

August 16, 2016

Frank Mann: Welcome To Our Official Meeting Of August 16th. We Begin All Of Our Sessions With An Invocation. Today It's Led By Pastor Glen Catrell. He Has Been With Us Many Times. Welcome Back, Clint. Please Remain Standing For The Pledge.

Thank You, Mr. Chairman. Shall We Pray. Gracious And Loving God, Thank You For This Wonderful Day And The Warmth Of The Air, The Blueness Of The Sky, And The Gifts That We Have A Way Of Taking For Granted Every Day. Lord, Indeed, We Give You Thanks. We Pray That You Would Be With Us As The Summer Is Coming To A Close, And Soon Our Roads Are Going To Begin To Swell With All Kinds Of People Coming From Up North. Lord, Help Us To Do The Best We Can. We Pray For Our Commissioners. That You Are With Their Families These Day. Take Care Of All Of Their Personal Problems And Worries For The Next Few Hours So They May Focus On Doing The Work At Hand. Thank You For The Staff That Do So Much To Support Them, For All Of The Employees Of This County, Be Them In Law Enforcement Or Ems Or Fire, To Those That Collect The Garbage, And Everybody That Serves The People Of This County. Watch Over Them And Keep Them Safe This Day. Lord, We Pray Your Blessing Upon Our Work. That At The End Of This Day You May Look Down Upon Us And Say Well Done. Good And Faithful Servants. In The Name Of Jesus Christ We Pray, Amen.

Frank Mann: Thank You, Pastor. I Pledge Allegiance To The Flag Of The United States Of America And To The Republic For Which It Stands, One Nation Under God Indivisible With Liberty And Justice For All.

Frank Mann: Thank You And Be Seated. In Just A Moment We're Going To Do Our Recognition Of Our Employees Who Have Been Serving Us For Many Years, But I Would Like To Begin With A Quick Resolution. Zachary Van Dine. Are You Here With Us This Morning? Well, Zachary, Come On Up And Take The Podium And Bring Any Friends You Brought With You.

There's A Lot Of Them.

Frank Mann: Well, Come Circle Around. Mr. Van Dine Brought To My Attention That The U.N. Years Ago Proclaimed A Peace Day, And, Man, From Watching The Tv Or Reading The Paper In The Morning, There's Not Much -- Not Too Much Can Be Said About Praying For Peace This Day And Time. It Is My Privilege To Read This Resolution. Then, Zach, I'll Call On You To Say A Word Or Two And Then We'll Take A Picture Of Everybody. Perfect. Resolution Reads As Follows. Whereas, The Issue Of Peace Is The Deepest Hope Of All People And Remains Humanity's Guiding Inspiration, And, Whereas, In 1981 The United Nations Proclaimed The International Day Of Peace Be "Devoted To Commemorating And Strengthening The Ideals Of Peace Both Within And Among All Nations And People And, Whereas, The United Nations Expanded The Observance Of The International Day Of Peace In 2001 To Include A Call For A Day Of Global

Cease-Fire And Nonviolence And Invited All Nations And People To Honor A Cessation Of Hostilities For The Duration Of That Day, And, Whereas, There's Growing Support Within Our County For The Observance Of The International Day Of Peace Which Affirms Our Vision Of Peace And Fosters Cooperation Between Individuals, Organizations, And Nations And, Whereas, Global Crisis Compels All Citizens To Work Towards Converting Humanity's Noblest Aspirations For World Peace And For The Practical Reality Of A Culture Of Peace For Future Generations. Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved For The Board Of County Commissioners Of Lee County That We Do Hereby Recognize The International Day Of Peace And Urge Our Citizens To Attend The Ninth Annual Peace Day Here On The Park On Sunday, September 18th, 2016, And Encourage All To Join In A Day Of Observance Throughout Lee County Bringing Public Awareness To The Need For Peace In Our Homes, Our Schools, And In Our Communities. Dated This 16th Day Of August, 2016, And I Signed It As Chairman. Thank You For Your Commitment To This Noble Goal.

Come Join Us Here For A Picture.

If You Could Say A Few Words. We Would Be Happy To Hear From You. Thanks For Coming.

Thanks. Thanks For Coming.

Frank Mann: Y'all Gather Around. Zach, If You Go More Than 40 Minutes, I'm Cutting You Off.

Really I Just Want To Say I Think You All Think Everybody In This County That Has Come Together For Nine Years, Over Nine Years, Working To Develop This Idea And Culture Of Peace. When I Started This Idea Of Peace In The Park Nine Years Ago, I Truly Had No Idea What It Was Going To Turn Into, And I Can't Believe That The Community's Response And Embracing Of Our Most Basic Desire And Hope As A Culture, Nation, Race, Religion. We All Want To Be Happy. None Of Us Want To Suffer. For Me Peace Day In The Park Has Been A Platform To Spread This Awareness That, This In Fact, A Day Of Peace, And It Exists. That Means That We're No Longer Thinking About What Peace Might Look Like One Day. That Means That What You All Just Said Means There Is A Day Of Peace. We Have Peace Now. If We Don't Like The Way That It Looks, If We Don't Like The Way That It Feels, How Can We Build Upon It? That's What This Day Means. It Means We Have Peace. S We're Building Upon A Culture, And It Recognize The Need, The Importance For Peace In Our Homes, Our Hearts, Our Community, And I Just Want To Say Thank You All So Much For Your Continued Support And For Allowing Us To As A Community Come Together In Such An Important Time That There's Never Been Such A Need For Peace As We Are In And At Right Now. I'm I Pass This Baton As President From Such An Amazing Woman. Thank You For Allowing Me And Us To Support This Day Of Peace And Help It Grow. Thank You. Thank You.

Frank Mann: Thank You, Zach. [Applause]

Frank Mann: Thank You, Guys. God Speed In Your Mission. Now We Will Move To One Of The Happier Things We Do Every Year. We Do It Several Times During The Year. We Recognize Our

Employees Who Have Served Us So Well And So Faithfully For A Long Time. Mr. Desjarlais, I'll Pass The Baton To You.

