

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2011 – 9:31 A.M.  
ASSEMBLY ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR  
315 COURT STREET, CLEARWATER, FLORIDA**

**Members Present:** Susan Latvala, Chairman; John Morroni, Vice-Chairman; Kenneth T. Welch; Nancy Bostock; Neil Brickfield; Norm Roche; and Karen Williams Seel.

**Others Present:** James L. Bennett, County Attorney; Robert S. LaSala, County Administrator; Frederick L. Dean, Director, Finance Division; and Michael P. Schmidt, Deputy Clerk.

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner Welch.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Morroni.

**PRESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:**

Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) Update

Cori Cuttler, SWFWMD Community Affairs Manager, conducted a PowerPoint presentation titled *Southwest Florida Water Management District Update, Pinellas County Commission, August 9, 2011*, a copy of which has been filed and made a part of the record, and presented background information and discussed changes occurring within the district.

Ms. Cuttler reported that the Governing Board recently adopted its Fiscal Year 2012 Budget, and presented information regarding the process for submitting the budget to the requisite state agencies. She related that the budget is provided to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and to the Governor's Office; and that due to changes in state statute during the last Legislative Session, the District is now required to provide its budget to the Legislative Budget Commission; whereupon, Ms. Cuttler discussed the repercussions from a legislative change capping the amount of ad valorem taxes which can be collected, relating that the reduction would reduce the dollars available for the District to support cooperatively funded projects.

Ms. Cuttler presented information regarding the recent consolidation of the region's Basin Boards, reporting that the Governing Board has voted to merge those entities under the Governing Board. She indicated that Pinellas County has a reserve of between \$12 million and \$14 million which has been paid into the Pinellas-Anclote River Basin; and that those dollars would be spent in the region in which they were collected; whereupon, she indicated that the SWFWMD Cooperative Funding Program has \$40 million to be distributed across the region;

and that competition is expected among the 16 counties located within the district for those funds.

In response to queries by Chairman Latvala and Commissioners Roche and Welch, Ms. Cuttler reported that SWFWMD has already seen a reduction in force of approximately 100 employees; and that additional employees will be laid off by the end of the current fiscal year; whereupon, she indicated that even though the Pinellas-Anclote River Basin is no longer an entity, as long as the projects are running within their contract, they are fully funded at the present time; that issues relating to representation would be discussed by the Governing Board and a new Executive Director to be selected in the fall; and that Pinellas County has two representatives on the Governing Board and shares a floating representative with Hillsborough County.

Responding to queries by Commissioner Brickfield regarding restoring Lake Tarpon to a brackish lake, Ms. Cuttler responded that it would potentially be a Cooperative Funding project; and that he could contact Kelli Levy, Environmental Sciences, to request a study.

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

# 1 Resolution No. 11-62 adopted granting the petition of Bart Leland Mickler and Suzi Mickler to vacate a portion of Riverside Avenue right-of-way in the Minnehaha Terrace Subdivision (Legislative Hearing). Authority granted for Clerk to record the resolution. Letters of no objection received from all appropriate parties. Interested property owners were notified as to the date of the public hearing. Staff recommended the vacation be granted. No correspondence has been received.

Motion	-	Commissioner Morrone
Second	-	Commissioner Welch
Vote	-	7 – 0

# 2 Resolution No. 11-63 adopted granting the petition of Thomas E. Illum and Desiree Z. Illum to vacate a portion of a five-foot utility easement on Lot 28, Tropical Groves, Unit 5 Subdivision (Quasi-Judicial Hearing). Authority granted for Clerk to record the resolution. Letters of no objection received from all appropriate parties. Interested property owners were notified as to the date of the public hearing. Staff recommended the vacation be granted. No correspondence has been received.

