of Elections, Maureen Baird)**

**Motion to approve item E2.**

**RESULT:** Adopted

**MOVER:** Holly L. Davis

**SECONDER:** Jeff Kinnard D.C.

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

**NAY:** None

**E.3. Citrus County Health Department Fee and Service Schedule**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute a resolution with the State of Florida Department of Health for a current fee and service schedule to provide public health and environmental services at the Citrus County Health Department. **(Gayle Guidash, Administrator, Florida Department of Health in Citrus County)**

**Motion to approve item E3.**

**RESULT:** Adopted

**MOVER:** Holly L. Davis

**SECONDER:** Jeff Kinnard D.C.

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

**Resolution Number 2026-055**

**E.4. Approval of Therapy Dog Recipient Application and Designation of Handler for Citrus County Fire Rescue Therapy Dog Program**

- a. Approve participation in the Brevard County Sheriff's Office Paws & Stripes College Therapy Dog Program.
- b. Approve and authorize Licensed Clinical Social Worker Phyllina Arnold to serve as the official therapy dog handler and execute the Therapy Dog Recipient Application and related program documents.
- c. Approve and authorize the Chairman, as the County's authorized representative, to execute the Therapy Dog Recipient Application, Release, and Hold Harmless Agreement on behalf of Citrus County Fire Rescue. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

**Motion to approve item E4a, 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.5. Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) Member Appointments**

Approve the appointment of the identified Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) voting members in accordance with Ordinance No. 2026-A01 and Chapter 38, Article II, Section 38-21(e) of the Citrus County Code of Ordinances. **(Craig Stevens, Fire Chief)**

**Motion to appoint item E5.**

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

**E.6. CR470 (Gospel Island Rd) from N. Apopka Ave to SR44 - SCOP Agreement**

- a. Adopt and authorize the Chairman to execute a Resolution authorizing the Chairman to enter into an agreement between Citrus County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida and the State of Florida Department of Transportation for the Small County Outreach Program for CR470 (Gospel Island Rd) from N. Apopka Ave to SR44.

## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

**b.** Approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Small County Outreach Program Agreement between Citrus County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, and the Florida Department of Transportation for road milling and resurfacing of CR470 (Gospel Island Rd) from N. Apopka Ave to SR44. The FDOT portion will be \$1,809,615 and the County's participation, including contingency, will be \$2,746,665. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**Motion to approve item E6a and b.**

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

### **Resolution Number 2026-056**

#### **E.7. Aviation Advisory Board - Revised Bylaws**

Approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the revised Citrus County Aviation Advisory Board's Bylaws. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

**Motion to approve item E7.**

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

#### **E.8. Space Needs Appraisals – Downtown Inverness**

**a.** Board discussion and direction to establish the preferred course of action and guide staff activities moving forward.

1. Move forward with steps B through E
2. Take no further action

**b.** Approve and authorize staff to proceed with negotiations between the County and property owners for the purchase of 124 N Apopka Ave, 107 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave & 116 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave in downtown Inverness to help with space needs.

**c.** Approve and authorize the Chairman to accept subsequent Purchase & Sale Agreements from property owners of 124 N Apopka Ave, 107 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave & 116 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave in downtown Inverness.

**d.** Authorize staff to order title searches and execute all other documents related to the closing of the properties, except for recordable documents, approve and authorize payments of related closing costs associated with the property acquisitions.

**e.** Approve and authorize the Chairman or designee to execute all related closing documents, accept subsequent Warranty Deeds from the property

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

owners of 124 N Apopka Ave, 107 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave & 116 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave in downtown Inverness and authorize the Clerk to place the acceptance stamp on the deeds upon receipt and record all documents in the Public Records of Citrus County, Florida. **(Carlton Hall, Public Works Director)**

*Board discussion ensued.*

**Motion to approve item E8a, b, c, d and e.**

*Board discussion continued and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn addressed Board questions.*

*Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger requested clarification of the motion.*

**The motion was amended to include: 1.**

**RESULT:       Adopted**

**MOVER:         Janet Barek**

**SECONDER:     Jeff Kinnard D.C.**

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

**NAY:            None**

*Citizen Ray Brown commented.*

*Chair Diana Finegan responded to comments from Mr. Brown and County Administrator Steve Howard addressed Board questions.*

**Clerk's Note: The meeting returned to this item following item E9 for public input.**

**[Public Speaker Form for Item E8](#)**

**E.9.   Revised Authorizing Resolution - Life Stream Behavioral Center Financing, Inc.**

A. Approve and authorize the Chairman and certain other authorized officers to execute the revised Authorizing Resolution amending and restating the Original Resolution.