This Is One Thing We Really Enjoy Doing. These Folks Work So Hard, And They've Been To Dedicated. It's Always A Pleasure To Acknowledge Their Good Work. Let's Get Started.

Good Morning, Commissioners. Alise. I'm Here On County Administration As Well As The Fine Folks I Have Been Privileged To Work With At The Human Resources Department In The Last Couple Of Months. We're Here This Morning To Present The Length Of Service Awards For The Employees For The Second Quarter Of 2016. These Awards Represent Collectively 955 Years Of Service With Lee County Government. For Those Employees That Are Here, Please Gather In The Back To Come Up And Greet The County Manager, Get Your Pen, And Then Also Greet The Commissioners As Well As County Administration. We'll Start With Five Years Of Service.

Jackie Ferraro, Solid Waste. Jason Gaf, Public Safety. Colin Johnson, Public Safety. Michael Johnson, Utilities. Pam Keys, Utilities. Jason Cobanic, D.O.T. Operations. Gay Rodriguez, Utilities. Alicia Soto, Utilities. Craig Buckacharro, D.O.T. Operations. Don Williams, Utilities. We'll Move On To Ten Years Of Service. Gather In The Back, Folks. Thomas Betris, Human Services. Ten Years With Visitor Convention Bureau, Charm Evans. Abel Gonzalez, Solid Waste. Sonja H Irs T, The County Attorney's Office. Ferdinand Landon, Transit. Robert Midget, Solid Waste. Padrone, Transit. Jennifer Perry, Public Safety. Natalia Provalinko, Library. Brandon Robinson, Public Safety.

Public Transit. Samuel Balpone, Transit. Rounding Out Ten Years Of Service, Lee Worst With Natural Resources. D.O.T. Traffic. Fred Davison, Public Safety. Linda Dunn, Library. And With 20 Years Of Service With The County Attorney's Office, Andrea Frazier.

With Parks And Recreation, Irma Reyes. 20 Years Of Parks And Recreation. Colleen Via. And 20 Years With Parks And Recreation, Chad Yoder. 25 Years Of Service, Tracy Ackman, Public Safety. Peter Podia, Utilities. Sylvia Hasek, Human Services. Barnister Bunny Rohland. Adrian Solomon, D.O.T. Operations. Howard Wigas, Utilities. And With 35 Years Of Service, Cindy Mider. Congratulations To All Employees For All Your Service For Lee County. Gather For A Photo.

This Is On Which Item? Oh, Over. Are You Going To Stay For The End Of The Meeting? It's Just A Follow-Up. Okay. All Righty. I Think --

Frank Mann: Okay. I Think We Can Return To Our Agenda Here. Let's Take Up The Recap. Staff Has Asked Us To Include A Couple Of Other Items. You See Item 24 And 25. One Needs -- I Tell You, Let's Take Those Two And Get Them Out. I Need A Motion To Omit Altogether Items Top Have A Second. Is There Discussion On It? Is There Objection To It? Show It Adopted. Objection Item 25. Staff Needs To Review This One A Little Further. Can I Have A Deferral Motion? Is There Discussion? Without Objection, Show That Adopted. Now, Roger Has Just Asked Me To Defer Also Item 11. They Need To Study. That Was The I Need Item 11 Deferred.

Brian Hamman: Move.

Frank Mann: Show It Adopted. And On Item 14, Which Is The Shoreline Stabilization Project Along Caloosahatchee Park. They've Got Some Technicals They Need To Resolve On That Project. If We Can Defer Item 14.

So Moved.

Deferred Until Next Board Meeting.

Frank Mann: Next Meeting?

Yes, Sir.

Frank Mann: That Date Certain. Second By Hamman. Discussion? Objection? Show Those Also. We Have Our Agenda Properly In Order. Agenda Items. Okay. To Be Pulled By The Board. Mr. Manning, You Have Any?

John Manning: None.

Frank Mann: Mr. Pendergrass?

Frank Mann: None.

Frank Mann: I Have None.

Brian Hamman: I Have None.

Frank Mann: Let's Go Right To The Public Out There. I Have -- Let Me Make Certain I've Got These Right. Jane Manning, Where Are You? Jane Manning. And You Just Want To Speak At The End Of The Meeting On A Subject Close To Your Heart That's Not On The Agenda. Thank You Very Much. We'll Ask Your Patience Between Now And Then. Sean -- Deslat. Your Item Is 25? Is That Correct?

24.

Frank Mann: 24. Let Me -- Is That The One We Just Deferred?

Brian Hamman: Omitted, Mr. Chair.

Frank Mann: I'm Sorry. We Have Taken That Item Off Altogether For Now. Roger, Speak To Me Again About That.

Thank You, Mr. Chair. The Product Simply Isn't Finished And Ready For The Board To Do An Approval Yet. We Have Additional Work To Be Done. A Five-Year Transit Plan.

Frank Mann: So Could The Gentleman That's Here, Mr. Declat, If He Is Interested In This Issue, Should He Talk To, Who, Mr. Myers? Somebody On Your Staff?

Mr. Harner.

Mr. Harner, Just Hold Your Hand Up So He Could Find You Perhaps At The End Of The Meeting. Could You Do That? Since The Issue Is No Longer On Our Agenda.

We'll Save You For Public Consultation. Thank You For Your Understanding And Patience. Now We Have On Item Number Seven, Which Is A 2020 Parcel Discussion. Everybody Is In Favor, You Don't Need All. Please Take The Full Three Minutes. We'll Probably Get The Message Early On, But Let's Start With John Mccabe. Are You Here?

Well, Item Eight. I'm Terribly Sorry. It's A 2020 Item, Right? I'll Go Ahead And Pick You Up. Yes.