Motion	-	Commissioner Welch
Second	-	Commissioner Seel
Vote	-	7 – 0

- # 3 Resolution No. 11-64 adopted granting the petition of Harry Talkington and Heidi A. Talkington to vacate a portion of a 20-foot drainage and utility easement on Lot 171, Hi-Ridge Estates, Second Addition Subdivision (Quasi-Judicial Hearing). Authority granted for Clerk to record the resolution. Letters of no objection received from all appropriate parties. Interested property owners were notified as to the date of the public hearing. Staff recommended the vacation be granted. No correspondence has been received.

Motion - Commissioner Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 4a Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-08, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Planned Redevelopment-Residential to Residential/Office General, re 0.1 acre m.o.l., located at 5306 Dr. M. L. King Jr. Street North (subthreshold 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 Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 4b Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-09, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Planned Redevelopment-Mixed Use to Planned Redevelopment-Residential, re 0.1 acre m.o.l., located at 538 28<sup>th</sup> Street North (subthreshold 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 Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 4c Ordinance No. 11-30 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-16, the proposal by the City of Dunedin to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Community Redevelopment District to Recreation/Open Space, re 0.2 acre m.o.l., located at 300 Main Street (subthreshold 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 Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 4d Ordinance No. 11-30 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-17, the proposal by the City of Dunedin to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Residential Medium (up to 15 units an acre) to Recreation/Open Space, re 0.4 acre m.o.l., located at 1330 Bayshore Boulevard (subthreshold 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 Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 4e Ordinance No. 11-30 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-18, the proposal by the City of Dunedin to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Residential Urban (up to 7.5 units an acre), Residential Suburban (up to 2.5 units an acre), Recreation/Open Space, and Water with Water/Drainage Feature Overlay to Recreation/Open Space with Water/Drainage Feature Overlay, re 5.3 acres m.o.l., located on the northwest corner of Patricia Avenue and McCarty Street (subthreshold 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 Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 5a Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-10, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Industrial Limited to Residential/Office General, re 0.3 acre m.o.l., located at 615 28<sup>th</sup> Street South (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 Morrone  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 5b Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-11, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Planned Redevelopment-Residential to Residential Low (up to 5 units an acre), re approximately 11.1 acres generally located on the south side of Driftwood Road South in the Driftwood neighborhood, along Big Bayou (regular amendment). Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposal and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received.

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Mr. Crawford referred to a map and aerial photograph, pointed out the location of the subject area, described surrounding uses, and provided a brief overview of the proposal; whereupon, he indicated that the Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposed amendment; that each of the 20 parcels is developed with a single-family home; that the amendment was initiated by the City of St. Petersburg and proposes to amend the incorrectly assigned designation placed on the area during the City's *Vision 2020* map amendments of 2006; and that the correct designation will recognize the existing use of the properties. Mr. Crawford explained that while Pinellas County has Plan categories of less than five units an acre, the City of St. Petersburg does not; and that inconsistencies could arise due to the City and County having dissimilar Plan categories.

In response to queries by Commissioner Roche regarding the current land use category, Mr. Crawford indicated that the Driftwood neighborhood is designated as Planned Redevelopment–Residential at 15 units per acre; and that while the PR–R category is typically applied to older, traditional neighborhoods where properties include secondary living units, the Driftwood neighborhood does not have such structures.

In response to the Chairman's call for the applicant, City of St. Petersburg Planning and Economic Development Department Manager Rick MacAulay appeared in support of the proposed amendment, presented background information, and explained that St. Petersburg had inadvertently designated the site as Planned Redevelopment–Residential in 2006; and that the proposed amendment is a "glitch" amendment which attempts to resolve that mapping error.

In response to the Chairman's call for citizens wishing to be heard, John M. Schuh, St. Petersburg, appeared and stated his concerns; whereupon, in response to queries by Commissioner Welch, Mr. Schuh expressed that he is concerned the area will eventually be redeveloped at five units an acre.