B. Approve and authorize the execution and delivery of the Financing Agreement, Interlocal Agreement between Citrus County and Lake County, Tax Regulatory Agreement, and Any other required documents, as revised. **(Denise Lyn, County Attorney and Michael Wiener, Holland Knight, LLP)**

**Motion to approve item E9a and b.**

**RESULT:       Adopted**

**MOVER:         Holly L. Davis**

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

**SECONDER:** Jeff Kinnard D.C.

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

**NAY:** None

**Resolution Number 2026-057**

**E.10. Requesting Board Permission to apply for [FEMA] FY 2026 Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS)**

**Nature Coast Resiliency Project (NCRP)**

Approve Citrus County Aquatic Services to apply for the aforementioned FEMA grant in the total amount requested = **\$1.5M**; with a County Match (25%) = **\$375K** from the General Fund Reserves "Grant Match Fund" that has a balance of ~\$1.5M.

**Motion to approve item E10.**

*Commissioners commented, Chair Diana Finegan read the overview of the item into the record and County Administrator Steve Howard addressed Board questions.*

**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**

**Veronica Kampschroer, MPA, PMP, Special Projects Manager**

*Special Projects Manager Veronica Kampschroer provided the updates, County Administrator Steve Howard recognized the Public Works staff, then Ms. Kampschroer continued the updates.*

**G. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

**G.1. Legislative Update**

**Alexander Alt, Intergovernmental Liaison & Administrative Development Review Expeditor**

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

**H. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR - STEVE L. HOWARD**

*No items.*

**I. PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*County Administrator Steve Howard commented.*

**I.1. 1:10PM Public Hearing Local Provider Participation Fund Ordinance**

**a.** Conduct a public hearing on an ordinance of Citrus County, Florida amending Chapter 86 Special Assessments, Article VI, providing for severability; providing for scrivener's errors; providing for codification and inclusion into the code; providing for modifications that may arise from consideration at Public Hearing; and providing for an effective date.

**b.** Adopt and Authorize the Chairman to execute the ordinance. **(Suhail Chhabra, Adelanto HealthCare Ventures, TGH Crystal River/ HCA Florida)**

**Motion to approve item I1a.**

**RESULT: Adopted**

**MOVER:** Rebecca Bays

**SECONDER:** Holly L. Davis

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

**NAY:** None

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

*Citizen Tony Ayo commented.*

*Colleen Ernst, with Adelanto Healthcare Ventures, addressed the Board.*

*Mr. Ayo addressed the Board.*

**Motion to approve item I1b.**

**RESULT: Adopted**

**MOVER:** Jeff Kinnard D.C.

**SECONDER:** Holly L. Davis

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

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

**NAY:** None

**Ordinance Number 2026-A17**

*Additional information was received after the agenda was published.*

**[Additional Information for Item I1](#)**

**[Public Speaker Forms for Item I1](#)**

**[Item I1 - Proof of Publication](#)**

**I.2. 1:15PM Library Services Community Needs & Facility Assessment  
Presentation from Rob Cullin of Rethinking Libraries**

**1:15 Library Services Community Needs & Facility Assessment Presentation  
(Rob Cullin, ReThinking Libraries)**

*Library Services Director Adam Chang provided an overview and introduced Rob Cullin, with ReThinking Libraries, who provided the presentation and addressed Board questions.*

*There was no action taken on this item.*

**I.3. 1:20PM Presentation on Antitrust Lawsuits Relating to Fire Trucks**

- a. Provide direction on whether to join the antitrust lawsuits regarding fire trucks.
- b. If approved, authorize the Chairman to execute the Professional Services Agreement. **(Denise Lyn, County Attorney)**

*County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn introduced Dale Scott, the attorney who provided the recommendation.*

*Chair Diana Finegan addressed Mr. Scott and Ms. Lyn addressed the Board, followed by Board discussion with Ms. Lyn, Mr. Scott and Fire Chief Craig Stevens.*

