

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

REGULAR MEETING

April 28, 2026

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Anthony Sabatini, District #1

Sean Parks, District #2

Kirby Smith, District #3

Leslie Campione, District #4

Timothy Morris, District #5

Jennifer Barker, County Manager

Gary J. Cooney, Clerk to the Board

Melanie Marsh, County Attorney

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This booklet has been prepared for the convenience of the Board of County Commissioners in discussing matters before them. Every effort has been made to include all items to be discussed at this Board of County Commissioners meeting; however, Commissioners may add items to the agenda up to 4 days prior to the meeting. They also may remove items from consideration at any time. While it has been the goal to present error-free information, we do not represent that documentation is without errors or omissions.

In addition to regular Board meetings, the Board of County Commissioners may, from time to time, schedule a workshop during which they will receive information from staff, have discussions with staff and among themselves, and then proceed to give staff direction on the subject matter being discussed unless otherwise shown on the Agenda item. These discussions and workshops do not take the place of the formal public hearing process during which any member of the public may comment and formal action is taken.

The Board and staff welcome written comments prior to workshops and other meetings. If you have comments or questions regarding the subject matter of any Board action or workshop, please deliver your written comments to appropriate County staff or mail to the Board of County Commissioners, Post Office Box 7800, Tavares, FL 32778.

ITEMIZED AGENDA

April 28, 2026

9:00 A.M. Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

I. AGENDA UPDATE

Discussion regarding proposed revisions to today's Agenda.

II. ARPA UPDATE

III. MINUTES APPROVAL

Tab 1 Recommend approval of the following minutes:

- March 3, 2026 (Regular Meeting)

CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD

At this point in the meeting the Board of County Commissioners will hear questions, comments and concerns from the citizens. If the issue raised is not on today's agenda, action will not be taken by the Board. Questions may be answered by staff, or referred for appropriate staff action. If further action is necessary, the item may be placed on a future Board agenda.

Zoning and code enforcement matters cannot be discussed during the public comment period. Procurement matters not scheduled to be heard by the Board today also cannot be discussed during the public comment period.

Public comment shall be limited to 3 minutes per person.

IV. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATIONS

Tab 2 Recommend approval and presentation of a Proclamation recognizing LifePointe Church for Cold Weather Sheltering.

Tab 3 Recommend approval and presentation of a Proclamation recognizing May 3-9, 2026, as National Travel and Tourism Week.

Tab 4 Recommend approval and presentation of a Proclamation designating May 2026 as Building Safety Month in Lake County.

Tab 5 Recommend approval and presentation of a proclamation recognizing Community Legal Services for their 60th Anniversary.

V. **CLERK OF COURT'S CONSENT AGENDA**

- Tab 6 Recommend approval of the Clerk's Consent Agenda (Items 1):
1. Notice is hereby provided of warrants paid prior to this meeting, pursuant to Chapter 136.06 (1) of the Florida Statutes, which shall be incorporated into the Minutes and filed in the Board Support Division of the Clerk's Office.

VI. **CONSENT AGENDA (Tab 7- 23):**

A. **PROCLAMATIONS**

- Tab 7 Recommend approval and adoption of the ALS Awareness Month Proclamation, per Commissioner Morris.

B. **COUNTY MANAGER**

- Tab 8 Recommend approval for the Chairman to execute a letter of support and agreement to the Florida Attorney General regarding the Crime Stoppers Grant Program. There is no fiscal impact.

C. **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

Information Technology

- Tab 9 Recommend approval:
1. Of the continued utilization of various State of Florida Information Technology related hardware and software contracts on an as-needed basis.
 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.

The estimated annual fiscal impact is \$2,000,000 (expenditure) and will not exceed any Fiscal Year Budget.

- Tab 10 Recommend approval:
1. Of the grant agreement for the Local Government Cybersecurity Grant Program with the State of Florida Department of Management Services; and
 2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.

There is no fiscal impact.

