

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
UNION COUNTY, FLORIDA
SPECIAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 2016**

NOTE: If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record for the proceedings and may need to insure that a verbatim record is made.

PRESIDING: Karen Cossey, Chairwoman

RECORDING: Savannah Chastain, Finance Officer

ATTENDING: Commissioner Willie Croft; Commissioner Woody Kitler; Commissioner Jimmy Tallman; Commissioner Nettles; Dianne Hannon, Board Secretary; Kellie Connell, Clerk of Courts; Russ Wade, County Attorney

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:11 PM by Chairwoman Cossey.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Commissioner Tallman delivered the invocation and Chairwoman Cossey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AGRICULTURE FACILITY PROPOSALS AND PRESENTATIONS

Chairwoman Cossey requested for two of the three Proposers to leave the Board room and allow Architecture Studio to present first.

Rolando Sosa, owner of Architecture Studio, delivered material and information regarding Architecture Studio. Architecture Studio is an Ocala, FL based enterprise. The firm was established in 1994. Mr. Sosa explained familiarity with dealing with grants. He explained the importance of considering the involved wishes, needs and budget in a grant-funded project, as such. Mr. Sosa guaranteed the Board communication is available at any time.

Commissioner Tallman requested the Board agree to dismiss the current Proposer in order to look through the given material and decide ranking after the conclusion of all presentations. Chairwoman Cossey requested Dewberry Preble-Rish present next.

Brenda Flanagan, Contract Manager of Dewberry Preble-Rish, and Tom Miller, DAG Architects, Inc., delivered material and information regarding their services. Preble-Rish was established 25 years ago serving small cities, rural counties, and areas that required state and federal funding. Dewberry was established 60 years ago and recently combined with Preble-Rish in April 2016. Mrs. Flanagan expressed understanding of the importance of the budget and timeframe.

James Vignola, Vice President of SVM and Walt Nickel, Jones Edmunds and Associates, delivered information regarding their services. TC Skinner and Associates was organized in 1980. Mr. Vignola began in architecture in 1990. He and his copartner, Howard McLean who is President of SVM,

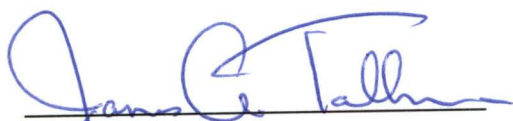
purchased TC Skinner and Associates in 2000 and became SVM Architects. SVM Architects is familiar with the County procedures, having renovated the Court house 17 years ago and previously partnering with Jones Edmunds and Associates to build A & A Transport.

Commissioner Tallman moved to recess the meeting and reconvene after tomorrow's Reorganization Meeting, in order to submit rankings. Commissioner Kitler seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was recessed at 6:01 PM.

APPROVED:


Jimmy Tallman, Chairman

ATTEST:


Kellie H. Connell, Clerk of Courts