

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2008 – 9:32 A.M.  
ASSEMBLY ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR  
315 COURT STREET, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA**

**Members Present:** Robert B. Stewart, Chairman; Karen Williams Seel; Susan Latvala; John Morroni; Kenneth T. Welch; and Ronnie E. Duncan.

**Members Absent:** None.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** Calvin D. Harris, Vice-Chairman.

**Others Present:** Fred E. Marquis, Interim County Administrator; James L. Bennett, Interim County Attorney; Clarethia N. Harris, Chief Deputy Clerk; Cynthia N. Haumann, Deputy Clerk.

**INVOCATION:** Major Dean Hinson, The Salvation Army, Clearwater.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Interim County Attorney James L. Bennett.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS**

1. Presentation of a Certificate of Recognition to Joseph O’Shea, Rhodes Scholar.

**All public hearing items have been properly advertised. Affidavits of Publication have been received and are on file in the Board Records Department.**

**SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS – BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

# 1 Resolution No. 08-39 adopted granting petition of Ronald Walisch and Kathleen Walisch to vacate a portion of a drainage easement on Lot 40, Savannah Oaks Subdivision; authority granted for Clerk to record the resolution. Letters of no objection received from all appropriate parties. Interested property owners were notified of the date of the public hearing. Staff recommended the vacation be granted. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

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| Motion | - | Commissioner Latvala |
| Second | - | Commissioner Morroni |
| Vote   | - | 6 - 0                |

# 2 Ordinance No. 08-14 adopted amending the Pinellas County Code, Section 46-34, providing an assessment for criminal offenses, violations of municipal or county ordinances, or for delinquent acts and allowing for the assessment of additional court costs to provide funding for a teen court in circumstances where an individual pays a fine or civil penalty for any violation of the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law; providing

for areas embraced; providing for severability; providing for inclusion in the Pinellas County Code; providing for an effective date; and providing for other modifications which may arise from review of the Ordinance with responsible authorities. Staff recommended approval of the proposed ordinance. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion - Commissioner Latvala  
Second - Commissioner Duncan  
Vote - 6 - 0

### **COUNTYWIDE PLANNING AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARINGS**

- # 3 Proposed Substantive Plan Amendment, Change 08-1, to the City of St. Petersburg's Vision 2020 Special Area Plan (SAP) approved allowing an increase to transient accommodation unit density in the Planned Redevelopment-Mixed Use category to 45 units per acre. Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposal and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion - Commissioner Morroni  
Second - Commissioner Duncan  
Vote - 6 - 0

- # 4 Master Development Plan for La Entrada industrial/mixed-use project denied without prejudice as recommended by the Pinellas Planning Council and staff concurred; applicant to pay for re-advertising costs upon resubmission of plan. One e-mail in support of the recommendation to deny has been received.

Director of Planning Brian K. Smith provided background information regarding the project and Rick MacAulay, City of St. Petersburg Development Services Department, appeared in support of the recommendation to deny without prejudice.

Motion - Commissioner Welch  
Second - Commissioner Duncan  
Vote - 6 - 0

- # 5a Ordinance No. 08-15 adopted approving Case No. CW 08-03 (Areas 1 and 2), the proposal by the City of Belleair Bluffs to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Residential/Office General to Commercial General, re 2.3 acres m.o.l. (regular amendment). Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposal and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion - Commissioner Duncan  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 6 - 0

- # 5b Case No. CW 08-09, the proposal by the City of Tarpon Springs to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan re 13 acres m.o.l. located on the northwest corner of East Pine Street and U.S. Highway 19 North, temporarily deferred to the meeting of April

8, 2008. Pinellas Planning Council recommended the temporary deferral of the proposal and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion - Commissioner Duncan  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 6 - 0

- # 5c Ordinance No. 08-16 adopted approving Case No. CW 08-10, the proposal by the City of Tarpon Springs to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Industrial Limited to Transportation/Utility, re 10.6 acres m.o.l. (regular amendment). Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposal and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion - Commissioner Duncan  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 6 - 0

- # 5d Ordinance No. 08-17 adopted approving Case No. CW 08-11, the proposal of the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan re 6.1 acres m.o.l. (regular amendment). Pinellas Planning Council (PPC) recommended the temporary deferral of the proposal and staff concurred. Four letters in support of the proposal have been received.

