

[Like](#)[Tweet](#)[in](#)

# Kristin Dozier

## Leon County Commissioner District 5

Dear Friends:

This past Monday I returned from a week long family trip and I was reminded once again how much I love our hometown! As our community continues to grow, we remain dedicated to balancing our quality of life, protecting and enjoying the environment and smart land use policies.

This isn't always easy and we often have robust debates about how best to balance these three goals. However, I believe we are stronger than most and I'm optimistic about our future. I am encouraged because of people like you who stay engaged, share your ideas and concerns and want to work together to make sure we are always proud to call Tallahassee and Leon County home.

If there is ever anything I can help you with, please feel free to call me (850) 606-5375 or just email me at [dozierk@leoncountyfl.gov](mailto:dozierk@leoncountyfl.gov). You can also find me on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

*P.S. You're receiving this newsletter because you inquired about government services in the past. If you do not want to receive future newsletters, please click the "unsubscribe" button at the bottom of this email.*



*Photo Credit: Bob Howard from 2017  
Word of South Festival*

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kristin Dozier'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Kristin' and last name 'Dozier' clearly legible.

---

**County Commission to Consider Closing the Gun Show**

## Loophole

In 1998, an amendment to Florida's Constitution was approved by voters giving counties the authority to require criminal history checks for any firearm sale. Currently, private gun sellers at gun shows or garage sales are not required to run the mandatory three to five day background checks that public gun dealers do. This is referred to as the [Gun Shop Loophole](#).

At the last County Commission meeting, we asked staff to prepare an agenda item for our next Commission meeting on March 27th, with options that would require background checks on all buyers in private gun sales. If the agenda item is approved an ordinance will be drafted and a public hearing will be scheduled for Tuesday, April 10th. This public hearing will allow us to hear from residents on this issue and take a final vote on the ordinance.

If ultimately approved by the Commission, this step may require funding for and coordination with the Leon County Sheriff's Office. I am confident that we can and should find a way to make this happen. I am aware that this does not solve all of the problems, but it is one piece of the puzzle and we should do all we can to keep our community safe while protecting individual rights.

---

## Leon County Government Adding New Hydrants Throughout the County

In 2015, the County Commission approved a program to provide additional fire hydrants to neighborhoods throughout the County. The Commission set aside \$100,000 per year to install approximately 15 hydrants at a cost of \$6,500 per hydrant. The addition of hydrants and their proximity to residences is important to help reduce homeowners' insurance rates.

**19 locations were identified as needing hydrants in District 5 and I am happy to report that 12 hydrants have already been installed.**

A priority list was developed which serves as the basis for the installations. The following criteria is used to help prioritize locations:

- The water system infrastructure's ability to support hydrant placement and provide a maximum flow of 500 gallons of water per

minute,  
while  
maintaining  
20  
pound  
per  
square  
inch  
of  
residual  
pressure  
for  
an  
extended  
period;

- The distance between the proposed new hydrant location and hydrants already in place. Areas that lacked hydrants are given priority;
- Locations that provide the greatest number of homes or nearby businesses;
- The availability of other funding sources to support installation;
- Geographic diversity.

In some instances, Homeowners Associations have provided a 50% match to fund hydrants in their neighborhoods. The order of placement of hydrants may be advanced when this occurs.

As installations are completed, new locations will be added to the priority list.

---

## Join a Citizen Committee Today

Applications are being accepted for these current and upcoming Leon County Committee vacancies.

Applications for appointment can be completed online [here](#) or downloaded, completed, and either e-mailed or faxed to -- Fax: (850) 606-5301 or Email: [SmachM@LeonCountyFL.gov](mailto:SmachM@LeonCountyFL.gov)

- Canopy  
Roads  
Citizen  
Committee
  - Community  
Development  
Block  
Grant  
Citizens  
Advisory  
Task  
Force
  - Contractors  
Licensing  
and  
Examination  
Board
  - Tallahassee  
Sports  
Council
  - Minority,  
Women,  
&  
Small  
Business  
Enterprise  
Citizen  
Advisory  
Committee
- 

## Events in the Community

March 21 - [Cocktails and Cabaret](#) presented at Theatre Tallahassee (7:00pm) - ticket prices vary

March 23-35 - [Tallahassee Film Festival](#) at venues throughout CollegeTown/All Saints/Railroad Square/FSU - tickets prices and times vary

March 24 - [Spring Kids Festival](#) presented at Bannerman Crossings (11:00am-4:00pm) - FREE

March 24 - [2018 Equality Florida, Tallahassee Gala](#) at the Turnbull Conference Center (7:00pm)  
- ticket prices vary

March 24 - [Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra](#) in concert at Ruby Diamond Concert Hall  
(8:00pm) - ticket prices vary

March 28 - [Innovation Park's TechTopics](#) presented by the Leon County Research &  
Development Authority at Material Research Building, 2005 Levy Avenue (11:30am - 1:00pm) -  
FREE (lunch will be provided)

March 29 - [God Squad at Night](#) presented by The Village Square at WFSU Studios (7:00pm) -  
FREE, but registration is required

March 31 - [Red Hills Triathlon](#) at Maclay Gardens State Park (7:30am) - registration fee required

April 6-7 - [Springtime Tallahassee Festival](#) in downtown Tallahassee (FREE)

---

## Upcoming Commission Meetings, Workshops and Other Boards

### March 22, 2018

9:30 am: Community Redevelopment Agency (view the CRA agenda [here](#)) - City Commission Chamber at City Hall

### March 22, 2018

10:00 am: Apalchee Regional Planning Council (view the ARPC agenda [here](#)) - UF IFAS North Florida Research & Education Center, 155 Research Road, Quincy, FL.

### March 27, 2018

3:00 pm: Leon County Commission (view the Commission agenda [here](#)) - County Courthouse, 5th Floor Commission Chambers

6:00 pm: **Public Hearings:**

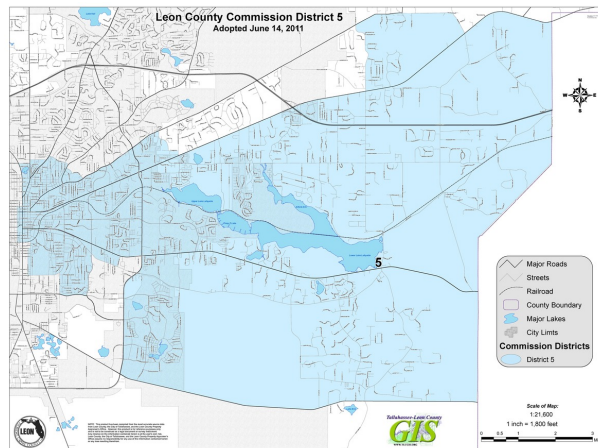
- Public Hearing to Consider a Resolution Authorizing Road Improvements for the Tower

Oaks  
Subdivision  
■ Public  
Hearing  
for  
the  
Type  
“C”  
Site  
and  
Development  
Plan  
Application  
for  
the  
Benners  
Sand  
Mine  
on  
Tram  
Road

The Leon County Commission generally meets every other Tuesday at 3pm on the 5th Floor of the County Courthouse (Commission schedules and agendas are listed [here](#)). Residents can view live coverage of Commission meetings on Comcast channel 16 or stream it live through the [County's website](#). **All meetings are open to the public.**

## Helpful Links and District 5 Amenities

[Leon County Emergency Information Portal](#)  
[Leon County Online Services](#)  
[Report a Problem/Request Service](#)  
[Leon County Libraries](#)  
[Leon County Parks](#)  
[Tallahassee/Leon County Nature Trails \(Trailhassee\)](#)



*District 5 Map*

To read the latest edition of the Leon County Newsletter, click [here](#).



©2019 Leon County Commission, District 5 | 301 South Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

[Web Version](#)

[Preferences](#)

[Forward](#)

[Unsubscribe](#)

Powered by [Mad Mimi](#)®

A GoDaddy® company