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MINUTES
Recreational Vehicle Ordinance Committee

Hamilton County Annex
Jasper, FL

November 3, 2026
Tuesday: 1:00 P.M.

Members Present

Gary Godwin – County Coordinator
Clay Goolsby – Property Appraiser
Buster Oxendine - Citizen
Chris Mericle - Citizen
Daniel Parks - Citizen
Tyson Hart – Code Enforcement
Henry Land – County Fire Chief
Ed Shiflett – P&Z Board
Jimmy Murphy – BOCC
Matthew Morgan – Land Use Administrator
Jonathan Law – Veterans Affairs

Meeting Started 1:06pm

Mr. Morgan explained the order and contents of packets in front of board members.

Mr. Godwin began by introducing himself and asked everyone to go around the table and introduce themselves. Introductions followed.

Mr. Godwin then went over the purpose of the meetings and mentioned the changes that had recently occurred in Dixie County regarding recreational vehicles and how they were previously permitted but no longer allowed. He expressed uncertainty if previously allowed RVs were “grandfathered”.

Mr. Hart said that based on his experience, they were. Mr. Hart also outlined some of the other requirements Dixie County had in place prior to their moratorium on RVs.

Mr. Godwin then explained how he envisioned each meeting to work in going over the draft ordinance line-by-line during each session. He expressed that order should be kept and discussions kept civil. All changes or suggestions would be subject to majority vote. Final draft would go to Board of County Commissioners to make changes and send back to committee or adopt.

Mr. Shiflet asked that the group not use the current draft as the "working document" but rather the "compromise" draft that was created by Mr. Morgan. Mr. Godwin said he was fine with that.

Mr. Oxendine said that he agreed with Mr. Shiflett. He expressed that the current draft had more options for discussion.

Mr. Mericle objected to using the "compromise" draft on the basis that it seemed to be at odds with the Land Development Regulations, Comprehensive Plan, and Flood Ordinance.

Mr. Oxendine responded that the "compromise" draft addressed the flood ordinance. He further mentioned that people along the river will vacate those areas during floods.

Mr. Mericle said that people leave RVs behind when they abandon those areas and it leads to care of premises issues.

Mr. Land pointed out that the Madison County ordinance addressed the abandoned RV issue and that it would be dealt with when we come to it.

Mr. Shiflett asked if meetings would be conducted using Robert's Rules of Order. Mr Oxendine said that if that were the case someone should keep minutes. Mr. Morgan responded that he already was.

Mr. Godwin said next meeting would be earlier and last longer. Discussion ensued about best day. It was moved that Monday, November 16th from 9am to 1pm would be the next meeting date and time. Mr. Godwin also said that moving forward Mr. Jonathan Law would chair the meetings.

VOTE: 9-0

Mr. Shiflet asked for a motion to select the "compromise" draft of the ordinance as the working document for the committee.

Motion: Mr. Oxendine Second: Mr. Land Vote: 8-1

Mr. Law asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Mr. Hart Second: Mr. Shiflett Vote: 9-0

Adjourned at 1:43pm