D. PUBLIC SAFETY

Probation

Tab 11

Recommend approval:

1. To execute a Funding Agreement with The Fifth Judicial Circuit Office of Court Administration for the Operation of the Lake County Adult Post-Adjudicatory Drug Court Program; and
2. To execute a Funding Agreement with the State Attorney for the Operation of the Lake County Adult Post-Adjudicatory Drug Court Program; and
3. To execute a Funding Agreement with the Public Defender for the Operation of the Lake County Adult Post-Adjudicatory Drug Court Program.

The fiscal impact is \$440,550 (expenditure).

E. COMMUNITY SERVICES

Office of Housing and Community Services

Tab 12

Recommend approval of the First Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Subrecipient Agreement with the City of Eustis, for the Coolidge Street Improvement Project.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$400,000 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 4.

Transit Services

Tab 13

Recommend approval:

1. Of the Florida Department of Transportation Section 5311 Off Cycle Capital Grant Agreement for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 and State Fiscal Year 2026; and
2. To adopt the Unanticipated Revenue Resolution to accept and appropriate \$732,768 for the FDOT Section 5311 Off Cycle Capital Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026; and
3. To procure vehicles under the State's bid list through FDOT's Transit Research Inspection Procurement Services (TRIPS) program.

The fiscal impact is \$732,768 (revenue/expenditure - 100 percent grant funded).

F. INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Facilities Management

Tab 14

Recommend approval:

1. Of Contract 26-902 with Nichols Contracting, Inc. (Columbia, MD - Orlando Office) for construction of Multi-Family Detached Housing;
2. To authorize the County Manager to execute the final negotiated contract; and
3. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.

The fiscal impact is \$4,997,878.84 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 3.

Public Works

Tab 15

Recommend approval:

1. To increase the expenditure limits of Contract 23-510C with Flotech Environmental, LLC (Miami, FL) for Storm Drain System Cleaning not to exceed \$75,000 to an estimated \$150,000; and
2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$150,000 (expenditure). Annual expenditures will not exceed the available funding in each Fiscal Year's Budget.

Tab 16

Recommend approval:

1. Of Contract 26-604 with Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. (Zephyrhills, FL) for as-needed pavement preservation services.
2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.

The estimated annual fiscal impact is \$500,000 (expenditure) and will not exceed available funding in any approved Fiscal Year's Budget.

Tab 17

Recommend approval:

1. Of Contracts 25-754 for countywide Road Resurfacing and Related Services as needed with the following pool of vendors: C.W. Roberts Contracting, Incorporated (Tallahassee, FL); Estep Construction, Inc. (Apopka, FL); Jr. Davis Construction Company, Inc. (Kissimmee, FL); Premier Paving LLC (Deland, FL); Ranger Construction Industries, Inc. (West Palm Beach, FL - providing services from Winter Garden, FL); Superior Asphalt, Inc. (Bradenton, FL); and The Middlesex Corporation (Littleton, MA - providing services from Orlando, FL); and
2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute the contracts with the selected vendors and all supporting documentation.

The estimated annual fiscal impact is \$8,000,000 (expenditure). Annual expenditures will not exceed available funding in each approved Fiscal Year's Budget.

Tab 18

Recommend approval:

1. To proceed to closing on a deeded right-of-way dedication for Treasure Trove (DR-26005), which is in the City of Leesburg; and
2. To authorize the Chairman to execute any required closing documents.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$800 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 5.

Tab 19

Recommend approval:

1. Of a Roadway Improvement Agreement with BDE Development, LLC, related to improvements and land acquisition associated with Wallick Road and the Wekiva Trail Segment 2; and
2. To proceed with the dedications and transfers upon receipt of clear title and authorizing the Chairman to execute all necessary closing documents.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$2,000 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 4.

Tab 20

Recommend approval of a Maintenance Map for Micro Racetrack Road which covers 8,800 linear feet between CR 466A and Lake Ella Road near the City of Lady Lake area.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$200 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 5.

