

**CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA
BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS**

Annex Building
318 S 7th Street
Wewahitchka, FL 32465

SPECIAL MEETING
Thursday April 14, 2022
9:00 a.m.

Mayor Gaskin called the special meeting to order on this date, April 14, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. at the Annex Building, 318 South 7th St. Wewahitchka, FL.

Attendance

Mayor Phillip Gaskin
Commissioner Ralph Fisher
Commissioner Johnny Paul
Commissioner Charlie Pettis
Commissioner Brian Cox

Public Present

City Manager

Michael Gortman

City Attorney

Michelle Jordan

City Clerk

Rachel Jackson

City Finance Director

Brittney Proctor

AGENDA:

1. Executive Session regarding Winterfell Construction – City Attorney Michelle Jordan read the following notice:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING AND ATTORNEY-CLIENT EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Commissioners of the City of Wewahitchka, Florida will conduct a Special Meeting and an Attorney-Client Executive Session at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 14, 2022**, in the City of Wewahitchka Public Works building located at 318 7th Street, Wewahitchka, Florida, to discuss ongoing litigation.

After the Special Meeting is convened the Board will go into closed session pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes. The subject matter of the executive session is **Winterfell Construction, Inc. vs City of Wewahitchka, Florida et al; Bay County Circuit Court Case No. 22-CA-299.**

The discussions in this session shall be confined to litigation strategy and settlement negotiations relating to the above case. The session will be recorded by a certified court reporter. The meeting will last approximately 1 hour and will be attended by Mayor Philip Gaskin, Commissioner Ralph Fisher, Commissioner Charlie Pettis, Commissioner Johnny Paul, Commissioner Brian Cox, City Manager Michael Gortman, City Attorney Michelle Jordan, and a certified court reporter.

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Following the closed session, the Board will reconvene in open session in the Board Chambers so that the Chair may announce the termination of the executive session and address any other matters that may come before the Board at that time.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings are available, which records includes the testimony and evidence upon which appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations or an interpreter to participate in this meeting should contact the City of Wewahitchka City Hall at 211 N Hwy 71 Wewahitchka, Florida 32465, Phone (850) 639-2605.

Following reading of the notice at 9:01 am, **Commissioner Cox** made a motion to recess the special meeting for the executive session to commence. **Commissioner Paul** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The executive session adjourned and at 9:38 am, **Mayor Gaskin** called the Special Meeting back to order.

Attorney Michelle Jordan requested another executive session be held on prior to the April regular meeting. **Commissioner Cox** made a motion to hold an executive session on April 28, 2022, 5:30 pm at the Senior Citizen/Community Building located at 314 N 3rd Street, Wewahitchka, FL 32465. **Commissioner Fisher** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

Commissioner Fisher made a motion to adjourn at 9:40 am. **Commissioner Paul** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA

Phillip Gaskin, Mayor

ATTEST:


Rachel Jackson, City Clerk

