

BOARD ACTION
August 24, 2021

ARPA UPDATE - PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT

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Mr. Tommy Carpenter, Public Safety Director, presented a preliminary update about public safety regarding the use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. He provided an overview of operational challenges with the Lake County Office of Emergency Medical Services (EMS), which had been discussed with the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) over the past several months. He noted that it was pandemic oriented and was compounded by a vast need for paramedics, noting that they were being used system-wide throughout the country; furthermore, paramedics were now being used in a hospital setting due to a lack of nurses. He said that the EMS system in Lake County was primarily made up of County and municipal fire service advanced life support (ALS) first response, noting that the majority of fire trucks that went to a call were ALS. He remarked that due to injury and working through the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, they were not able to staff the number of ambulances that they previously could. He stated that Lake County Fire Rescue (LCFR) had two ambulances that they staffed at Fire Station 10 in Astor and Fire Station 15 in Pine Lakes; furthermore, they added two additional ambulances that provided rescue ambulance service in the county in the City of Fruitland Park and Four Corners. He said that daily call volume had been higher in 2021 than what was experienced in 2020; additionally, the Office of EMS and LCFR had experienced higher numbers of unscheduled absences in the month of August 2021, noting that these two factors were not exclusive to Lake County. He recalled that in July 2021, the Board had approved pay increases and sign-on bonuses to address staffing challenges, which included the following items: increased pay scales for emergency medical technician (EMT) and paramedic positions; an authorized discretionary bonus for EMTs and paramedics from ARPA funds, noting that the initial allotment was based from January 1 through June 30, 2021; a sign-on bonus of \$8,000 for paramedics and \$4,000 for EMTs with a two-year commitment; and a referral bonus of \$1,000 to County employees that referred a successful EMT or paramedic candidate, noting that the newly implemented minimum EMS pay structure started EMTs at just under \$40,000 per year, and paramedics at just under \$50,000 per year annually for a 24/48-hour shift. He said that for the overarching issue for the Office of EMS over the current year, one item they implemented was having the management structures of the Office of EMS and LCFR work jointly to assess and assign resources to staff ambulances and manage the EMS system daily. He added that LCFR personnel staffing EMS ambulances on overtime had occurred since May 2021, and that EMS supervisors staffed ambulances and were required to work mandatory overtime. He also noted that because of the increased number of calls and

	<p>unscheduled absences, they had requested an ambulance strike team from Sarasota County, which provided two ambulances and two supervisors. He commented that in the following week, they would staff Rescue Station 27 and implement multiple 12 hours per day ambulances during peak hours. He then listed the following options for Board consideration for longer-term solutions in the coming days and weeks: double time pay for Office of Public Safety Support 9-1-1 dispatchers, Office of EMS and LCFR EMTs and paramedics for all unscheduled overtime, utilizing ARPA funds; and extend the \$8,000 paramedic sign-on bonus to LCFR; and offer Office of EMS part-time positions for EMTs and paramedics, noting that they would offer half of the sign-on bonus that was offered to full-time employees, which would be \$4,000 for a paramedic and \$2,000 for an EMT. He mentioned an additional option for the Board’s consideration and approval to extend the ability to provide ambulance service to Lake County’s municipal fire services, which already provided ALS first response, noting that it would require modifying the agreements from ALS first response to transportation. He elaborated that the Office of EMS would provide them a turn-key ambulance, and the municipality would staff it and participate in the countywide ambulance response system; furthermore, the Office of EMS would be responsible for ambulance training and the patient care reporting system, noting that the office would still have to work out the details for patient care billing and liability/risk questions. He added that the County believed that ARPA funds could be used for overtime pay to help them get additional staff that would be just on the ambulance. He mentioned that LCFR was recently awarded the fiscal year (FY) 2020 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant, commenting that they would work with the local emergency planning council to perform a study to include an EMS delivery system and reevaluate what they were doing. He concluded by reading the requested actions to use ARPA funds for the overtime pay and approval to update the current ALS agreement.</p> <p>The Board voted to approve the following items: double time pay for all unscheduled overtime for public safety 9-1-1 dispatchers, EMS and LCFR EMT and paramedic personnel for a limited by time while unscheduled overtime is needed to fill required openings; to update the current ALS Agreement with municipal ALS fire service agencies to provide ALS transportation services through Lake County’s Office of EMS; and for the Deputy County Manager to pay the invoice for requested ambulance strike team up to \$50,000 per deployment.</p>	
	<p><u>ARPA UPDATE</u></p> <p>Mr. Sean Beudet, Grants Coordinator for the Office of Management and Budget, presented an update on the ARPA and the spending plan going forward. He recalled that in June 2021, half of the funding was received,</p>	<p>BARKER</p>