Planning Director Brian K. Smith and PPC Planning Manager Michael C. Crawford presented background information on the proposal and explained the rationale behind the recommendation to continue the case. Rick MacAulay, St. Petersburg Development Services Department, stated that the city was ready to proceed with the case; that the project complies with the city's concurrency ordinance; that the PPC voted 8-3 to approve the project; and that the city will take a look at the concurrency management ordinance through the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

In response to the Chairman's call for persons wishing to be heard in support of the application, the following individuals appeared and offered their comments:

Don Mastry, St. Petersburg  
Susan Finch, Tampa  
John Lum, Redington Beach  
Stephen Gerlach, Redington Beach  
Gerald Cyr, Apollo Beach

Following discussion with input from Mr. Smith and Peter J. Yauch, Assistant County Administrator, Commissioner Seel moved, seconded by Commissioner Latvala, that the proposal be adopted with the contingency that the developer would make improvements to access roadways.

Further discussion ensued; whereupon, at the suggestion of Interim County Administrator Fred E. Marquis and Commissioner Duncan with input from Commissioner Morrone, Commissioner Seel amended her motion, seconded by Commissioner Latvala, to include the recommendations that the PPC address the specific issue of concurrency in St. Petersburg as part of its analysis and that the Chairman of the BCC write a letter to the St. Petersburg City Council, the MPO and the chairman of the PPC regarding the issue of concurrency.

Vote 6 - 0

- # 5e Ordinance No. 08-18 adopted approving Case No. CW 08-12, the proposal by the City of Largo to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Residential Low to Residential/Office Limited, re 1.5 acre m.o.l. (regular amendment). Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposal and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion - Commissioner Duncan  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 6 - 0

#### **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

JoAn Totty, Palm Harbor, re Palm Harbor.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NOS. 6 THROUGH 23 - APPROVED**

Motion - Commissioner Duncan  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 6 - 0

- # 6 Minutes of regular meeting of January 22, 2008.

- # 7 Reports received for filing:

- a. Pinellas County Quarterly Donation Listing of \$500.00 and Greater for the period October 1 through December 31, 2007.
- b. Reports of Expenses Incurred Under Incentives, Awards, and Recruitment Ordinance for the Quarters Ended September 30, 2007 and December 31, 2007.
- c. Foreign Trade Zone 193 Annual Report for the period October 1, 2006 – September 30, 2007.
- d. Tampa Bay Water (A Regional Water Supply Authority) Financial Statements and Compliance Reports for the years ended September 30, 2007 and 2006.

- # 8 Vouchers and Bills Paid – Period of January 21, 2008 through February 1, 2008:  
Payroll Journal Expenditures  
Payroll Journal page numbers 1 through 2552  
Payroll checks numbered 554746 through 554998