Responding to the concerns of the objector and queries by the members, Mr. MacAulay indicated that St. Petersburg's lowest density plan category is Residential Low, which allows up to five units an acre; that zoning in the vicinity is NS-2, which equates to single-family residences and requires a minimum lot width of 100 feet; and that the character of the neighborhood will be kept intact; whereupon, he indicated that the entire subject area is located within the Coastal High Hazard Area (CHHA); and that the CHHA designation would restrict construction notwithstanding the limitation of five units per acre, and Commissioners Morroni and Welch provided input.

Motion - Commissioner Morrioni  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 5c Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-12, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Planned Redevelopment-Residential to Residential Urban (up to 7.5 units an acre), re 161 parcels containing approximately 37.2 acres located in the Azalea neighborhood generally bounded by Admiral Farragut Academy on the west, the Pinellas Trail on the east, 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North on the north, and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue North on the south (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 Morrioni  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 5d Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-13, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Recreation/Open Space with Activity Center Overlay to Institutional with Activity Center Overlay, re 1.5 acres m.o.l., located at 1000 3<sup>rd</sup> Street South (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 Morrioni  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 7 – 0

- # 5e Ordinance No. 11-29 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-14, the proposal by the City of St. Petersburg to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Institutional with Activity Center Overlay and Water/Drainage Feature Overlay to Industrial Limited with Activity Center Overlay and Water/Drainage Feature Overlay, re 20.2 acres m.o.l., located at 1201 102<sup>nd</sup> Avenue North (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 Morrioni  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 7 – 0

# 5f Ordinance No. 11-31 adopted approving Case No. CW 11-15, the proposal by Pinellas County to amend the Countywide Future Land Use Plan from Residential Urban (up to 7.5 units an acre) to Residential/Office Limited, re a vacant parcel of land containing approximately 0.4 acre located on the north side of Curlew Road, 460 feet west of Fisher Road (regular amendment). Pinellas Planning Council recommended approval of the proposed amendment, subject to the amendment being considered an exception to the Scenic/Non-Commercial Corridor Residential subclassification; and separately and in addition, recommended that the County give special consideration to the improvement of the site with respect to the buffering and landscaping guidelines of the Scenic/Non-Commercial Corridor Master Plan, and staff concurred. No correspondence has been received. No citizens appeared to be heard.

Motion	-	Commissioner Morrone
Second	-	Commissioner Seel
Vote	-	7 – 0

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Amelia Pemberton, Largo, re fluoride.

Hne Yuoh, Clearwater, re U.S. 19 and McMullen Booth and Gulf to Bay.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS NOS. 6 THROUGH 14 – APPROVED.**

Motion	-	Commissioner Morrone
Second	-	Commissioner Welch
Vote	-	7 – 0

# 6 Approval of Minutes – None.

# 7 Reports received for filing:

- a. Second Amended and Restated Interlocal Agreement for Regional Transportation Planning and Coordination in West Central Florida involving the Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).
- b. Juvenile Welfare Board Interim Financial and Investment Report (Unaudited) dated June 30, 2011.
- c. Dock Fee Report for the month of June 2011.
- d. Quarterly Report of Routine Dock Permits issued from April 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011.

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- # 8 Vouchers and Bills Paid – Periods June 13 through June 17, 2011, June 20 through June 24, 2011, June 27 through July 1, 2011, and July 4 through July 8, 2011.

Payroll Journal Expenditures

Payroll checks numbered 10713 through 10798

Imprest Fund Expenditures

Manual checks numbered 751781 through 751783

System checks numbered 1033242 through 1035542

ACH Transfers numbered 9165 through 9434

Wire Transfers numbered 11604 through 11619

Amended check sheet approved for the period of June 6 through June 10, 2011.

