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City park won't be sold



A downtown Jasper storefront with a message to McDonalds. - Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

Council votes to never sell park

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As promised at a recent town hall meeting, a decision has been made by the Jasper City Council that the city park in downtown Jasper will not be sold. Not now. Not ever.

On the corner of SE 1st Avenue and Hatley Street in downtown Jasper, the message plastered across a storefront's windows was loud, clear and directly to the point: "SAVE OUR PARK; MICKEY D LEAVE OUR

PARK ALONE." The city park sits directly across the street from this storefront.

For weeks the issue of whether or not the city of Jasper should or should not sell the city park has been on everyone's mind. Many citizens and longtime residents of Jasper joined together in efforts to put a stop to the subject once and for all.

At a town hall meeting just weeks ago, the majority of the folks in the packed auditorium vehemently voiced their objec-

tions to the City Council's suggestion that the park be sold so that a McDonald's restaurant could be built. Many in the audience that night pleaded with council members not to sell the park. It meant too much to them and its history ran long and deep. That night, the issue was tabled until Monday evening's council meeting at City Hall.

A leasing company had expressed interest in buying the city park land in order that a

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SCHOOL BOARD

Weighing the options at Central

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At a school board workshop on Monday, Sept. 12, the subject was Central Hamilton Elementary (CHE), which is now in its second year of intervention by the Florida Department of Education (DOE).

"We have to plan, right now, before Nov. 1, in the event Central Hamilton does not exit the intervene status," Superintendent of Schools Martha Butler told the board. "This is our second year in intervene."

A plan has to be submitted to the state by Nov. 1 in case the school's letter grade does not make it up to at least a C, as well as improve their AYP, Adequate Yearly Progress. CES has been an F school for the last two years.

"I have full confidence that we can do that at Central this year, but even though I'm confident we can do it, I know that we have to adopt a plan," said Butler.

There are three choices, Butler told the board. One is to reassign the students and monitor progress, which would entail dividing the students between North and South. Another choice, which she said was too late to consider because of the timeline involved, was to turn CHE into a charter school. The third choice, she said, was to contract through a private company to run the school.

Butler said a school in Jefferson County took the third option and it cost them \$220,000 for one year, which is being paid for out of a school improvement fund, however, the following year those funds won't be available.

CHE Assistant Principal Brenda Gaddy was asked to speak to the board and present the action plan that CHE has drawn up to bring the school out of intervention.

Gaddy said many changes have been made at CHE for the 2011-12 school year. Putting more emphasis on reading and math were just two of the changes that have been implemented.

"Writing is our strength already at Central," said Gaddy. "We want to continue to build on

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Jasper PD updates council on local crimes

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Jasper Police Chief Jeffrey McGuire gave a statistical update on police calls to date for the year 2011 at the Jasper City Council meeting held Monday, Sept. 12.

McGuire told the council that the police department responded to 11 residential burglaries, mostly along the Chan Bridge and Shady Oaks area, 19 thefts, 13 batteries, seven traffic crashes and one robbery.

"Most recently on Sept. 1, 2011 at 1204 NW 3rd Street, there was a burglary," McGuire said. "As a result of that, we arrested three black males and recovered property from this burglary, as well as previous burglaries within the city. We're still working on connecting the dots between the burglaries on Chan Bridge and Shady Oaks, but we believe these three were responsible for all these burglaries."

Since Sept. 1 and since the arrest of the three, McGuire said there have been no other burglaries within the city.

On Martin Luther King Drive, near the city garage, there was a battery incident where a suspect struck a man in the face with a beer bottle, which the victim stated was unprovoked. That investigation, McGuire said, is still ongoing.

The most recent call was for a suspicious person in front of Munchies who was carrying a concealed firearm. When uni-



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Registration for H.O.P.E. After School Program



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Registration is currently underway in White Springs for the H.O.P.E. After School Program.

"We have some program changes," announced White Springs Mayor Helen Miller. "Our new schedule is Monday through Friday, from 2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m."

Fridays were recently added to the schedule, noted Councilwoman Tonja Brown, chair of the H.O.P.E. committee.

"The program and its services are here to meet the needs of our community," said Brown.

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H.O.P.E. registration: Standing from left: teachers Dia Green, Louis Daniels, Coretta Udell-Ford, Wanda Udell and grandparent Teddy Bear Marshall. Seated from left: Alexis Winters, Da'Niya Winters, grandparent Deedee McMillan, Ayanna Newsome, and Azaria Thompkins. - Submitted photo

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McDonald's restaurant could be built in its place. It was discovered, however, that the park was not solely owned by the city. The county owned half of it. It was also discovered that if the park was sold, then grant monies the city had received in prior years to upgrade the park would have to be repaid. Additionally, it was made public by Councilwoman Elaine Rozier that there was no guarantee that McDonald's would be the one to build on the site because the sale would have had to go out for bid.

At Monday night's council meeting, a packed house anxiously awaited the official decision. Chairperson LaBarfield Bryant, of district 1, suggested putting it to a referendum vote to let the people decide which way they wanted it to go. Local residents in attendance were allowed to speak once more and they all reiterated their objections to the sale of the park, only this time with a bit more gusto, and they demanded that a decision be made immediately and not drawn out by putting it in a referendum, as suggested by Councilman Bryant.

Robert Wilkinson spoke first and made an analogy.

"The first thing you have to do when you're an alcoholic is to admit you're an alcoholic," he said. "In Jasper, Jennings and White Springs, we're sadly like a plethora of towns all over the United States, made that way by the Eisenhower interstate system. What we are in Jasper is a bedroom

community and that's what you people and the county commissioners have to admit like an alcoholic, that we are a bedroom community."

He stressed that there are many empty storefronts in downtown Jasper. Many in Jasper, he said, are on fixed incomes and they retired there to live out their lives in peace.

Kitty Morgan stepped up to the podium next.

"You can say I'm deadily opposed to that park ever being sold," she firmly stated. "That is the only asset Jasper, Florida has."

She said that is the reason everybody wants to buy it and she told them about a park in Atlanta at Georgia State University that draws a steady stream of visitors because it is kept up so well.

"We need to make that park a showplace," Morgan told the board. "I see no reason for this to be put off to a referendum. You got a majority vote at the public hearing by the taxpayers and the citizens of this county. You just need to vote it."

Next up was Sarah Higginbotham, who was also at the town hall public hearing on Aug. 22.

Her first comments were about something that was said by a person at that public hearing that she thought may have been racially motivated. Rozier later assured her that was not the case.

"Certainly the council does not condone racial comments or actions," Rozier said.

Although Higginbotham agreed that the park was an asset to the city, she also stated that the residents of Jasper need jobs. She suggest-

ed that the park could be relocated elsewhere.

Another resident repeated the fact that the majority of the citizens of Jasper have already told the board that they do not want to sell the park.

One after the next, citizens approached the podium to express their objections to the sale of the park and everyone in the audience repeatedly said that the council had promised to make a decision one way or the other at this meeting.

"That is why you were elected," Lamar Royals said to the board. "To make those hard decisions."

Royals said there have been 19 fundraisers and at least 34 birthday parties at the park, both black and white this year alone. He urged everyone to move away from the black and white issues and instead unite and become one unity. His remarks were met with applause.

The persistence of the citizens of Jasper paid off in the end when the council asked all those in attendance for a show of hands for and against selling the park. It was almost a unanimous show of hands for not selling.

After a bit more discussion among council members a motion was made, seconded and approved to not sell the park now or forever, for any purpose, or to anyone, which drew loud applause and sighs of relief from those in attendance. Rozier then challenged everyone to come up with ideas to make the city park a showplace for the city of Jasper and to attend future meetings to voice their opinions.



A packed City Hall awaiting a decision on the sale of the city park. - Photo: Joyce Marie Taylor

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that."

Gaddy also said that the tutors they had last year were really helpful and they have already brought them on board, unlike last year when they waited until after Christmas.

AYP, Gaddy said, was explained in detail to all the teachers and staff at CHE and she felt as if there was a new boost of enthusiasm and excitement among them.

In-school detention has also been implemented in full force at CHE this year.

"When we put them there, they are learning that it's a whole lot better to be in class and they're only going to get in class by maintaining those high expectations," Gaddy said.

She said they are learning that they do not disrupt the instruction of the other students. She also said they are all about rewarding their students for positive behavior.

Gaddy said they have additional help this year and that more professional development for the teachers is being planned.

"It's really nice to hear teachers are happy and pleased with what's happening," Gaddy said. "And the parents being onboard, it's a huge, huge thing, I believe."

