

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO ESTABLISH A FOCUS GROUP WHICH SHALL BE NAMED THE SEPTIC SYSTEM LOAN AND INSPECTION PROGRAMS PLANNING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (the Board) recognizes and acknowledges the importance of public involvement and input in County government; and

WHEREAS, the Board is considering establishing: (1) a loan program, available to those who are replacing traditional septic systems with performance-based septic systems within Leon County's Primary Springs Protection Zone, and (2) a county-wide septic system inspection program; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to establish and appoint a citizens' committee to function and operate in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, Board Appointed Advisory Committees: Establishment, Appointment, Function, Operation and Dissolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, that:

Section 1. The Board hereby establishes a focus group, to be named the Septic System Loan and Inspection Programs Planning Committee, for the purpose of providing feedback to staff as to two programs being considered by the Board: (1) a financial assistance program, available to those who are replacing traditional septic systems with performance-based septic systems within Leon County's Primary Springs Protection Zone, in a manner consistent with applicable laws and regulations and (2) a county-wide septic system inspection program.

Section 2. The Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee shall function and operate as a Focus Group in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, Board Appointed Advisory Committees: Establishment, Appointment, Function, Operation and Dissolution.

Section 3. The Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee shall have a total of seven members, appointed as follows:

1. One Leon County homeowner who resides in the Woodville area of Leon County, Florida, appointed by the full Board;
2. One Leon County homeowner who resides in the Lake Munson area of Leon County, Florida, appointed by the full Board;

3. One representative of the Science Advisory Committee, who is a resident of Leon County, selected by a majority of the Science Advisory Committee members;
4. One representative of the Water Resources Committee, who is a resident of Leon County, selected by a majority of the Water Resources Committee members;
5. One representative of the Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park, Inc., who is a resident of Leon County, selected by a majority of the Friends of Wakulla Springs State Park's Board of Directors;
6. One member of the Capital Area Chamber of Commerce, who is a resident of Leon County, and who is identified by the President of the Capital Area Chamber of Commerce; and
7. One Member of the Tallahassee Area Chamber of Commerce, who is a resident of Leon County, and who is identified by the President of the Tallahassee Area Chamber of Commerce.

Section 4. The members of the Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee shall not be subject to full and public disclosure of financial interests.

Section 5. The Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee shall be assisted by staff from the Leon County Health Department, Environmental Health Division. The Leon County Health Department, Environmental Health Division may seek technical assistance from staff within Leon County Administration, Growth and Environmental Management, Public Works, Management and Budget, Planning and other county offices.

Section 6. The Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee may seek technical assistance from financial experts; businesses licensed to install, inspect, maintain or repair septic systems; and others the Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee determine may be help them complete their designated tasks.

Section 7. The Septic System Inspection and Loan Programs Planning Committee shall be dissolved only as follows: upon completion of its designated tasks or January 31, 2010, whichever comes first.

Section 8. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

PROPOSED, PRESENTED, AND PASSED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, on this 9th day of June, 2009.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Bryan Desloge, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTESTED BY:
CLERK OF THE COURT

By: _____
Robert B. Inzer
Clerk of the Court

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____
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