Imprest Fund Expenditures

Manual checks numbered 751481 through 751483

System checks numbered 912593 through 914419

ACH Transfers numbered 29 through 35

Wire Transfers numbered 010220 through 010291

- # 9 Miscellaneous items received for filing:
- a. Correspondence from the City of Pinellas Park regarding an ordinance voluntarily annexing certain property; public hearing to be held March 13, 2008.
  - b. Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue Resolution No. 2008-01 adopted January 15, 2008, providing for inclusion of certain previously tax exempt properties and fixing the rate of non-ad valorem assessment in compliance with the Charter of the District.
- #10 Plats, Guaranties, Sureties and Agreements:  
Kane Furniture Corporation – Kane Furniture Store at Drew Street – completion surety funds released.
- #11a Change Order No. 1 (Final) to agreement with Purvis Curbs Corporation for Forest Lakes Boulevard Sidewalk Improvements approved (S.R. 580 to Tampa Road) (PID No. 935; Bid No. 067-0271-C) decreasing the agreement by \$50,263.71 (revised agreement amount, \$332,454.71); contract substantially complete as of October 16, 2007; all remaining retainage released; Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.
- #11b Change Order No. 3 (Final) to agreement with David Nelson Construction Co. for Belcher Road Phase III (Alderman Road to Klosterman Road) approved (PID No. 921490; Bid No. 056-92-C) decreasing the agreement by \$978,431.37 (revised agreement amount, \$11,734,629.16); contract substantially complete as of August 22, 2007; all remaining retainage released; Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.
- #12 Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement for Professional Consulting Services with Boyle Engineering Corporation for Belcher Road – Alderman Road to Klosterman Road approved (PID No. 921490), transferring \$12,099.00 from the basic reimbursable services to the direct labor costs of the construction phase, at no additional cost to the County.
- #13 Award of Bid to Bayshore Construction, Inc., for the 2008-2009 Annual Boardwalk, Fishing Pier, Observation Tower and Timber Bridge Improvements accepted in the amount of \$1,780,747.12, on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications (PID No. 1744, Bid No. 078-0178-C); Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest after proper execution of the agreement by the contractor and written approval as to form by the Office of the County Attorney.

- #14 Change Order No. 2 (Final) to agreement with Rockdale Pipeline, Inc. for City of Belleair Beach and Town of Belleair Shore Reclaimed Water System approved (PID No. 733-941814-1150; Bid No. 023-901-C) decreasing the agreement by \$258,132.76, including \$42,000.00 in liquidated damages for contractor's failure to complete the project on time (revised agreement amount, \$4,961,241.34) and granting a time extension of 165 days; contract substantially complete as of May 10, 2006; retainage in the amount of \$243,753.67 released; Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.
- #15 Award of Bid to Reynolds Inliner, LLC, for the Sanitary Sewer Clean and Televising Annual Contract 07/08 accepted in the amount of \$337,300.00 on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications (PID No. 1962, Bid No. 078-0230-C); Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest after proper execution of the agreement by the contractor and written approval as to form by the Office of the County Attorney.
- #16 Interagency Agreement with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for the connection, supply and use of reclaimed water for the Bay Pines National Cemetery (Project No. 1706) (estimated cost, \$650,000.00; VA to reimburse the County for 100 percent of the project for an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00) approved for execution.
- #17 Approval of Ratification and Acceptance of Partial Award for Continuing U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Air Pollution Control Program Grant A-00402108-0 in the amount of \$120,942.00 for Fiscal Year (FY) 08; County Administrator authorized to sign subsequent awards and revisions (Environmental Management).
- #18 Contract with Pinellas County Sheriff Jim Coats for Law Enforcement Services, Environmental Lands Unit approved (total agreement in the amount of \$510,287.16 for fiscal year 2007/08; decrease of 45.02 percent from current year's contract due to decrease in staffing); Chairman authorized to execute and the Clerk to attest (Environmental Management).
- #19a Resolution No. 08-40 adopted supplementing the Fiscal Year 2008 General Fund budget (State Homeland Security Grant) to appropriate earmarked receipts for a particular purpose as requested by the Emergency Management Department.
- #19b Resolution No. 08-41 adopted supplementing the Fiscal Year 2008 General Fund budget (State Criminal Alien Assistance Program Grant, Irregular Warfare Grant Interest) to appropriate earmarked receipts for a particular purpose as requested by the Sheriff.
- #20 Resolution No. 08-42 adopted reallocating Reserves for Future Years in the Fiscal Year 2008 Utilities Water Renewal and Replacement Fund budget to appropriate earmarked

receipts for a particular purpose as requested by the Utilities Department (Management and Budget).

- #21 Award of Bid to Peninsula Energy Services, Inc., for Gas, Natural, Supply and Manage (co-op) accepted on the basis of being the lowest responsible, responsive bid received meeting specifications (Contract No. 067-0626-B); total estimated annual contract value, \$1,166,330.00; County Administrator authorized to approve any future change order requests directly related to this contract (Purchasing).
- #22 The Board approved the receipt and file of the Composite Annexation Report for Fiscal Years 2000/01 to 2006/07 (CPA).
- #23 The Board approved the receipt and file of the Housing Finance Authority Report on the Pinellas Community Housing Trust Fund Program: Fiscal Year 2006/07 Annual and Fiscal Year 2007/08 First Quarter Reports.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

- #24 Items for discussion from Consent Agenda (County Administrator and Clerk of Circuit Court) – None.

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Deviating from the Agenda, Chairman Stewart noted that Item No. 39a will be addressed at this time. Also at this time, Commissioner Duncan left the meeting.

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- #39a County Administrator Reports:

External Auditor’s Report

Clerk of the Circuit Court Ken Burke provided general information regarding the external audit process; noted that Ernst & Young performed this year’s audit; and related that an unqualified opinion was issued indicating good financial stewardship on the part of both the BCC and the Clerk’s Office; whereupon, he reported that the Finance Department had discovered one material weakness regarding internal control; that staff had reported it to the external auditor; and that the error had been corrected.

Ernst & Young Senior Partner John DiSanto conducted a PowerPoint presentation entitled *Pinellas County, Florida 2007 Audit Results & Financial Analysis*, a copy of which has been filed and made a part of the record, and described the reports prepared for

the five constitutional officers and the four enterprise funds. He noted that the analysis also includes the following:

- Federal and state grant single audit reports.
- Passenger facility charge report for the Airport.
- Debt compliance report for Utilities.
- Court cost compliance report for the Clerk of the Circuit Court.
- Landfill report.
- Agreed upon procedures reports for the Sheriff and the BCC.

Mr. DiSanto indicated that an unqualified or clean audit opinion was issued on all financial statements; that one material weakness had been located in internal controls; and that no instances of noncompliance were found. He described the auditor's responsibilities; noted that the accounting principles used by management in the preparation of the financial statements were consistent with those prescribed by industry standards and applied consistently with the standards used in the prior year's audit; and indicated that all disclosures in the footnotes were presented in a complete and accurate manner.

Responding to queries by Chairman Stewart, Mr. DiSanto provided information regarding the County's unreserved general fund balance as compared with several peer counties; and suggested that the Board consider designating and/or reserving some of the fund balance; whereupon, Mr. Marquis said that he would provide a financial breakout to the Board; and discussion ensued.

In response to queries by Commissioner Welch, Ms. Harris reported that Finance will be implementing Oracle fixed asset software for calculating depreciation, which will eliminate the manual process of setting calculations; whereupon, in response to queries by Commissioner Seel, Mr. DiSanto indicated that additional information regarding the General Fund shall be placed in next year's report.

#25 Authorization granted for the Clerk to advertise a public hearing to be held on April 8, 2008 regarding a proposed ordinance amending Section 58-304 of the Pinellas County Code relating to the mowing of public rights-of-way.

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| Motion | - | Commissioner Latvala |
| Second | - | Commissioner Morrone |
| Vote   | - | 5 – 0                |

#26 Contract for Sale and Purchase with David L. Scheeler for acquisition of real property located at 10582 51<sup>st</sup> Terrace North, St. Petersburg, for the Stormwater Conveyance System Improvement Program – 51<sup>st</sup> Terrace North at 106<sup>th</sup> Street North Drainage Improvements (PID No. 921321[1730]); authorization granted for issuance of a check in the amount of \$208,962.50 to Somers Title Company (total closing expenses of \$208,962.50; county appraisal fee of \$1,400.00; estimated asbestos survey and

demolition costs of \$10,000.00; total estimated cost of \$220,362.50); declaration of structures as surplus and authorization for Real Estate Division to donate, sell, or demolish the structures and dispose of any personal property, as appropriate, in accordance with the law and established county policy; Chairman authorized to sign the contract and the Clerk to attest.