	<p>and the Board had approved the resolution accepting the funds in July 2021. He commented the funds were allocated to seven categories, and that the Office of EMS premium pay plan had been approved to date. He said that added to the plan recently was a request from Lake County administration and the Lake County Sheriff’s Office (LCSO) for laptops for remote work, and the Lake County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller requested a Value Adjustment Board (VAB) software program. He stated that the public safety radio tower replacement, which was originally under negative economic impacts but did not qualify, had shifted within the plan; therefore, they moved it to revenue replacement. He also said that an urgent need was the first responder premium pay and rescue services. He displayed the new funding allocation proposed amounts, along with the updated project list. He added that a few items were not on the list and that the Lake County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller had recognized an additional item that was currently budgeted and could qualify for ARPA funds. He mentioned that the South Lake Regional Technical Advisory Committee recently had a request of \$7.25 million, or a 25 percent contribution, to fund the South Lake distributed well field nontraditional water project. He added that after moving the public safety radio tower, there was \$5.5 million under the allocated revenue replacement category, and they would treat this as a contingency in case there were any future projects or unanticipated costs. He then read the requested action to approve the updated allocations.</p> <p>The Board approved the updated allocations, with the addition of funding for Lake Technical College.</p>	
APPROVED	Tab 1. Request for approval of the minutes of the BCC Meetings of May 3, 2021 (Special Meeting) and May 11, 2021 (Regular Meeting).	COONEY
	<p><u>CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD</u></p> <p>Mr. Andy DuBois, a resident of Lake County, asked the Board to not raise the current tourist development tax (TDT) of four percent, noting that the Tourist Development Council (TDC) recently voted 6-1 to not increase it.</p> <p>Mr. David Serdar, a resident of the City of Fruitland Park, made comments related to local government issues.</p>	
PROCLAMATION /APPROVED	Tab 2. Request approval and presentation of Proclamation 2021-110 celebrating the Orlando Cat Cafe's 5th Anniversary, per Commissioner Parks.	PARKS
APPROVED	Tab 3. Approval of Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller’s Consent Agenda (Items 1-4)	COONEY

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notice is hereby provided of warrants paid prior to this meeting, pursuant to Chapter 136.06 (1) of the Florida Statutes, which shall be incorporated into the Minutes and filed in the Board Support Division of the Clerk's Office. 2. Notice is hereby provided of having received the following from the City of Umatilla: Corrective Ordinances 2020-M, 2020-M-1 & 2020-M-2; and Corrective Ordinances 2021-C, 2021-C-1 & 2021-C-2. 3. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Cascades at Groveland Community Development District adopted Fiscal Year 2022 budget Resolution 2021-09 and budget. 4. Notice is hereby provided of having received from Utilities, Inc. of Florida a Notice of Application for Amendment to Certificates of Authorization to Extend Service Area pursuant to Section 367.045, Florida Statutes, and Section 25-30.036, Florida Administrative Code, to provide water and wastewater service in Sections 25 and 26, Township 24 South, Range 26 East, generally consisting of phase II of the Orlando RV Resort Thousand Trails, located at 2110 Thousand Trails Blvd., Clermont, FL 34714. Docket No. 20210109-WS. 	
PROCLAMATION /APPROVED	Tab 4. Request approval of Proclamation 2021-108 proclaiming September 17-23, 2021, as Constitution Week, per Commissioner Parks.	PARKS
APPROVED	Tab 5. Request from County Attorney for Approval of outside counsel's recommendation to accept the Mallinckrodt Plan and authorize the County Attorney to approve any future recommendations of outside counsel regarding the Opioid Litigation. There is no fiscal impact.	MARSH
APPROVED	Tab 6. Request from Information Technology to recommend approval of the third amendment to the service exchange and lease agreement with Summit Broadband and authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation. The amendment will upgrade the data service at 44 remote locations, which currently have slow or unreliable data service. The fiscal impact is \$109,818.72 (expenditure) per year for eight years with an initial \$2,200 (expenditure) one-time charge.	BARKER
APPROVED	Tab 7. Request from Management and Budget to recommend approval of seven resolutions providing for certification of the non-ad valorem assessment rolls for the Greater Groves Municipal Service Benefit Unit (Resolution 2021-117), Greater Hills Municipal Service Benefit Unit	BARKER