I Apologize. I Had Everybody Else At Seven. Anybody Else Want To Speak To Item Eight? Okay. Let's Pick Up Item Eight And Get It Out Of The Way.

Thank You. I Basically Wanted To Thank You Folks For Considering This Piece Of Property.

I Wanted To Thank You And Hope It Is A Positive Consideration, And We're Here. There Are Several Of Us. If You Have Any Questions At All, We Would Be Happy To Address Them. It's An Important Piece Of Land. It's Excellent Wildlife Habitat.

Go On, John. Just Ignore The Chairman.

It Is Located Between A Large Parcel Of The Conservation Land That Connects It To The Main Body Of The Wildlife Refuge, And As You Know From Your Papers, We've Had A Wide Community Support. The Refuge Has Proposed That They Would Manage That Property At No Cost To The County. They Have Agreed To Contribute \$600,000 To The Purchase Of That Property. Any Question, Happy To Answer Them After My E-Mail.

Thank You, Mr. Mccabe. Are There Others In The Audience That Would Like To Speak To Item Number Eight At 2020 Nomination? Well, Let Me -- Let's Take That Up And Deal With It At This Time. Can I Have A Motion On Item Eight?

So Move. I Move Approval, Mr. Chairman.

I Have A Motion And A Second. Is There Discussion On It? Is There Objection To It? Show Item Eight Adopted Without Objection. Now, The Rest, I Believe, Are All Item Seven. Let's Start With Christina Sierra. You'll Be Followed By Phillip Salmon. Sarman. Saranen.

Give That To The Clerk.

I Live Out In Olga, And We Really Want The Commissioners To Okay The Proceedings To Go Ahead And Negotiate On Property Number 550. It's 96 Acres. It Has 900 Feet Of Waterfront On The River. Right Now The River Needs All The Help It Can Get. The Last Thing That River Needs Is For That Land To Be Sold To Private People And Have It Developed. It Could Have As Many As 540 Homes, And The River Doesn't Need That. It Doesn't Need 540 Systems. Well, I Ask. I Live Out There. I Work In The Community. I Boat Here. I Shop In The Community, And I'm Asking That You Just Please Approve The Negotiations For That Property.

Frank Mann: Thank You.

Thank You.

Frank Mann: Phillip Saranaan. Am I Getting Closer?

In America We Don't Say It That Way Any Longer.

Frank Mann: Saarnnan. Go For It.

I Want To Thank You All For Considering That Property For The 2020 Conservation Program. I Live In The Olga Community Also, And, You Know, There's Many, Many Reasons Why It Would Benefit The Community To Stay The River And Everything To Have That Be Part Of The 2020. I Just Wanted To Share About The Idea Of The Buffer For The River System. Now, If That Was Developed As A Residential Community, You Know, Our Area Out There, We Don't Have Sewer. It Would Be All Septic, And That's One Of The Leading Causes Of Contamination Of The River As To The Algae Growth. Twice This Year My Wife And I Had Planned To Go Up To The Franklin Lock To Go Swimming, And Both Times It Was Closed Because Of The High Bacteria Count, And This Would Contribute To That. If This Was Put Into 2020 For Conservation, It Would Help Create A Buffer. It Could Create A Water Storage System To Help Purify It. We Would Still Have Good Water For Us And For Our Future Generations.

Thank You, Phillip. Maria Jones. Maria. Hello, Maria. There She Comes. You're Being Followed By Jerry Camaner. Camerrer. This Is Maria.

We Actually Live In Rib Line Park, Which Is In The Olga Community. We Both Do. We're Supportive Of This Park Being Put In.

Tell Me Your Name Again. I'm Sorry.

Connie Roy.

Frank Mann: Connie Roy. We Have Her On The Record.

We Live In The Same Park. Jerry Is One Of Our --

Frank Mann: Jerry, You're One Of Them? Well, You're Going To -- It's The 2020 Purchase A Lot Of Reasons. One Of Them, The Vice President Of The Olga Community Club And One Of Our Meetings, This Was Brought Up, And We Were -- The Club Was 100% Behind The Purchase Of This Land.

Frank Mann: The Name Of The Club Again? The Club.

Olga Community Club.

I Could Rattle On For Hours. This 95 Acres Has Wildlife Galore. Got Tortuouses On It. I Was Told A Panther Was Seen On It Here The Last Six Months. You're Going To Hear A Lot More.

Frank Mann: Thank You For Coming In And Sharing With Us Your Thoughts This Morning. Gloria Mott. You'll Be Followed By Don Jones.

I'm Gloria Mott, And I Live Down The Road From The 96 Acres. I Have Lived There For 12 Years, And I Would Like To See This Preserved So That The Neighborhood And Many Other People Can Enjoy It. We Really Don't Want To See Everything Paved Over And How This Is Built. We Need To Keep Some Rural Land, And That Plan In Favor Of This. Thank You Very Much For Letting Me Address You.

Frank Mann: Thank You For Being With Us This Morning. Mr. Jones.

I Live In The Community Of Olga, And I'm Here Today To Show My Support For The Purchase Of Parcel 550 And To The 2020 Conservation Program. I Think That Would Be A Nice Piece Of Property To Include In That. Thank You.

Frank Mann: And You Brought A Helper Named Janet. Janet. I'm Sorry. I Didn't Know That Had You Back To Back. I Could Have Called You Up At The Same Time. Janet Jones With The Same Address. 1801 Round Road. Next Will Be.

Thank You For Taking The Time To Hear Us. I've Been In My House Since 1976, And This Would Be A Great Property To Have For Conservation. It's A Rural Community Out There, And This Would Be An Asset Not Just For Us That Live Out There, But For The Whole County, For Visitors That Come In, From Other People That Live In Florida Too. It's Pristine Out There. There's So Much Waterfrontage Out There For The People To Enjoy And Even To Drive Their Boats Up When They're Boating On The Caloosahatchee. I Ask You To Consider It And To Approve This.