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| Motion | - | Commissioner Latvala |
| Second | - | Commissioner Seel    |
| Vote   | - | 5 – 0                |

- #27 Bids of Cole Industrial and Technical Supply Co., Inc.; Consolidated Pipe & Supply Company, Inc.; Drillers Service of North Carolina, Inc. d/b/a/ Drillers Service Incorporated; Ferguson Waterworks; Hayes Pipe Supply, Inc.; HD Supply Waterworks, Ltd.; and Mainline Supply of Florida, LLC accepted for water and sewer materials and accessories by line item as indicated on the Tabulation of Bids, which has been filed and made a part of the record (Contract No. 078-0109-B), on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bids received meeting specifications. Bids of Bingham & Taylor Corp. and Metro Utility Distribution Solutions, Inc. rejected on the basis of being non-responsive for not meeting bid requirements.

In accordance with County Code Section 2-176(1), Chairman Stewart conducted a public drawing to determine the award of nine tie bids; whereupon, the following vendors were awarded contracts:

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| Consolidated Pipe & Supply Company, Inc. | Items Nos. 5A and 42F      |
| Drillers Service, Incorporated           | Items Nos. 42A and 42B     |
| Ferguson Waterworks                      | Items Nos. 7A, 24A and 24C |
| Hayes Pipe Supply, Inc.                  | Item No. 8A                |
| Mainline Supply of Florida, LLC          | Item No. 1I                |

Contract is for a 12-month period (estimated annual expenditure not to exceed \$678,302.76); two additional 12-month contract renewal options available; contract renewal allows for price adjustments in an amount not to exceed the average of the Producer Price Index (PPI), metals and metal products, plumbing fixtures and fittings, not seasonally adjusted, for the twelve months prior to renewal, or ten percent, whichever is less, subject to all terms and conditions remaining the same and County Administrator or Director of Purchasing approval.

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| Motion | - | Commissioner Latvala |
| Second | - | Commissioner Welch   |
| Vote   | - | 5 – 0                |

- #28 Month-to-month extension of contract and associated expenditure with Veolia ES Solid Waste Southeast, Inc. for the operation and maintenance of the Bridgeway Acres Landfill approved (Contract No. 990-0214-P); current expiration date of March 31, 2008

(estimated monthly cost to extend agreement, \$420,000.00 per month; total cost over potential six-month period, not to exceed \$2,520,000.00).

Motion - Commissioner Latvala  
 Second - Commissioner Welch  
 Vote - 5 – 0

- #29 Contract for Sale and Purchase with the American Cancer Society, Florida Division, Inc., for acquisition of real property located at 710 Wai Lani Road, Palm Harbor, for the Endangered Lands Acquisitions – Wall Springs Park Addition approved (PID No. 154); authorization granted for issuance of a check in the amount of \$205,000.00 to Johnson, Pope, Bokor, Ruppel & Burns, LLP (total closing expenses of \$205,000.00; county appraisal fee of \$500.00; estimated asbestos survey and demolition costs of \$13,159.60; total estimated cost of \$218,659.60); declaration of structure as surplus and authorization for Real Estate Division to donate, sell, or demolish the structure and dispose of any personal property, as appropriate, in accordance with the law and established county policy; Chairman authorized to sign the contract and the Clerk to attest (Culture, Education, and Leisure).

Motion - Commissioner Latvala  
 Second - Commissioner Seel  
 Vote - 5 – 0

- #30 Second resolution, No. 08-43, adopted determining the necessity to construct stormwater treatment facilities and improvements for the Lake Seminole Alum Injection project (PID No. 829) and directing the condemnation of the necessary properties for two drainage easements required for construction; Clerk authorized to record (Environmental Management).

Motion - Commissioner Morroni  
 Second - Commissioner Seel  
 Vote - 5 – 0

- #31 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) for Children Agreement No. 04-0972 with the Florida Department of Education, Division of Support Services, Food and Nutrition Management approved; Chairman authorized to sign (Health and Human Services).

Motion - Commissioner Latvala  
 Second - Commissioner Welch  
 Vote - 5 – 0

- #32 Other Administrative Matters – None.

- #33 County Attorney authorized to defend the County’s interest in the case of Tony B. Wrightman versus Marie Therese Jacobs and Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners – Circuit Civil Case No. 08-000011-CI-19 – Allegations of Negligence Resulting in Permanent Injury.

