

FY 2020-2021 Adopted Budget



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Hernando County, Florida



FY 2020 - 2021 Adopted Budget

October 1, 2020- September 30, 2021

County Commissioners

John Mitten, Chairman - District 1 Wayne
Dukes - Second Vice Chair - District 2
John Allocco, Vice Chairman - District 3
Jeff Holcomb, District 4
Steve Champion - District 5

County Administration

Jeff Rogers, P.E. - County Administrator
Tobey Phillips - Deputy County Administrator

Elected County Officials

Doug Chorvat Jr. - Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller
John Emerson - Property Appraiser
Al Nienhuis - Sheriff
Shirley Anderson - Supervisor of Elections
Sally Daniel - Tax Collector

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District 1



John Mitten, Chairman
County Commissioner, District 1



John Mitten, of Brooksville, is a local small business owner, serving at the only Chick-fil-A in Hernando County. He received his bachelor's degree in finance from Florida State University and is married to his high school sweetheart, Kristina, together proud parents of six children.

Commissioner Mitten was appointed by Governor Rick Scott to the District 1 seat for a term beginning June 14, 2018 and ending November 16, 2020. Prior to this appointment, Governor Scott appointed him to serve as County Commissioner in 2017 to serve District 4 while Jeff Holcomb was deployed serving our Country.

He has served on numerous boards and committees within the community such as Pasco Hernando State College, Greater Hernando Chamber of Commerce, Jericho Road Ministries, Hope Children's Home – Tampa, the Restoration Center of Florida and the Hernando County YMCA. He is also active each week in his church as a deacon, treasurer, Sunday School teacher and song director.

Commissioner Mitten is committed to leading by example, being a good steward of the responsibilities he has been assigned and making decisions that best serve the residents of Hernando County.

Committee Assignments

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) - Member (Non-voting)

Canvassing Board - Member

Citrus/Hernando Waterways Restoration Council - Member

Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) - Member

TBARTA Finance Committee - Member

Tourist Development Council (TDC) - Member

Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority (WRWSA) - Member

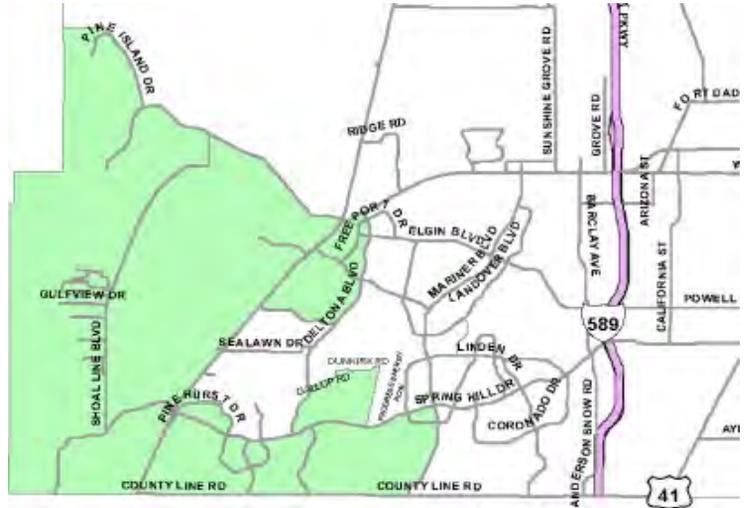
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) - Alternate Member

Hernando County Community Alliance - Liason

District 2



Wayne Dukes, Second Vice Chair
County Commissioner, District 2



A native to Brooksville, Wayne Dukes is a retired Federal Civil Servant with a successful 32-year career with the U.S. Air Force in Civil Engineering and Fire Service. He and his wife, Silvia, have been married for 30 years. Commissioner Dukes earned two associate of science degrees and a bachelor's degree from Thomas Edison State University. Commissioner Dukes was elected to the Board of County Commissioners in November 2010 and re-elected in 2014. He has served three times as Chairman, one as Vice Chairman and one as Second Vice Chairman. He has also served as Chairman of the Metropolitan Planning Organization. In addition to his passion to serve the people of Hernando County, Commissioner Dukes has extensive experience in contract management, budgeting, construction review, infrastructure, safety, emergency operations, space allocation and human resources. Commissioner Dukes has been instrumental in the preparation of the noxious plants ordinance, as well as securing funding for Hernando County through the Gulf Consortium; but his main priority as a commissioner is serving the residents of Hernando County.

Committee Assignments

Gulf Consortium Board of Directors (RESTORE Act) - Member
Gulf Consortium Finance and Budget Subcommittee - Member
Habitat for Humanity of Hernando County Advisory Committee - Member
Local Emergency Planning Council (LEPC) - Member
Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) – Member
MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee
TBARTA MPOs Chair Coordinating Committee (CCC) - Member
Salvation Army - Member
Springs Coast Steering Committee - Member
Canvassing Board - Alternate Member
Fine Arts Council - Liaison
Port Authority - Liaison
Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) - Liaison



John Allocco, Vice Chair
County Commissioner, District 3

District 3



Born in Port Jefferson, N.Y., John Allocco came to Hernando County in 1999. Commissioner Allocco earned his bachelor's in exercise and sports sciences from the University of Florida; and his master's of physical therapy and post-graduate certification from the University of St. Augustine. He is the owner and rehab director of Fyzical Therapy and Balance Center in Spring Hill since 2006. He and his wife, Randi, have two adult children, two school-aged daughters and several grandchildren.

Commissioner Allocco was elected to the Board of County Commissioners in November 2016. He has served two times as Second Vice Chairman.

He has been active in several professional organizations, the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce and is currently the Chairman of the Hernando County Republican Party. Early in his professional career, he volunteered as athletic trainer for Springstead and Hernando High schools and served in various capacities at his church.

Commissioner Allocco's top priorities include smart economic growth, creating an environment that is favorable to attract new businesses and expand current businesses all while being fiscally responsible.

Committee Assignments

Juvenile Justice Fifth Judicial Circuit Advisory Board - Member

Juvenile Justice Subcommittee of Hernando County Community Alliance - Member

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) – Member

Substance Abuse Advisory Board - Member

Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC) - Member

TBRPC Executive Budget Committee – Member

TBRPC Regional Cooperative Alliance – Member

Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) – Chair/Member

Value Adjustment Board – Chair/Member

District 5



Steve Champion

County Commissioner, District 5



Steve Champion is a fifth generation Brooksville resident. Commissioner Champion graduated from Fort Lauderdale High School and earned a bachelor's in business administration at Hamilton University. He owns American Gun and Pawn in Brooksville and previously spent more than 20 years working for Target Corporation as an executive and director. Commissioner Champion has five children; a son Christopher, a Sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps, a daughter Kara, a soon-to-be graduate of UCF with her bachelor's degree in 2020, and three school-age children that attend Hernando County Public Schools.

Commissioner Champion was elected to the Board of County Commissioners in November 2016. He has previously served as Chairman in 2018, and Vice Chairman in 2017. He is a lifelong member of the National Rifle Association and an annual sponsor for the Hernando High School Future Farmers of America. Commissioner Champion sponsored the change of policy to allow Hernando County employees to to conceal carry and sponsored the County becoming a Second Amendment Sanctuary.

Commissioner Champion's top priorities include making Hernando County government more efficient and business friendly. He consistently votes against tax increases and unnecessary regulations.