Welcome Back. Good To Have You.

Good Morning. My Name Is Jim. I Live Out In The Olga Area. I Hope You All Approve This 2020 Thing For The 92 Acres. By The Way, That 2020 Program Is Really Great. It's Good For Everybody. This Will Probably Really Be Good For Us, But Anybody Would Be -- Would Love This Place. One Aspect Of It Is The River. It's The Only Place That I Know Of Where You Can Run A Boat Up, Get Off, And Not Get Shot At Or Yelled At Or Anything Like That. We Need That. 15, 20 Boats Out There Used To Be There On The Weekend. Now Because Of The Green Water, We Don't Have So Many. We Need To Get Back There. This Would Be A Great Place To Do It. Any Conservation On The River Will Help The River. We Got For Get That River Fixed. It's Just A Great River Run Right Through The County. It's An Embarrassment. This Would Help.

Thank You For Coming In And Joining Us This Morning. Rosalee Pressdari.

Good Morning. Rosalee. I Live In The Development Just Adjacent To The Property, And I'm In Favor Of The Property Going Into The 2020 Conservation. Thank You.

Frank Mann: Well, Thank You. I Apologize For Mispronouncing Your Name. One Last Lady Would Like To Speak. We'll Ask You To Fill Out A Card When You Are Through. Just Name Yourself And Your Address, Please.

My Name Is Sherry Foster. I Would Urge You To Consider This Property As Part Of The 2020 Program We're In Full Support Of It, And Our Customers Would Like To See It, And We Would Like To See It. Thank You Very Much.

Frank Mann: Grab A Card From Mr. Desjarlais, Sir. You Would Like To Speak On This Item As Well.

Michael Cox. I Live At 22 On 7 Queen Ann Drive. I Ride My Bicycle By The Property That's In Question Probably Every Day That I Get A Chance To. It's Certainly Something That I Am Passionate About As Far As Being Safe On The Road And Not Being Run Over, And If It's Developed With As Many Houses As They're Planning, It's Something That Could Pose A Traffic Issue. My Only Concern Is That The More Houses We're Having Out There, The More Detrimental It's Going To Be For Everyone Else In The Community Because Of Traffic And Just The Flow Of The Community That's Out There. Thank You For Hearing Us. I Appreciate It. Sorry I Didn't Have More To Speak On This Item.

Frank Mann: I Think We Get Your Point. If You Can Fill Out A Card Before You Leave. Are There Others Who Want To Speak On Item Number Seven, Which Is Before Us? The Agenda Item Right Now From The Public. Seeing None, Then We Will Come Back To The Commission For Discussion For A Possible Motion. Commissioner Hamman.

I Would Like To Make A Motion To Authorize Commencement Of Negotiation On Nomination By This.

Frank Mann: We Have A Motion. Second By Commissioner Manning. Further Discussion On The Item? Is There Objection To It? Thank You, Folks, For Coming Out. It Passes Unanimously. We Will Begin Negotiations. Thank You. You All Can Be Excused. Now Can I Have A Motion To Approve The Balance Of The Agenda?

Cecil Pendergrass: Move.

Brian Hamman: Second.

Frank Mann: Motion And Second. Is There Discussion? Show It Adopted Without Objection. Is There Objection? Hearing None. Now, Jay Manning And Sean Decklette, We'll Hear From You At The End Of Our Meeting. I Have A Wet Agenda Here, But Let Me See If I Can Make Sense Out Of It.

For Public Hearings, We Have A Few.

Public Hearings. Let's Just Go There. Do I?

Frank Mann: The Carryovers. Public Hearings. Let's Do That. Yes, Sir.

Good Morning. You Have Three Public Hearings On Your 9:30 Public Agenda This Morning. Beginning With Two Public Hearings For Petitions To Vacate With Respect To Those Two Items. I Have Affidavits Of Publication For Both Of Those. I Also Have For The Second Public Hearing An Affidavit Of Posting. I Have Reviewed All Three Affidavits. They Are Legally Sufficient With Respect To Form And Content So We Can Proceed With Both Items This Morning. I'm Going To Give Those To The Clerk.

Frank Mann: Any Questions For Counsel? Are There Members Of The Public That Would Like To Be Heard On This Public Hearing Item?

If I May Introduce It For You --

I Thought You Were Through. I'm Sorry. Got Ahead Of Myself.

Just To Make It Clear, This Is Your First Public Hearing. It's Petition To Vacate --

I Have A Motion By Commissioner Hamman, Second By Commissioner Manning. Further Discussion? Objection? Show That Adopted Without Objection.

Frank Mann: Are We Properly Introduced?

Yes, Sir.

Frank Mann: Members Of The Public That Would Like To Speak To This Issue? Seeing None, I Would Entertain A Motion. Motion By Hamman. Second By Manning. Is There Discussion? Is There Objection? Show This One Also Adopted Without Objection. Item Number Three, Public Hearing.

I Have Reviewed The Notice Of Public Hearing For This Particular Item This Morning. It Was Published On July 27, 2016. The Affidavit Of Publication Has Been Provided. We're Going To Give A Copy To The Board's Clerk At This Point. It Has Been Reviewed, And It Is Legally Sufficient With Respect To Form And Content. This Is For Nonspecial Assessments Using The Uniform Method Of Collection Pursuant To Florida Statute 197.3632, And It Represents 33 Separate Msbu Districts. 12 Of Which Are Operations And Maintenance Msbu's, And The Balance, 21 More, Are Capital Msbu's.

Frank Mann: Remind Me, Counsellor, Do We Do This Annually?

Yes, We Do. We're Required To By Statute In Order To Send Them To Collection By The Tax Collector.

Frank Mann: It Can't Be Done One Time For All Future?

No, Sir. The Statute Does Not Permit That.

