BOARD ACTION
March 10, 2026

	SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF MS. NOELLE SCHNACKY AS MISS FLORIDA'S TEEN 2025	BARKER
APPROVED	**Tab 1.** Request for approval of the minutes of the BCC Meeting of February 2, 2026 (Special Meeting).	COONEY
	CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD Ms. Tomi Newberry, a resident of the City of Eustis, stated that her family had moved to their home in 2022, which had a 50-foot strip of land that was dedicated to the public in 1990 for roadway purposes, and that even though the strip was public, it was not maintained by the County, noting that they paid property taxes on it. She opined that it had created a dangerous legal loophole that prevented the Lake County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) from protecting them on their own land, and that the easement was not necessary for the neighbor living behind them to access public roads and was a luxury access to a paved road. She pointed out that the neighbor's property had driveway access via Old Post Office Lane, and that they were not landlocked. She opined that this access had led to a long-documented cycle of criminal harassment, which included blocking the driveway and entrance for deliveries and visitors, and said that even though they had called the LCSO many times, law enforcement could not tow or arrest the neighbor for a civil parking issue on a public road. She requested that the Board would direct the County Attorney to initiate a petition to vacate and return the land to private acreage so they could enforce no trespassing laws for their safety.	
PROCLAMATION /APPROVED	**Tab 2.** Approval and presentation of **Proclamation 2026-19** declaring March 15-21, 2026 as Florida Surveyors and Mappers week.	BONILLA
APPROVED	**Tab 3.** Approval of Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller's Consent Agenda (Items 1-3) 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. 2. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Windsor Cay Community Development District Initial Public Facilities Report in accordance with Section 189.008, Florida Statutes. 3. Lake County's Semi-Annual Investment Report of December 31, 2025 is hereby provided.	COONEY

APPROVED	**Tab 4.** Recommend approval of **Proclamation 2026-16** designating May 2026 as Law Enforcement Month in Lake County, per Commissioner Campione.	CAMPIONE
APPROVED	**Tab 5.** Recommend approval of Liberty Tree **Proclamation 2026-17**, per Commissioner Campione.	CAMPIONE
APPROVED	**Tab 6.** Request from Economic Development to recommend approval and execution of the Memorandum of Understanding/ Funding Agreement with Career Source Central Florida for the Future Ready Lake Program to support training and up-skilling for Lake County residents laid off by Kroger and Ocado. The fiscal impact is $360,000 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 budget.	DIAL
APPROVED	**Tab 7.** Request from Fire Rescue to recommend approval of a Fourth Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for Fire Protection and Rescue Services with the City of Mascotte. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 1.	CARPENTER
APPROVED	**Tab 8.** Request from Housing and Community Services to recommend approval and execution of a Termination and Release of Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions and Mortgage to release the restrictive covenants and Mortgage/Note executed by the Okahumpka Community Club, Inc. The estimated fiscal impact is $27 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 5.	CHRISTIAN
APPROVED	**Tab 9.** Request from Library Services to recommend approval to designate Lindsay Platt as the Single Administrative Head of the Lake County Library System and authorize the Chairman to execute Florida Department of State, Division of Library and Information Services Form DLIS/SA01, State Aid to Libraries Grant Certification of Credentials – Single Library Administrative Head.	CHRISTIAN
APPROVED	**Tab 10.** Request from Public Works to recommend approval of an agreement to provide for the repair of pavement damage that occurred to six County-maintained roads in Yalaha during permitted work. There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 3.	BONILLA
APPROVED	**Tab 11.** Request from Public Works to recommend approval: 1. Of a Real Estate Purchase and Sales Agreement for Property with Donald E. Rhames and Laura Mae Rhames;	BONILLA

	2. To authorize the County Manager to approve any amendments to the Purchase Agreement that do not have a fiscal impact, including but not limited to extended possession for Donald E. Rhames as allowed by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)'s Residential Relocation and Moving Assistance under the Florida Relocation Assistance (Relocation Assistance) Program; 3. To authorize the County Manager to approve any required expenditures of relocation benefits to the eligible displaced individual(s) pursuant to FDOT's Relocation Assistance Program guidelines and requirements; 4. To authorize the Public Works staff to work post-closing on the encumbrances with the County Attorney's Office; and 5. Authorization for Chairman to execute any necessary closing documents. The estimated fiscal impact is $550,000 plus due diligence, closing costs, and relocation benefits (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. The total cost for relocation benefits, which may include rental assistance or purchase assistance and any moving expenses, is not determinable at this time. Commission District 2.	
APPROVED	**Tab 12. PUBLIC HEARING:** Recommend adoption and execution of **Ordinance 2026-10** amending the Lake County Affordable Housing Assistance Trust Fund and Live Local Act requirements pursuant to Senate Bill 1730 (2025). There is no fiscal impact.	MARSH
APPROVED	**Tab 13. PUBLIC HEARING:** Recommend adoption and execution of **Ordinance 2026-11** amending Section 9.02.00, Lake County Code, Land Development Regulations, entitled Tree Protection. There is no fiscal impact. **The Board approved this item with a change to clarify the height of the trees as 54 inches.**	MARSH
PULLED	**Tab 14. PUBLIC HEARING:** Recommend adoption of a Resolution to vacate a portion of an unnamed platted Right-of-Way (ROW) easement lying between Tracts 31-34, as shown on the Plat of Groveland Farms, recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 10 & 11, of the public records. The platted ROW easement to be vacated is located east of East Redwing Road, south and west of Montevista Road, and west of Lake Wash, within Section 33, Township 22 South, Range 25 East, in the unincorporated Groveland area. The fiscal impact is $2,295 (revenue) and is within the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 1.	BONILLA