The parents, she said, are excited about it and extremely supportive, even when she has to call them for discipline issues. Gaddy said the school has made a good turnaround and is headed in the right direction.

The board then discussed the logistics and costs of reassigning students, should it become necessary, including moving modular classrooms to different locations, as well as bussing issues. Concerns about the lifespan of both North and South Elementary, as far as structural integrity, as well as HVAC issues at Central were also discussed.

Should the board ever decide to build a new elementary school, Butler said it would be a three year process, so for the

time being, that was not an option.

After all was said and done, it was agreed by the board members to draw up a plan to reassign CHE students to NHE and SHE, should it become necessary after this school year, in order to comply with the rulings of the DOE, who requires this paperwork for schools in their second year of intervention.

"I want to go on record as saying that if anybody goes out of here and says this is a step toward consolidation, it is not," stated Butler.

It is a plan that is mandated by the DOE, Butler said, and it is something she wants to make sure they are ready for should they have to exercise it. Butler also reiterated that she has full confidence that with the recent changes at CHE they will bring up their grade and not have to deal with the consequences.

Registration for H.O.P.E. After School Program

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The after school program will continue at the H.O.P.E. Center, located at 17025 Sunrise Drive in White Springs. Feedback from students, parents and teachers about last year's after school and summer programs was very positive. The H.O.P.E. after school program was a significant factor in South Hamilton Elementary's improvement to an "A" grade from the Department of Education for the 2010-11 school year, school offi-

cial said.

The White Springs 2010-11 H.O.P.E. after school program was funded by a DOE Mentoring and Student Assistance Initiatives program grant, available for only one year. The Town's recent application for DOE 21st CCLC program funding was not approved. Only 28 grants were awarded by DOE, which received over 130 applications statewide.

"While disappointed we did not receive the 21st CCLC grant, we felt compelled to continue

the program for our community's youth," stated Miller. "Over the Labor Day weekend we contacted our local partners, our teachers and community volunteers, and adjusted our funding model. Our teachers have generously agreed to volunteer their services, along with the rest of the local mentors. In order to pay for the rent, utilities and supplies, we are suggesting a contribution of \$25 per week per family. In lieu of payment, we are requesting three (3) volunteer hours

per week from each family. We will also hold some fundraisers in the community, and seek donations for this very worthy initiative," explained Miller.

Parents may register their children for the H.O.P.E. after school program at Town Hall, 386-397-2310 (8 a.m. to 12 noon), or at the H.O.P.E. Center, 386-397-1333 (2:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.).

"We look forward to welcoming back all our H.O.P.E. after school students for the fall semester," concluded Brown.

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formed officers arrived on the scene, the suspect immediately fled, according to McGuire.

"The suspect was apprehended after a short chase and was arrested and charged with carrying a concealed firearm, and a firearm by a convicted felon, and possession of cocaine and marijuana," said McGuire.

Mayor Ann Lessman advised McGuire that thefts in the neighborhood were getting worse and she

asked for more police presence.

McGuire said most of the thefts are thefts of opportunity where people leave items in their yards unattended. He also said copper thefts have been rampant lately.

Chairperson LaBarfield Bryant asked McGuire to be more diligent with catching speeders along Martin Luther King Drive and McGuire said he would.

The board had no more questions or comments for McGuire.

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Life in WHITE SPRINGS

By Walter McKenzie

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I first came to White Springs for the music. I don't remember the date but it was when they used to have a bluegrass festival at the Stephen Foster Park, probably in the late 70's. I was living in

Jacksonville at the time and my brother Marshall had recently come to live in Florida. When he came, he brought with him his love for bluegrass and old time music. It was highly contagious and I immediately caught the bluegrass fever and blistered my fingers learning to play the spoons. There were a lot of festivals then and a lot of young bluegrass bands. Single in those days, Marshall and Archer and I went to a lot of festivals and The Front Porch String Band soon became our favorite bluegrass group. We heard them play right here in the park at White Springs and many other places over a period of a few years. One day, a young man named Terry Campbell joined up with them, lived up to their high standards of musicianship, and won our approval as "the new guy" in the band.

I see connections everywhere. If my brother Marshall had not changed my taste in music to the Americana, folk, roots music that I love so much now, I might never have gone to music festivals and might never have heard Terry Campbell sing and I might never have grown a musical passion strong enough to volunteer to produce the White Springs Folk Club. Years have gone by, The Front Porch String Band is no more, and I haven't traveled to a bluegrass festival in years, but Terry Campbell is coming back to White Springs this Sat-

urday as part of Larry Campbell's "Songwriter Circle" season opener for the Folk Club. His tenor voice can range from joyful to playful to haunting and his musical skills have only improved over the years. Larry Campbell is no stranger to these parts and his stage presence is like a warm hug for the whole audience. Mindy Simmons is, well I once heard her described as Carol Burnett meets Peggy Lee, but she's a whole lot more than that and a lot younger than either one of them too! It's the Folk Club's eighth season at the Telford this Saturday at 7:30 PM. If you've never been you ought to. Call 269-0056 for reservations. And if you show up, say hello to my brother Marshall, he's the one who got it all started for me, so many years ago.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing of Dottie Price's mom, Frances Deason. Frances was ninety eight but was young and feisty in spirit for at least ninety seven of those years. She lived here in White Springs with Dottie for a spell. She was always glad to see you and always had a story to tell and a smile to share and perhaps a piece of advice to share from time to time as well. Her enthusiasm for life and her love of family were legendary and her near century upon this earth has made it a better place for all of us who knew her. We will miss you Frances.

Beulah Baptist members will be raising funds and fun at the Suwannee hardware store Swap Meet, this Saturday, September 17th. They will be cooking and selling hot dogs, ribs, barbecued chicken and fish sandwiches from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.--

Yvonne Bryant enjoyed seeing her nieces and nephews, who visited for Labor Day. They came from Jacksonville, and had a great time visiting "Aunt Yvonne".

I'm proud to live in White Springs, where we often have to struggle but most of us do it with a smile on our face. I hope to see you out and about, enjoying life in White Springs and I would love to hear from you too.

Walter McKenzie

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CORRECTION:

Taylor Pittman attended Florida Girls State at Florida State University, Tallahassee, July 8-16. She was sponsored by Bryant-Phillips American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 215 and supported by the Kiwanis Club of Jasper.



Burnham Christian Church Homecoming and Revival

Burnham Christian Church would like to invite everyone to Homecoming and Revival, September 18-21, with guest speaker Robin Sigars. Homecoming will be Sunday morning, September 18, at 11 a.m., followed by a covered dish dinner.

Evening services, Sunday through Wednesday, (Sept. 18-21) will begin at 7 p.m. There will be special music each night.

The church is located at 4520 NW CR 146, Jennings. For more information call 938-1265 or 938-4835.

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Gainesville called Hope Lodge, R.O.C.K. Camp, a place for children to attend and meet other children like themselves and much more.

To learn more about Relay For Life of Hamilton County attend our next meeting on Monday, September 19, 2011 at 5:30 pm in the Council On Aging Building (behind Bank of America, Jasper).

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- Live Oak Hearing:** Specific notice is provided to the County Commissions for Hamilton, Lafayette, Madison, Suwannee and Taylor counties serving as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for their respective counties.
DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 6, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.
PLACE: Live Oak Passenger Depot
210 N. Ohio Avenue, Live Oak, FL
- Lake City Hearing:** Specific notice is provided to the Gainesville Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization (MTPO) and the County Commissions for Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy and Union counties serving as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for their respective counties.
DATE AND TIME: Monday, October 10, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.
PLACE: FDOT District Two Office, Madison Room
1109 South Marion Ave., Lake City, FL
- Jacksonville Hearing:** Specific notice is provided to the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), the Jacksonville City Council and the County Commissions for Baker, Clay, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns counties serving as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for their respective counties.
DATE AND TIME: Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.
PLACE: FDOT Jacksonville Urban Office, Training Facility
2198 Edison Avenue, Jacksonville, FL

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or family status. Persons who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Mr. Bill Henderson, District Planning & Environmental Manager, Lake City District Office at 1-800-749-2967 at least seven (7) days in advance of the Public Hearings.