Frank Mann: Well, It's Always A Joy To See You Back Here With Us. Are There Members Of The Public That Like To Speak On This Issue? Hearing None, Back To The Board For A Motion. I Have

Commissioner Penned Grass Move. Seconded By Commissioner Manning. Is There Discussion? Is There Objection? Show It Adopted Annually This Time As Well.

Thank You Very Much.

Thank You.

Frank Mann: Now Can We Do A Walk-On? I've Got It Here. Underneath -- Mr. Desjarlais, Do You Want To Deal With A Walk-On Or Carry-Over?

Carry-Over.

Employee Dental Plan. Is That What We're On?

We Have Three Carry-Over Items. Ms. Brady, Please Introduce The Items.

Frank Mann: Ms. Brady, You're Recognized.

Thank You. Carry-Over To Items Number One, Two, Three Relate To The Employee Health Benefits Plan. Number One Is For An Award For A Contract For The Dental Benefits Plan To Aetna Life Insurance. Carry-Over Agenda Item Two Is For Short-Term And Long-Term Disability.

Frank Mann: Just For The Record. Any Questions Of Staff On The Walk-On Number One? The Dental Plan. Can I Have A Motion?

So Moved.

Second.

Frank Mann: Motion And Second. Is There Discussion? Is There Objection? Show It Adopted Without Objection. Chris.

Yes, Sir. Carryover Agenda Item Two Is For An Award For Short-Term And Long-Term Disability Benefits To It Harper Life Insurance. Short-Term Disability Is Something That Is Supplemental For Employees. Long-Term Disabilities Is Something They Purchase For Employees.

Objection Of The Staff?

Cecil Pendergrass: I Move The Motion.

Brian Hamman: Second.

Frank Mann: Show It Adopted Without Objection. Ms. Brady.

Yes, Sir. Carry-Over Agenda Item Three Is For Award For Contract For Employee Benefits For Davis Vision, Which Is A Supplemental Vision Service Plan That Is Purchased Solely By The Employees.

Frank Mann: Any Questions Of Staff? Motion By Hamman. Second By Manning. Show That Adopted Without Objection. That Brings Us To Commissioner Items. Mr. Manning.

John Manning: Very Briefly. I Had Written An E-Mail To Each Of You Discussing The Request To Rename The Gall's Island Preserve In Memory Of Phil Buchanan. I Asked Appropriate Staff To Do Some Research. We Believed Initially That The Gall Island Preserve Was Named After A Family. It Was Not Named After A Family. It Was A Scribner's Error. There Are Two Ways To Go Here, And I Would Request This Board To Have You Bring Back An Agenda Item To Rename The Whole Preserve After Phil Buchanan Or There Are Internal Walking Trails That Are There. Very Important Walking Trails. If We Can Do That As Well. I Will Bring Back If There Is No Objection Two Different Ways To Give Phil The Recognition He Deserves.

Anybody Want To Ask Commissioner Manning A Question About This?

I Had Not Heard The Galt Story, And I Really Thought There Had Been A Family Galt. I Can Forget Galt, Insert Goat.

John Manning: That's Correct. It's Galt Island Preserve If We Do Nothing. Mr. Buchanan And His Service To Pine Island, And Sounds Like An Appropriate Thing To Do. I Appreciate You Bringing It Up. Any Other Comments? We'll Wait To Hear Back From You On It. Thank You, Mr. Pendergrass.

Cecil Pendergrass: No Commissioner Items. I Want To Bring Up An Update. An Underage Drinking For The -- 2015. Looking Forward To Attending Their Events Next Month, Ares And Also If I Could Direct To The County Manager, Lately We Had Talked About The Assessment Needs Of Lee County, And Lee County Is Going To Be Moving Forward With The Assessments Of Our Current Needs Here. Comments About That Is For What We Do Internally With Human Services.

Frank Mann: I'm Sorry.

Thank You. Commissioner, You Are Correct. Following The May 3rd Workshop, Work Session With The Board, There Was Conversation About Making Sure That We Were Able To Catalog And Document Existing Services Being Provided By Not Only Lee County, But Others As Well, And We're Finding It To Be An Incredibly Complex Task, And It's Something That's Going To Become Much More Of A Community Conversation Than Simply Lee County, But It's Important To Know That Just In The Next Years, Fiscal Year 1617 That, You Know, You Are Going To -- You've Already Allocated \$31 Million Or About 8% Of The Operating Budget Even For The General Fund For Human Services, And Then What We Haven't Quite Finished Cataloging Or Documenting Yet Are All Of The Youth Services Provided In Other Departments, For Example, That May Not Be Part Of Human Services, But Are Simply Youth Programs And Parks And Libraries And A Couple Of Other Departments. It Will No Doubt Be Complex, And It's Come More From The Community Than From Us. We Are Following Your Instrucks, And We Are Moving Right Along With The Internal Assessment, And When The Time Comes When We're Ready, We'll Report Back.

I Want To Make Sure Everybody Understands That Lee County's Prior Commitment. Lee County Contributed A Lot Of Money For That, And We Appreciate You Doing That. Make Sure Everybody Understands How Much Lee County Is Currently Doing. Thank You.

Frank Mann: Thank You. I Had Noted That I Would Like A Status Report. I Would Ask The District Commissioner, Commissioner Manning, To Just Bring Us Up-To-Date. Where Do You See Us Going On This?

I Do See A Light At The End Of The Tunnel. I Have A Meeting With Senator Neil At 9:30 A.M. Soon Thereafter We Will Compare Both Plans. We'll Bring An Agenda Back To This Board.

You're Meeting Him At The End Of The Month.

30th At 9:30. We Will Hope To See Some Movement?

John Manning: Hopefully We Know Before The Second Meeting In September.

Frank Mann: Commissioner Hamman.

Brian Hamman: I Have None.

Frank Mann: Appointments. Mr. Manning.

I Would Like To Reappoint Kelly Palmer For The Special Improvement Unit.

Second.

