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| | **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**<br><br>**The Board presented Ms. Kristy Mullane, Chief Financial Officer for the Lake County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller's Office, with a letter of recognition for her retirement.** | |
| APPROVED | **Tab 1.** Request for approval of the minutes of the BCC Meetings of August 4, 2026 (Regular Meeting) and August 11, 2026 (Regular Meeting).<br><br>**Mr. Gary J. Cooney, the Lake County Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller, pulled the minutes for the meeting of August 11, 2026, and the Board approved the minutes for the meeting of August 4, 2026 only.** | COONEY |
| | **CITIZEN QUESTION AND COMMENT PERIOD**<br><br>Ms. Jennifer Pryor, speaking on behalf of the Home Builders Association of Lake-Sumter (HBA-LS), stated that the HBA-LS began asking for more information about the proposed planning and zoning fee increases on September 9, 2026 when they requested the fee study, and that they were told at that time that the fee study was not yet complete. She mentioned that they received the proposed fee changes on September 14, 2026, and that on September 16, 2026, Mr. Shane Gerwig, with the HBA-LS, emailed the County about the HBA-LS's concerns and asked for information showing how the proposed fees were calculated. She commented that the HBA-LS's main concern was that they still did not have enough information on how several of these increases were determined or how they related to the actual cost of providing services, and that they had questions about the proposed $2,500 business expedited review fee, including the following: what additional cost that fee was meant to cover; how the $2,500 amount was determined; and how the County decided which businesses may receive an expedited review at no cost. She remarked that development related fees added to the overall cost of development, and that those costs ultimately became part of the cost of housing; therefore, the HBA-LS was asking that the proposed increases be postponed until the supporting information was available and there had been an opportunity to review and discuss it.<br><br>Mr. Arlie Farley, a business owner in the Town of Astatula, commented that there were about 340 school buses in Lake County that ran three routes twice a day, which was about 2,040 trips, and that since school started on August 10, 2026, his son's bus had been passed 101 times with the stop lights out, opining that something needed to happen.<br><br>Mr. Rick Carlins, a resident of Lake County, related he had sent an email to | |

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| | the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) regarding artificial intelligence (AI) data centers, and urged the BCC to review the land codes in order to place a permanent ban on AI data centers in Lake County. He opined that since there were environmental concerns, this situation should not be rushed into, and that it was currently unpredictable. He opined that since AI data centers were very powerful, bureaucracies in the country wanted to maintain control over them, such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), and the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), and that these bureaucracies had lost the trust of the public currently. He opined that people did not want this power centralized, and that this seemed to be the course of action. He opined that with just a 90 day moratorium, Lake County would be vulnerable for this to happen, and that a majority of the constituents were not in favor of having these AI data centers in Lake County. He opined that the same sentiment existed with the license plate readers (LPRs) and surveillance cameras, as AI was a surveillance apparatus, and that the more data that went into these systems, the more they would be able to predict and manipulate behavior. He asked the Board to extend the moratorium at least a couple of years, opining that it could be changed in the future.<br><br>Ms. Cindy Newton, a resident of Commission District 4, requested an update on the Deep Woods Ranch administrative process. She also opined that the Department of Justice fiscal year (FY) 2026 Bridging Immigration-Related Deficits Experienced Nationwide ("BIDEN") program grant meant extra surveillance, and that the fact that incidents developed faster than ground units could safely reach and access them meant that Lake County had overgrown the infrastructure. She opined that if the County could not keep people safe, which was the top priority, then extra surveillance with drones would not help, and she asked if the answer was really more surveillance. She mentioned that some of the expenses would be covered for up to three years if the grant was large enough, and wondered who would be paying for the costs after the three years. She relayed her understanding that this would start with 25 percent of the qualified priority incidents being covered; however, by 2029 it would go to 90 percent, opining that this would be a large increase in costs. She stated that even though this item was just for the Lake County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) to apply for the grant, she wanted to bring this forward.<br><br>Ms. Jacqueline Arndt, a resident of the City of Mount Dora speaking via Zoom, indicated her understanding that an outside organization had asked the BCC to adopt a resolution declaring October 14, 2026 as the Charlie Kirk Day of Remembrance, and that even though this request was not on the current day's agenda, she was asking the Board to not consider this. She commented that in September 2025, the BCC unanimously dedicated a stretch of road to Mr. Charlie Kirk, which still stood, and opined that a | |

