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MR. BEAUBIEN: We'll get started. Thank you guys for joining us. Good afternoon. This is the February 21st meeting of the Cabinet Aides for the February 26th, 2019 Cabinet meeting. The Cabinet meeting will obviously be at the normal time of 9:00 a.m. next Tuesday here in the Cabinet Meeting Room.

So we have a relatively light agenda. We should move through it pretty quick today.

First off, I just want to thank everybody's offices and staff for being flexible on our meeting time here. We had some events with the Attorney General's Office law enforcement awards, and the Commissioner's new employee orientation that we didn't want to bump so appreciate you guys for making the time to join us here this afternoon.

On Tuesday we'll have a couple of pre-Cab items that are on the agenda. We have a resolution from Commissioner Fried regarding Black History Month, and then a recognition from the Attorney General's Office.

Kyle, I owe you the resolution back. I have it, we'll get it to you this afternoon. Sorry
about that.

MR. TROOP: Okay.

MR. BEAUBIEN: And then after the recognition, we’ll move to a vote -- the Governor did a press release and sent letters to each of your offices. He’s reappointed Noah Valenstein as the Secretary of the Department of Environmental Protection. We have a Cabinet concurrence vote that we’ll get to first on the agenda, and then interview an appointment for Commissioner of the Office of Financial Regulation.

We’ve had the public application process, had a good number of applications come in. We appreciate the CFO’s Office for handling the logistics of that process. And I think we had, you know, high 20s, low 30s on applications. A lot of great applicants.

So at this point today, what we would like to do is take names from each of the offices, if you guys want to put forward names of candidates for that position that you would like to bring for a full interview before the Cabinet on Tuesday.

So we’ll start with the CFO’s Office.

MR. TORNILLO: Thank you, Beau. I appreciate it. And we shared a letter from the CFO with each
office a couple of days ago. CFO Patronis is going to recommend that Ronald Rubin attend the Cabinet meeting for the interview for this position.

MR. BEAUBIEN: All right. Kyle, anybody from Commissioner of Agriculture's Office?

MR. TROOP: Yes, sir. Thank you. The Commissioner would like to have Ronald Rubin and Linda B. Charity brought forth next Tuesday for interviews.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Erin, anybody from the Attorney General's Office?

MS. SUMPTER: The AG's Office is covered with the ones that have been announced.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Likewise, the Governor is comfortable with the list we have now so we -- the question for you guys in our team, maybe you can tell me how this worked in the past, but would you like our office to coordinate with those folks for interviews, see if they can be here or via phone? If that works, we're happy to do that.

MR. TORNILLO: Either way, Beau. And we're happy to do it as well, so it's your call.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Okay. Well, if you guys want to handle that. And if you need any logistical
support from us, if somebody needs to do a phone interview, Mr. Rubin or Ms. Charity, let us know and we will move forward on that.

MR. TORNILLO: Yeah, we'll be happy to do that. And I think ideally we would like them both here in person.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Okay.

MR. TORNILLO: So we'll work towards making sure that happens.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Perfect. That would be great. If there's anything we can do to facilitate, you know, please let us know. That will be the pre-Cab items for next week.

So we'll go ahead and move into our regular agenda item. We'll start with the Department of Law Enforcement. Ron. Thanks.

MR. DRAA: Good afternoon. Ron Draa for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. The department will have four agenda items. First is the minutes from the June 13th, 2018 Cabinet meeting.

Next is contracts over $100,000 for the fourth quarter of fiscal year '17/18 and the first and second quarters of fiscal year '18/19. The department's delegation of authority requires us
to submit these reports to the Governor in the quarter -- excuse me -- in the Cabinet each quarter. The report summarizes all contracts, leases, et cetera, over $100,000 dating back to the prior administration. They were not previously approved due to the Cabinet meetings being canceled at the end of last year, and they are now ready for your approval.

So I'm happy to answer any questions about Item Number 2.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Anybody have question?

(No response.)

MR. BEAUBIEN: Go ahead.

MR. DRAA: Thanks. Next is notice of proposed rules. We have revisions to nine sets of rules. Their notification is consistent with the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee and requirements. And the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Government Regulatory Reform was notified. Public hearings are set to take place in April.

I'll highlight the changes, which are generally technical in nature, or the results of -- excuse me -- or the results of statutory changes. 11B-20 revises a form, 11B-27 implements
special forces equivalency training and makes a
couple of technical fixes. 11B-30 revises a form.
11B-35 implements special forces equivalency
training and updates a defensive tactics
instructor's course.

