

L. BRADFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PUBLIC SAFETY SPRING 2026 RURAL GRANT APPLICATION FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF ITS 911 SYSTEMS (AK SOLACOM SUPPORT; ESRI; AND AK IIC SUPPORT) – GRANT TOTAL \$36,097.27 (NO COUNTY MATCH).

It was MOVED by Commissioner Dougherty and SECONDED by Commissioner Thompson to approve the consent agenda.

MOTION CARRIES 3/0

4. APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BRADFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC) TO THE SUWANNEE RIVER ECONOMIC COUNCIL, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS (SREC).

Mr. Kornegay advised that the BOCC's past representative Janice Johnson has stepped down from serving on the SREC board and recommended that Community Paramedic David Weeks serve as the BOCC's new representative. Mr. Weeks agreed to serve.

It was MOVED by Commissioner Dougherty and SECONDED by Commissioner Thompson to appoint David Weeks to serve on the Suwannee River Economic Council Board of Directors.

MOTION CARRIES 3/0

Discussion: none

5. CLERK REPORTS – DENNY THOMPSON

- **CITIZEN MEMBER VACANCY ON THE BRADFORD COUNTY VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD.**

Clerk Thompson recognized Chief Deputy Clerk Rachel Rhoden who advised the board that it will need to appoint a new citizen member to replace Matthew Carlton on the Value Adjustment Board. She shared that a citizen member appointed by the county governing body must own homestead property in the county and must not be a member or employee of any taxing authority in Florida, or represent owners, property appraisers, tax collectors or taxing authorities in any administrative or judicial review of property taxes. Ms. Rhoden asked the board to share recommendations and appoint a qualified citizen member during its Tuesday, April 7, 2026 county commission meeting.

Discussion: none

6. SHERIFF REPORTS – GORDON SMITH

- Positive comments about the Bradford County Fair.
- Comments about the Douglas Building and its potential use as an ICE facility are as follows:
 - The opportunity came to his attention when he was approached on July 25, 2025 by a friend and former colleague who served as chief deputy in Osceola County about Sabot.
 - Shared immigration violation offense information in the United States.