Motion - Commissioner Latvala  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 5 – 0

- #34 Settlement offer approved in the case of Jo Ann Totty versus Pinellas County, Circuit Civil Case No. 06-003775-CI-15, in accordance with the confidential memorandum from Interim County Attorney James L. Bennett dated March 11, 2008.

Motion - Commissioner Welch  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 5 – 0

- #35 Authorization granted to advertise a public hearing to be held April 22, 2008 regarding the proposed ordinance amending the Pinellas County Human Rights Ordinance, codified at Chapter 70 of the Pinellas County Code, to include prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation in employment, housing, and public accommodations.

Motion - Commissioner Latvala  
Second - Commissioner Welch

In response to queries by the members, Director of the Office of Human Rights Leon W. Russell advised that the proposed ordinance amendment would prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation; that municipalities would be notified of the proposal and have the right to opt-out; that the only objective of the amendment is to provide coverage to the identified group of people relating to employment, housing and public accommodations; and that the amendment mirrors the requirements in the proposed federal Employment Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) approved by the U.S. House of Representatives and to be reviewed by the Senate later this year.

Vote - 4 – 1 (Commissioner Seel dissenting)

- #36 County Attorney Miscellaneous:

Interim County Attorney James L. Bennett advised that Judge W. Douglas Baird had issued an injunction in the Rush Concrete case ordering the company to cease and desist all operations in violation of county ordinance within 60 days.

- #37 Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services Authority, the Board approved the reappointments of David Koperski as consumer representative at-large, James (Blake) MacPherson as consumer representative to North County, and Dr. Joseph Namey as Osteopathic Medical Society representative to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council.

Motion - Commissioner Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 5 – 0

- #38 Final negotiated contract with The Waters Consulting Group, Inc. for Executive Search Services for the position of County Administrator approved (Contract No. 078-0038-P) (estimated cost to the county not to exceed \$45,000.00); Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest after proper execution of the agreement by the contractor and written approval as to form by the Office of the County Attorney.

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| Motion | - | Commissioner Morrone |
| Second | - | Commissioner Welch   |
| Vote   | - | 5 – 0                |

#39b County Administrator Reports:

Assistant County Administrator Elithia V. Stanfield provided information regarding legislative activities during the first week of the regular session; and reported that both chambers of the Legislature had passed a budget reduction exceeding \$500 million; that members will begin the process for the 2008/2009 state budget, anticipating a \$2-\$3 billion shortfall; and that the current reduction has no impact on the county at this time. Ms. Stanfield stated that House Speaker, Marco Rubio, is championing a proposed constitutional amendment that would cap property taxes at 1.35 percent of property value after save-our-homes and homestead exemption.

Ms. Stanfield reported on two bills that may impact county revenues; whereupon, she provided information regarding various proposals arising from the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission to include the Taxpayers Bill of Rights (TABOR), sales tax exemptions, and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

In response to query by Chairman Stewart, Ms. Stanfield indicated that the Taxation and Budget Reform Commission final report is due May 8, 2008, the last day of the legislative session.

- #40 Appointment of Linda Parsons, retroactive to March 31, 2005, to the Suncoast Health Council, Inc., and reappointment through March 31, 2009 approved.

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| Motion | - | Commissioner Morrone |
| Second | - | Commissioner Seel    |
| Vote   | - | 5 – 0                |

#41 County Commission Miscellaneous:

- a. Discussion Regarding the Selection of County Attorney
- Board approved the appointment of Interim County Attorney James L. Bennett to the position of County Attorney.  
Motion: Commissioner Latvala  
Second: Commissioner Seel  
Vote: 5 – 0

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- b. Commissioner Welch provided update on the CJIS Board; announced a workshop is to be scheduled.
- c. Commissioner Seel requested update on priority list for the purchase of endangered land.
- d. Commissioner Morroni requested Commissioner Welch attend April's Pinellas Park Water Board meeting.
- e. Commissioner Stewart noted that presentation re tolls is scheduled for next MPO meeting and an April BCC meeting and commented re protective boundaries – Lealman.

#42 Meeting adjourned at 12:58 P.M.

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Chairman

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

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Deputy Clerk