

**AT A WORKSHOP HELD FOR LEGISLATIVE
PRIORITIES HELD IN AND FOR GADSDEN
COUNTY, FLORIDA ON FEBRUARY 17, 2025 AT
5:30 P.M., THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDING WAS
HAD, VIZ:**

Present: **Eric F. Hinson, Chair, District 1**
 Ronterious Green, Vice-Chair, District 5
 Alonzetta Simpkins, District 2
 Shawn Wood, District 3
 Brenda Holt, District 4
 Roosevelt Morris, Interim County Administrator
 Thornton Williams, County Attorney
 Adriana Quijada, Deputy Clerk
 Leann Jinks, Clerk Secretary to the Boards

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Hinson called the workshop to order at 5:42 p.m.

3. General Business

3.a Discussion and Direction on Legislative Priorities

Mr. Morris stated Town of Havana made a request for 2 lift stations; repair cost exceeds one million.

Mr. Morris stated City of Quincy requested infiltration – 58 million for new waste water treatment plan.

Chattahoochee was requesting \$500,000 for a Congo lift station.

The Board of County Commissioners requested eco-tourism - Advanced opioid recovery center. Commissioner Green mentioned boys & girls club

Commissioner Simpkins appeared at 5:49 p.m.

Commissioner Simpkins stated the current senate president is asking about projects already funded.

Commissioner Holt stated infrastructure money was going to be a separate pot. Commissioner Green asked Mr. Morris on the timeframe for the bidding process for projects. Mr. Morris stated it has to be 30 days.

Mr. Lawson asked if they were prepared to rank these priorities for the local delegation on the 24th.

Attorney Baptiste stated he did receive a copy of the contract regarding the lease for the Boys & Girls Club; neither version of the contract was complete.

Mr. Lawson stated they would need to set 4 or 5 priorities tonight.

Mr. Lawson asked if the courthouse needed more money; Chair Hinson stated they need to start thinking about that. Mr. Morris mentioned the historical grant in the amount of \$300,000 for the courthouse.

Commissioner Simpkins stated to go with the lift stations as one of the priorities.

Mr. Lawson stated #1 priority has to be a shovel-ready project. Commissioner Green stated to add the Boys & Girls Club as #4 priority.

Motion to Adjourn

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, CHAIR HINSON
DECLARED THE WORKSHOP ADJOURNED AT 7:21 PM.**

GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA

**Eric F. Hinson, Chair
Board of County Commissioners**

ATTEST:

NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk