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Things you've bestowed upon us. Be with us in our deliberations and help us to be wise in the decisions we make, for the good of all those who have placed their trust and confidence in our leadership. We ask that you watch over and protect our first responders and our military as they go about their duties. Bless us this day and may all that is done be for your greater honor and glory. Amen amen. I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, and welcome once again. The first item on this evening's agenda is timed items and public hearings. We have two public hearings or two quasi no. Yeah, two quasi judicial items. The first one is, oh, excuse me. Are these quasi judicial. OK yeah. Sorry all right. If you plan to comment or provide evidence or testimony during any of the public hearings listed under number one of the agenda that are marked with an asterisk indicating their quasi judicial in nature, please rise and be sworn. Do you willfully swear under oath. The facts and testimony furnished the Board of County Commissioners to be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Yes, ma'am. Thank you. All right. Thank you. Please note that only competent, substantial, fact based testimony or evidence will be considered by the board in deciding the quasi judicial matters listed on today's agenda. Pure speculation or opinion not based on competent facts cannot be legally considered by the board in weighing the appropriateness of the application. If you intend to comment or provide public evidence, excuse me. Provide evidence or testimony on an item marked with an asterisk that is quasi judicial, please keep this in mind. Finally, before addressing the board, and in order to keep the public records accurate, you must state your name, spell your name, state your address, and whether or not you have been sworn. When you approach the podium to speak on the quasi judicial matter. The first item is Lu 26 000019. The village is operating company Amendment 12 to the second amended and restated development order for the villages of Sumter. Villages of Sumter. Development of regional impact. Removing the floor restrictions from multifamily residential units as a permitted use in the lake Sumter landing town center. The planning and zoning special master and OTA staff recommend approval. I will now pull the commissioners for any ex parte communications, whether written or verbal, related to this item. Commissioner Butterfield no, sir. Thank you, Commissioner bilardello. No, sir. Thank you, Commissioner Bogue. No, sir. And I neither, Mr. Kennedy, you're recognized. Thank you, sir. I'm going to yield the field. The podium. That's fine. Thank you, Mr. Arias. You're recognized. Thank you. Chairman David Rodriguez, assistant planning and floodplain manager for Sumter County. Presenting the staff report at this time. For the record. So this case is the Amendment 12 to the second amended and restated development order for the villages of Sumter development of regional impact, or Dri, for short. The Dri currently permits multifamily residential uses within the town center of the villages of Sumter, also known as Lake Sumter landing on the upper floors of buildings of certain buildings only. This Amendment proposes to remove this restriction and allow multifamily residential uses on all floors of buildings, consistent with the memorandum of agreement for Lake Sumter landing that is also being heard tonight. The Sumter County comprehensive plan and land development code were considered in our review as consistent with chapter 380 of Florida statutes. Any changes to DRIs have to be consistent with our land development regulations with these standards. This change enables a development of a wider range of housing options in an area that is already served with the proper infrastructure to support it, in line with several housing goals and policies within the unified comprehensive plan, as noted in our staff report, and it meets the required considerations under Section 13 323 of the Sumter County land development code. I will note that this use or this request rather does not ask for any additional entitlements as the project already has an approved matrix for any conversion of uses. So if they were to add multifamily within the town center, they would have to compensate by the removal of most likely commercial from the overall project for neutral trip generation. 61 notices were sent to surrounding property owners within 500. Staff is recommending approval, as did the planning and zoning special master during a public hearing held on October five of 2026. Tonight is just the first reading of this resolution, and the final adoption is scheduled for November 10 of 2026. I'm available for any questions the board may have. Thank you, Mr. Rodriguez Mr. Kennedy, I'm looking at the agenda. These are marked with an asterisk. Are these not quasi judicial in nature. I know they're under item one, but they're not marked with an asterisk. Yes, sir. They are quasi. They are quasi. All right, all right, Mr. Chairman. Yes, I got a few questions, please. In particular, one from Mr. Rodriguez. In reading the case analysis, it kind of jumped out to me that they're basing their analysis on 2017, 2018 numbers. They talk about a study that was analysis study of multifamily market in 2018 and the referencing that I think we would all agree there have been significant growth in the last seven years, and perhaps we need to look for or commission a study on ourselves, because I know that in this County we've had a significant amount of multifamily growth, and I'd like to make sure that we keep consistent with numbers. I don't know if that's something that we can do or if it's something we have to require of the next development. Yeah so the short version it is something we could theoretically can do. I believe we commissioned that original study back in 2018. But that study is not the only source that we are citing here. We're also citing a study of housing in the County overall done by the East Coast Florida regional Planning Council, in which they also know a lack of diversity in housing options. So we're showing our work in multiple places. That study in 2018 was the basis for certain changes to our land development code, including the addition of the high density residential zoning districts. And it eventually led to certain modifications in our comprehensive plan regarding housing. So in our staff report, we're trying to show through line that started with that analysis in 2018 and that has continued up through 2026 with this most recent study. I see that, but this specifically targets the multifamily market. And I think we should probably keep current with that multifamily. So I would like to see US Commission a new study. I think it would be worthwhile that we have some current numbers to run by in the future. I would agree. But I think we need to wait until after November to figure out if I'm good with that. Such a thing. I just want to put that on the record so we could consider it a future workshop. All right. Thank you. All right. Any other commissioners. All right. We'll now hear the applicant's presentation if they desire to do so. Good evening, commissioners. Darren Taylor, 119 South Monroe street. We're simply here to answer any questions that you might have regarding the application. All right. So I did have one question. Approximately how many units are you looking at in Lake Sumter landing. No no specific units at this time. This simply gives us flexibility. We've seen that in Lady lake that there has been a very tremendous support for this type of use. It simply allows us more options as far as the ability to continue to create a mixture of uses in the town center. All right. Thank you. All right. All right. The next step in the quasi judicial hearing is the opportunity for public comment. The opportunity for cross-examine of the County administrator or the applicant will be provided only for those deemed affected parties, as defined by the 500 foot distance from the applicant's external boundaries, consistent with the notification criteria of the land development code. Would anybody that meets that criteria like to speak. OK seeing none. There's no rebuttal needed or response then from the administrator or the applicant. The evidence. The evidence and testimony portion of this public hearing is now closed. The floor is open for board members to discuss this agenda item. Board members. Any discussion. No All right. Board members, you have the recommendation of staff and the planning and zoning special master. Is there a motion for consideration Mr. Chairman, I move to approve the Lu 20 6-000019 villages operating company Amendment 12 to the Second Amendment of the restated development order for the village of Sumter. Development of regional impact. Removing the floor restriction from multifamily residential units as permitted in the lake Sumter landing town center. This would I'm assuming we're approving it to move to second and final hearing. Yes, second. So I have a motion by Commissioner Bogan, a second by Commissioner Butterfield to approve Lu 26 000019. The village's operating company, Amendment 12, to the second amended and restated development order for the villages of Sumter. Development of regional impact. All those in favor indicate by saying Aye. Aye opposed. Hearing none. Motion carries unanimously. Next, we have. Next, we have. Lu 20 6-000020. The village's operating company. Amendment 3 to the Sumter landing downtown. Memorandum of agreement. Removing the floor restrictions for multifamily residential units as a permitted use in certain buildings of the lake Sumter landing town center. The planning and zoning special master and OTA staff recommend approval. I'll now pull the commissioners for any ex-parte communications, whether written or verbal, related to this agenda item. Commissioner Butterfield no, sir. Thank you, Commissioner Bilodeau. No, sir. Thank you. Commissioner no, sir. And I neither Mr. Rodriguez, you're recognized, sir. Thank you. Chairman again, David Rodriguez, assistant planning floodplain manager for Sumter County. Presenting the staff report at this time. For the record. So this is Amendment 3 to the memorandum of agreement for the Sumter landing downtown. Specifically, this memorandum of agreement delves into further detail of the development standards within the Downtown area. Certain uses, parking, building heights. Just as an example, and including this memorandum of agreement specifically answers the question of where this multifamily use is permitted within the Downtown. It is also subject to this same limitation that I mentioned earlier, in which it's currently limiting multifamily residential to upper floors only, and this Amendment just proposes to get rid of that limitation. Under this memorandum of agreement, both before and after