- # 9 Miscellaneous items received for filing:
- a. City of Pinellas Park Notice of Public Hearing regarding proposed Ordinance No. 3772 held July 28, 2011, voluntarily annexing certain property.
  - b. Florida Public Service Commission Order No. PSC-11-0295-TRF-EI issued July 8, 2011 approving revised standard offer contract and related tariffs for Progress Energy Florida, Inc. and Consummating Order No. PSC-11-0305-CO-EI issued July 18, 2011 approving revised standard offer contract and rate schedules COG-1 and COG-2 for Tampa Electric Company.
- #10 Fiscal Year 2011 Board Budget Amendment No. 12 (Business Technology Services) was filed and made a part of the record.
- #11 Resolution No. 11-65 adopted appropriating unanticipated donations in the Fiscal Year 2011 General Fund and Capital Projects Fund Budgets to the Parks and Conservation Resources Department.
- #12 Resolution No. 11-66 adopted reallocating reserves for future years in the Public Safety Services – Emergency Communications E911 System Fund (0225) Fiscal Year 2011 Budget to appropriate earmarked receipts for a particular purpose.

- #13 Award of bid to R.E. Purcell Construction Company, Inc. for 2011-2012 Countywide Pavement Preservation (PID No. 2281; Bid No. 101-0291-CP) approved for an estimated total expenditure in the amount of \$5,473,275.00 on the basis of being the lowest responsive, responsible bid received meeting specifications; all work is expected to be fully completed within 300 consecutive calendar days; Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest (Environment and Infrastructure/Purchasing).
- #14 Quarterly report of claim settlements for April 1 through June 30, 2011 for claims requiring the mutual consent of the County Attorney and Risk Management in the settlement area of \$25,001.00 to \$50,000.00 (total claims paid, \$47,237.77) received for filing (Risk Management/County Attorney).
- #15 Items for discussion from Consent Agenda (County Administrator and Clerk of Circuit Court) – None.
- #16 Third Amendment to Agreement between the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) and Pinellas County for the Lake Seminole Watershed Stormwater Pollution Reduction Project (P902) (PID No. 829, SWFWMD Agreement No. 02CON000072) approved providing additional funding for Phase 2, increasing the total project funding by \$2,610,290.00, extending the agreement period for a revised expiration date of December 31, 2014, and revising the project schedule due to permitting and construction design revisions that resulted in construction delays and higher costs. Chairman authorized to execute the agreement and the Clerk to attest.

Responding to queries by the members, Commissioner Seel indicated that the County’s share of the increase is 50 percent, or \$1.3 million; and Mr. LaSala related that the County’s portion is provided by the Penny for Pinellas; that the amount is within the project allocation; and that he does not know whether further amendments are anticipated, but will try to find out.

Chairman Latvala indicated that the County will continue to have to pay for cleanup of Lake Seminole, Lake Tarpon, and other waterways as long as the surrounding residents continue to fertilize their lawns and allow runoff to enter the water; and Commissioner Seel concurred, noting that the problem is worsened by the fact that the County no longer maintains the canals; whereupon, Chairman Latvala requested an update in the near future regarding the fertilizer ordinance and related public education activities.

Motion	-	Commissioner Welch
Second	-	Commissioner Roche
Vote	-	7 – 0

- #17 Change Order No. 5 (final) to the agreement with Clark Hunt Construction, Inc. for 54th Avenue North at 28th Street North Improvements (PID No. 1146, Contract No. 089-0591-C) approved, increasing the contract by \$117,352.61 for a revised total of \$1,777,719.23 and authorizing a time extension of five consecutive calendar days; final completion date, May 26, 2011; Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest.

Motion - Commissioner Welch  
Second - Commissioner Seel  
Vote - 7 – 0

- #18 Amendment No. 1 to the Pinellas County Health Plan Specialty Provider Agreement between Pinellas County and All Florida Orthopaedic Associates, P.A. approved for execution, increasing funding for the agreement in the amount of \$150,000.00 (total amount of funding, \$400,000.00).

Motion - Commissioner Welch  
Second - Commissioner Roche  
Vote - 7 – 0

- #19 First Option of Renewal and Amendment No. 1 to the Community Home Care Medical Services Agreement between the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners and Baycare Home Care, Inc., approved for execution; agreement effective October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012; revisions are administrative in nature, and there are no changes in the terms of the agreement; total amount of funding is not to exceed \$550,000.00 during the first renewal term.