Tab 21

Recommend approval of a Road Transfer Agreement to transfer portions of Bridges Road, Busby Road, Dewey Robbins Road, Duncan Road, Fernery Road, Number Two Road, Poe Road, and Windmill Road to the City of Leesburg.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$200 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 5.

Tab 22 Recommend approval of a Road Transfer Agreement to transfer Turkey Farm Road (CR 1750) from Lake County to the City of Minneola.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$102 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 2.

G. PARKS AND WATER RESOURCES

Parks and Trails

Tab 23 Recommend approval:
1. Of an Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Astatula to provide Infrastructure Sales Tax funding in the amount of \$110,000 to complete park improvement projects at Joe Swaffer Park (Delaware Ave, Astatula) and Kirkwood Park (County Road 561, Astatula).
2. Of a budget transfer in the amount of \$110,000 from Improvements Other Than Buildings to Aids to Gov't Agencies.

The fiscal impact is \$110,000 (expenditure). Commission District 3.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

Tab 24 Discussion and direction regarding a proposed Ordinance amending Chapter XVII, Lake County Code, Appendix E, Land Development Regulations ("LDR"), entitled *Rural Conservation Subdivision Design Standards*.

There is no fiscal impact.

Tab 25 Presentation by Thomas Carpenter, Assistant County Manager, with a Fire Rescue Ambulance Services Update.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Tab 26 Recommend approval to issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the Office of Fire Rescue through June 18, 2028. There is no fiscal impact.

Tab 27 Recommend adoption and execution of an Ordinance providing for the levy of an additional school district ad valorem millage tax in Lake County for operational purposes effective in 2027 and ending four (4) years thereafter pursuant to Section 1011.71(9), Florida Statutes, and providing for approval of the levy by voters in a referendum to be held on November 3, 2026, and providing for ballot language.

The fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time.

Tab 28

Recommend approval:

1. Of an amended budget for the Lake County Board of County Commissioners Fiscal Year 2026 to include a reconciliation of the beginning fund balance and other adjustments; and
2. To adopt a resolution for a supplemental budget for the Lake County Board of County Commissioners Fiscal Year 2026.

IX. REGULAR AGENDA

A. COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Smith - District #3

Tab 29 Discussion and direction on the Wolf Branch Innovation District Logo. Recommend approval of a logo for use in the Wolf Branch Innovation District.

Tab 30 Recommend approval for Commissioner Smith to execute a letter thanking the City of Tavares for their assistance in decorating the downtown area for the America 250 celebration.

Commissioner Campione - Chairman and District #4

Tab 31 Discussion and direction on an Ordinance creating Section 2-6, Lake County Code, declaring Lake County as a Bill of Rights Sanctuary County.

There is no fiscal impact.

B. COMMUNITY SERVICES

Office of Housing and Community Services

Tab 32

Recommend Approval:

1. Of a local government contribution in the amount of \$460,000 for the proposed development of affordable housing units to be constructed in Lake County, contingent upon the developer receiving funding through the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program offered through the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; and
2. Of funding through the County's existing allocation of HUD HOME funds, if the project meets the necessary HOME program eligibility criteria; and
3. To authorize the Chairman to execute the Local Government Verification of Contribution Loan Form, the Local Government Area of Opportunity Funding Form, and a commitment letter substantially similar to the one attached herein which is to be submitted with the LIHTC Program application.

The fiscal impact is \$460,000 (expenditure - 100 percent grant funded). Commission District 5.

X. REPORTS

A. County Attorney

B. County Manager

XI. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

A. Commissioner Sabatini - District #1

B. Commissioner Parks - District #2

C. Commissioner Smith - District #3

D. Commissioner Morris - District #5

E. Commissioner Campione - Chairman and District #4

The County Commission reserves the right to move any Agenda item to an earlier time during the day as its schedule permits, except in the case of items and appointments that have been advertised in a newspaper for a specific time.

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, Section 286.0105, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the County Commission with respect to any matter considered at this Commission meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record may include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact (352) 343-9760 at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711 or (352) 253-1840.