this Amendment, this will only be permitted for multifamily residential in certain building areas. That's building areas 1, 9, 16, and 26. The County doesn't have any specific additional criteria for review of memorandums of agreement. So we applied our land development code, Section 13 323 for zoning amendments. As this memorandum of agreement effectively messes around with the development standards and permitted uses within the lake Sumter landing downtown area. 61 notices were sent to surrounding property owners within 500. Your staff is recommending approval, as did your planning and zoning special master during a public hearing held on October five of 2026. Just like the last one, tonight is just the first reading, and the final adoption is scheduled for November 10 of 2026. Once again, I'm available for any questions the board may have. Thank you, Mr. Rodriguez. Board members, any questions for Mr. Rodriguez. No, sir. All right. We'll now hear the applicant's presentation, if they desire to do so, to answer questions. Commissioners all right, sir. All right. The next step in this quasi judicial hearing is the opportunity for public comment. The opportunity for cross-examination of the County administrator or the applicant will be provided only for those deemed affected parties, as defined by the 500 foot distance from the applicant's external boundaries, consistent with the notification criteria of the land development code. Would anybody meeting that criteria like to speak. Seeing none. Excuse me. The evidence testimony portion of this public hearing is now closed. The floor is open to board members to discuss this agenda item. Board members, any further discussion. No, sir. This is pretty straightforward. All right, board members have the recommendation of staff and the planning and zoning special master. Is there a motion for consideration Mr. Chairman, I'll make the motion to approve Lu 26000020. Village's operating company. Amendment 3 to the lake. I'm sorry to the Sumter landing downtown. Memorandum of agreement, removing the floor restriction from multifamily residential units as a permitted use in certain buildings of the lake Sumter landing Towne center. All right. Is there a second. Second so I have a motion by Commissioner bilardello and a second by Commissioner Borg to approve Lu 20 6-000020. The villages operating company, Amendment 3 to the Sumter landing downtown. Memorandum of agreement. Memorandum of agreement removing the floor restrictions for multifamily residential units as a permitted use in certain buildings of the lake Sumter landing Towne center. All those in favor indicate by saying Aye. Aye opposed. Hearing none. Motion carries unanimously. All right. Next up is citizen's Academy graduation. Brittany, did you want to call the residents up. Good evening, everyone. I'm Brittany McGraw, public information officer with Sumter County. I'm honored to stand before you today to present our fall 2026 Citizens Academy graduates. It's been a pleasure watching these residents grow in their passion for Sumter County over the last few weeks from meeting elected officials to learning about Sumter County Fire and EMS animal services and touring public works, this cohort cohort met every session with curiosity and admiration, never wasting an opportunity to ask questions and learn. I'm immensely proud to nurture their connection with Sumter County through this program, and hope they will build on the momentum fostered during our time together by continuing to invest in our wonderful community. For anyone interested in learning more about Citizens Academy, information can be found on our website. Sumter County flu.gov. Without further ado, please join me in recognizing the following. Michele Campagna. Congratulations to. Ella woods. Peter Pfeifer. Donna Murphy. Jim Murphy. Leo rosamilia. Michael Boley. And Mark gray. So Mr. Kennedy, you're recognized. Thank you, sir. There's items underneath the County administrator's report for information. Only the two items I just want to bring to your attention was just recognition for the city of Wildwood and Bushnell for their participation and recognition by FEMA for the National Flood Insurance Program community rating system that locks in the County. Now for all the municipalities in the County have been recognized there. I'll take any questions if there are any, sir. Thank you, Mr. Kennedy. Yes, sir. Good job, Mr. Elliott. Pushing that through for us. Any questions for Mr. Kennedy. All right. Next up is the County attorney. Madam Attorney, you're recognized. Yes, sir. There are three items on your agenda for information only that are status updates on various litigation cases that are pending. All right. Thank you very much, Madam Attorney Mr. Chair, may I. Yes, Madam Attorney, could you. There's some citizens out here that are curious about any updates you might have. Could you give them a briefing. They're on the ACMs where we're at. Yes the complaint has been filed, the complaints and discovery have been served and we are simply waiting for the parties to respond. Perfect thank you. And how much time do they have to respond. So they have 20 days in which to respond to the complaints, and then 45 days in which to respond to discovery. And that clock started when I believe, last week, I'd have to go back and check the specific date that they were specifically served. All right. Thank you. I can check in report at public input if you'd like. All right. Thank you. Clerk clerk of Circuit Court. Yes, sir. No report this evening. All right. Board members, Commissioner Butterfield. Just a couple of things. I will be absent on the meeting on November the 10, which I believe is when you're going to review committee and other assignments. Just wanted to let you all know that I've been asked to serve on the executive committees of the two planning organizations on which boards I serve lake Sumter planning and East Central planning organization. So just ask you to keep that in mind and don't take advantage of my absence. All right. Commissioner bilardello. Yeah I attended the quarterly affordable housing committee meeting last week and also met with our County administrator, Mr. Arnold. References annual evaluation. All right. Thank you, Commissioner Bogue. Good evening. I attended the Bushnell fall festival recently and had an opportunity to speak with quite a few citizens about Amendment three. Lots of questions about that in our fifth and sixth sense. Fuel tax also. Met with Mr. Arnold to provide him his evaluation as well, which I believe is public record here now. And I want to just recognize public works. They did a great job. I was driving through the County, saw crew out cleaning up a tree on 647 that fell into the roadway. They did a really nice job of cleaning that up, and I think they went a little bit above and beyond to level the stump off and make it aesthetically nice. And also 476 in the same area, they cleared out a huge area that improves the visibility for people pulling out. There have been a number of deaths there and serious injuries recently. All right. So good job. Thank you. All right. And I've been entertaining a lot of phone calls and emails and messages concerning the fifth and sixth cent, the tourist development tax and the various amendments that are on the ballot for this year. All right. Next up is public forum. The board of County Commissioners welcomes and encourages public input on all issues subject to the board's jurisdiction, which affect the residents of Sumter County. However, in order to preserve decorum in these proceedings, the board respectfully requests that an individual wishing to address the board during public forum be mindful of the following provisions of Section 2 31 of the Sumter County code, which has been in effect since 1982. Each person shall limit their one address to five minutes, unless granted additional time by a majority vote of the Board of County Commissioners. All remarks shall be to the Board of County Commissioners as a body and not to an individual member. Additionally, any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous shall be instructed to remain silent by the presiding officer until permission to continue is granted. Thank you. Anybody would like to speak this evening. Good evening, ma'am. I'm going to leave it this time. I actually have paperwork. Deborah arcos 1916. County Road 437. Normally I just speak off the top of my head, but I found something today online that kind of upset me. So needless to say, I'm going to bring it up to your attention because I think it's something you should be aware of. And I would hope that you are aware of Lake County and Mount Dora, both communities, or all of the County and Mount Dora and the lake County Water authority are taking legal action against mid-florida materials. It's a landfill for construction and demolition. They tried to challenge a permit extension that was issued by fdep, but since they couldn't get where they needed to go, they pivoted it to a direct service circuit. Litigation officials and watchdogs state that the storm water runoff allowing PFAS and other forever chemicals to seep into the wolf branch sink preserve and the upper Floridan Aquifer. With an alleged spill reported during severe weather events in the past. Already that's starting to sound a little familiar. Residents filed persistent complaints against odors, sulfur, odors, headaches and respiratory problems. Our that's where I was. OK, there's a request for a $1 million bond going on right now in Lake County. According to one of the commissioners who's pushing for the lawsuit to push it into Circuit Court. Sounds like it's here. Sounds like the runoff, the contamination, the lake pan contamination and Shady Brook. Why are we putting up with all of these things in today's world. All landfills in Florida should be trashed to power. No mounds, no leachate, no groundwater, no contamination, no brainer. Your commissioners should be pushing for that here to do a circuit. Let me write it again. Circuit litigation. A direct circuit litigation. There's no reason. Since you don't stand You have nothing you say you can do to stop the landfill from what they're doing. This is an Avenue that you could take. I've not heard anything from the County that you're taking that Avenue. But I'm telling you, it's available, because our sister County is doing it right now. And they have currently three parties that are involved in it. Lake County, Mount Dora, and the lake County Water association. They should never be placed by springs, lakes or preserves. That's where we're putting our landfills. The big one that they have down there. Actually, I made a mistake in the last meeting on the 13th. I had made reference to the fact that it was Tallahassee and heart of Florida that had permission to collect garbage from every County in the state. I was wrong, and I'm sorry for that. It's Osceola County and part of Florida, both owned by Waste connections, and both are allowed to collect garbage from every single County in the state. Maybe