Motion - Commissioner Seel  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- #20 Interlocal Agreement with Jim Coats, Sheriff of Pinellas County, for law enforcement services at the St. Petersburg-Clearwater International Airport for the period October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012 in the amount of \$609,685.87, approved. Chairman authorized to execute the agreement and the Clerk to attest (Airport).

Motion - Commissioner Morroni  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 – 0

- #21 Memorandum of Understanding for Fuel Services between Pinellas County and Jim Coats, as Sheriff of Pinellas County, approved (County Administrator).

Mr. LaSala related that the arrangement will result in a savings to the County by aggregating purchases; and that the issue had emerged from the Board's budget strategic planning efforts earlier this year.

Motion - Commissioner Seel  
Second - Commissioner Welch

Thereupon, in response to queries by Commissioner Welch, Assistant County Administrator Mark S. Woodard related that staff has spoken to the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) regarding participation in the fuel purchasing cooperative, which involves many of the cities in Pinellas County; that the PSTA was previously a member, but had opted to pursue another program; that he will verify whether the School Board is a member; and that the action before the Board today is to include the Sheriff in the cooperative.

Vote - 7 - 0

- #22 Indian Rocks Beach Commissioner Joanne "Cookie" Kennedy appointed to the Pinellas Planning Council as the representative for Municipality Group B (Belleair Beach, Belleair Shore, Indian Rocks Beach, Indian Shores, North Redington Beach, Redington Beach, and Redington Shores) for the remainder of the current two-year (2011-2012) term (Planning).

Motion - Commissioner Brickfield  
Second - Commissioner Welch  
Vote - 7 - 0

- #23 Resolution No. 11-67 adopted declaring a portion of County-owned land surplus, granting authorization for a private sale, and establishing a sale price of \$2,029.50; Chairman authorized to execute and the Clerk to attest the Contract for Sale and Purchase and the County Deed; Clerk authorized to record the resolution (Real Estate Management)

Motion - Commissioner Welch  
Second - Commissioner Roche  
Vote - 7 - 0

#24 Other Administrative Matters – None.

#25 Change Order No. 006 to the final negotiated contract with Applications Software Technology Corporation, d/b/a AST Corporation, for implementation software services of the Oracle E-Business Suite (Re-Bid) (Contract No. 089-0255-P) approved revising the proposed go-live dates for Phases 2A, 2B, and 2C and increasing the not-to-exceed contract amount by \$486,348.00 (revised contract amount, \$7,925,974.00); Chairman authorized to sign and the Clerk to attest (Oracle Business Applications Executive Committee).

Motion	-	Commissioner Welch
Second	-	Commissioner Bostock
Vote	-	7 – 0

#26 County Attorney Miscellaneous – None.

#27a Final negotiated agreement with Medco Health Solutions, Inc. (Contract No. 101-0225-P) for pharmacy benefits approved for an estimated annual cost in the amount of \$13,198,000.00; Chairman authorized to sign the agreement and the Clerk to attest.

Motion	-	Commissioner Welch
Second	-	Commissioner Morrone
Vote	-	7 – 0

#27b Final negotiated agreement with United HealthCare Services, Inc. (Contract No. 101-0224-P) for third-party administrator services for the County's employee medical benefits plan approved; first year estimated administrative fees, \$1,421,000.00; Chairman authorized to sign the agreement and the Clerk to attest.

Mr. LaSala noted that the contracts negotiated under Items Nos. 27a and 27b will result in a cost savings to the County, as compared to the previous contracts.

Motion	-	Commissioner Welch
Second	-	Commissioner Morrone
Vote	-	7 – 0

#28 Resolution No. 11-68 adopted designating the Human Resources Director as Plan Administrator responsible for design and administration of all Unified Personnel System employee benefit plans.