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| | recurring annual remembrance day would not fill a gap; rather, she opined that this would keep going further every year for a man who had no residence, office, or formal role in the Lake County government. She opined that the time spent considering a request to curate a permanent recurring civic calendar around a polarizing national figure was time not spent on the things Lake County residents actually needed, such as roads, water quality, road management, hurricane recovery, and public safety, and that this could also set a precedent for other outside advocacy groups for partisan political figures to bring in their requests. She opined that Mr. Kirk was a political polarizing figure, and that even though any act of political violence deserved unequivocable condemnation, this was not the same as granting an outside organization's request to have a County government annually commemorate an individual's viewpoints. She opined that an official government remembrance day was not a private tribute that one group could request on everyone's behalf, and that it was an institutional endorsement funded and administrated by a Board that represented Democrats, Republicans, and Independents. She asked the Board to not place this item on a future agenda, and opined that if it did come forward, then the Board should vote no. She opined that official government recognition should bring this community together and not divide it, and that the Board had more pressing local work to do.<br><br>Ms. Susan Fetter, a resident of the City of Leesburg speaking via Zoom, requested that there be an addition to the August 11, 2026 BCC minutes regarding the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU) Airport discussion, noting that when Commissioner Parks asked if the status of the site plan was on hold, Ms. Melanie Marsh, County Attorney, clarified the status of the site plan. She stated that she would appreciate seeing that represented in the meeting minutes. | |
| PROCLAMATION /APPROVED | **Tab 2.** Recommend approval and presentation of Hispanic Heritage Month **Proclamation 2026-97**, per Comm. Sean Parks. | PARKS |
| PROCLAMATION /APPROVED | **Tab 3.** Recommend approval and presentation of National Public Lands **Proclamation 2026-98**, per Comm. Sean Parks. | PARKS |
| PROCLAMATION /APPROVED | **Tab 4.** Recommend approval and presentation of **Proclamation 2026-92** declaring October 4-10, 2026, as National 4-H Week in Lake County, Florida. | CHRISTIAN |
| APPROVED | **Tab 5.** Approval of Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller's Consent Agenda (Items 1-13)<br><br>1. Notice is hereby provided of warrants paid prior to this meeting, pursuant to Chapter 136.06 (1) of the Florida Statutes, which shall | COONEY |

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| | be incorporated into the Minutes and filed in the Board Support Division of the Clerk's Office.<br><br>2. Notice is hereby provided of having received the County Road 33 Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>3. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Hicks Ditch Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>4. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Lake Harris Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>5. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Lake Emma Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>6. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Dewey Robbins Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>7. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Grace Key Groves Community Development District Resolution 2026-12, identifying the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 meeting schedule, in accordance with Section 189.015(1), Florida Statutes.<br><br>8. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Hammock Oaks Community Development District Resolution 2026-09, identifying the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 meeting schedule, in accordance with Section 189.015(1), Florida Statutes.<br><br>9. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Deer Island Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>10. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Avalon Groves Community Development District Resolutions 2026-13 and 2026-11 | |