Frank Mann: Discussion? Objection? Show That Adopted Without Objection. Commissioner Kiker Has None. We Are Now At County Manager Items.

I Have Two Quick Items. First One Is We Want To Have Just To Give You Some Information About The -- Receive Some Emails In This Last Week Supporting The Purchase Of Nomination 536 In The 2020 Program. It's 579 Acres. I Would Radioic For Mr. Wenton To Describe For You An Issue That We're Dealing With Not Just In That Purchase, But In Others That We Think We Will Eventually Want To Engage In Conversation With You In A Work Session.

Thank You, Roger.

Commissioners, Nomination 536, As Roger Said, Is 579 Acres. It Fronts Cork Screw Road And Runs All The Way To Cork Screw Swamp Sanctuary. The Board Approved Pursuing Purchase Of That. Negotiation And Purchase Of That Last August. Meantime, We've Run Into An Issue With Extinguishing The Underlying Oil, Gas, And Mineral Rights On That Property, Which Raises A Larger Issue That In The Past Our Past Policy Has Been To Extinguish All Of Those Before We Purchase A Parcel. That's Becoming Harder To Do. Even If We Are Willing To Pay For Them. Not All Entities Require That Those Rights Be Extinguished. We Want To Hold A Work Session With The Board About That Overall Policy Going Forward. Maybe Introducing Some Complexibility Into

That Policy, But In The Meantime On This Particular Parcel, It's A Key Parcel, And We Would Like To Get The Board's Concurrence To Go Ahead At Least And Get Appraisals On This Parcel As We're Moving Forward And Addressing The Larger Issue.

Let Me Ask If There's Still A Question About Mineral Rights, Is The Appraisal -- Are We Going To Have To Have Two? One With, One Without? How Does That Go?

I Don't Know, Commissioner.

Frank Mann: Well, We're Going To Direct You To Get An Appraisal, And We Haven't Defined What We're Appraising Yet. Help Me Here. We Got Time For Robert To Come All The Way Forward And Introduce Himself.

Mr. Chair. This Is Robert Clemons.

Good Morning, Commissioners. We Would Order One Appraisal And That Appraisal Would Not Include The Value Of Oil, Gas, And Mineral Rights.

So We Would Be Proceeding Obviously On The Basis Of Contemplating A Purchase Without Those Mineral Rights.

Correct.

I Just Want To Make Certain. Yes.

The Issue Here Is, Of Course, The Obvious Which Was Described For You. I Don't Know That This Is As Much A Policy As It Is A Task Practice. At This Point We Just Don't Know. There's Been The Extinguishing Of Those Rights As We've Been Working With That For A Long Time, But Now It's Becoming Much More An Issue With Landowners Not Quite So Willing To Sell Those Along With The Land. It's -- We Would Like To Proceed With This One. I'm Losing My Voice.

Commissioners, What We Would Like To Do Is Continue To Keep This In The Hopper Pursuing It As We Have A Work Session On The Larger Issue. The State Doesn't Require Extinguishment Of These Rights, And What We're Foreseeing Is That It Gets Harder And Harder, Then It May Limit Our Ability To Purchase Environmentally Sensitive Lands.

Thank You, Mr. Chairman. One Question I Have, Mr. Desjarlais, If I Can Address This. This Is Going To Be Part Of The -- Is It Going To Be Part Of The Crew Or Part Of The Cork Screw Swamp Sanctuary? The Long-Term Vision For This?

I Believe The Long-Term Vision Is Crew In That Area. It Will Be A Conservation 2020 Property. It's Within All -- It's Within Crew Properties, Other 2020 Preserves And Also It Connects To The Cork Screw Swamp Sanctuary.

Do We Know If The Crew Requires Folks To Give Up Their Extinguish Their Oil, Gas, And Mineral Rights When They Acquire Property?

Robert Clemons Again With County Lands. In The Past The County Had Acquired A Substantial Amount Of Properties Within The Crew With Moans That Were Granted To Lee County By South Florida Water Management District. Those -- In Those Acquisitions We Did Not Remove The Right Of Entry For Oil, Gas, And Mineral Rights. Nor Did We Acquire The Oil, Gas, And Mineral Rights. There Is Some Precedent There.

Very Good.

I'm Still Not Clear. Your Recommendation To Us Is For A Motion That Would Include Obtaining The Appraisal Or To Proceed With A Full Negotiations And Come Back With A Recommendation For Purchase.

To Obtain The Appraisals And For Us To Do Negotiations And Come Back To The Board. That's Kind Of On A Concurrent Track. We'll Have A Work Session With The Board About The Overall Issue.

Frank Mann: Of The General Discussion Of Minerals And --

Yes, Yes.

John Manning: I Move The Nomination Of 536 As Stated By The Director Which Will Include Appraising The Property And Negotiating The Price And Then Bring That Back To The Board In The Meantime. We'll Have A Work Session On Policy Items Such As This.

Frank Mann: Have A Second?

Brian Hamman: I'll Second.

Frank Mann: Is There Objection To The Motion? Show It Adopted Unanimously. Thank You, Roger, And Other Items?

Thank You, Mr. Chairman. In Our Last Board Meeting, Commissioner Kiker Had Discussed With You The Issue Of The Outstanding Agreements That We Have In Place. I Want To Report On That Today. You Had Asked If We Could Have Those Agreements Back For Your Approval At Today's Meeting, But Given The Complexity And Timing, It Simply Wasn't Possible. What We Do Think Is Possible Is That If The -- If The Village Council Can Approve Four Agreements That We've Sent Them By August 31st, We Can Have Those Four Agreements Back To You On August 6th, And They Have --

John Manning: September 6th.