	<p>(Resolution 2021-118), Greater Pines Municipal Service Benefit Unit (Resolution 2021-119), Picciola Island Subdivision (Resolution 2021-120), Sylvan Shores Subdivision (Resolution 2021-121), Valencia Terrace Subdivision (Resolution 2021-122) and Village Green Subdivision (Resolution 2021-123) for Fiscal Year 2022. The total amount to be collected for these MSBUs is \$946,478.25.</p>	
APPROVED	<p>Tab 8. Request from Procurement Services to recommend approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of contract 21-0520 to PFM Financial Advisors, LLC (Philadelphia, PA) for provision of specialized financial advisory services on an as-needed basis. 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation. <p>The average annual fiscal impact (expenditure) is estimated at \$35,000 and is within, and will not exceed, the fiscal year budgets.</p>	BARKER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 9. Request from Agency for Economic Prosperity to recommend approval of an agreement with the University of Central Florida for the management of Lake County's Small Business Development Center (SBDC) services for Fiscal Year 2022. The fiscal impact is \$150,000.00 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2022 budget.</p>	MATULKA
APPROVED	<p>Tab 10. Request from Agency for Economic Prosperity to recommend approval of Sixth Amendment to Declaration of Restrictive Covenants for Lake County Central Park. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 1.</p>	MATULKA
PULLED	<p>Tab 12. Request from Fire Rescue to recommend approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of a change order for Contract 20-0905 with PCDG Construction, LLC (Mount Dora, FL); and 2. Of a 10% contingency should additional unexpected costs arise during the remainder of the project. <p>The fiscal impact is \$291,276 (expenditure: \$119,526 change order and \$171,750 contingency) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Commission District 4.</p> <p>Postponed to the September 14, 2021 BCC meeting.</p>	BARKER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 13. Request from Facilities Management to recommend approval:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Of Contract 21-0422 with Y Tech, Inc. dba Redd Ash Technologies (Apopka, FL) for the Avigilon Camera System for the Office of Transit Services. 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting 	SCHNEIDER

	<p>documentation. The fiscal impact is projected at \$112,203.54 (expenditure - FTA 100 percent grant funded) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Commission Districts 1 & 3.</p>	
APPROVED	<p>Tab 14. Request from Facilities Management to recommend approval: 1. Of Contract 21-0456 with Emerald Facility Management (St. Petersburg, FL) for on-call pressure washing and window washing services for Lake County facilities. 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.</p> <p>The estimated annual fiscal impact is \$50,000 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year budgets.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 15. Request from Housing and Community Services to recommend approval of Agreement with United Way for Disbursement of SHIP Funds (LHAP Funding Year 2018-19). The fiscal impact is \$150,000 (expenditure).</p>	HAMILTON
APPROVED	<p>Tab 16. Request from Housing and Community Services to recommend approval of the Annual State Housing Initiatives Partnership Closeout Report for Fiscal Year 2018, and adoption of Resolution 2021-124 delegating signature authority to Maria AbdoulKarim, Director of Housing and Community Services, for execution of the Local Housing Incentives Certification. There is no fiscal impact.</p>	HAMILTON
APPROVED	<p>Tab 17. Request from Housing and Community Services to recommend approval of Third Amendment to Lease Agreement between Lake County and PRVR of Tavares, LLC, for the Office of Housing and the Office of Community Services located at 2004/2008 Classique Lane in Tavares. The fiscal impact is estimated at \$217,413.74 (expenditure) for Fiscal Year 2022 Budget. Commission District 3.</p>	HAMILTON
APPROVED	<p>Tab 18. Request from Parks and Trails to recommend approval: 1. Of Contract 21-0930 for Hickory Point Improvements to Advanced Commercial Contractors, Inc. (Eustis, FL); 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.</p> <p>The estimated fiscal impact is \$448,900 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Commission District 3.</p>	HAMILTON
APPROVED	<p>Tab 19. Request from Public Works to recommend approval: 1. Of Contract 21-0923 with DB Civil Construction (St. Augustine, FL) for the Dead River Road at SR 19 Intersection Improvements construction</p>	SCHNEIDER