Motion - Commissioner Welch  
Second - Commissioner Seel

In response to queries by Commissioner Roche, Human Resources Director Peggy Rowe explained the review process for employee appeals of claim denials, noting that Human Resources handles the processing on behalf of the Board; and confirmed that, in conjunction with the vendor, she has final denial authority.

Responding to further query by Commissioner Roche, Ms. Rowe related that she has not spoken with the Unified Personnel Board (UPB) or the Employees' Advisory Council (EAC) regarding the item because they do not have any authority over the plan design or benefits structure; that Human Resources works with the Appointing Authorities, the vendor, and the Office of Management and Budget to determine any changes to the plan; and that the proposed resolution ratifies a practice that has been in place since 1975; whereupon, Commissioner Roche asked that the item be deferred until the UPB and EAC have been advised of the action and given the opportunity to provide input.

During discussion, Administrator LaSala noted that the health plan is reviewed annually with the UPB and EAC; and Ms. Rowe related that she meets with the EAC Representatives monthly and the Delegates every other month; that she is very careful to advise them of proposed changes to any personnel policy, rule, practice, or benefit and get their input; and that the difference here is that no change is proposed; whereupon, Benefits Manager David Blasewitz presented additional information pertaining to the appeal process.

Vote - 6 – 1 (Commissioner Roche dissenting)

#29 County Administrator Report:

#### INITIATIVES AND PROJECTS

County Administrator Robert S. LaSala referred to the various cost saving/efficiency initiatives and projects identified during the strategic planning process and reported that staff is continuing to work on Item No. 1, consolidation of functions of the Constitutional Officers and other County agencies in common facilities; No. 2, consolidation of 9-1-1 emergency dispatch operations; and No. 7, Enterprise Geographic Information System (GIS); and that all other items have been closed out.

#30 County Administrator Report:

REDEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES IN DANSVILLE – PROPERTY ACQUISITION

County Administrator Robert S. LaSala referred to his memorandum dated August 9, 2011 regarding redevelopment activities in the Dansville community, noting that staff will come before the Board at a future date to present a recommendation for acquisition of the final parcel, based on a review by the Community Development Department, the Real Estate Development Department, and the County Attorney's Office.

Responding to queries by Commissioners Seel and Roche, Community Development Assistant Director Cheryl Reed related that building has not begun on any of the lots in question, as staff feels that having the maximum number of lots acquired, platted, and the infrastructure in place will be an important factor in attracting a quality developer; that plans are to issue a Request for Proposals within the next 12 months, after the real estate market has had a chance to begin its recovery; that the properties were acquired using Community Development Block Grant funds; that Community Development staff continually evaluates possible funding sources to determine suitability for various projects; and that the Dansville development will likely utilize state or federal funding, which will be determined at a later date.

#31 County Commission Miscellaneous:

- a. Commissioner Brickfield provided historical information re the start of Pinellas County.
- b. Commissioner Seel indicated that the Florida Department of Transportation is considering removing the overpass at the junction of Roosevelt Boulevard and Ulmerton Road; discussed funding of construction improvements to the Bayway Bridge.
- c. Commissioner Welch indicated that he will participate in an eTownHall meeting regarding transit alternatives in Pinellas County on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. and invited the public to take part in the discussion.

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d. Chairman Latvala

provided the volunteer services opportunity of the week.

discussed the Pinellas County Centennial Celebration and requested that the members consider how they will participate in the event, noting that the event coordinator will attend a Board meeting or workshop in the near future.

requested that at future BCC meetings, the members provide updates regarding the various boards on which they sit; and asked Commissioner Seel to discuss the Juvenile Welfare Board at an upcoming BCC meeting.

discussed plans for the 2012 Republican National Convention, noting that she serves on the Host Committee as Chairman of the Tourist Development Council; that the non-partisan Committee is charged with raising \$55 million to promote the region; that events will be spread throughout the region, including Pinellas County; and that all costs not considered political are paid for by the Host Committee.

#32 Meeting adjourned at 10:56 A.M.

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Chairman

ATTEST: KEN BURKE, CLERK

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk