

Liberty County, FL

Liberty County Board of County Commissioners - Regular Meeting

Thursday, July 9, 2026 at 6:00 pm

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- 1. Call to Order**
 - 2. Invocation**
 - 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 4. Awards and Recognitions**
 - 5. Audience Concerns**

Public comment shall be limited to three minutes per person. Topics to be addressed by speakers should pertain to items on the agenda. Comments shall be directed to the chair and not be directed to engage commissioners or other members of the public in debate. Speakers may not give their time to other people.

COUNTY DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Monthly Department Briefing

- Brian Eddins – Fire Control Coordinator
- Marie Arick – Extension Director
- Deanna Bryant – Recreation Director
- Melissa Peddie – Ambulance Director
- Cole Maloy – Solid Waste Director
- Boo Bryant – Road and Bridge Superintendent
- Monica Welles – Transit Director
- Tera Hinson - SHIP Director
- Ben Guthrie – Emergency Management Director
- Kaly Barfield – Grants and Special Projects Coordinator
- Kaly Barfield - Building Department
- Dewberry - County Engineer

- 6. Motion to Amend Agenda**

7. **Adoption of the Agenda**
8. **Motion to Approve Consent Items**

CONSENT ITEMS

9. **Motion to Approve Board Minutes**

Attachments:

- **Liberty BOCC - Regular Meeting - June 4th, 2026 - Draft Minutes** (Liberty_BOCC_C_-_Regular_Meeting_-_June_4th_2026_-_Draft_Minutes.pdf)
- **Liberty BOCC - Workshop - June 16th, 2026 - Draft Minutes** (Liberty_BOCC_-_Workshop_-_June_16th_2026_-_Draft_Minutes.pdf)

10. **Motion for the Clerk to Pay the Bills**

Attachments:

- **June-2026 Check Warrant List** (June-2026_Check_Warrant_List.pdf)

11. **Human Resource Management**

New Hires
Resignations
Retirements

Attachments:

- **7-9-26 HR Memo** (7-9-26_HR_Memo.pdf)
- **Lane - Resignation** (Lane_-_Resignation.pdf)

12. **Budget Resolution 2026-22 (BR #10)**

- BOCC to consider Budget Resolution 2026-22 (BR #10) that amends Fund 114 to recognize additional revenues for \$58,955.32 and provide spending authority for GIS-managed services associated with the Enhanced 911 program.

Attachments:

- **Resolution 2026-22 BR#10** (Resolution_2026-22_BR_10.pdf)

13. **Road & Bridge - Nextran Trade-In**

- BOCC to consider approving the purchase of a new 2027 Mack P164T truck from Nextran Truck Centers, with the trade-in of a 2026 Mack P164T truck

Attachments:

- **Liberty 27 PI invoice and trade** (Liberty_27_PI_invoice_and_trade.pdf)

14. **Kaly Barfield - EMS PCCO #4**

- BOCC to consider approving PCCO #04 for the Liberty County EMS project with Culpepper Construction Company, Inc. for \$1,302.02 for additional concrete work, including modifications to the concrete and installation of dowels.

Attachments:

- **PCCO 4 To Owner RFI 17** (PCCO_4_To_Owner_RFI_17.pdf)

15. Tax Collector - 2025 Tax Roll Errors & Insolvencies

- BOCC to receive and file the 2025 Tax Roll Errors & Insolvencies Report submitted by the Tax Collector pursuant to Florida Statutes, Section 197.492, for informational purposes.

Attachments:

- **2025 Tax Roll Errors and Insolvencies Report - Tax Collector - 06-11-2026** (2025_Tax_Roll_Errors_and_Insolvencies_Report_-_Tax_Collector_-_06-11-2026.pdf)

PRESENTATIONS & UPDATES

16. County Attorney Hosford - Data Center Moratorium

- BOCC to approve draft language for a temporary moratorium on data centers.

17. Clerk Ford - Next Month Meeting Schedule

- BOCC to discuss plans for additional meetings to be held in July to meet TRIM guidelines. Next regular BOCC Meeting to be held on August 6th, 2026, at 6:00 PM EST.

18. Clerk Ford - Update on Waste Pro Services

- Clerk Ford to provide updates on recent complaints against Waste Pro.

Public Hearing

BOCC to close regular BOCC meeting and open public hearing regarding proposed ordinance.

19. Solar Ordinance 2026-04

- County Attorney Ken Hosford to present Ordinance No. 2026-04 and do the first reading of the proposed ordinance. The ordinance amends the Liberty County Land Development Code to establish regulations governing utility-scale solar energy facilities and battery energy storage systems, including standards for conditional use approval, buffering and setbacks, environmental protection, roadway impacts, emergency response, decommissioning, financial security, and Comprehensive Plan amendment thresholds.

Attachments:

- **Solar Ordinance 2026-04** (Solar_Ordinance_2026-04.pdf)

Close Public Hearing

- Board to close public hearing and reopen regular BOCC meeting.

ACTION ITEMS**20. Melissa Peddie - Firetruck Trade**

- BOCC will consider trading an unused firetruck with Sycamore, who has a brush truck to offer in exchange.

21. Ben Guthrie - Debris Monitoring & Removal Recommendations

- Ben Guthrie will present his recommendations for debris monitoring and debris removal from their request for proposals.

Attachments:

- **Debris RFP** (Debris_RFP.pdf)
- **RFP Debris Monitoring** (RFP_Debris_Monitoring.pdf)

22. Dewberry - Safety Action Plan

- Board to consider Dewberry task order to perform a Safety Action Plan for Liberty County as part of grant funding from the USDOT Safe Streets 4 All grant fund.

Attachments:

- **Liberty County - US DOT SS4A Grant - Task Order** (Liberty_County_-_US_DOT_S4A_Grant_-_Task_Order.PDF)

23. Apalachee RRTP - Central Avenue Multi-Use Path

- Board to consider adding to the Apalachee RRTP the Central Avenue Multi-Use Path project to construct a new 8-foot multi-use path in Bristol starting at State Road 20 and ending at the Bristol Boat Ramp

Attachments:

- **Letter of Support - D Arnold** (Letter_of_Support_-_D_Arnold.pdf)
- **Letter of Support - D Branch** (Letter_of_Support_-_D_Branch.pdf)
- **Letter of Support - D Brown** (Letter_of_Support_-_D_Brown.pdf)
- **Letter of Support - J Johnson** (Letter_of_Support_-_J_Johnson.pdf)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

24. Dewayne Branch, Chairman - District 1
25. Jim Johnson, Commissioner - District 3
26. Doyle Brown, Vice Chairman - District 4
27. Derrick Arnold, Commissioner - District 5
28. Ken Hosford, County Attorney
29. Dusty Arnold, Liberty County Sheriff
30. Jace Ford, Liberty County Clerk of Court and Clerk to the Board
31. Motion to Adjourn
32. Signature
 - Dewayne Branch, Chairman _____
 - Jace Ford, Clerk _____

Florida Statute 125.001 requires that due public notice be given of all regular meetings of the Board of County Commissioners of a County in the State of Florida. Florida Statute 286.0105 requires that notices of any meeting or hearing, if a meeting or hearing is required, must include the following language, "if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based."