11C-6 eliminates conditional non-approvals
for firearms purchases and edits some billing
payment language. 11C-7 eliminates an obsolete
form and implements a juvenile expunction change.
11D-9 revises definitions requirements and
procedures for the Byrne Grant process. 11D-10
removes the requirement for bringing the Hall of
Fame nominees to a January Cabinet meeting. It
just makes it more generic, a regular -- any
Cabinet meeting. And then 11N-1 revises
procedures to match current practices for the
violent crime and drug control account.

I'm happy to answer any questions about Item
Number 3.

MR. TORNILLO: Ron, just a quick question.
What was the date that the Criminal Justice and
Standards Training Commission actually approved
some of these rules? Do you have the date they
met?

MR. DRAA: August of last year. August of
2018.

MR. TORNILLO: Thank you.

MR. DRAA: Yeah, I should note the 11B's, since you guys are -- some of you are new -- the 11B's go through our Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, and so we're acting on their behalf. So the Commission generally comes up with those rules, anything to do with standards and training and all that kind of stuff for law enforcement, correctional, and correctional probation. So the 11B rules were vetted through the Commission and they came to us, and that was in 2018.

Okay. Our final item is the 2019 Florida Law Enforcement Officers Hall of Fame nominees. The Hall of Fame was created in 2014 through Section 265.0041 of the Florida Statutes to recognize and honor law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line for the safety and protection of Florida citizens and visitors.

The first five members were inducted in 2016 and their plaques are displayed upstairs on the plaza level. Each year nominations are accepted from the Florida Sheriff's Association, Florida Police Chief's Association, Police Benevolent
Association, Fraternal Order of Police, and the State Law Enforcement Chief's Association. One representative from each association also serves on the selection committee.

This year the committee selected the following nominees for consideration by the Governor and the Cabinet: Charles DuPont, Manuel Gonzalez, Paul Hoover, Alfonso Lofton, and James Sewell.

Your materials include a summary of each nominee. I would like to note that nominee James Sewell retired as an FDLE Assistant Commissioner back in 2005.

A reception and induction ceremony to honor these individuals is scheduled for Saturday, May 18th, and your principals will receive an invitation to that event.

I would be happy to answer any questions about Item Number 4.

MR. TORNILLO: Ron, do you anticipate any of the candidates or their families attending the Cabinet meeting?

MR. DRAA: I do not.

MR. TROOP: Okay.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Very good. Thanks, Ron.
MR. DRAA: Thank you.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Next on the agenda item will be the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund. And Rene is going to I think get us started here and will walk through.

MS. LEWIS: Good afternoon. For the transcript, Rene Lewis, Department of Environmental Protection. For the February 26th Cabinet meeting, we have six items on the agenda.

Item 1 are minutes from the November 30th and December 4th meetings. Item 2 is consideration of the Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts 2019 project ranking list.

In 2008, the Stan Mayfield Working Waterfronts Florida Forever Grant Program was created by the Legislature in Section 380.5105, Florida Statutes, within the Florida Communities Trust or the FCT Act.

During the grant application cycles, ending in September of 2018, two projects were submitted for consideration. FCT staff reviewed the applications, conducted site visits, and submitted evaluation reports to the applicants.

On November 29th, 2018, the Florida Communities Trust Governing Board met and reviewed
each application, considered staff recommended scores and produced a finalized ranking list of the eligible applications, which are the Homosassa Heritage Park and Working Waterfront in Citrus County and Blue Crab Cove, Phase II in Brevard County. The ranking list is being provided to the Board of Trustees for consideration. Item --

We good?

MR. BEAUBIEN: Yes.

MS. LEWIS: Item 3 is consideration of an option agreement to acquire approximately 83 acres within the Wekiva-Ocala Greenway Florida Forever project from Brian A. Richards for $540,000. This subject parcel consists of five contiguous lakefront parcels located on Lake Norris and it will connect the Seminole State Forest to the Bear Tract Preserve, which is owned and managed by the Lake County Water Authority. The department is pleased to be partnering with the authority, who has committed approximately $225,000 to the purchase price of this property.

Florida Forest Service will manage the property as part of their Seminole State Forest.

Any questions?

MR. BEAUBIEN: Rene, a question. I think --
was this the one that had a structure on it? And can you kind of just give us an overview on that real quick?