DISCUSSION	**Tab 15.** Discussion and direction regarding an application received under Lake County Policy, LCC-69, Naming County Facilities and Placement of Memorials, to name the soccer fields at Hickory Point Recreation Complex as the "Mike Stone Soccer Complex". There is no fiscal impact. Commission District 3.	BONILLA
APPOINTMENTS/ APPROVED	**Tab 16.** Recommend approval to appoint members to the Lake County Library Advisory Board. • Lawrence Ross as the primary member representing the City of Tavares (reappointment). Term will expire 2/28/2030. • Tamara Watkins-Small as the alternate member representing the City of Tavares. Term will expire 2/28/2030. • Robert Miller will move from the alternate member to the primary member representing the City of Umatilla (reappointment). Term will expire 2/28/2030. • Robyn Lambert as the alternate member representing the City of Umatilla, with the conflict waiver. Term will expire 2/28/2030. Commissioner Morris is the liaison to the Library Advisory Board.	MORRIS
APPOINTMENT/ APPROVED	**Tab 17.** Recommend approval for an appointment for a vacancy on the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board for Commission District 5. Applicants: • District 5: Amanda Wettstein (for a term ending June 30, 2027, applicant resides in District 4) (Applicant recommended by District Commissioner) Additional applicants: Martin Proctor (applicant resides in District 1); Mr. Proctor is currently a member of the Lake Sumter MPO Citizen Advisory Committee Michelle Craske (applicant resides in District 1) with waiver of conflict if selected Sandra Stura (applicant resides in District 4); Ms. Stura is currently a member of the Mt. Plymouth Sorrento CRA Committee Tim Kiley (applicant resides in District 4); Mr. Kiley is currently a member of the Mt. Plymouth Sorrento CRA Committee Tylana Hill (applicant resides in District 4) Unless otherwise listed herein, the applicants are not current members of another board or committee through appointment from the Board of County Commissioners (Board).	SMITH

	All applicants are qualified electors of Lake County. The Board may make appointments without regard to district residency if a qualified applicant is not available within the district. Commissioner Kirby Smith is the Board's liaison for the Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board. **The Board appointed Ms. Amanda Wettstein for a term ending June 30, 2027.**	
APPROVED	**Tab 18.** Discussion and direction regarding **Resolution 2026-27** Expressing Opposition to the Rural Boundary Amendment proposed as an Amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 208 (2026).	PARKS
UPDATE	**Tab 19.** Wildfire Threat Update by Chief David Kilbury, Public Safety Director.	CARPENTER
	ANNEXATION REPORT	DIAL
APPROVED	**Tab 20.** Recommend approval: 1. Of a Purchase Agreement for Property with WDL Property Holdings 8 LLC for the Britt Road Repair Project; 2. To authorize the County Manager to execute the Purchase Agreement and any necessary amendments; 3. To proceed with closing the transaction by waiving due diligence or accepting any encumbrances due to the emergency relief needed in order to close the transaction within thirty days; and 4. To authorize the Chairman to execute any necessary closing documents. The estimated fiscal impact is $14,500 plus any due diligence costs that may still be required and closing costs (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed, the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Commission District 4. **The Board approved this item waiving the due diligence.**	BONILLA
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Sabatini mentioned that the State was in the last week of the legislative session, and that it was announced that they would either continue or have a special session. He asked that the Board would stay focused on the bills, opining that the coming 72 hours were the most important of the session.	SABATINI
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks requested that the Board would watch what was happening currently in the State Legislature, and expressed approval of the resolution passed on the current day.	PARKS

FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks indicated appreciation to the Office of Fire Rescue, and opined that they were currently working hard with the fires.	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Parks related that the application process was open for the Public Lands and Trails Acquisition Advisory Committee, and that there were opportunities for grants, such as the Rural and Family Lands Protection Act funds. He mentioned that there were opportunities to combine working agricultural lands with an environmental conservation component, and that this partnership made it more likely for the County to acquire that grant. He urged the Board to get people in their districts to apply, and said that there was about a month left until April 17, 2026.	PARKS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith hoped that everybody would keep the service members in their thoughts and prayers during this time.	SMITH
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Morris commented that he would like the Board to consider a governmental affairs position under the County Manager, and said that he had sent a synopsis to the County Manager, noting that she could forward it to the Board and comment on it. He opined that this employee could attend the City meetings that Ms. Jennifer Barker, County Manager, attended, which he opined took much of her time, and could work with their lobbyist in the City of Tallahassee. He opined that the County had grown large enough that this position should be considered.	MORRIS
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Campione remarked that she attended the Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation meeting on March 5, 2026, and that Mr. Gallus Quigley, Recreation Coordinator for the Office of Parks and Trails, did a presentation of all the trail news from Lake County. She mentioned that she was so impressed by it that she wanted the County to host a couple of town hall meetings where people could come and see the different trails that were planned and under construction as well as the connections the County was making, opining that it would be a great time to update the public and inform people that were interested in that topic.	CAMPIONE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Campione relayed that on the current afternoon, she would be going with staff to an ambulance update for the City of Clermont, and that there would be an update provided on everything that had happened since the Board discussions in October and November 2025. She commented that there would be some news to share about the number of ambulances, response times, and ongoing needs for locations inside the city limits.	CAMPIONE
FOR YOUR INFORMATION	Commr. Smith said that it was National Pack Your Lunch Day.	SMITH