Yes, I'm Sorry. September 6th. Those Agreements Are University Landscape Overlay, Operating And Maintenance Agreement, That Have Been In Place For Many Years, But Will Require For Them To Assume. The Services Agreement, Which Had Been In Place For A Year. All The Services That We've Been Providing To The Village While While They're Coming Up To Speed And Deciding What Services They Will Provide Directly Versus By Contract, And We Have A Draft

Agreement In The Hands Of The Village Now With A Slight Reduction In Cost. Then There's The Local Gas Tax Agreement That We Have With All The Cities, And We're Recommending That We Just Extend The Existing Gas Tax Formula For An Additional Year While We Continue To Work Out Road Ownership And Then Lastly, The Solid Waste Agreement While The -- Our Haulers Can Continue To Collect Some Waste In Village -- Villages Deciding Whether Or Not They Want A Contract For The Services Themselves Or Stay With Ours. We've Been In Conversation With The Village Manager. We Think That's -- If The Village Can Get That Piece Done, We Can Get Our Piece Done Rather Easily. Then We Have The Final Outstanding Issues, Which We Will Not Be Able To Resolve By The -- By September 6 Meeting, And That Is Road Ownership. We Still Have Some More Conversation To Have. It's Become More Complex Than We Had Anticipated, And The Village Has Also Requested From Us, As You Know, That We Contribute Dollars For The Completing The Sidewalks.

It's Meant Some Time To Go And We Would Accept A 50% Match To Pay For Those Sidewalks And Then Finally, The Villages, Particularly Interested In Having Us Repave Cork Screw Parkway. About A Half Million Proposition. We Still Have Work To Do Before We're Prepared To Make A Recommendation.

If You Want A Motion From Us That Are Pretty Much Settled, And Then We're Going To Take Care Of The Rest Of Them.

I Don't Believe A Motion To Date, Commissioner. Just Wanted To Give You An Update.

I Would Expect That Councilman Ribbel And The Town Manager Would Be Visiting I'm Of You In The Next Couple Of Weeks Once The Blue Sheets Are Prepared So That They Can Discuss Their Position With You Individually. We've Had Several Meetings In This Regard, And From My Understanding, They Were In Favor Of What Mr. Desjarlais Just Presented To You. We're Asking Them If They Could, You Know, Take Up Their Matters And Vote On Them And Bring That To Us At The Same Time.

In Case They're Linked Items There.

I Think We Looked At What Ramifications There Are To Their Budget Versus Ours.

This Whole Process Because It's Their First Budget, This Enables Them To Have The Information They Need To Proceed Forward. I Think We're On Target With What They Ask For.

I Agree. I Think We're Getting Pretty Close, Commissioner. Commissioners, Says We Have Some Policy Issues That We May Have To Resolve As You Recall Quite A Few Months Ago. You Had Approved The Criteria For Ranking Our Road Projects, Lee County's Own Road Projects, And If -- Depend Canning How This Turns Out, We May Have To Ask You For -- To Change That Policy Slightly And Move Projects Around Just A Little Bit To Accommodate Some Of This. We Don't Know Yet, But -- Don't Forget, One Of The Issues We Have To Come Back In A Workshop And Talk With You About Is For Future -- For Future Incorporations, There Will Most Certainly Be Future

Incorporations Over The Next 30 Years. What Will Be Your Policy With Regard To Road Ownership? You Know, Right Now We're -- We Work And Negotiate Based On Past Practices, Which We Believe To Be Best Practice, But, Again, We Spent A Lot Of Time Negotiating These Things. Maybe A Little More Time Than Is Necessary If We Had A Solid Board Policy.

Frank Mann: Okay. For Now We're Upupdated, And We Can Anticipate Being Contacted And Hopefully Reached By Representatives From The Village.

That's Likely So, And We Will As Well Once We Have Blue Sheet Language We'll Be Able To Give You A Full And Complete Briefing.

Frank Mann: Is That All, Mr. Desjarlais?

Thank You, Mr. Chair.

Frank Mann: Councillor.

Brian Hamman: Nothing For You Today.

Frank Mann: Aren't You Special. Thank You Very Much For That. Thank You For Your Patience. Jane Manning. Matters Of Interest. Thank You For Your Patience, Ms. Manning. Are You John's Sister?

No, No Relation. The Manning I Married Was Actually Italian.

John Manning: You Changed It To An Irish Name?

Well, His Mother Was Irish, So, Yeah, I Guess.

Frank Mann: However You Got Here, We're Glad You're Here.

Thank You. My Name Is Jane Manning. I Have Been A Five-Year Resident At Royal Com Towers. I Know It's Been In Discussion. Is It For Sale? Is It Not For Sale? First Tuesday In July Marcus Goodson, The Executive Director At The Housing Authority City Fort Myers Came To Our Resident Council Meeting And Assured Us That There Had Been No Talk, No Discussion Of Selling The Property. Two Weeks Later There Was An Article In "The News Press" Where The Mayor Said We Can Move Them South. There's Plenty Of Property Down There. I Read That, And I Thought To Myself, Hmm, 100 Elderly People Walking From South Of Milk Up To The Riverfront. Of Course, We Wouldn't Be Living On River Front Property But We Could Walk There. I Asked Mr. Goodson About It. You Told Us Three Weeks Ago It's Not Up For Sale. Then There's This Comment By Mr. Henderson In The Newspaper. Well, Which Is It? What's Going On?

Frank Mann: Let Me Interrupt You. I Need A Clarification. If You Are Talking About A Building That The County, In Fact, I'm Suspecting That We Don't Have An Ownership Interest.

On Edwards Drive.

Cecil Pendergrass: 2425.

Brian Hamman: To The New -- Formerly --

Cecil Pendergrass: Housing Authority Property.

Frank Mann: Is That Our Building? I'm Thinking It's Not.

Cecil Pendergrass: No. We Have No Authority Over That Building.

Frank Mann: I Am Terribly Sorry. As You Have Got --

May I Finish?

Frank Mann: I Know People Who Live There, But That's The City Of Fort Myers Or Somebody Help Me With That. It's Strictly Their Responsibility. They Hire The Management.

Who Is The They?