MS. LEWIS: Yes. So this -- actually, both parcels have structures on them. It's unusual that we actually bring acquisitions to you with improvements. But in these two instances for both, either FWC or Florida Forest Service can utilize those structures, either for their managers or for law enforcement purposes.

So specifically on this one, there's a manufactured housing that's located on the property that would stay. In the future, if the manager doesn't need the structure, then we would ask the seller to remove it prior to closing. Thank you.

Item 4 is consideration of an option agreement to acquire approximately 316 acres within the Florida's First Magnitude Springs Florida Forever project from River Error Farms, Incorporated for $2 million.

The subject property, known as the Hardee Spring property, consists of approximately 1.5 miles of frontage along the eastern bank of the Withlacoochee River and is located within the
upland recharge area for Madison Blue Spring. Florida Forest will manage the property as part of the Twin Rivers State Forest. And so, like I said earlier, additionally there's a structure on this that the managers would possibly use, so it will remain.

Any questions?

(No response.)

MS. LEWIS: Okay. For Item 5 and Item 6, those will be presented by Allan Charles with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the Division of Aquaculture. Thank you.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Allan, thanks for being here.

MR. CHARLES: Hi. Good afternoon. My name is Allan Charles. I'm an attorney with the Office of General Counsel for DACS. Ms. Sapp, the Division Director of Agriculture, had a conflict today and asked me to step in. If you have any questions, I'll make a note of them and try and get you an answer well before the 26th, but just pardon my ignorance, if I have any.

I'll just dive right in to Item 5. You should have in front of you a detailed package. If you don't, let me know. I won't get too far into the details on either one of them, just
because you have it.

Item 5 is a proposal for two 2-acre sites to be utilized for water column oyster aquaculture. Both these sites are located within the conditionally approved shellfish harvesting areas. A resource assessment for both sites has been done by the division. And in accordance with that and the consideration that was done, the division recommends approval of only site number two.

Were there any questions on Item Number 5?

(No response.)

MR. CHARLES: Taking it in order. Item Number 6 is a proposal for a 4.791 acre site to be utilized again for water column oyster aquaculture. This site is also located in a conditionally approved shellfish harvesting area. A research -- excuse me -- a resource assessment was done for this proposed site and the division recommends approval.

Any questions on Item Number 6?

MR. BEAUBIEN: Any questions?

(No response.)

MR. BEAUBIEN: I think we're good. Thank you. Ms. Sapp came by and briefed us, and I'm sure she did the other offices as well, so we're
all up to speed and appreciate you being here.

MR. CHARLES: Thank you.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Thanks, Allan.

Next we'll move on to the State Board of Administration. Abby Vail is here.

MS. VAIL: Hi there. Good afternoon, Aides. I'm Abby Vail presenting the agenda for the February 26th meeting of the Trustees of the State Board of Administration. We have four items for the Trustees' consideration.

Item Number 1 is the minutes of the January 29th meeting of the Trustees.

Item 2 is a fiscal determination in connection with the issuance of $5 million in Florida Housing Finance Corporation Multifamily Mortgage Revenue Notes for the acquisition and rehabilitation of a 48-unit affordable housing community in Okaloosa County, Choctaw Village.

Item 3 is the fiscal determination in connection with the issuance of $16 million of Florida Housing Finance Corporation Multifamily Mortgage Revenue Bonds for the acquisition, construction, and equipping of a 116-unit affordable housing community in Broward County, Suncrest Court.
And Item Number 4 is a fiscal determination
in connection with the issuance of $9 million in
Florida Housing Finance Corporation Multifamily
Mortgage Revenue Bonds for the new construction of
an 88-unit workforce affordable housing community
in Flagler, The Palms at Town Center. And that is
it.

Any questions?

MR. BEAUBIEN: Any questions?

(No response.)

MR. BEAUBIEN: Thank you, Abby.

MS. VAIL: Thank you.

MR. BEAUBIEN: Does anybody have anything
else before we adjourn for the day, any concerns?

(No response.)

MR. BEAUBIEN: All right. Well, thank you
guys all for being here. And, again, the Cabinet
meeting will be February 26th at 9:00 a.m. here in
the Cabinet Meeting Room. Thank you.

(Whereupon, proceedings were concluded at
1:20 p.m.)
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I, MICHELLE SUBIA, Registered Professional Reporter, certify that the foregoing proceedings were taken before me at the time and place therein designated; that my shorthand notes were thereafter translated under my supervision; and the foregoing pages, numbered 1 through 18, are a true and correct record of the aforesaid proceedings.

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