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| | adopting the FY 2027 Budget and setting the FY 2027 Meeting Schedule.<br><br>11. Notice is hereby provided of having received Annexation Ordinance 2026-04 from the City of Tavares.<br><br>12. Notice is hereby provided of having received the Country Greens Community Development District annual meeting schedule for FY 2027, in accordance with Chapter 189.015, Florida Statutes, for purposes of disclosure and information only.<br><br>13. Proof of publication of unclaimed moneys and payment to the Board for those non-court related moneys advertised less claims and publication costs. | |
| APPROVED | **Tab 6.** Request from County Attorney to recommend approval for the County Attorney to file a Quiet Title, Declaratory and/or Injunctive Relief Action relating to County-owned property located at 31039 Lake Mack Road, in Deland (a/k/a Alternate Key 2540427) and naming adjacent property owners as needed.<br><br>The estimated fiscal impact at this time is $600 (expenditure) to file the litigation. Commission District 4. | MARSH |
| APPROVED | **Tab 7.** Request from Management and Budget to recommend approval of **Resolution 2026-112** adopting the fee schedules for Fiscal Year 2027. The fiscal impact (revenue) cannot be determined at this time. | BARKER |
| APPROVED | **Tab 8.** Request from Management and Budget to recommend approval:<br>1. To apply for the Department of Justice FY 2026 Bridging Immigration-Related Deficits Experienced Nationwide ("BIDEN") Program grant on behalf of the Lake County Sheriff's Office; and<br>2. To authorize the Chairman to sign any required grant documents.<br><br>The fiscal impact is estimated at $12,652,826 (revenue/expenditure). | BARKER |
| APPROVED | **Tab 9.** Request from Procurement Services to recommend approval:<br>1. To declare the items listed on the attached inventory as surplus;<br>2. To authorize their removal from the County's fixed asset records; and<br>3. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services Director to execute all supporting documentation.<br><br>The fiscal impact cannot be determined at this time (revenue). | BARKER |

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| APPROVED | **Tab 10.** Request from Human Resources and Risk Management to recommend approval of the pay ranges for Fiscal Year 2027. The pay ranges begin at a minimum of $17.00 per hour. | KOVACS |
| APPROVED | **Tab 11.** Request from Public Safety Support to recommend approval of the Fourth Amendment to the Service Agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc. (Chicago, IL), that provides support and maintenance to the Countywide 800MHz Public Safety Radio System for a six-year term beginning in Fiscal Year 2027.<br><br>The total fiscal impact over the six-year term is $16,780,000 (expenditure). | CARPENTER |
| APPROVED | **Tab 12.** Request from Public Safety Support to recommend approval:<br>1. To terminate an Antenna Site Agreement with SBA Properties, Inc., for the tower site located at 19430 East 3rd Street, in Umatilla, and for the County Manager to send the termination letter; and<br>2. To authorize the County Manager to negotiate an early termination of the Antenna Site Agreement.<br><br>The fiscal impact will not exceed the current lease terms but cannot be fully determined at this time. Commission District 4. | CARPENTER |
| APPROVED | **Tab 13.** Request from Public Safety Support to recommend approval:<br>1. To terminate a License Site Agreement with American Towers, L.P., for the Tower located at 8325 North Bradshaw Road in Clermont and for the County Manager to send the termination letter; and<br>2. To authorize the County Manager to negotiate an early termination of the License Agreement.<br><br>The fiscal impact will not exceed the current lease terms but cannot be fully determined at this time. Commission District 1. | CARPENTER |
| APPROVED | **Tab 14.** Request from Library Services to recommend approval of a Fifth Amendment to the Interlocal Agreements for the Provision of Library Services between Lake County and each of the ten Member Libraries' municipal governing bodies to extend the term of the Interlocal Agreements for an additional 12-month period.<br><br>The fiscal impact is $1,207,294 (expenditure) and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. | CHRISTIAN |
| APPROVED | **Tab 15.** Request from Library Services to recommend approval:<br>1. To submit the Fiscal Year 2027 State Aid to Libraries Grant Application; Certification of Funds, Certification of Hours, Free Library Services, and Access to Materials; and Grant Agreement; and | CHRISTIAN |

