AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA ON NOVEMBER 22, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDING WAS HAD, VIZ:

Present: Sherrie Taylor, Chair, District 5

Eric Hinson, Vice Chair, District 1

Dr. Anthony "Dr. V" Viegbesie, District 2

Gene Morgan, District 3 Brenda Holt, District 4

Robert Presnell, County Administrator

David Weiss, County Attorney Marcella Blocker, Deputy Clerk

Swearing in of Re-elected Commissioners, Eric F. Hinson, District 1 Commissioner; Gene Morgan, District 3 Commissioner; and Sherrie D. Taylor, District 5 Commissioner (The Honorable Kathy Garner, County Judge)

Chair Holt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., welcomed everyone to the special meeting and asked everyone to silence their phones.

The Honorable Kathy Garner, County Judge swore in Commissioner Gene Morgan, Re-elected Commissioner for District 3.

Commissioner Hinson arrived at this juncture of the meeting.

Attorney Marva Davis held the Bible for Commissioner Hinson, Re-elected Commissioner for District 1, who was sworn in and he had a few words to say.

Re-elected Commissioner Sherrie Taylor, Commissioner for District 5, was sworn in.

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Holt asked everyone to stand for the Invocation that was given by Commissioner Viegbesie and she then led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. Flag. A silent roll call was conducted by Marcella Blocker, Deputy Clerk.

AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER VIEGBESIE AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER MORGAN, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND APPEARANCES

1. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Chair Holt said they were moving on to the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair and there were five hard-working people on the Board that loved the County and any of them would do a wonderful job.

COMMISSIONER MORGAN NOMINATED COMMISSIONER TAYLOR TO SERVE AS CHAIR. THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS AND COMMISSIONER TAYLOR WAS ELECTED CHAIR.

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Chair Taylor and Commissioner Holt changed seats.

COMMISSIONER MORGAN NOMINATED COMMISSIONER HINSON TO SERVE AS VICE-CHAIR AND COMMISSIONER HOLT MADE THE SECOND. THERE WERE NO OTHER NOMINATIONS AND COMMISSIONER HINSON WAS ELECTED VICE-CHAIR.

2. Proclamation Honoring Amberly Renee Williams, Miss FAMU

Chair Taylor asked Ms. Amberly Renee Williams to come forward for the presentation of the Proclamation that was read aloud and then presented to her. Commissioner Hinson had a few words to say. After the presentation of the Proclamation, Ms. Williams had a few words to say.

CLERK OF COURTS

CONSENT

ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

CITIZENS REQUESTING TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

GENERAL BUSINESS

3. Approval of the City of Quincy's Representative to the Gadsden County Tourist Development Council

Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and said it was for Board approval of the City of Quincy's Representative, Angela Sapp, to serve on the Gadsden County Tourist Development Council.

UPON MOTION BY COMMISSIONER VIEGBESIE AND SECOND BY COMMISSIONER MORGAN, THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.

4. Approval of Professional Services Agreements for Engineering Consulting Services for Gadsden County

Mr. Presnell introduced the above item and said it was for approval of professional services agreements for Engineering Consulting Services and for authorization for the Chair to execute the contracts.

Commissioner Hinson asked the Administrator to elaborate on why they were approving one of the contracts today and the other next week and Mr. Presnell said they were both on the Agenda for approval tonight.

COMMISSIONER VIEGBESIE MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE AND SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HOLT. COMMISSIONER MORGAN HAD QUESTIONS BEFORE THE VOTE.

Commissioner Morgan asked if this was effective back to October 1st of this year and goes forward and Mr. Presnell said yes.

CHAIR TAYLOR CALLED FOR THE VOTE. THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 BY VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE

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THIS ITEM.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

5. Update on Various Board Requests

Mr. Presnell said there would be Planning Commission appointments and asked the re-elected commissioners to consider who they would like to appoint or re-appoint in that position.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

6. Update on Various Legal Issues

Mr. Weiss said he had nothing to report.

DISCUSSION ITEMS BY COMMISSIONERS

7. Report and Discussion of Public Issues

Commissioner Brenda A. Holt, District 4

Commissioner Holt congratulated everyone.

Commissioner Anthony "Dr. V" Viegbesie, District 2

Commissioner Viegbesie congratulated everyone.

Commissioner Eric Hinson, District 1

Commissioner Hinson thanked everyone for attending the swearing in ceremony.

Commissioner Gene Morgan, District 3

Commissioner Morgan congratulated everyone.

Commissioner Sherrie Taylor, District 5

Receipt and File

UPCOMING MEETINGS

8. December 6, 2016-Regular Meeting-6:00 p.m. December 20, 2016-Regular Meeting-6:00 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, CHAIR TAYLOR DECLARED THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:41 P.M.

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	SHERRIE TAYLOR, Chair Board of County Commissioners	
ATTEST:		

NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk