

**Hancock County Board of Commissioners & County Council
Meet for a Special Meeting on November 3, 2021**

Commissioners and Council met for a special session. Those present were Board of Commissioners; President, Commissioner John Jessup, Vice President, Commissioner Marc Huber and Commissioner Bill Spalding. Councilmember President William Bolander, Councilmember Jim Shelby, Councilmember Kent Fisk, Councilmember Vice President Jeannine Gray, Councilmember Mary Noe, Councilmember Robin Lowder and Councilmember Keely Butrum, Auditor Debra Carnes, Financial Administrator Mary Bowmer and County Attorney Scott Benkie were present.

Commissioner Huber called to order the Hancock County Board of Commissioners November 3, 2021 at 8:03 AM. Councilmember Bolander called to order the November 3, 2021 County Council meeting at 8:03 AM.

Discussion

- Councilmember Shelby introduced the agenda items for discussion; 1) Economic Development Agreement, 2) Abatement Application and 3) ARP Non-Profit Questionnaire.

Commissioner Jessup arrived at 8:15 AM to the meeting.

- Financial Consultant Guerrettaz discussed the Economic Development Agreement and the Application for Property Tax Abatement with Commissioners and Council Members.

Commissioner Jessup left the meeting at 8:50 AM.

- Commissioner Huber said Commissioners would like to utilize 40% in mental health and addiction/treatment, 40% in infrastructure projects and 20% in non-profits. Councilmember Noe said at the AIC Conference it was recommended to put 10% to cover administrative expenses.
- Councilmember Butrum discussed the ARPA Questionnaire. Commissioner Spalding did not have a problem with the questionnaire. Commissioner Huber did not like the concept of the questionnaire, he would like to use the Hancock County Community Foundation.
- Mary Gible, President/CEO introduced Hancock County Community Foundation and offered four options to assist with the ARPA grant distribution.
- Councilmember Butrum said I believe the Auditor needs copies of everything on file at the county; there is no handing off the responsibility of keeping track of all the documents going into consideration. The Auditor needs as much access as the Community Foundation as far as extracting what they submit and keeping our own files.
- Commissioner Spalding requested Mary Gible, President/CEO with Hancock County Community Foundation be scheduled on the November 15th Board of Commissioners agenda.
- Commissioner Huber said they would consider every small and large business to make the biggest impact for the entire community that we can make out of this one time grant the county receives.

The Special Meeting ended at 10:21 AM.

Hancock County Council Members:

William Bolander

Mary Noe

James Shelby

Robin Lowder

Kent Fisk

Keely Butrum

Jeannine Gray

Attest: _____
Debra Carnes, Hancock County Auditor

Hancock County Commissioners

Commissioner John Jessup, President

Commissioner Marc Huber, Vice-President

Commissioner Bill Spalding

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Debra Carnes, Hancock County Auditor