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| | 2. To authorize the Chairperson to sign any necessary grant certifications or documents.<br><br>The estimated fiscal impact is $145,722 (revenue) and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. | |
| APPROVED | **Tab 16.** Request from Transit Services to recommend approval:<br>1. To accept the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Public Transit Block Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2026-2027; and<br>2. To authorize the execution and administration of the FDOT Public Transit Block Grant Agreement by the Office of Transit Services Director.<br><br>The fiscal impact is $2,072,054 — $1,036,027 (revenue/expenditure – grant funded) and $1,036,027 (expenditure - county match) and is included in the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget request. | CHRISTIAN |
| APPROVED | **Tab 17.** Request from Public Works to recommend approval to accept public Non-Exclusive Utility Easement Deeds that have been secured in conjunction with the Distributed Wastewater Treatment Systems (DWTS).<br><br>There is no fiscal impact. | BONILLA |
| APPROVED | **Tab 18.** Request from Public Works to recommend approval:<br>1. Of Contract 26-712 for Construction, Engineering, and Inspection (CEI) Services for Hartwood Marsh from US27 to Majestic Isle Drive (AKA Regency Hills Drive); and<br>2. To authorize the Office of Procurement Services to execute all supporting documentation.<br><br>The estimated fiscal impact is $1,120,546.24 (expenditure) and is within, and will not exceed the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. | BONILLA |
| APPROVED | **Tab 19.** Request from Public Works to recommend approval to adopt **Resolution 2026-113** to advertise a public hearing to vacate a portion of an unnamed platted right of way as shown on the plat of Lake Highlands Company recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 52 of the public records, lying north of Johns Lake Estates, east of Perimeter Park West, and west of Alternate Key 1783119, approximately 330.65 feet in length and 15 feet in width. The right of way to be vacated is located west of Hartle Road, south of SR 50 and east of Ray Goodgame Parkway, within Section 26, Township 22 South, Range 26 East, and in the Clermont area.<br><br>The fiscal impact is $2,295.00 (Revenue). Commissioner District 2. | BONILLA |

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| APPROVED | **Tab 20.** Request from Parks and Trails to recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Certified Budget for Arthropod Control for the Lake County Mosquito Control Program, pursuant to Section 388.201, Florida Statutes, and Rule 5E-13.022, Florida Administrative Code.<br><br>The fiscal impact is $69,587.50 (revenue/expenditure - grant funded), $992,952 (revenue/expenditure - local funded), and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget request. | BONILLA |
| APPROVED | **Tab 21.** Request from Parks and Trails to recommend adoption of **Resolution 2026-114** in support of a Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) grant application pledging to amend the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and provide matching funds, should grant funds be awarded for improvements to the Mount Plymouth Parks.<br><br>If awarded, the fiscal impact is $400,000 - $200,000 (revenue/expenditure - $200,000 grant funded) and $200,000 (expenditure - county match). Commission District 4. | BONILLA |
| APPROVED | **Tab 22. PUBLIC HEARING:**<br>Recommend approval and adoption of **Resolution 2026-115** regarding Disposition of Property for Affordable Housing and inventory of all Lake County and Lake County Water Authority (LCWA) owned real property. This public hearing is required pursuant to Section 125.379, Florida Statutes.<br><br>There is no fiscal impact. | CHRISTIAN |
| APPROVED | **Tab 23. PUBLIC HEARING:**<br>Recommend approval of the following funding levels for Library Impact Fee Trust Fund Grant Applications:<br>1. County projects:<br>• Lake County Library System eBook & eAudiobook Expansion at $200,000.<br>• Lake County Library System Library of Things Collection at $50,000.<br>• Lake County Library System Cagan Crossings Library Shelf Expansion at $28,224.01. Commission District 1.<br>• Lake County Library System Paisley Branch Library Makerspace Workstation and Youth Book Collection at $13,348.21. Commission District 4.<br>2. Municipal projects:<br>• Eustis Memorial Library Community Room Expansion at $157,936.63. Commission District 4.<br>• W.T. Bland Public Library Simpson Farmhouse Expansion at | CHRISTIAN |

