

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ESCAMBIA  
COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

Regular Meeting - August 5, 2025 - 8:35 AM

Escambia County Central Office Complex

3363 West Park Place, Room 104

1. Call to Order.

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| Present:       | Reid Rushing, Board Member<br>Jonathan Owens, Board Member<br>Eric Fears, Board Member<br>Walker Wilson, Chairman<br>William Van Horn II, Vice Chairman<br>Tim Pyle, Board Member<br>Stephen Opalenik, Navy Representative                             |
| Absent:        | Ben Nelson, Board Member<br>Kevin Adams, School Board Representative                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Staff Present: | Horace Jones, Director, Development Services<br>Department<br>Maxwell Rogers, Development Program<br>Manager, Community Redevelopment Agency<br>Rachel Whitmire, Development Services<br>Coordinator<br>Christopher Shaffer, Assistant County Attorney |

Chairman Wilson called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Board to order at 9:44 a.m.

2. Proof of Publication and Waive the Reading of the Legal Advertisement.

Motion by Eric Fears, Seconded by William Van Horn II

Motion was made to waive the reading of the legal advertisement.

Vote : 6 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

3. Approval of Minutes.

- I. A. RECOMMENDATION: That the Planning Board review and approve the Meeting Minutes of the July 1, 2025, Planning Board Regular Meeting.
- B. Planning Board Monthly Action Follow-up Report for July 2025.
- C. Planning Board 6-Month Outlook for August 2025.

Motion by Eric Fears, Seconded by William Van Horn II

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the July 1, 2025, Planning Board Regular meeting.

Vote : 6 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

4. Acceptance of Planning Board Meeting Packet.

Motion by William Van Horn II, Seconded by Eric Fears

Motion was made to accept the meeting packet.

Vote : 6 - 0 Motion carried unanimously

5. Public Hearings.

I. A Public Hearing to Review and Consider Conformance of the Myrtle Grove Redevelopment Plan

That the Board review and recommend to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for adoption, the Myrtle Grove Redevelopment Plan.

Motion by William Van Horn II, Seconded by Tim Pyle

Motion was made to recommend approval to the BCC and send for consideration a conversation regarding increasing the TIF.

Vote : 5 - 1 Motion carried

Voted No : Jonathan Owens

6. Action/Discussion/Info Items.

7. Public Forum.

8. Director's Review.

9. County Attorney's Report.

10. Scheduling of Future Meetings.

The next Regular Planning Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., in the Escambia County Central Office Complex, Room 104, First Floor, 3363 West Park Place, Pensacola, Florida.

11. Announcements/Communications.

12. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Wilson declared the Planning Board Regular Meeting adjourned at 10:16 a.m.