



Alachua County Special Meeting

Minutes

October 21, 2025, 1:30 PM

Present: Vice Chair Mary Alford, Commissioner Charles S. Chestnut, IV, Commissioner Ken Cornell, Chair Anna Prizzia, Commissioner Marihelen Wheeler

A. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cornell moved adoption of the agenda. The motion carried 5-0.

2nd Commissioner Alford

B. Items for Discussion

1. Comprehensive Plan Evaluation and Update – Community Facilities & Services Topics - 25-00843

Growth Management Director Jeff Hays introduced the topics of discussion for the meeting and provided comments.

The Board discussed the following topics:

- Possible effects on the County from Senate Bill 180. - Senior Planner Ben Chumley presented.
- The Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan. - Transportation Planning Manager Allison Moss presented.
- The Recreation Element of the Comprehensive Plan. - Senior Planner Ben Chumley/Parks and Recreation Ed Williams presented.
- The Solid Waste Element of the Comprehensive Plan. - Senior Planner Ben Chumley/Solid Waste Director Gus Olmos presented.
- The Community Health Element of the Comprehensive Plan. - Senior Planner Ben Chumley presented.

Commissioner Prizzia, Commissioner Cornell, Assistant County Manager Daniels, Commissioner Wheeler, Commissioner Alford, and Parks and Recreation Ed Williams presented comments.

Commissioner Alford stated that she had heard that there was going to be a NARCAN dispenser in the lobby. She requested an update on the status of the NARCAN dispenser.

C. Closing Comments

1. Public Comment

Chair Chestnut recognized Kali Blount and Commissioner Prizzia who presented comments.

2. Commission Comment

Legislative Delegation

Commissioner Cornell inquired how the legislative delegation meeting went.

Chair Chestnut stated that the meeting went well. The toughest question was what the savings from the inmate medical expenses would be if the medical rates are changed for Alachua County. He stated it would be 10% but that a dollar figure is difficult because it is dependent on what the medical situations are at the jail at any given time. He stated that there did seem to be support for a local bill to allow the Jail to pay the Medicaid rate for medical services. The County will need to provide data to support the bill.

World Masters

Commissioner Wheeler stated that she met with the new University of Florida President and she wanted the Board to know that he was familiar with the area because he ran at the World Masters Event. The impact this event has had is good for the community and introduced the county to the world.

University of Florida Jacksonville Campus

The Board discussed the proposed Jacksonville FL campus of the University of Florida and the new golf course the University will be building in Alachua County.

D. Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.