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| | $50,000. Commission District 4.<br>3. Associated Interlocal Agreements with Eustis and Mount Dora.<br><br>The fiscal impact is $499,508.85 (expenditure). | |
| APPROVED | **Tab 24.** Presentation of the Economic Development Strategic Plan by Lake Economic Area Development (LEAD) - Annual update by Brad Weber, LEAD Board Chairman, and Mike Kelly, LEAD Director.<br><br>Recommend approval of the third amendment to the Economic Development Partnership Agreement between Lake County and LEAD.<br><br>The fiscal impact is $500,000 (expenditure) and is included in the Fiscal Year 2027 Budget. | DIAL |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Parks commented that he and Commissioner Sabatini were in attendance at the Florida Association of Counties (FAC) Legislation and Innovation Conference, which was where they began the process of putting forth policies or requests to the State Legislature, opining that these were usually centered around the erosion of home rule. He opined that this conference had been a great opportunity to learn from other Counties, such as best practices and what was working or not, and that it was a great event. | PARKS |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Parks relayed that Lake County would host the following year's FAC innovation conference at Mission Inn Resort + Club, and that many Commissioners and Legislators from around the state would come to Lake County. He opined that it would be a chance to showcase and highlight all that was great about Lake County, and that it was a great venue, noting that they had spent much funding fixing up Mission Inn Resort + Club and making it nice. He opined that even though the bar had been high with the current year's conference, this next one would exceed it. He hoped that the Board would all be there to welcome the other Commissioners. | PARKS |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Parks expressed appreciation to all the City of Tavares elected officials, including Mr. John Drury, Tavares City Administrator, and noted that they had amended their interlocal service boundary agreement (ISBA) to place a portion of the area into rural protection; furthermore, they would not annex that portion. He commented that the City of Tavares also agreed to a first response agreement, opining that this would end any disagreements about the different zones. He opined that this boosted moral with the firefighters, and that they appreciated it. He opined that the City of Tavares was on the forefront in good leadership, and mentioned that Commissioner Smith was a former Tavares City Council member. | PARKS |

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| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Smith indicated appreciation to the City of Tavares and all the hard work they had done, and opined that it was the leaders, the staff, and the community meetings that made all this happen. He related that he was proud to be part of the City of Tavares and a part of Lake County, opining that this could move them forward in the right direction. | SMITH |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Smith commented that he traveled to the State of California to see the economic development team with the Office of Tourism and Economic Development promote Lake County at an event. He opined that they were well represented at the Hermosa Beach Open Volleyball Tournament, which included the following: there were about 10,000 to 15,000 spectators; there was national livestream coverage on television; Lake County had contributed some funding: Lake County had great signage; there was great media coverage; and it was mentioned by the Association of Volleyball Professionals (AVP) during their broadcast on the following weekend, opining that this was great national recognition. He related that he was receiving information from the hoteliers and restaurants to see what kind of impact a tournament like this had on their community, opining that Hermosa Beach, California was about the same size as the interior of Lake County. | SMITH |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Smith remarked that he was a supporter of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, and that they were having a fundraiser coming up to get more books into children's hands from the ages of zero to five years old. He recommended looking up the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, and noted that they would be having a "9 to 5" celebration on September 25, 2026. | SMITH |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Smith mentioned that the Trout Lake Nature Center was having its annual Jungle Fest fundraiser in October 2026. | SMITH |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione opined that the 9/11 ceremony was great, that the venue was ideal, and that this could be built upon. She opined that the Tavares High School Chorus did an amazing job as well as the Mount Dora Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program and the youth from teen court, and she asked Ms. Jennifer Barker, County Manager, to send a thank you letter from the Board for their participation. She opined that it was a well-done event which was well attended, and that there would be more people in the future. | CAMPIONE |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione said that she attended the South Lake Chamber of Commerce first responders' recognition breakfast, opining that they did a great job and had a large turnout. She opined that the Lake County Fire Rescue was well represented, and mentioned there was a story about the lifesaving measures administered by a couple of honorees which had made a large difference in someone's life. | CAMPIONE |

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| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione related that she participated in the cleanup on the previous Saturday at Hickory Point Park and learned how dirty it got around the Lake Harris Bridge, opining that it was great that there were many volunteers that participated. She opined that there was less trash around Hickory Point Park than she had noticed previously, and that people were becoming more careful and conscientious. | CAMPIONE |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione stated that she went to the Pasture Reserve as part of her preparation for evaluating the public lands coming up, and that she wanted to visit all the County's existing public lands' locations and see where they were in proximity to other conservation and development areas. She commented that she learned more about the Pasture Reserve, and noted that they were trying to make space for more horse trailers so that this was an activity for people to do. She remarked that even though there was a limitation on class three electric bikes (e-bikes) because they damaged the nature trails, there were locations where bicycles were allowed, such as the Pasture Reserve. | CAMPIONE |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione relayed that she went to the Hand in Hand fundraiser in the City of Eustis, and said that Mr. David Douglas, the Hand in Hand founder, was retiring 11 years after starting the Hand in Hand Recovery. She remarked that they had a new Chief Executive Officer (CEO), and opined that it would be in great hands. | CAMPIONE |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione expressed appreciation to the coordinators and supervisors in the Public Works Department, including Mr. Mike Olka, Engineering and Operations Director for the Public Works Department, Mr. Seth Lynch, Engineering and Operations Director for the Public Works Department, Mr. Jeff Earhart, Engineering and Operations Director for the Public Works Department, and Mr. Bobby Bonilla, Assistant County Manager, opining that they were very busy and worked very hard on the County's many demands. She opined that the community appreciated seeing many things happening, and said that she looked forward to the day they opened Britt Road in October 2026. She asked that she be kept apprised on the progress they were making there and what the date would be, noting that there was some signage being worked on to encourage slower and safer traffic on Britt Road. | CAMPIONE |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Campione remarked that she had been working on a future land use (FLU) map of the county by highlighting where the cities were in relation to the rural transition and rural lands were, and opined that it helped one get an idea of what was municipal, rural transition, and rural. She hoped that | CAMPIONE |

