

**MINUTES OF THE FIELD OF DREAMS WORKSHOP FOR THE JOINT CITY / COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE FLORIDA AND THE GULF COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
August 25, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.**

The following were present: Mayor Buzzett, Commissioners Ashbrook, Hoffman, and Langston. City Manager Jim Anderson, City Attorney Clinton McCahill, Chief of Police Jake Richards, and Public Works Director John Grantland were also present. Representing the Gulf County Board of County Commissioners were Chairman Sandy Quinn, Commissioners Phil McCroan, Ward McDaniel, Patrick Ferrell, and County Attorney Jeremy Novak. Other County Staff present were: Leanna Roberts, and County Administrator Michael L. Hammond. City Clerk Charlotte Pierce was absent due to a medical issue. Commissioner Lowry was absent.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Field of Dreams Project.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rex Buzzett at 5:00 P.M. He expressed his appreciation for the joint meeting of the Boards and welcomed those present to the meeting.

Chairman Quinn thanked the City for having the meeting, and asked that a date and time be established for the ESAD Sewer Workshop. The date of Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 5:00 P.M., in the County Commission Chamber was agreed upon by both Commissions.

Mayor Buzzett thanked the County Commissioners for attending and asked them to share their thoughts on the project.

Commissioners McDaniel, McCroan, and Ferrell shared their thoughts with the group. Commissioner McDaniel gave his perspective of the history on the project. Commissioner McCroan noted the efforts that he and Chairman Quinn have given through the years to the project. Commissioner Ferrell expressed his willingness to work to gather.

City Commissioners Hoffman, Langston, and Ashbrook offered their thoughts on the project and willingness to work with the County to accomplish the goal of providing the sports complex for the children of Gulf County.

The following individuals spoke, whether in favor or against the project:

Skate Park enthusiast Ayden Sapp, Rhett Jemison Tristin Connell, Taylor Campbell; Christy McElroy, Josh Dailey, Tim Peterson, and Robert Branch.

Gulf County Attorney Jeremy Novak explained the use and requirements of the 5th cent sales tax and stated that it was up to the County Commissioners as to how it would be spent.

Mayor Buzzett thanked everyone for attending and stated that the City Commission is looking forward to working with the County Commission to provide a quality facility for the children of Gulf County.

There was no further information to be shared and Mayor Buzzett adjourned the meeting at 6:12 P.M.

Approved this 20th day of September 2022.



Rex Buzzett, Mayor

9/20/22

Date



Charlotte M. Pierce, City Clerk

9/20/22

Date