the village's Land company LLC, could be dropped to a $6 million amount of money to work with and leave that million to use against this particular circumstances. That's it. Thank you. Anybody else this evening. Good evening, Mr. Strickland. Good evening. Hi Leslie Strickland 2732 County Road 526, Somerville, Florida. Obviously sorry. OK I submitted an email earlier, I CC everyone on it and it had to do with the FDP. These are some things that I wanted to go over as well. We've been waiting for answers too long and we and the last couple of board meetings is you get crickets back from FDP. I've been a business person all my life, and when I can't get an answer from somebody in any kind of business or any kind, then you go to the next level. Go up above. There's got to be a revenue to get some kind of answers when we're looking at something that's serious. This email was sent back and everybody was cc'd in April 30, and it had to do with the odors. And the Central District director answered this email. It's all on public record that for an FYI, complaints remain from primary individual, not community at large. So while all this was going on with the complaints and the odors, we've got an email here from all the head honchos at FDP Central District district stating that this was just complaints from a primary individual. Now that was in April. May that was when y'all filed the suit there. April 30 was when the suit was filed. The draft was filed. Sorry it's been a rough. I'm just not together right now, but I'm going to try to finish up. So anyway, so may 26th the BOC. It's in the attachments. Y'all sent 14 questions for FDP to answer. May 26, 14 questions. They still have not answered it. What I'm getting at is I don't think we need to wait until this permit is. And then we've only got 15 days or 30 days to respond to stop something as devastating as this injection. Well and the devastation of possibility it could have on everyone's drinking water. So these 14 questions, May 26 have not been answered. As you all know in some of the communications. I CC everyone on to Mr. lubinsky. I messaged him on October 21. Y'all were all CC'd on it. I asked him seven questions on October 21. I asked him at 12:07 PM. Seven long questions, lengthy. He answered me back at 12:35 October 21, same day. And I don't understand that. I'm a resident, a constituent. But if I can send an email to Mr. lubinsky, who is over the UIC deep injection well program in one day, seven questions and he can answer me the same day within the hour, within the minutes. 12:07 12:35 why cannot this Sumter County board of Commissioners, you people that are representing us and your positions, send an email in May 14th questions and we have no answers. You have no answers. Getting to stand up here and say there's nothing we can do, nothing we can do is not acceptable. It's just not acceptable. Go above their heads. Go to somebody else who can get answers. This is serious and we need answers. I don't know if you know this or not, but I also emailed him that same day when I asked him those seven questions. Part of the seven question is the ACMs has gone in to do a pre-application to see what they need to put in this permit for this deep injection. Well and the response back from him is that they will be. Pre application was they went in on October 22. He estimates they will submit their application for a class I construction and testing permit somewhere around December or January. So that's it y'all December or January. And we've had no meetings with them to answer any questions that the public has raised about this deep injection. Well, when it can contaminate the possibility of contaminating so much drinking water. One more question I have is we're facing a possibility of a threat to our drinking water forever, yet we are constantly told that Sumter County has no jurisdiction because the landfill is inside the city limits. However, the withlacoochee regional water supply is actively looking to hire a Tallahassee lobbyist to fight this deep well injection on a regional level. Since two of our board members from Sumter County sit on that board are also members and financial contributors to the CSWR, please explain exactly how our board is working with this new lobbyist. What specific directives we are giving them to protect our shed, our shared aquifer. And why aren't we using this combined regional power to finally stop this injection. Well thank you. I appreciate your time. Thank you, MS Strickland. Good evening, Mr. Scott. Good evening, commissioners. Is Jeremy Scott won 406 County Road 503A Somerville. At a previous meeting, we were told that Sumter county's hands are tied regarding the heart of Florida landfill. Yet just across the County line, Lake County has taken legal action involving another landfill. I recognize there are different cases with different legal circumstances, but it raises an important question are Sumter county's hands truly tied, or have we explored every option available. I appreciate that the County has taken legal action, but that lawsuit addresses new nuisance concerns. It does not necessarily address every environmental concern associated with this landfill. On October 16, I specifically requested that the County examine whether the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, known as RCRA, provides additional legal remedies. What's happened to that request. Has the County attorney evaluated it. Has the board received an analysis. Will the public receive a response. I'm not suggesting RCRA automatically applies. I'm asking whether the County has examined the legal tools available to protect its residents. Meanwhile, heart of Florida continues pursuing a deep injection well that could place treated leachate treated landfill leachate thousands of feet underground beneath the Floridan Aquifer. On October 22, landfill representatives met with fdep regarding the project. What is Sumter County doing to independently evaluate the potential risks to our groundwater. We also learned that public notices concerning this project appeared in the Leesburg daily commercial, rather than newspapers based in Sumter County. Were those notices legally sufficient. Did they meaningfully reach the residents most effective. I understand the response may be the fdep has permitting authority. The county's jurisdiction is limited and litigation is already underway. But limited authority does not eliminate responsibility. And an existing lawsuit does not mean every available legal remedy has been examined. Tonight, I am requesting three specific actions. First, provide a public response to the October 16 RCRA request and identify whether additional legal remedies have been evaluated. Second, independently review the injection Wells, potential groundwater risks and the adequacy of public notice. Third, publicly identify what legal and administrative actions remain available to this board and what steps it intends to take. Residents should not have to uncover every permit agency meeting and public record themselves. We elected this board to represent our interests and protect our community. Lake County is taking action. Sumter County has begun taking action. Now we need to know what comes next. If your hands are tied. Show us the law that ties them. And if they aren't, tell us what you're going to do. Thank you. Thank you sir. Good evening ma'am. Good evening, Pat Connell, 8,400 County Road 614 a Bushnell, Florida. I don't have notes. I just want to thank you as our shepherds for taking care of the sheep. I know you're going to handle this. I have no doubt you've heard us talking for months. I'm the newest one. Finding out about it. As I've said before, all these other folks that are with me have done all the legwork, all the knowledge, have all the knowledge. I'm just here to say that I want to thank you in advance, because I know you're not going to drop this. We don't want that legacy to be dumpster County. That is not what we want. No one wants it. I brought little bracelets that are free. I don't know if they're considered a gift, but it says, never give up. That's what NEMA. Not in my aquifer's all about. We're never going to give up. Water is too absolutely important. So I've got them. I don't know how this is handled. If I have to give it to her and she hands them to you, or if you want them, you don't even have to take them. For those that want them, I've got a handful of never give up. How do you want it. There's no anthrax or anything. Well, we didn't consider that one, did we. I'm sure you could treat it as it was, but I'm sure Pat has a remedy for it. If there was. Yeah, if there's an answer, I've got the remedy. No, it's all good. You have a blessed night. And thank you, ma'am. Thank you. Thank you. Anybody else this evening. Good evening sir. Good day. On May 8, 897 County Road 467, in Lake panasoffkee, Florida. About this dump. That's all we've been doing is just sitting back, getting information again. And I'll tell you. Board of director, I've asked four times. This will be the fifth time I would like an answer tonight. Why you didn't bring it up to the board over there with lacoochee for over a year and a half. You're avoiding that. The public needs an answer. Just like what I got on my shirt right here. And there is going to be another lawsuit filed next week. Just so you all I'll tell you the way everything is anymore. It's all greed for the villages. That's how I see it. You ain't doing nothing else in the rest of the County for the public. I mean, we're just a open checkbook, and it's about to stop big time. People need to take cuts and raises to quit hiring county workers. Workers need to double up. That's the way the real workforce went. Instead of passing it on to somebody. The way everything is going anymore. I don't believe it's going to be very good. Be honest with you. Due to the fact there's too much greed and corruption in the world anymore. I don't like it. Period I just don't understand it. People don't have morals. Integrity and that's something everybody's lacking. Open your eyes. I know I have. I tell you what. My son bought me this shirt right here and wait till you meet my boy. Y'all are going to have fun with him. Y'all have a good evening. Thank you sir. All right anybody else this evening. All right. We'll close public comment. Madam Attorney, this is the first I've heard of a circuit litigation. Can you explain that. And what the validity of this comment is. Sure circuit litigation is simply it's a civil lawsuit filed in Circuit Court in the relevant jurisdiction. So the case that we have filed is filed in Circuit Court in Sumter County. The complaint that we have filed against the landfill relates to the odors and compliance with the operating and permits issued by DEP and the city of Bushnell. It does not address in any way specific issues related to the injection. Well, the complaint was solely intended to be pursued for compliance with the permitting and consistency with air quality standards to address the odors. So the injection well issue and the aquifer issue is not addressed in the current complaint. If other jurisdictions have filed suit because of contamination,