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| | County staff could do a more professional version of the map, and pointed out that there were many municipal parcels surrounded by rural areas in south Lake County. She opined that the City of Umatilla was the model of good planning, as the municipal boundaries were very compact, noting that most of the land uses around it were unincorporated rural transition areas that then went to rural. She then mentioned that she had seen misleading social media posts about the following: land use planning; what the County could approve or deny; what the County needed to approve; what the County should approve or try to curtail; confusion over what was under the County's purview; and what was in the city limits or under consideration for annexation. She stated that she wanted to continue the Joint Planning Agreement (JPA) focus as well as the agreements that were discussed with the Cities and to define those locations where the Cities would not annex further or recognize the County densities already in place, and opined that if the map clearly showed what there was to work with, it would help the public understand what the limitations already were instead of just allowing anything with no methodology. She opined that when one could see where the city boundaries were, which were well defined, and where the County's designated rural transition and rural areas were located, one could get a picture of what Lake County could ultimately be if growth was curtailed out into those areas, which she opined was where the focus needed to be directed. She opined that those rural areas could become even more valuable and desirable for homesites on lots that already existed, such as smaller lots or five to 10 acre tracts, and that the ideal scenario economically would be to have the rural areas, urbanized areas, industrialized areas, and commercial areas shown on the map as already in existence, vacant, and available to be developed. She opined that the more information the County could give the public about what was already on the map and how these decisions were made would help with some of the misinformation that was out there, and that the County needed to continue discussions with the Cities. She opined without those agreements with the Cities, all of those areas shown on the map as rural transition and rural areas could be the Cities' someday if there was not a layer of protection on them, and that the job the BCC had been doing was important and needed more attention focused on it. | |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Smith remarked that it was National Ice Cream Cone Day, and that there were ice cream cones because when the ice cream vendors ran out of cups at the World's Fair in 1904, a waffle maker made dishes out of waffles for them. | SMITH |
| APPROVED | **Tab 27.** Recommend approval:<br>1. Of the final millage rates for the Lake County General Countywide Levy of 5.0254 mills (**Resolution 2026-104**), the Lake County Municipal Services Taxing Unit (MSTU) for Ambulance and Emergency Services Levy of 0.4629 mills (**Resolution 2026-105**), the Lake County MSTU for | BARKER |

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| | Stormwater, Parks and Roads Levy of 0.4957 mills (**Resolution 2026-106**), the Lake County Fire Rescue MSTU Levy 0.4800 mills (**Resolution 2026-107**), the Lake County Wellness Way MSTU Levy 0.1454 mills (**Resolution 2026-108),** the Lake County Water Authority Levy of 0.2940 mills (**Resolution 2026-109**), and the Lake County Voter Approved Debt Levy of 0.0719 mills (**Resolution 2026-110**); and<br>2. The Fiscal Year 2026 Final Budget totaling $1,120,272,322; and<br>3. Final budget **Resolution 2026-111.** | |
| FOR YOUR INFORMATION | Commr. Smith said that it was National Centenarian's Day, and that he gave a letter to a man who turned 100 a couple of weeks prior. He also mentioned that it was National Elephant Appreciation Day. | SMITH |