Written comments from the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's), County Commissions and other interested parties will be received by the Department at the Public Hearings and up to October 28, 2011 following the hearing. Comments should be addressed to:

Mr. Alan R. Mosley, P.E., District Two Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation, District Two
1109 South Marion Ave. Mail Station 2000
Lake City, FL 32025-5874
Telephone 1-800-749-2967

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OPINION

Too much higher education

Too much of anything is just as much a misallocation of resources as it is too little, and that applies to higher education just as it applies to everything else. A recent study from The Center for College Affordability and Productivity titled "From Wall Street to Wal-Mart," by Richard Vedder, Christopher Denhart, Matthew Denhart, Christopher Matgouranis and Jonathan Robe, explains that college education for many is a waste of time and money. More than one-third of currently working college graduates are in jobs that do not require a degree. An essay by Vedder that complements the CCAP study reports that there are "one-third of a million waiters and waitresses with college degrees." The study says Vedder -- distinguished professor of economics at Ohio University, an adjunct scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and director of CCAP -- "was startled a year ago when the person he hired to cut down a tree had a master's degree in

history, the fellow who fixed his furnace was a mathematics graduate, and, more recently, a TSA airport inspector (whose job it was to ensure that we took our shoes off while going through security) was a recent college graduate."

The nation's college problem is far deeper than the fact that people simply are overqualified for particular jobs. Citing the research of AEI scholar Charles Murray's book "Real Education" (2008), Vedder says: "The number going to college exceeds the number capable of mastering higher levels of intellectual inquiry. This leads colleges to alter their mission, watering down the intellectual content of what they do." In other words, colleges dumb down courses so that the students



A MINORITY VIEW
BY WALTER WILLIAMS

Understanding" or William Shakespeare's "King Lear." These works are "insightful in many ways," he says, but a person of average intelligence "typically lacks both the motivation and ability to

do so." Mastering complex forms of mathematics is challenging but necessary to develop rigorous thinking and is critical in some areas of science and engineering.

Richard Arum and Josipa Roksa, authors of "Academically Adrift: Limited Learning on College Campuses" (2011), report on their analysis of more than 2,300 undergraduates at 24 institutions. Forty-five percent of these students demonstrated no significant improvement in a range of skills -- including critical thinking, complex reasoning and writing -- during their first two years of college. According to an August 2006 issue brief by the Alliance for Excellent Education, student "lack of preparation is also apparent in multiple subject areas; of college freshmen taking remedial courses, 35 percent were enrolled in math, 23 percent in writing, and 20 percent in reading." Declining college admissions standards have contributed to the deterioration of the academic quality of our secondary schools. Colleges show high schools that they do

not have to teach much in order for youngsters to be admitted.

According to Education Next, an August Harvard University study titled "Globally Challenged: Are U.S. Students Ready to Compete?" found that only 32 percent of U.S. students achieved proficiency in math, compared with "75 percent of students in Shanghai, 58 percent in Korea, and 56 percent in Finland. Countries in which a majority -- or near majority -- of students performed at or above the proficiency level in math include Switzerland, Japan, Canada, and the Netherlands." Results from the 2009 Programme for International Student Assessment international test show that U.S. students rank 32nd among industrialized nations in proficiency in math and 17th in reading.

Much of American education is in shambles. Part of a solution is for colleges to refuse to admit students who are unprepared to do real college work. That would help to reveal the shoddy education provided at the primary and secondary school levels. Here I'm whistling "Dixie," because college administrators are more interested in numbers of students, which equal more money.

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Florida encourages farmers and ranchers to submit applications now for several conservation programs. These programs may help eligible participants pay for conservation practices to prevent soil erosion, improve water quality, restore wetlands and provide habitat for wildlife. Participation in all programs is voluntary. Although applications are accepted on a continuous basis, Florida NRCS has established a cut-off date for October 31, 2011 for the acceptance of applications for the 2012 program year for the following programs:

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is a conservation program that provides financial and technical assistance to farmers and ranchers who face threats to soil, water, air, and related natural resources on their land. Through EQIP, NRCS develops contracts with agricultural producers to voluntarily implement conservation practices to address natural resource problems. Persons engaged in livestock or agricultural production and owners of non-industrial private forestland are eligible for the program.

Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) helps with developing or improving high quality habitat that sup-

ports fish and wildlife populations of National, State, Tribal, and local significance. Through WHIP, the NRCS provides technical and financial assistance to private and Tribal landowners for the development of upland, wetland, aquatic, and other types of wildlife habitat.

Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP) provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners and Tribes to restore, protect, and enhance wetlands in exchange for retiring eligible land from agriculture.

Grassland Reserve Program (GRP) is a program for landowners and oper-

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The City of Jasper has tentatively
Adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:

- A. Initially proposed tax levy..... \$ 298,274
- B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes..... \$ (860)
- C. Actual property tax levy..... \$ 299,134

This year's proposed tax levy..... \$ 334,822

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a Public Hearing on the tax increase to be held on
Date: Monday, September 19, 2011
Time: 6 P.M.
Place: City Council Chambers, City Hall,
208 West Hatley Street,
Town: Jasper, Florida 32052.

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and budget will be made at this hearing.

BUDGET SUMMARY
THE CITY OF JASPER
FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF JASPER ARE 8.3% LESS THAN LAST YEARS TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

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Mills

Estimated Receipts

Operating Cash Reserve.....	\$ 1,120,286
Restricted Cash Reserve.....	\$ 314,673
Current Ad Valorem Taxes-Real And Personal Property.....	\$ 318,080
General Fund.....	\$ 1,435,112
Sanitation/Refuse Collection Fund.....	\$ 424,200
Water/Sewer/Utility Fund.....	\$ 1,459,500
Gas Operation Fund.....	\$ 653,410
Water/Sewer Impact Fee Fund.....	\$ 93,000
DCA CDBG NR Grant.....	\$ 600,000
FDEP Grant.....	\$ 1,040,000
DCA CDBG ED Grants.....	\$ 600,000
Total Receipts all Funds.....	\$ 8,058,261
Less Transfers of Funds.....	\$ 775,494
Total Receipts.....	\$7,282,767

Estimated Expenditures/Expenses

General Fund.....	\$ 1,753,192
Sanitation/Refuse Collection Fund.....	\$ 518,451
Water/Sewer/Utility Fund.....	\$ 2,528,724
Gas Operation Fund.....	\$ 924,894
Water/Sewer Impact Fee Fund.....	\$ 93,000
DCA CDBG NR Grant.....	\$ 600,000
FDEP Grant.....	\$ 1,040,000
DCA CDBG ED Grants.....	\$ 600,000
Total Appropriated Expenditures/Expenses.....	\$ 8,058,261
Less Transfers of Funds.....	\$ 775,494
Total Expenditures/Expenses.....	\$7,282,767

The Tentative, Adopted, and/or Final Budgets are on file in the office of the above referenced taxing authority as a Public Record.

Obituaries

Sarah Taylor Beaty

Sarah Taylor Beaty, age 88, Jennings, FL., passed away Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at Haven Hospice in Lake City, FL. following an illness of some time. Sarah was born October 29, 1922 to the late John Lewis Taylor and Mary Esther Collins Taylor. She was the school secretary at North Hamilton Elementary in Jennings for a number of years. Following her retirement from the school system she worked in retail sales. Mrs. Beaty was a member of Bethel Primitive Baptist Church in Jennings.

Survivors include two sons, Gerald Beaty (Earlene) and Christy Beaty; two daughters, Rhonda Smith (C.L.) and Candice Snipes (Billy); one brother, Ed Taylor (Grace); all of Jennings, FL.; 7 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and 9 great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 23, 2011 at Bethel Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Don Gilbert officiating. Interment followed at Saspers Landing Cemetery.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Richard Cunningham

Dr. Richard Wayne Cunningham of Gainesville, Florida, passed away Monday, August 29, 2011 at Haven Hospice surrounded by his family and friends.

He is survived by his loving wife Pat who was also his caregiver through his many illnesses and life long friend of 46 years., his 4 daughters, 1 step-daughter and 3 sons-in-law, Cyndi Kirts of Gainesville, Lisa Wall (Willie) of Deltona, Eleanor Pojer (Raul) of Madrid Spain, Debbie Cunningham Blair (Johnny) of Madison, Donna Kaye Miller (Andy) of Denver, Co. and three granddaughters, Michelle and Nicole Pojer and Meghan Kirts, and his sister and brother-in-law Hilda and Russell Alderman of Jennings, Florida, and many nieces and nephews.

Richard Wayne Cunningham was born on the family farm in

Hamilton County, Florida on December 15, 1933. He graduated from Jennings High School where he lettered in football, basketball, baseball, and was Valedictorian of his class. He worked on the family farm and at the age of 15 he leased and operated a farm himself.

He attended the University of Florida and graduated with honors with a Bachelor's Degree in Science in 1958. He was active in the student government and his fraternity, Sigma Chi as well as working at several jobs to help pay his way through school.

He spent 2 years on active duty in the United States Navy serving during the Korean conflict.

He graduated from the University of Florida, School of Medicine in 1962, followed by his Internship, and Residency in Internal Medicine as well as a year of Neurology Fellowship there.