	<p>project.</p> <p>2. Of Unanticipated Revenue Resolution 2021-125 adding \$344,759 to the North Central Transportation Impact Fees Fund.</p> <p>3. Of Unanticipated Revenue Resolution 2021-126 adding \$33,500 to County Transportation Trust Fund.</p> <p>The fiscal impact is \$714,835 (expenditure - \$33,500 in City of Tavares reimbursement). Commission District 3.</p>	
APPROVED	<p>Tab 20. Request from Public Works to recommend approval to accept the final plat for Lake Apopka Sound and all areas dedicated to the public as shown on the Lake Apopka Sound final plat, located near Clermont. The fiscal impact is \$1,551 (revenue - final plat application fee). Commission District 2.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 21. Request from Public Works to recommend:</p> <p>1. Approval of a Local Agency Program Agreement.</p> <p>2. Adoption of supporting Resolution 2021-127 with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for construction and inspection services for the County Road (CR) 452 safety project in the Leesburg area.</p> <p>3. Adoption of Unanticipated Revenue Resolution 2021-128 adding \$2,776,771 to the Federal/State Grant Fund.</p> <p>The fiscal impact is estimated at \$2,776,771 (revenue/expenditure - 100% grant funded) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Commission Districts 4 and 5.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 22. Request from Public Works to recommend adoption of Resolution 2021-129 providing for certification of the assessment roll for the Special Assessment for the paving, grading, curbing, and drainage of Granville Avenue in Lake County. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 2.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 23. Request from Public Works to recommend adoption of Resolution 2021-130 providing for certification of the assessment roll for the Special Assessment for the paving, grading, curbing, and drainage of Firethorn Road in Lake County. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 4.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 24. Request from Public Works to recommend adoption of Resolution 2021-131 providing for certification of the assessment roll for the Special Assessment for the paving, grading, curbing, and drainage of Colley Drive in Lake County. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 3.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 25. Request from Public Works for approval to advertise an Ordinance amending Chapter 22, Section 22-39, Lake County Code, entitled Dedication of land and impact fee credits.</p>	SCHNEIDER

APPROVED	Tab 26. Request from Transit Services to recommend approval of the 2021 Transit Development Plan Progress Report. There is no fiscal impact.	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	ADDENDUM CONSENT Tab 36. Request from Housing and Community Services to recommend approval of Amendment for Disbursement of Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Funds with United Way of Lake & Sumter Counties. There is no fiscal impact.	HAMILTON
NOT APPROVED	<p>Tab 11. Request from Agency for Economic Prosperity for approval of Second Amendment to the Lease Agreement between Lake County and William F. Baker, Jr., as Trustee of the William F. Baker, Jr. Trust dated May 23, 1998, as to an Undivided One-Half Interest, and Janie Mae Baker, Trustee of the Janie Mae Baker Trust dated May 23, 1998, as to an Undivided One-Half Interest, for the Eustis/Mt. Dora Business Opportunity Center located in the Century Plaza at 17521 U.S. Highway 441, Suite 6, Mt. Dora. The fiscal impact is \$1,167.44 for FY 2021 (rent payment for September 2021) and \$14,009.28 for FY 2022. Commission District 4.</p> <p>The Board directed staff to see if the landlord could potentially do a month by month lease while the County considered the possibility of going remote full-time, and if they could decrease the rent.</p>	MATULKA
PULLED	<p>Tab 27. Presentation on the Coalition for Housing and Economic Development of Lake County by Kent Adcock.</p> <p>Postponed to the September 14, 2021 BCC meeting.</p>	HAMILTON
APPROVED	<p>Tab 28. PUBLIC HEARING: Recommend approval of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2026 Transportation Improvement Program, which includes the funding of projects by utilizing Road Impact Fees, Federal/State Grants, Sales Tax Capital Projects - Public Works/Roads, and County Transportation Trust Funds. The estimated fiscal impact for 2022 is \$30,843,000 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget.</p>	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	<p>Tab 29. PUBLIC HEARING: Adoption and execution of Ordinance 2021-20 amending Section 3-72, Lake County Code, entitled "Permitting and Fees," relating to Electronic Game Room Facilities.</p>	MARSH
APPROVED	<p>Tab 30. PUBLIC HEARING: Recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2022 Infrastructure Sales Tax Project Plan.</p>	BARKER

