

Tuesday, March 29, 2011 – 10:00 A.M.  
County Administration Building  
Grace Knight Auditorium  
12 Southeast First Street  
Gainesville, Florida

The Alachua County Commission met in special session.

**PRESENT:** Chair Lee Pinkoson presiding, Vice Chair Paula M. DeLaney;  
Commissioners Susan Baird, Mike Byerly, and Rodney J. Long

**ALSO PRESENT:** County Manager Randall Reid, County Attorney David Wagner,  
Office of Management and Budget Director Suzanne Gable, Finance  
Director Todd Hutchison, and Deputy Clerk Steve Donahey

The meeting was televised live on Cox Cable Channel 12.

Chair Pinkoson called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.

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## **ADOPTION OF THE [AGENDA](#)**

### I. [Environmental Scan](#)

**Amount:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Discussion on latest budget issues

County Manager Randall Reid and Director of the Office of Management and Budget Director Suzanne Gable presented the above item.

### II. [Jail Capital Improvements](#)

**Amount:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Discuss Capital Improvements to the Jail

County Manager Randal Reid, Administrative Services Director Betty Baker, and Facilities Manager Charlie Jackson presented the above item.

Chair Pinkoson recognized consultant Mike West and Andrew Wellman who presented comments to the Board.

**Commissioner Baird moved** to budget 5.8 million dollars for the project and work with all parties to develop the best AC package for the budget amount. The motion failed for lack of a second.

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**Commissioner Byerly moved** the following request from staff:

1. List of items that have changed since the original 7.7 million dollar plan and the cost.
2. List of all energy and water conservation features that were analyzed as well as payback period and upfront cost.
3. More information on the refurbished AC Units versus the new AC Units.
4. Staff to report back at the April 12, 2011 Regular Meeting
5. Staff to provide the 7.7 million dollar price option with the energy savings and how that would be accomplished.

Chair Pinkoson recognized Mike West, Andrew Wellman, and Jail Director Robert Woody who presented comments to the Board.

**The motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Baird voting “Nay”.**

IV. [Recess for lunch and re-convene](#)

**Amount:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Recess for lunch and reconvene

**COMMISSION RECESSED AT: 11:55 A.M.**

**COMMISSION RECONVENED: 1:32 P.M.**

V. [Alachua County Sheriff's Office Presentation](#)

**Amount:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear Sheriff's Office presentation and discuss related issues.

Alachua County Sheriff Sadie Darnell presented the above item.

**Commissioner Baird moved** to fund the Sheriff's budget request at \$350,000.00.

Chair Pinkoson passed the gavel to Vice Chair DeLaney and seconded the motion.

Chair DeLaney recognized Jim Dear, Laurie Newsome, Wilbert Barlow, Rod Gonzalez, Marley Natan, Jack Donovan, Gladys Lane, Jonnie Ellis, Tamera Robbins, and Tax Collector Von Frazer, who presented comments to the Board.

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**The motion failed 2-3 with Commissioner Byerly, DeLaney, and Long voting “Nay”.**

**Commissioner Pinkoson moved** to set the deadline for the Constitutional Officers to submit their budgets to June 1, 2011.

Chair DeLaney recognized Office of Management and Budget Director Suzanne Gable and Sheriff's Office Chief Financial Officer Patti Justice who presented comments to the Board.

**The motion carried 5-0.**

Commission General and Informal Discussion

Commissioner Byerly raised the issue of changing the land development regulations to allow animals in restaurants. Mr. Byerly stated that the State is passing legislation to allow it with some limitations.

**Commissioner Byerly moved** to direct staff to proceed with providing language that would allow revisions to the Land Development Code to allow animals in restaurants in accordance with State requirements.

Chair Pinkoson recognized Tamera Robbins who presented comments to the Board.

**The motion carried 3-2 with Commissioner Baird and Pinkoson voting “Nay”.**

III. [Department of Public Safety – Fire Services MSTU](#)

**Amount:** N/A

**Recommended Action:** Hear department presentation and discuss related issues.

(This item was not addressed to due to time constraints and will be scheduled for another meeting at a future date.)

There being no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 P.M.