Committee Assignments

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) - Member

Mid Florida Community Services Governing Board - Member

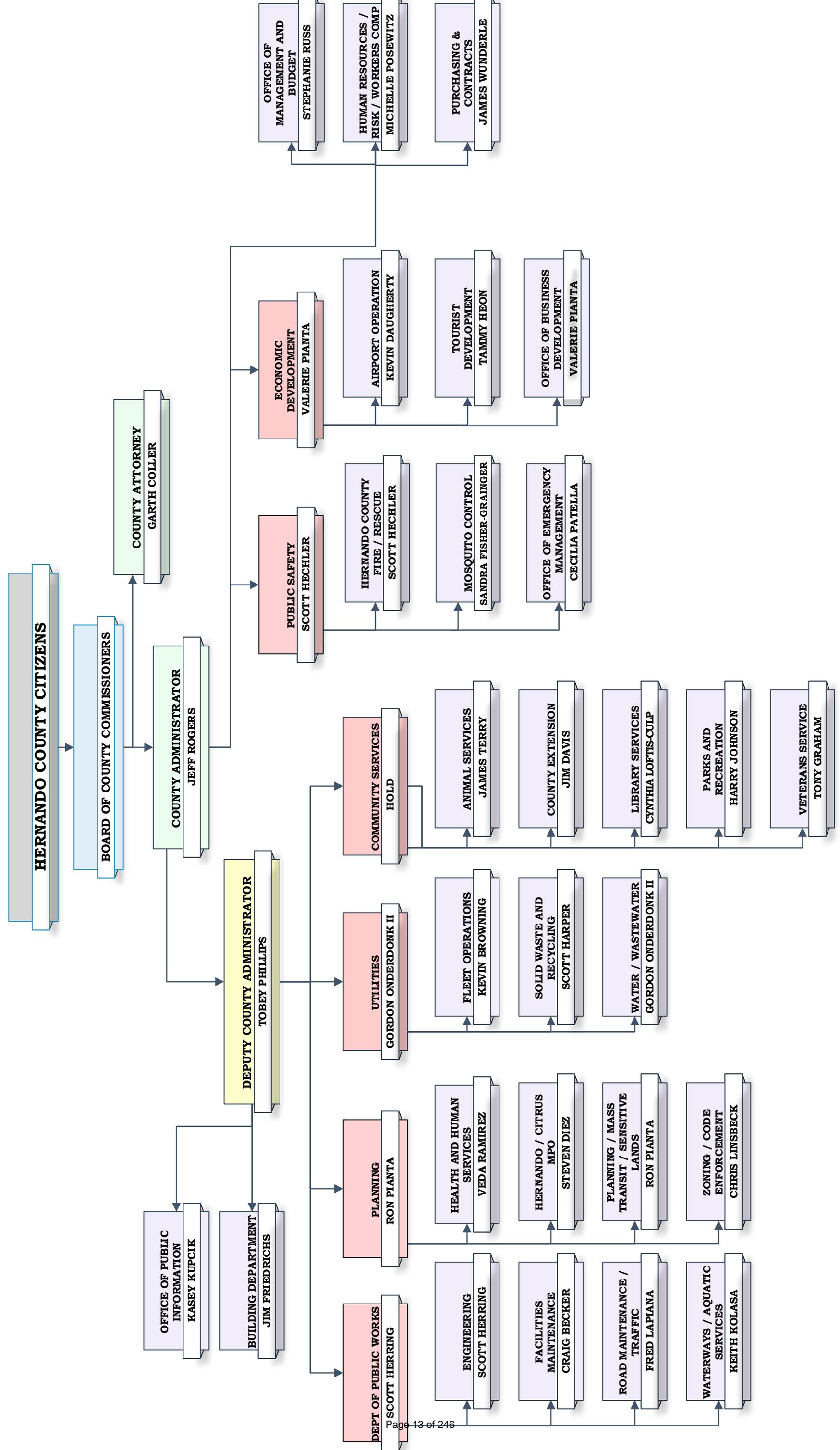
Robert Whitmore Board of Directors - Member

Value Adjustment Board - Member

Pasco-Hernando Workforce Board (Jobs & Education Partnership) - Liaison

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Hernando County Board of County Commissioners Organization



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Jeff Rogers

Hernando County Administrator

Mr. Jeff Rogers, P.E., became County Administrator on May 14, 2019. He joined Hernando County Government as Deputy County Administrator on September 25, 2017 and served as Acting County Administrator starting January 30, 2019. Rogers has more than ten years of local government experience with a concentration in administration, public works, budgeting and overall operational leadership and organization change. He has an aptitude for identifying organizational weaknesses, deploying effective solutions, increasing employee efficiency and embodying a vision.

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