Dr. Cunningham then joined Dr. John Andrews in private practice in Gainesville in 1966. Together they established the highly successful and respected Gainesville Medical Group. They were also instrumental in attracting Hospital Corporation of America to build North Florida Regional Hospital in 1973. Dr. Cunningham then served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for 15 years and the entrance to North Florida Regional Medical Center and Physicians Office park was renamed Cunningham Drive in his honor. He also served 9 years on the Board of Governors of Hospital Corporation of America.

He was a member of the American Medical Association, Florida Medical Association, Alachua County Medical Association and the American College of

Physicians.

Dr. Cunningham also served the community in a number of non-medical capacities. Those included Santa Fe College Board of Trustees, Sun Bank Board of Directors, University of Florida Foundation Board, Director of the Gainesville Chamber of Commerce and the Advisory Board of the Performing Arts Center, a Bull Gator as well as a member of the Quarterback Club and a lifetime member of the Florida Blue Honor Fraternity.

He loved the outdoors and went on a number of memorable hunting and fishing trips with close friends and family to Alaska, Canada, Mexico, Argentina, Costa Rica, South Dakota, Arkansas and the Amazon River.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Luna Cunningham and his sisters, Bonnie Shedrick and Mary Martha Lambert.

Dr. Cunningham's final arrangements were handled by the Neptune Society Crematorium. A memorial service will be held on September 18, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. at Santa Fe Community College Art Hall.

Lucile Cason Hester

Lucile Cason Hester, age 84, of Jasper, FL. passed away Wednesday, August 24, 2011. Lucile was born in Hamilton County (Genoa) on September 19, 1926 to the late Alexander and Mildred Johnson Cason. She was a homemaker and was a member of

Calvary Baptist Church. Mrs. Hester was preceded in death by her husband, Eston D. Hester in 1999.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Florine and Clinton Combass of Jasper, FL. and Inez and Jerry Carter of Buford, GA.; four grandchildren, Dorell and Darren Combass and Ginger Duren and Chris Blackwell; six great grandchildren, Brooke Duren, Mackenzie Combass, Zachary Combass, Mya Blackwell, Alena Combass and Jackson Blackwell.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 27, 2011 in the chapel of Harry T. Reid Funeral Home with Dr. Fritz Fountain and Rev. Thomas Bankston officiating.

Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Edward McDonald

Edward McDonald, age 81, of Jennings, FL. passed away Saturday, September 10, 2011 at South Georgia Medical Center in Valdosta, GA following an illness of some time. Mr. McDonald was a native of Jennings, FL. born on March 5, 1930 to the late Wesley and Bessie Mae Pittman McDonald. He served his country in the United States Navy before settling into a career in cosmetology. He was past president of the Florida Cosmetology Association. He was a long-time resident of the

Lakeland, FL. area where he operated a cosmetology school. Following his retirement, he returned to his childhood roots in Hamilton County. He was active at the First Baptist Church in Lake Park, GA. where he enjoyed singing in the choir.

Survivors include his sister, Gladys Prine, Jennings; nephews, John B. Prine and Robert W. Prine (Karen); nieces, Donna Perry (Dave), Debra Boyd (Larry) and Rebecca McEnany (Blake); numerous great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews; one uncle, James F. Pittman also survives.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Sept. 13, 2011 at Jennings Missionary Baptist Church in Jennings, FL. Interment followed at Saspers Landing Cemetery in Jennings.

Memorial contributions may be made to: First Baptist Church, 116 N. Gordon St. Lake Park, GA 31636.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home, Jasper, FL. is in charge of arrangements.

Ms. Sheilah M. Waters

Ms. Sheilah M. Waters, age 76, of Jasper,

FL. passed away Thursday, September 8, 2011 at Lake City Medical Center in Jasper. Ms. Waters was born in Aurora, Illinois to the late William and Lois Peters Snyder. She was a longtime resident of Miami, FL. and the Naples, FL. area. In 1988 she moved to Hamilton County. She operated her own commercial housekeeping service and worked at the local nursing home. Ms. Waters was preceded in death by a son, Keith Kegley, two brothers, Dwight and Dennis, and a sister, Bondelyn.

Survivors include two sons, Michael Kegley (Marsha) and Douglas Kegley (Madeline) of Miami, FL.; two daughters, Wanda Kegley Cribbs (James) and Melinda Padgett (Levi), Jasper, FL.; nine sisters, Wyette, Lollene, Cheryll, Melanie, Kathe, Karen, Alana, Jerrilyn and Deborah; fourteen grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Friday, September 9, 2011 at Harry T. Reid Funeral Home with Mr. Waylon Bush officiating.

Harry T. Reid Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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Church & Family Go Together

ADVENT CHRISTIAN	BAPTIST (Southern)	METHODIST	PRESBYTERIAN
FIRST ADVENT CHRISTIAN N.W. 15th Avenue Jasper Rev. Wayne Sullivan Sunday Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m. 644208-F	FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH "Where Friends become Family" 207 N.E. 2nd Street, Jasper 792-2658 Pastor: Roger Hutto Sunday Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m. Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m. 644208-F	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 405 Central Ave., Jasper, FL Pastor - Dale Ames Phone - 386-792-1122 Sunday Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m. Bible Study.....4:45 p.m. Choir Practice.....6:00 p.m. Family Night Dinner 3rd Wednesday Clothes Closet 4th Saturday 1-5pm 644232-F	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 204 N.W. 3rd Avenue, Jasper, 792-2258 Pastor: Alexandria Hedrick SUNDAY Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Worship Service.....11:00 a.m. WEDNESDAY Prayer in Fellowship Hall.....9:00 a.m. Choir Practice.....7:00 p.m. 644251-F
BAPTIST (Southern) NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH SR 6 West, 6592 NW 48th St., Jennings, FL 32053 838-5611 Pastor: Jeff Cordero Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship, Youth Happening, RA's, GA's.....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Supper.....6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Discipleship class for adults, Youth activities, Children's Choirs.....6:30 p.m. Van pick-up upon request 644209-F	CATHOLIC CHURCH ST. TERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH Three miles north of Jasper U.S. 41 P.O. Box 890, Jasper, FL 32052 Rectory U.S. 90 E., Live Oak, FL (386) 364-1108 Saturday MASS 4:00 p.m. 644211-F	NON-DENOMINATIONAL BURNHAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH 4520 NW CR 146, Jennings, FL 32053 938-1265 Pastor: Johnny Brown Sunday Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Evening Service.....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Kids' Program.....6:15 p.m. 644236-F	CHURCH OF CHRIST CHURCH OF CHRIST N.W. 3rd St., Jasper Bldg.: 792-2277 Sunday Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Morning Worship.....10:30 a.m. Evening Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening.....6:00 p.m. 644212-F

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Norris Notes

By Lillian Norris

Good Morning! We have all just experienced a week of special memories, no way to classify them, we have grieved with those who lost loved ones, and the loss of memories and the sense of safety, concerned about the current safety of our country, and our world, and our prayers for the future.

Share your memories if you would like to do so. I remember as clearly as if it were yesterday, we were still receiving a daily paper at our homes, after I got the paper and sat down to breakfast, usually turn on TV but for some reason had not done so that morning, when I received a telephone call from Marybeth, asking if I had on the TV and as she was talking we saw a plane hit, and she told me that was another plane had hit the second tower, almost unbelievable, wishing it were just a film.

Through this past weekend we have seen replays, watched the television, remembering the sacrifices and heroics of 9/11 and grieved with the families, although we cannot even imagine imagine the grief and horror they have experienced.

We hear these memories repeated, and through the weekend it kept coming into mind of Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address that we had to memo-

rize when I was in school, these words "we can never forget what they did here" remembering the sacrifices and heroics of 9/11, As those of you who know me already know how much I love to read the the Gettysburg Address reminds me of one of my favorite books, "A PATRIOT'S HANDBOOK " Songs, Poems, Stories, and Speeches Celebrating the Land We Love" Selected and Introduced by Caroline Kennedy, they probably have it at the library, but it is a book that I have to keep, in other words "It's a Keeper," I do refer to it often, it is thick but has all of the historic speeches and events, as I looked at it this week, I read what I had written on the fly leaf years ago, "This book is the property of Lillian Jones Norris, for use in reading, study, pleasure and remembering" how I wish the 9/11 could be added.