it's possible through the discovery process that you get more information that lends itself to the commission making a decision about whether or not it wants to pursue additional litigation. So when you have engaged in the discussion about your hands being tied, that refers to the regulatory framework in that you don't have a regulatory role with the landfill because it's not within your regulatory jurisdiction. Things related to the injection. Well, I did provide the commission with an email some time ago outlining all the statutory and regulatory guidelines that preempt regulation of injection Wells to the state. That does not preclude the commission from considering potential civil litigation in Circuit Court to raise issues or claims associated with the well, should you choose to consider to do that at some point that case is progressing and again as discovery occurs throughout that litigation process, additional information becomes available and the commission can make a decision at that time. If you choose to amend your complaint to add claims, or if you want to file a different complaint as it relates to the injection well issue, you are always as is the members of the public, able to correspond and voice concerns with DEP as a commission. If you do it as a commission, the commission does have to either grant consensus or vote on that issue. Because if you're going to take a position as a body, the body needs to vote on it. And that's certainly something we could do if that is what the commission desires. So it's really up to you all what direction you want to go relative to other steps or actions related to the injection well. But the injection well is not a component of the current litigation. And the answer to the question was proofs of service were filed in the docket on October 23. All right. Thank you Mr. Kennedy, can you please set up a meeting between yourself, the County attorney, Mr. Arnold, and myself after for after Mr. Arnold gets back from his trip so we can discuss further actions and bring that to the board. Absolutely thank you. Sir yes, thank you, Mr. Chairman in that meeting, I'd like for you to find out if there's maybe you give some direction to the County attorney to get with state or reach out to Lake County. See if this is something that we could partner with them in and if there are potentially any other counties. And I would be in support. I'm not in I'm not a favor or a fan of a deep, deep injection. Well, I don't think anybody is. I would be in support of a resolution saying we're not in support of this. If we need to do that. But I think that if we potentially could look with other counties and potentially consider if we had multiple counties jumping in I don't the legal term of it, A, a class action or multi-county suit, I don't know if that's even appropriate, but if I'd ask you to have that conversation. All right. Thank you. Yeah so, Madam Attorney, if you could reach out to Lake County this week and see what they're doing, if you haven't already done so. Certainly if you'd like, we can certainly pull the complaint that's been filed, see what claims they have raised. We can also search to see if other jurisdictions have filed similar complaints, or have any active litigation against these particular operators, and provide a summary of that to the commission. Yeah, I would want to make sure that Mr. Chairman, that there are actually actionable complaints. I mean, obviously, if they're complaining with about a leak at the other landfill and we don't have record of a leak, we can't say that we're going to sue for a leak they didn't have. So I think we would just need to really dig into this and spend a little time on it. I agree Mr. Chairman, I also think it's important to keep separate the options concerning the landfill and the deep injection. Well, as I understood the attorney, she said that there could be some sort of similar action taken with respect to the Gibbs injection. Well, if there were findings. So I don't think we've really looked at. Correct me if I'm wrong on this body or with the attorney. I don't think we've really looked at what aspects we could file some sort of suit with respect to the well. So I think we need to be distinct in those two different topics. I agree with you, Commissioner Butterfield. I think that we need to dig into both separate components and see where we can provide leverage. So the consensus direction received from the board as it relates to the complaint was specific to the landfill and the proliferating odors and the inconsistent compliance with the operating permits as it relates to air quality. So if there are other issues you want to address, we would need, particularly if it's going to be in a different kind of complaint and understanding the framework between operating the landfill versus water contamination would be somewhat different in terms of the types of claims and statutory issues that are involved. So as far as the injection well goes, I think we definitely need to