Frank Mann: Tell You What, I'm Going To Ask You To Get With Any One Of These Crack Staffers Up Here When We Break, And We Will Find Out Who You Need To Be Sharing Your Concerns With.

I Would Like Some Idea Where They Might Put Us. I Just Don't Know Where To Go.

Frank Mann: We'll Get You In The Right Direction. Ing I'm Sorry We Couldn't Be More Of A Complete Help To You. Now Sean Decliff. Thank You For Your Patience. You Were Here To Talk About Transit? Why Am I Telling You What You Are Here To Talk About? You Tell Us.

Good Morning, Commissioners. I Did Have The Opportunity Yesterday To Speak With The Director Of Lee Tran. He Said It's The County Commission That Sets The Policies For Lee Tran, And It Is Their Responsibility To Go Out And Follow The Policies That You Set. The Ten Of Year Plan Has A Community Profile Of Every Community Except Lehigh Acres. It Discusses Current And Future Land Use In This County For Every Part Of This County, But Lehigh Acres, Which Is Not Building Mixed Use Housing Developments. It Does Not Addresses The Issues With The 110 That Has Over 240,000 Riders A Year And Runs At A Distance Of More Than An Hour Apart From Each Other Still. It Does Not Offer Sunday Service. They're Not Anticipating Adding It In The Next Decade. I Understand We Are At A Time Crunch. We're Actually Submitting Our Report Past Its Deadline. We Have To Approve It. We Need To Do So With Reservation, And We Need To Make Sure That We're Acknowledging All Of The County, Including The Thousands Of People In This County Who Work At Or Near Minimum Wage Who Depend Upon Public Transit Who Can't Afford Cars. Especially If Theirs Breaks Down To Just Go Out And Buy A New One. The Issue Is Both An Economic Justice Issue, And It Is Urgently Needed To Address Our Changing Climate In This Country. It Has Been Ignored By This County Commission For Decades And Decades. I Have Spoken Before You On This Issue At The Last Ten-Year Plan When We Had To Cut Lee Tran's Budget. It Is Incumbent Upon The Five Of You To Get Serious About Public Transit Because Lee

Tran Can't Get Serious. This Is How Loud I Have Been Able To Speak In Four Days. Let's Start Getting Serious Now Before We Have To Find Another Avenue To Address This Situation.

Frank Mann: Thank You For Being With Us. I Can Assure You Now -- I Know I Speak For All The Commissioners. We Have Not Been Ignoring Public Transit. In Fact, We've Put Public Dollars In It To The Extent Of Close To \$12 Million Annually For As Long Back As I Can Think Because The Revenue Simply Did Not Support The Route That We Were Providing. We Had Done Some Cuts, Including Lehigh. All Of Which Have Been Restored Recently. We're Under Continual Review Right Now, Mr. Desjarlais. Can You Help Me?

Mr. Chair, We Are -- Wasn't Prepared To Give You A Report Today, But Mr. Arnold Is Working With The Transit Staff And The Consultant Who Wrote The Plan For Us To Make Sure It's An Accurate Reflection Of Both Dollars Being Spent And The Need Being Filled As Well As Needs Being Expressed To Us By The Community.

Frank Mann: This Afternoon Since We're Going To Be Back On Budget Issues, Is That Too Short A Time To Ask Mr. Harner Or Somebody To Touch Base On This On Where We Are In General Of The Transit Budget? Is There Any More Consideration Going On There?

No, Sir. The Transit Budget -- I Forget The Exact Amount For That Operation. It's The General Fund Contributions On The Order Of \$12 Million.

Yeah. \$11.8 Million.

And That Will Fund All Of The Existing Routes? Same As Last Year? It.

We're 90 Minutes Into Nailing Budgets Down. It's A Better Question. I Get It From Time To Time.

Yes, Sir. Are There Other Items?

Works.

I'm Sorry. I'm Sorry. Well, Come Forward. Introduce Yourself. Well, You're In The Right Order. If You Just Want To Talk About Something Going On In Lee County That We Might Help You With.

My Name Is Steve Sanchez, A.K.A. Popo. Also Known As The Flag Guy. From Pine Island, Florida.

I Like To Thank The People That Brought Up The Issue Of Renaming The Drought Preserve To Fill Buckingham Preserve. I Am Truly Grateful That You Have Done This. He Is A Great Man. Needs To Be Honored.

Thank You For Your Participation This Morning And Helping To Honor A Man Who Has Really Served Us Well.

Come Up And Identify Yourself. Way To Identify Yourself.

I Just Found Out That Agenda Number 11 Was Being Postponed, But I Took Off Today. I'm Speaking On Behalf Of Debbie Artist On The 2259 Property. Just Trying To Get A Better Understanding.

Mr. Desjarlais, Since You Guys Asked For That To Be Pulled, Can You Have A Follow-Up Conversation With This Gentleman Who Has An Interest In That Item And To Take Off To Come Here? Get With Mr. Desjarlais Right After We Adjourn.

Just As Soon As We Finish.

Thank You For Your Patience With Us. Gentlemen In The Rear.

How Are You Doing, Gentlemen? I'm Phillip Schwartz. I'm Here As An Individual. After The Meeting If Anybody Is Interested In Picking Up A Brochure On River Watch, I Would Appreciate Handing Them Out. The Only Comment I Have Today Is I Want To Thank You, Mr. Mann For Representing The Citizens Of Lee County. We Really Appreciate It. Thank You Very Much.

Thank You. Come Any Time.

Did You Say The Check Is In The Mail?

Are There Any Others That Would Like To Praise Upon Any Member Of The -- Plenty Of Time For That Any Day.

With That Roger, Any Other Comments About Our Workshop This Afternoon?

No, Sir. Just The Third Graph Of The General Fund Operating Budget As Well As A Final Review Of The Cip For Next Year. Then It Should Be Pretty Simple. Shouldn't Take That Long.

So With That We'll See You At 1:30. We're Adjourned.