Ben and I attended service at a Baptist Church in SC where we had gone to help celebrate the 90th birthday of Wade's only living sister, the service was beautiful, with the message and patriotic music. We were sorry to miss our local Church service but were glad to be able to worship with other family members also. It was a quick weekend, drove to Walatlerboro SC Sat night, spent the night there, attended church service, then to Mary's for a pickup lunch, back to Church for the reception, and then home just realized how much territory and fellowship we covered in that 24 hours. It was wonderful to be with

members of the Norris family, from Mary (she is the only living one except for Wade's brother, John in Lake City (he and his son, Guy were there also) Mary had all of her children and their families, grandchildren and great grandchildren and it was a lively weekend, five children and their children and their grandchildren.

A visit with Cindy Eatmon is always so pleasant, she came by this morning after she left Hardees on her way home to get ready to go to Bass Hardware, she is always so up-beat and helps get my day started, she comes by every Tuesday morning to help get me started before I get to work on my column. She brought good news, more good food ahead. Dinner and Horse Show, sponsored by Hamilton County Riding Club (BORN TO RIDE) Competition Team getting ready for a trip to the State Championship Finals to be held in Venice Florida on October 1st. The dinner and Horse Show, sponsored by the Club, the cost is \$10, with a super super meal (where else could you get Prime Rib, seasoned potatoes, green beans, yeast roll, sweet tea and dessert for \$10.) and that also includes the beautiful show which will be put on by our own Hamilton County Riding Club, if you went last year we will not have to remind you and if you didn't we urge you to come out This will be Saturday October 1, 1911 at the Hamilton County Arena, I can hardly wait. We will be reminding you!

Have you seen the Suwannee Valley Nursing Center Cookbook? If not, when you do see it you will want one, some good Hamilton County recipes, familiar ones and new ones, all excellent cooks, you can get them, I am sure at SVNC, they will make wonderful gifts, it will soon be Christmas.

Just received a welcome call from Cindy Eatmon with great news, I am sure you, as well as many of us, have commented so much on the crepe myrtle trees along the roads, GOOD NEWS, the U of F had been doing research and they came up with a plan if you see small white flags along the route, the U of F will be putting out new trees along the route!! Cindy said that Alan Tyree has been the contact person with U of F, they have been looking into the right kind of crepe myrtle for this area, and marking the route and we can watach for them to be planting new ones. The old ones will be taken up by the Rec Park and planted out there. Also, UoF has been working with the City to instruct them in how to care for this particular kind of crepe myrtle that will be planted, hope you are as excited as I am about this, it will be beautiful to see this on the highways in and out of Jasper, I remember when they were first planted.

We are trying to encourage new ladies to get interested in Pink Ladies, we are all getting old-er and need some younger folks to help us re-activate, a

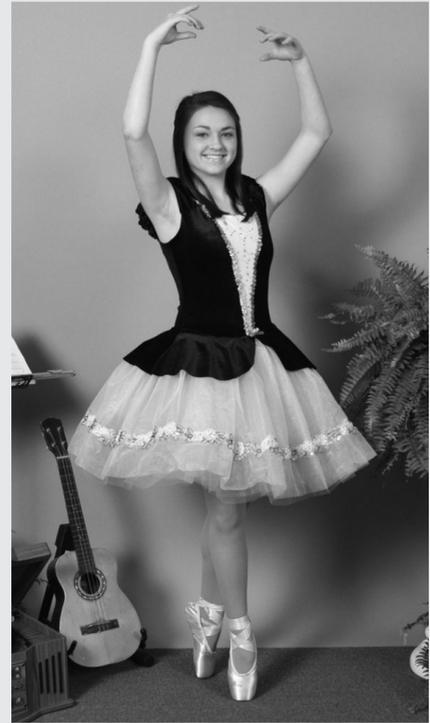
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Corbett - Goolsby Jr. wedding reminder

Christina Helen Corbett and Wade Goolsby Jr. would like to remind you of their upcoming wedding. The bride-to-be is the daughter of the late Denis Inez Wood of Live Oak, Florida. The groom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Goolsby Sr. of Jennings, Florida.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011 at the Goolsby Farm in Jennings, Florida.

Parks named dancer of the year!



Alexandria Parks was named the Dance Works 2011 Dancer of the Year during their annual spring recital, May 28th. "Lexi" has been dancing for 10 years studying Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, and Pointe. She has been a member of the Competition team for 4 years and is also a student assistant.

She is an excellent student and role model for the younger dancers!

Lexi is the 12 year old daughter of David and Amanda Parks, of Jennings. CONGRATULATIONS LEXI!!!

TOWN OF JENNINGS, FLORIDA BUDGET SUMMARY FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012

	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	TOTAL
ESTIMATED REVENUES			
TAXES MILLAGES			
Ad Valorem 1.43	\$23,120.00		\$23,120.00
Cash on Hand	115,000.00	\$35,300.00	150,300.00
Franchise Taxes	65,554.00	.00	65,554.00
Licenses & Permits	1,200.00	.00	1,200.00
Intergovernmental Revenue	90,680.00	\$34,654.00	125,334.00
Charges For Services	400.00	.00	400.00
Fines & Forfeiture	12,000.00	.00	12,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	42,050.00	27,000.00	69,050.00
Transfer - In	100.00	11,491.00	11,591.00
TOTAL REV. & FIN. SOURCES	\$350,104.00	\$84,145.00	\$434,249.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED REV. & BALANCES	\$350,104.00	\$84,145.00	\$434,249.00
ESTIMATES/EXPENSES			
General Governmental Services			
Services	\$236,403.00	.00	\$236,403.00
Public Safety	102,210.00	.00	102,210.00
Roads & Streets	.00	68,354.00	68,354.00
Capitol Improvements	.00	.00	.00
Transfer - Out	11,491.00	.00	11,491.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES	\$350,104.00	\$68,354.00	\$418,458.00
RESERVES	.00	15,791.00	15,791.00
TOTAL APP. EXPEND. AND RESERVES	\$350,104.00	\$84,145.00	\$434,249.00

The Tentative, Adopted and/or Final Budget are on file in the office of the above mentioned taxing authority as a public record.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The Town of Jennings has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

LAST YEAR'S PROPERTY TAX LEVY

- A. Initially proposed tax levy...\$17,743
- B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment Board and other assessment changes.....\$(10)
- C. Actual property levy.....\$17,753

This year's proposed tax levy \$23,120

All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax increase to be held on

DATE: Thursday, September 22, 2011
TIME: 6:00 PM
PLACE: Council Chambers
TOWN: Town of Jennings

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

Educational Awards Day at Greater Poplar Springs

The annual Educational Awards Day was held at Greater Poplar Springs Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday. It was a blessed day with the young people in charge. They were at their best and the worship experience was most inspirational.

Guest speaker, Attorney Curtis Mack from Atlanta, Georgia was here at the right time, in the right place with the right message. He shared his humble beginnings and his path to

what would become a lucrative career, cautioning the young people, "You have to have faith in a power that is greater than you. Keep the number and call prayer any time. However, along with prayer comes much work. Be energetic, outrun the lions for someone is always waiting to beat you. Get ahead of the crowd and prepare to make the long journey. If you get on the wrong road, it takes you twice as long to get there, if you get there. It

can start in a little place called Jasper with a little you to become a bigger you." The message was so motivational and there was something for everyone in the service.

Attorney thanked his classmate, Mrs. Mary Nell Bryant for having him come and be a part of the program and his family for being with him today.

Mrs. Bryant, Mrs. Jackie Houston and Ms. Paula G. Williams made the following presenta-

tions: The Brookins, G.A. Kaigler, Zanders Humanitarian Award - Rondell Simmons, The Cobbs, Lee, McIntosh Humanitarian Award - Rev. J.T. (Billy) Simon, The Cole, Mathis, Wright Humanitarian Award - Dec. Mathew Hawkins, Sr., The Jr. Humanitarian Award - Shaniah Lopez, The Jackson, Mizelle, Raymond Academic Award - D'Ondra Thomas, The C. Bryant, M.N. Bryant, E. Kaigler-

Williams Academic Award - Regina Carson, Congress Awards to Minister Keith Billington and Dec. Mathew Hawkins, Sr., The Deacons \$500.00 scholarships - Bria' Davis and Cameron Hawkins and The Evangelistic Awards to Ms. Charlotte Walls - 1st place, Ms. Paula G. Williams - 2nd place and Mrs. Mary Nell Bryant - 3rd place. Many of the young people received academic and

extracurricular awards and we are so proud of them.

Minister Pierce acknowledged a special plaque that will be placed in the women's Sunday School room in memory of Mrs. Mary Simon. Special remarks were extended by Mrs. Houston and Rev. Simon. They thanked all of the special guest for sharing with the church family on this great occasion.



And the awards ceremony begins.....



Another student proudly walks forward to receive his award.



Trophies are waiting to be handed out.



Family and friends applaud as each student receives their award.

Resource Concerns on your farm or ranch?

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ators to protect grazing uses and related conservation values by conserving grassland, including rangeland, pastureland, and certain other lands.

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) is

available on Tribal and private agricultural lands and non-industrial private forest land. CSP encourages producers to address resource concerns in a comprehensive manner by undertaking additional conservation activities: and improving, maintaining, and

managing existing conservation activities.

For more information on conservation assistance and cost share programs contact the Hamilton local NRCS field office at (386) 792-1105 ext. 3 or on the web at www.fl.nrcs.usda.gov/content/index.html

Norris notes

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small group meets monthly at SVNC, they provide our lunch. Do you have a loved one or friend, I am sure you know someone, who lives there, or even if you do not, you must know of the leisure it is for those who live there

to have a visit from someone. Try to see it in your heart to ask about the services of the Pink Ladies, if you do not know. The local organization here has been in effect for many years, at the hospital and SVNC, we hope to be able to better serve there, and if you have

any questions you may contact me or Emily Miller or Lenora Braswell.

Have a good week and be in touch. Love to hear from you.

Lillian Norris - norrislw@windstream.net
792-2151

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners has tentatively adopted a budget for Fiscal Year 2012.

A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on:

Tuesday, September 20, 2011
5:05 P.M.

At
Hamilton County Courthouse
Board Meeting Room (112)
207 NE 1st Street
Jasper, Florida

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HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BUDGET SUMMARY Fiscal Year 2011 - 2012

The Proposed Operating Budget Expenditures of the Hamilton County Board of County Commissioners are 6.89% Less Than Last Year's Total Operating Expenditures.

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Enterprise Funds	Total Budget
Cash Balance Brought Forward	\$ 4,513,276	\$ 2,002,341	\$ 797,137	\$ 7,312,754
Estimated Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Ad Valorem Taxes (Millage Per \$1,000=10.00)	6,714,604	-	-	6,714,604
Sales and Use Taxes	415,698	794,843	-	1,210,541
Licenses and Permits	62,176	-	-	62,176
Intergovernmental Revenue	2,760,856	2,445,614	70,588	5,277,058
Charges for Services	639,107	1,000	95,146	735,253
Fines & Forfeitures	123,302	73,905	-	197,207
Miscellaneous	162,729	126,535	52,136	341,400
Other Financing Sources	-	315,000	282,782	597,782
Total Revenue and Other Financing Sources	10,878,472	3,756,897	500,652	15,136,021
Total Estimated Revenues and Balances	\$ 15,391,748	\$ 5,759,238	\$ 1,297,789	\$ 22,448,775
Appropriated Expenditures/Expenses:				
General Government	\$ 1,820,186	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,820,186
Public Safety	6,313,430	17,565	-	6,330,995
Physical Environment	142,781	-	622,424	765,205
Transportation	-	2,876,911	-	2,876,911
Economic Environment	93,358	1,156,808	-	1,250,166
Human Services	390,574	-	-	390,574
Culture/Recreation	777,645	-	-	777,645
Other Uses	1,796,585	125,000	-	1,921,585
Court Related Expenditures	202,384	-	-	202,384
County Courts - General Administration	37,684	-	-	37,684
Total Expenditures	11,574,627	4,176,284	622,424	16,373,335
Reserves	3,817,121	1,582,954	675,365	6,075,440
Total Appropriated Expenditures and Reserves	\$ 15,391,748	\$ 5,759,238	\$ 1,297,789	\$ 22,448,775

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Sports

In the Zone



Week 2 POW

Player of the Week
Josh Wright (Suwannee)
 Wright was 20 of 29 for 279 yards and four touchdowns while also accounting for 33 yards and a score on the ground.

Nominees

JR Bass (Lafayette)
 Junior tailback had 230 yards and one touchdown on 14 carries, in addition to a 70 yard kickoff return for score and a 10 yard touchdown reception.

Will Hill (Hamilton)
 Junior tailback accounted for 135 yards on 20 carries while also returning second half kickoff 80 yards for a score.

Dontavious Hampton (Suwannee)
 Backup quarterback ran for 102 yards and one touchdown on 13 carries.



Week 1 POW

Rodney Brown (Lafayette)

Junior athlete was lone bright spot for Hornets accounted for 100 yards rushing and 103 receiving in loss in season opening loss to Trenton

Scores

Suwannee 51, Hamilton 26
 Trenton 62, Branford 0
 Lafayette 52, Bell 20
 Madison 47, Jefferson 7
 Gainesville 28, Columbia 6
 Fort White 21, Newberry 7

District Football Standings

2-5A
 Godby (2-0) (0-0)
 Wakulla (2-0) (0-0)
 Suwannee (1-1) (0-0)
 Rickards (0-1) (0-0)

5-1A
 Jefferson (1-1) (0-0)
 Lafayette (1-1) (0-0)
 Branford (0-2) (0-0)
 Hamilton (0-2) (0-0)

6-1A
 Trenton (2-0) (0-0)
 Hilliard (2-0) (0-0)
 Bell (0-2) (0-0)
 Bronson (0-2) (0-0)
 Hawthorne (0-2) (0-0)

7-1A
 Union (2-0) (0-0)
 Chiefland (0-2) (0-0)
 Dixie (0-2) (0-0)
 Newberry (0-2) (0-0)

Dogs roll Trojans again



Hamilton senior tailback Will Hill runs through two Suwannee defenders before being tackled. -Photo: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

By Corey Davis

JASPER-How quickly can things change?

In a three minute span, things went from a two-point game to an 18 point spread as Suwannee erupted in a 51-26 win over host Hamilton County at Veterans Memorial Stadium.

As quick as Suwannee saw a 14-0 lead cut to 14-12, the Bulldogs answered just as quickly to take a commanding 30-12 lead two and half minutes later.

Having brought in the running veer offense this season, Suwannee seemed to catch everyone off guard throwing the ball a shockingly 29 times Friday night. Junior quarterback Josh Wright finished 20 of 29 for 279 yards and four touchdowns through the air and one on the ground.

Things started well for Suwannee as Wright connected with Marcus Lane for a 54-yard swing pass on their third possession to give the Bulldogs a 7-0 lead with under three minutes left in the first quarter.

Wright connected with a wide open Denzell Washington for a 14-yard strike a few minutes later to increase the lead to 14-0 seconds into the second quarter.

Hamilton answered as Trey Zanders took a handoff from Zack Deas on the ensuing play from scrimmage and raced 65 yards untouched cutting the lead to 14-6 with 11:34 left till half.

Following a three and out by Suwannee and a Will Hill partially blocked punt which gave Hamilton the ball near midfield, Deas connected with Char Merine across the middle on the first play of the drive for a 42-yard score. Deas two-point conversion pass fell incomplete cutting the lead to 14-12 with 9:21 left till half.

Wright led the Bulldogs down the field, keyed by a 27 yard run on third and long which brought the Bulldogs down to the 4-yard line. Marquis Cooks followed with a 4-yard touchdown run, Lane added the two point conversion putting the 'Dogs ahead 22-12 with 6:55 left till half.

Deas and his tailbacks collided together on the ensuing play and David Spinks recovered the fumble, which set up Wright's 39-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Stebbins, which stretched the lead to 30-12.

Just like that a two-point deficit became a 18 point deficit, game over, check mate, turn out the lights.

Hamilton put together a solid drive just before half as Deas connected with Zanders for a 18 yard completion to the 34 and Hill followed with a 18 yard run and a 12 yard run to put them inside the five.

Hill was stuffed at the 3-yard line on the final play of the first half, which turned out to be a key momentum changer.

A score there plus a score on the first drive of the second half and we have a different game.

As fate would have it, Hill ran the second half kickoff back 80 yards untouched to cut the lead to 30-18, or what could have been 30-25.

Wright who hooked up with Stebbins seven times on the night for 106

yards, including three on the next drive which resulted in a Dontavious Hampton (102 yards on 13 carries) 24-yard touchdown scamper putting the game out of reach at 37-18 with 4:33 left in the third quarter.

Hill (135 yards on 20 carries) added a 6-yard touchdown run on the first play of the fourth quarter to cut it to 37-26 but that was as close as the Trojans would get.

Spears appeared to be rubbing it in the Trojans face calling two fake field goals on the next drive, the latter failed when the ball sailed over Hampton's head.

Wright partially blocked a Trojan punt to give the Bulldogs the ball at the 23-yard line with under six minutes left in the game. Wright hit Stebbins again for a 22-yard touchdown reception to increase the lead to 44-26 with 5:22 left.