**Motion to have Attorney Dale Scott proceed in representing Citrus County with executing item I3.**

*Deputy Clerk Amy Novinger requested clarification of the motion.*

**The motion was amended to include: a and b.**

*There were no citizen comments.*

**RESULT:** Adopted

**MOVER:** Janet Barek

**SECONDER:** Jeff Kinnard D.C.

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

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

**NAY:** None

**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 Development Council (TDC) meeting.*

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

**M.1. Administrative Regulation Regarding Non-Disclosure Agreements**

Motion and vote to direct staff to prepare an Administrative Regulation prohibiting any county employee from executing a non-disclosure agreement related to data center development.

*Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. provided the recommendation.*

**Motion to direct staff to prepare an Administrative Regulation prohibiting any county employee from executing a non-disclosure agreement related to data center development.**

*Citizens Curtiss Bryant, Karen Baldwin, Rowena Kinchley, Dede Wray and Tony Ayo commented.*

**First Vice Chair Janet Barek withdrew the second and Commissioner Holly Davis seconded the motion.**

*County Administrator Steve Howard addressed the commissioners, Board discussion ensued, and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn addressed Board questions.*

**The motion was amended to include: elected officials.**

**RESULT:** Adopted

**MOVER:** Jeff Kinnard D.C.

**SECONDER:** Holly L. Davis

Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

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

**NAY:** None

**Public Speaker Forms for Item M1**

**M.2. Consideration of Designating Crystal Manor as a Golf Cart Zone**

Staff requests that the Board of County Commissioners:

**a.** Determine whether the Board wishes to pursue designation of Crystal Manor as a golf cart zone.

**b.** If the Board elects to proceed, authorize staff to procure the services of a qualified engineering consultant to prepare a traffic safety study evaluating the roadways within Crystal Manor for compliance with the requirements of Florida Statutes Section 316.212 and applicable County ordinances (25-A18), and approve the associated budget transfer.

*Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. provided the recommendation.*

**Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard, D.C. made a motion to approve item M2a and b, and Commissioner Holly Davis seconded the motion.**

*Board discussion ensued.*

**Second Vice Chair Jeff Kinnard withdrew the motion and Commissioner Holly Davis withdrew the second.**

*Board discussion continued and County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn addressed the Board.*

*There was no action taken on this item.*

**N. 1ST VICE CHAIR JANET BAREK- DISTRICT 3**

*First Vice Chair Janet Barek corrected a statement from the Budget Workshop regarding fleet vehicles.*

**O. CHAIR DIANA FINEGAN - DISTRICT 2**

*Chair Diana Finegan shared information from the Veterans Advisory Board meeting.*

**P. COUNTY ATTORNEY DENISE A. DYMOND LYN**

**P.1. Attorney/Client Session - Elissa Hofelt v. Citrus County Board of County Commissioners**

## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

Approval to set an Attorney/Client Session on July 28, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in the case styled Elissa Hofelt v. Citrus County Board of County Commissioners (Case No: 5:25-cv-00643-JSM-PRL). **(Denise Lyn, County Attorney)**

*County Attorney Denise A. Dymond Lyn provided the recommendation.*

#### **Motion to approve item P1.**

**RESULT:**       **Adopted**

**MOVER:**       Rebecca Bays

**SECONDER:**   Janet Barek

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

**NAY:**           None

#### **Q.    OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

*The following individuals addressed the Board on various issues:*

*Orlando Lopez*

*Robert Schultz*

*Dede Wray*

*Ray Brown*

*Chuck Hutterli*

*Tony Ayo*

*Steven Schwartz*

*John Parliman*

*Rowena Kinchley*

*County Administrator Steve Howard addressed Board questions.*

[Public Speaker Forms for Item Q](#)

#### **R.    ADVISORY BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*No items.*

#### **S.    UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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

## Minutes

### Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026

2. Regular Meeting, August 11, 2026, at 1:00 PM, Citrus County Courthouse, Room 100, 110 N. Apopka Avenue, Inverness, FL 34450
3. Regular Meeting, August 25, 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.

## **U. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*No items.*

## **V. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 04:50 PM.

**[Proof of Publication](#)**

## Minutes

Board of County Commissioners Meeting - July 14, 2026