pursue this. Can you also investigate any previous litigation that's been put against a landfill with injection Wells that had positive results for the residents. We can certainly look to see what claims or complaints may have been filed within the counties against landfills, and evaluate what those claims are if they resulted in settlement. Unless that settlement agreement is a matter of public record, we may or may not know whether a successful outcome was achieved or what the outcome might be, but we can certainly look to see if these particular operators or if there have been other injection well, complaints. All right. Thank you. All right. Let's see. The Mr. Kennedy, I'll let you address the May email concerning the questions concerning the lobbyist. Yes the withlacoochee river water supply authority does have an additional lobbyist on board now. And with the goal of lobbying fdep and our state legislators up to and including the governor, to try and put a stop to this. That's in addition to the lobbying that's being done by the county's lobbyists that we have on under contract. Let's see. Circuit litigation. Madam Attorney, do you have any information on this arcara. Request that Mr. Scott mentioned. It is an email that Mr. Scott sent raising various regulatory and federal statutes that relate to Environmental Protection. In our efforts to evaluate options, we are exploring those. At this point, we've not really identified anything that is actionable based on the information we have at this time. All right. Thank you. And regarding my delay in bringing this issue up to the withlacoochee river water supply authority was when it was first brought up, it was, for lack of better terms, hearsay. It needed to be investigated. It took time to investigate, to fully understand before I brought it up. Once I brought it up with lacoochee river water supply authority has been taking action Mr. Kennedy, would you like to address some of these issues. Thank you sir. I believe you've covered most of the issues already at hand. The question in regards to the response and the bocc submitting a request for 14 questions, not receiving response I can't respond on behalf of what we've not received, but we can certainly follow up again and see what else we can do to solicit and try to get a response. But I can't create the response on their behalf. Understood Mr. chairman, may I. Go ahead. Just an afterthought from the previous conversation. When you meet with the group to discuss the injection. Well, could you maybe give some direction to have them dig in and see if ACMs or the parent company manages other deep injection Wells and what their history has been in those. Should they be an operator of other injection Wells. That might give us some insight as to what their history is and behavior and with respect to that. All right. Will do. Thank you, Mr. Bogue. Anything else, Mr. Kennedy. I'm sorry. No, sir. I believe I've captured all of your notes and comments regarding the meeting request that you've got with the County attorney and Mr. Arnold. I'll get that scheduled. All right, moving on then. Let's see. Next is new business. There, under the minutes section of the agenda, there are four sets of minutes. Would any commissioner like to pull any of these items for additional discussion. If not, I'll entertain a motion. Make a motion to approve the four sets of minutes. So I have a motion by Commissioner Butterfield and a second by Commissioner Bogue to approve all four sets of minutes under the minutes section of the agenda. All those in favor indicate by saying Aye. Aye Any opposed. Hearing none. Motion carries unanimously. There are no future public hearings or meetings to set. There are no new appointments. There are three sections under the financial section of the agenda. Would any commissioner like to pull any of these items for additional discussion. Hearing none. I'll entertain a motion Mr. Chairman, I make a motion to approve three items under financial. All right. So I have a motion by Commissioner bilardello and a second by Commissioner Bogue to approve all three items under the financial section of the agenda. All those in favor indicate by saying, I opposed. Hearing none. Motion carries unanimously. Next up is contracts and agreements. There are 12 items under contracts and agreements for approval. Would any commissioner like to pull any of these items for additional discussion. Hearing none, I will. I'll entertain a motion, make a motion to approve the 12 items under contracts and agreements. So I have a motion by Commissioner Butterfield, a second by Commissioner bilardello to approve all 12 items under the contracts and agreements section of the agenda. All those in favor indicate by saying, I opposed. Hearing none. Motion carries unanimously. Next item is general items for consideration. There are three items under the general items for consideration section of the agenda. Would any commissioner like to pull any of these for additional discussion. Hearing none. I'll entertain a motion Mr. Chair, I'll make a motion to approve the three items under general items for consideration. So I have a motion by Commissioner bilardello and a second by Commissioner Bogue to approve all three items under the general items for consideration. All those in favor indicate by saying Aye. Aye opposed. Hearing none. Motion carries unanimously. There are no other items on the agenda this evening. This meeting is adjourned.