Hampton picked off Deas at midfield and it appeared Suwannee would just run a few plays and then a few knees to run out the clock.

However, Suwannee coaches did the unthinkable and threw the ball again drawing several boos from the Trojans sideline as Wright found Daquez Strickland for a 39 yard gain to the 1-yard line. Wright snuck in the next play for the score and 51-26 lead with 2:11 left.

Suwannee (1-1) won for the 15th straight time over their arch rivals from across the bridge and now leads the Suwannee River Shootout series 36-5 all-time, according to former Suwannee and current Hamilton coach Mike Pittman.



Hamilton quarterback Zack Deas surveys the field and drops back to pass in the first quarter. -Photo: Paul Buchanan (SuwanneeSports.com)

Hamilton County (0-2) at Bradford County (2-0)



When: Friday
 Time: 7:30 p.m.
 Location: Starke

Last week: Suwannee def. Hamilton 51-26, Bradford def. Hawthorne 53-14
 Series: First meeting



Top Players: Bradford-Austin Chipoletti (QB/K, Jr.), Dexter Clayton (RB, Sr.), Devin Paulk (DB, Sr.), RJ Buxton (WR, Sr.), Brandon Thomas (WR, Sr.), Brian Blackshear (CB, Sr.), Ja'Quez Calloway (CB, Sr.)

Scouting report: Second year coach Derek Chipoletti has Bradford rolling in year two with impressive wins over Palatka 12-9 and Hawthorne 57-14. In his first season, Chipoletti nearly had the Tornadoes in the playoffs, a loss to Fort White in the second to last week of the season kept the Tornadoes (7-3) out of the playoffs and from clinching the district runner up spot. The Tornadoes spread offense centers around his son Austin Chipoletti, a rising junior who threw for more than 1200 yards last season earning him an offer from Southern Miss. Clayton, who rushed for over 1000 yards last season joins a potent list of weapons on offense including wide receivers RK Buxton and Brandon Thomas. Chipoletti accounted for all 12 points in a thrilling 12-9 overtime win over Palatka scoring a touchdown, kicking a field goal in regulation and winning it with a field goal in overtime. Game 2 was a little easier as the Tornadoes got off to a quick start and 28-0 halftime lead and never looked back. Chipoletti finished the game 11-for-17 for 123 yards, with a pair of touchdown passes to Brandon Thomas and Demetrius Martin. Clayton went over the century mark on the ground again picking up 101 yards and one touchdown on 14 carries. Calloway picked off three Hornets passes to lead the defensive effort. Head Coach Derek Chipoletti was concerned about all the penalties after racking up 21 for 215 yards and said those would come back to bite his team sometime down the road. One unusual thing about playing in Starke, is the fact the Tornadoes play in a multi purpose field, sharing the field with the baseball team. The visiting side stands and benches are somewhere between second and third base, while the home side is the center field fence area.

Community Calendar

Upcoming Events for Lily of the Valley Missionary Baptist Church. Church is located at 5869 NW 44th Street Jennings, Florida. September 24, 2011, there will be Homecoming activities on the church grounds beginning at 4PM, September 25, 2011, 25th Annual Homecoming Service at 11 AM, Speaker: Deacon David A. Howell, Sunday, October 23, 2011, Rev. Patrick Howell will be installed as Pastor. The installation service is 4 PM. Dr. Arthur D. Sims, Sr. is the scheduled speaker. For more information call 938-3800

September 23, Eternal Hope Church of God will hold a fundraising BBQ chicken dinner sale to benefit church. \$5 per plate, 408 Palmetto Ave., Jasper. For information call 792-4673.

The Branford Camera Club will meet on Thursday, September 15, at the Branford Public Library, 7:00 PM. The program to kick off our fall season will feature Jeanne VanArdsdall's adventures and pictures from her trip to Africa. We've had a sneak preview of her pictures, and they're terrific!!! Following the program, we'll share our favorite pictures taken over the summer, and enjoy the camaraderie of local photo enthusiasts. Please join us!

The Branford Camera Club meetings the 3rd Thursday of each month, except there is no meeting in August, and we meet the 2nd Thursday in December to avoid the Christmas rush.

For more information, please contact one of the following:

- Carolyn Hogue, 386-935-2044
- Dick Madden, 386-935-0296
- Skip Weigel, 386-935-1382

October 11, 2011: Timberlake Property Owners Association will hold their monthly board meeting at 6 P.M. at 6677 NW 31st Circle in Jennings. All members are welcome.

Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department

Annual meeting November 15, this will be our annual Thanksgiving dinner. Public invited.

Our firefighters will soon be getting a new firehouse, so sponsoring a boot drive will fill some of their needs, hopefully anew exercise room to help them stay fit for all the calls and fulfill all their safety needs. Contact: Margie McDonald 386-938-5322.

2nd Annual White Springs Fire Department Fall Safety Bash

Be Safe! Be Seen!

October 29, 2011, 6 - 9 p.m. at Ogburn Ball Field
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Limited supply, kids only please.

Weekly & Monthly Happenings

Free Food Pantry for senior citizens (at least 60 years of age) on the 4th Thursday of each month from 1-2 p.m. at the Hamilton County Council on Aging building, 313 Hatley St., Jasper (behind Bank of America). 386-638-0077

The Virginia P. Chandler Public Library in Jasper is happy to announce the beginning of the Pre-K Children's Reading Program that will start Tuesday, September 6 at 10:30 a.m. Movies on Tuesdays will also resume on Sep. 6, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

These two programs will run each week, every Tuesday until next summer, so plan to come in for some fun times with your pre-school age children.

The Jasper Public Library branch at 311 Hatley Street is part of the Suwannee River Regional Library System, which includes Hamilton, Madison and Suwannee counties. For more information call 386-792-2285.

American Legion Post 215 meets 4th Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at Poplar Springs Church, MLK Drive, Jasper.

Mon, Wed, Fri: New Bethel AME Church will assist you in completing the Children & Family applications. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at 604 SW 6th Avenue, Jasper. Contact JoAnn Townsend at 792-2323.

Jasper Revitalization Committee meets the 3rd Thursday each month at 6 p.m. at Bass's Furniture, Jasper. Email bassfurniture@windstream.net or call 792-2725.

Bible Baptist Church clothes closet: 2nd Saturday each month from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 792-0720

1st Friday Dinners sold each first Friday by Sweet Home Baptist Church, CR 25A, White Springs to benefit the church. 11a.m.-3 p.m. \$5-\$7.

Jasper First Methodist Church clothes closet 4th Saturday each month from 1-5 p.m. 792-0904

Bellville Volunteer Fire Department holds monthly meeting 1st Tuesday each month at 6 p.m.

Hamilton County Riding Club first Saturday meetings at 5 p.m. and games at 6 p.m. w/Jackpot Cloverleaf barrel race, Hamilton County Arena. Email vkcg1975@yahoo.com for more info.

Competition Mounted Drill Teams meet and ride every Sunday, 7 p.m. until at Hamilton County Arena. Email bassfurniture@windstream.net, attention Cindy Eatmon, drill team coach for more info or to ride.

White Springs HOPE Office, Adult & Community Education Summer Hours: open for the summer from 1-4 p.m. Tues-Fri, 6-9 p.m. Mon-Fri. GED small group tutoring 1-4p.m. & 6-9p.m. Tues-Thurs. Beginning computer classes 7:30-9 p.m. Mon & Fri nights & 1-2:30 p.m. Fri. Microsoft Office training 6-7:30 p.m. Mon & Fri, 2:30-4 p.m. Fri.

The building is available for computer use & quiet study during all open hours. Located at 16811 Spring Street, White Springs. Call Robin Luger, 397-1418, for more info or to volunteer.

Arrest Records

Editor's note: The Jasper News prints the entire arrest record each week. If your name appears here and you are later found not guilty or the charges are dropped, we will be happy to make note of this in the newspaper when judicial proof is presented to us by you or the authorities.