APPROVED	Tab 31. PUBLIC HEARING: Recommend adoption of Resolution 2021-132 to vacate an unimproved public right of way, located north of Laney Road, and west of North Buckhill Road in the Howey-in-the-Hills area. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 1.	SCHNEIDER
APPROVED	Tab 32. Request: 1. Acceptance of the Impact Fee Study Update for Parks & Trails, Fire Rescue and Library Services as presented by Tindale Oliver. 2. Approval for Tindale Oliver to provide a Transportation Impact Fee Study Update. The fiscal impact is \$58,660 (expenditure - Transportation Impact Fee Study Update).	BARKER
PRESENTATION	Tab 33. Presentation and discussion of legislative priorities.	BARKER
PULLED	Tab 34. Discussion and direction on MPO projects.	SCHNEIDER
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Ms. Barker recalled that at the August 10, 2021 BCC meeting, the Board discussed moving their November 23, 2021 meeting to November 16, 2021 due to Thanksgiving. She pointed out that there would now be meetings three weeks in a row in November 2021 on November 2, 9, and 16. She proposed to combine the first BCC regular meeting on November 9, 2021 with the BCC rezoning meeting on November 2, 2021 so that the only meetings would be on November 2 and 16, 2021.	BARKER
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Ms. Barker reminded everyone that County offices would be closed on September 6, 2021 in observance of Labor Day.	BARKER
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields said that he recently had meetings with the City of Groveland, including the Groveland Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA).	SHIELDS
APPROVED	Tab 37. Recommend approval to provide Hands of Hope a letter of support for their grant application.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Shields stated that some of the boards he was involved with had members who had been on the boards for many years. He asked if the BCC had ever discussed term limits, and if they ever reviewed the makeup of the boards.	SHIELDS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith commented that he had attended a Library Advisory Board meeting in the previous week. He noted that there were some exciting	SMITH

	things and good work going on in the libraries.	
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith remarked that the Citrus Label Tour began on the previous day and that he had visited the Cities of Umatilla and Eustis. He mentioned that he would be in the City of Tavares at 1:30 p.m. on the current day for the dedication at the train depot, along with a 2:30 p.m. dedication at the Lake County Historic Courthouse. He invited everyone to attend and learn about this history.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith mentioned that there was a group of bicycle riders comprised of firefighters, police officers and first responders who were riding their bicycles from the City of Naples to New York City, New York in remembrance of 9/11. He added that they had stayed at the Eustis Elks Lodge and that he was excited to be a part of this.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Campione stated that on September 2, 2021 at 9:00 a.m., there would be a ribbon cutting for the Neighborhood Lakes Trailhead. She explained that it was the cornerstone of the Wekiva Trail system, and she encouraged the BCC to visit the trail. She mentioned that it currently went 2.8 miles south to the Orange County line, and they hoped that they could have many of their counterparts at the ceremony. She expressed interest in building momentum in Orange County to complete that segment, noting that one would potentially be able to leave this trailhead and travel to the South Lake Trail. She thought that it would be a great event to bring the region together and highlight to residents that it was open and available.	CAMPIONE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Blake requested an update from Ms. Melanie Marsh, County Attorney, and Ms. Jennifer Barker, Deputy County Manager, on the removal of unauthorized surveillance infrastructure on county roads.	BLAKE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks displayed a map related to Johns Lake in South Lake, commenting that the County had a boat ramp near the Lake-Orange County line near State Road (50). He mentioned that there was a group of property owners that lived in both Orange and Lake Counties around Johns Lake who could be affected by issues of the lake flooding. He said that they were asking to have some coordination between Lake County, Orange County and property owners in the area. He stated that there was a historic canal dug from Johns Lake to Lake Apopka, noting that it affected water levels within Johns Lake. He relayed his understanding that certain portions of the canal were impaired or blocked, and there were issues with getting access to repair the blockages. He asked if the Board was amicable with having County staff work with Orange County to discuss this, noting that anything with a fiscal impact would be brought back to the BCC for their approval.	PARKS

DISCUSSION	Tab 38. Discussion on rural land protection and Joint Planning Agreements (JPA).	PARKS
APPROVED	Tab 35. Request: 1. Acceptance of Mr. Rosen's resignation as a termination without cause; 2. Approval of an On-Call Consulting Agreement with Alan Rosen; 3. Appointment of Interim County Manager with associated salary. The estimated fiscal impact is \$125,158.07 (expenditure).	PARKS