The following abbreviations are used below:
DAC - Department of Agriculture Commission

DOA - Department of Agriculture

DOT - Department of Transportation

FDLE - Florida Department of Law Enforcement

FHP - Florida Highway Patrol

FWC - Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

HCDF - Hamilton County Drug Task Force

HCSO - Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

ICE - Immigration and Custom Enforcement

JAPD - Jasper Police Department

JNPD - Jennings Police Department

OALE - Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement

P&P - Probation and Parole

SCSO - Suwannee County Sheriff's Office

WSPD - White Springs

Police Department

September 6, Joseph Bert Burkett, 47, 13901 SE 84th Dr., White Springs, FL, hold for Lafayette Co., HCSO

September 7, Gregory A. Brown, 21, 1125 Barnett St. Jacksonville, FL, battery of leo, 11-134-CF, hold for doc HCSO

September 7, Paul Edward Sims, 46, 139 Nelson Road, Franklin, Ga. dwls 2nd off., dwls more than 4 mos., tag att. not assigned, hold for Lubedale FHP

September 7, Reynaldo Sarlierna Chavez, 49, 7701 Paul Hwy, Plant City, FL, expired license, bypass ag station, hold for ICE DOA

September 7, Ronald Renel Devers, 36, 106 13th Ave. Jasper, FL, vop (11-19-CF), burglary, P&P

September 8, Geremias Vicente Lopez, 31, 1175 Georgia St. Jennings, FL, hold for columbia COSO, vop warrant # 09-02587 CTA o/c, no valid dl FHP

September 9, Johnie Ray Beasley, 49, 3920 Root Cir. Valdosta, Ga. in to serve 18th weekend. HCSO

September 9, Benjamin Leonard Robinson, 34, 3600 NW 103rd Rd, Lot 6, Jasper, FL, trespassing property, larceny more than 300 less than 5,000

September 11, Robert L. Perry, 64, 2254 Verse Cove, Memphis, TN, FHP

Sat., October 8 • 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

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Healthy Living



By Beth Harris, CSCS
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I don't have time. I'm too tired. It's so boring. I just don't like to move. I always end up quitting. I'm too old. I hate doing it alone. My kids get in the way. My back hurts. I'm too fat. I'm thin already. I have arthritis. I never get results. I don't know what to do. Getting healthy is expensive. I don't feel well. I have no motivation. I don't care.

At some point we've all used one of these excuses to delay being more proactive when it comes to being healthy and exercising. It appears that over time Americans are perfecting the art of procrastination. A 2007 study conducted by the American Psychological Association discovered since 1978 the American public's perception of themselves as chronic procrastinators jumped from 5 percent, to 26 percent. It's easy to understand why people who procrastinate tend to be less healthy, less wealthy, and less happy.

Olin Miller said, "If you want to make an easy job seem mighty hard, just keep putting off doing it."

This is also true of making lifestyle changes. Tomorrow will not bring us anymore time, energy, excitement, motivation, decreases in aches or pains, or be less expensive than it is right now to start a program. The truth is, the longer you wait, the harder it will be to initiate the changes needed to improve the quality, and quantity of your life.

As we age, we experience decreases in metabolism, energy, and lean muscle tissue. From the time of our physical peak in our 20s to later in life, most of us will lose 20-40 percent of muscle mass attributing to decreases in mobility, energy, flexibility, strength, and bone density. These decreases are even more rapid if muscles are underutilized. Our muscles mass is directly related to how many calories we burn at rest, referred to as RMR-resting metabolic rate. As lean muscles tissues decreases, so does our RMR, which means so does our daily caloric expenditure. Bottom line, less muscles means more fat. More fat means less mobility, flexibility, increased disease risk, decreased life span, the list goes on and on.

Starting a strength training program has infinite benefits for health: increases bone density, raises metabolic rate, relieves arthritic symptoms, tightens skin, reshapes muscles and the body, boosts energy levels, improves your mood, reduces weight and

disease risk, overall-improves our quality of life.

Contrary to popular belief you do not have to train like a body builder or athlete to enjoy these benefits. Even building up to taking 10,000 steps per day has shown to have potent health implications. Beginning a program doesn't have to be boring, massively time consuming, or stressful. Taking simple steps such as a short walk in the mornings can drastically improve your health. Brainstorm simple ways to add additional movement to what you do now: park in the back of the parking lot at the grocery store, walk to the post office, stretch in the mornings, or walk around the block at lunch. Anything and everything helps. Why weight? As the old adage goes, don't put off tomorrow what you can do today. And trust me, its well worth it.

State park to host planting and propagating workshop

- Participant registration now underway-

WHITE SPRINGS – The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Stephen Foster Folk Culture Center State Park will host a Planting and Propagating Workshop presented by Lei Lani Davis on Saturday, October 22, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. in the herb garden of the Craft Square.

Davis is a local expert gardener who plans and maintains the herb garden at the Stephen Foster Craft Square. This gardening workshop will teach the secrets of planting and propagating plants in your backyard garden. Lei Lani Davis is an expert gardener who will guide participants through the process of

sowing seeds, transplanting bare root plants and plugs. She will show how to work with various cuttings and then will demonstrate simple layering and dividing of plants. There is a hands on segment of the class and students will take home items they work on.

The workshop fee is \$25, including regular park admission. For more information on any of these workshops or to register, please call the park Gift Shop at (386) 397-1920 or visit www.stephenfosterCSO.org. To learn more about the park, visit www.FloridaStateParks.org/stephenfoster.

Hamilton County students honored for academic achievement

North Florida Community College announces President's Honor Roll

MADISON, FL – Sixty-five North Florida Community College students have been named to the President's Honor Roll for at the conclusion of NFCC's Summer Term 2011. The President's Honor Roll recognizes outstanding academic achievement at the completion of each semester. Inclusion on the list is awarded to all full-time students who, during summer term, have earned a grade point average of 3.8 to 4.0 on course work of at least 12 hours.

NFCC students named to the President's Honor Roll for Summer Term 2011 are:

HAMILTON COUNTY

Leslie J. Smith Carter	Jasper
Winston L. Crosby	Jasper
Chineeta S. Jackson	Jasper
Angela B. Cameron	Jennings
Peter Gomez	Jennings
Lisa D. Hill	Jennings
Amber N. Laffoon	Jennings
Donna F. Law	Jennings

Jasper Legals

LEGAL NOTICE

The Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Board of Directors will hold a meeting of the Board of Directors on **Monday, September 26, 2011, 7:00 P.M.** at the Suwannee River Economic Council, Inc. Senior Center in Live Oak, Florida. 09/15

PUBLIC AUCTION

Location: Dennis Garage
8109 CR 146 NW
Jennings, FL 32053

Date: 09-28-11
Time: 8:00 A.M.

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JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR
HAMILTON COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2011-16-CA

BULLARD-DENUNE INVESTMENT CO.,
a Florida corporation

Plaintiff,

vs.

MARCIA CARTY; JOHNDALE CARTY;
and all
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GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS,
CREDITORS, OR TRUSTEES OF
CHARLES E. CARTY, DECEASED,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that the following described property:

Part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 2 North, Range 12 East, Hamilton County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: For POINT OF REFERENCE, commence at the Southwest corner of said Section 22, and run thence North 89 degrees 41'32" East, along the South line of said Section 22, a distance of 50.00 feet to a point on the East right-of-way line of Northwest 59th Avenue; thence run North, along said East right-of-way line, a distance of 482.00 feet; thence run North 89 degrees 41'32" East, a distance of 435.80 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence run North a distance of 483.97 feet to a point on the Southerly right-of-way line of County Road No. 152; thence run South 82 degrees 08'22" East, along said Southerly right-of-way line, a distance of 515.04 feet; thence run South a distance of 410.79 feet; thence run South 89 degrees 41'32" West a distance of 510.21 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

Jasper Legals

shall be sold by the Clerk of this Court, at public sale, pursuant to the Final Judgment in the above styled action dated August 29, 2011, at the Hamilton County Courthouse in Jasper, Hamilton County, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on Tuesday, October 4, 2011, to the best and highest bidder for cash. Any person claiming an interest in any surplus from the sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the notice of its penders, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the State and County aforesaid this 29th day of August, 2011.

GREG GODWIN
Clerk of Court

BY: */s/ Cynthia Johnson*
As Deputy Clerk

09/08, 15

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF
THE NORTH
FLORIDA BROADBAND AUTHORITY
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

The North Florida Broadband Authority ("NFBA") announces meetings of the NFBA Operations Committee that all interested persons are invited to attend. The NFBA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among Baker, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Putnam, Suwannee, Taylor, Union and Wakulla Counties and municipalities of Cedar Key, Cross City, Lake City, Live Oak, Monticello, Perry, White Springs and Worthington Springs, Florida. The NFBA's Operations Committee meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 8, 2011; and at 10:00 a.m. on the following Wednesdays, September 28, 2011; October 26, 2011; November 30, 2011; and December 28, 2011 all at the Cabot Lodge Board Room, 3726 SW 40th Boulevard, Gainesville, FL 32608. The NFBA's Operational Committee meeting is to conduct general business. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the NFBA with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding or have any questions please contact Faith Doyle, Clerk to the NFBA Board at (877) 552-3482 or (407) 629-6900 at least two (2) business days prior to the date of the meeting. 09/15

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