



From the Office of...

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Leon County Commissioner, At-Large

*"Educate and inform the whole mass of the people... They are the only sure reliance for the preservation of our liberty."*

-Thomas Jefferson

## January, 2012

### A New Year... A New Opportunity

With every new year arrives new opportunities. This particular year we are entering a fierce Presidential election that will certainly leave us all a little bruised. The great thing about our nation is that we can disagree and still stand united.

I am like most residents of our great state... I eagerly await the decisions of the State Legislature so I can determine our fate for the next year. There are many important issues facing Florida such as redistricting, resort casinos and gambling, internet cafes, the closing of prisons, and the loss of even more state jobs. The budget deficit must be corrected and education cannot be compromised.

Even with the devastation of the economy and the partisanship in our government, I have hope for this year. History shows us that when times are worst for the United States, our citizens stand together and positive change can occur. Sometimes standing together requires every person to compromise a little, but that compromise can bring amazing things. Just look what a little compromise did for the Constitution.

*"People talk about the middle of the road as though it were unacceptable. Actually, all human problems, excepting morals, come into the gray areas. Things are not all black and white. There have to be compromises. The middle of the road is all of the usable surface. The extremes, right and left, are in the gutters." ~Dwight D. Eisenhower~*



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## Commission Meeting Schedule

### January 24, 2012

3:00 pm: Regular Meeting

6:00 pm: Public Hearings (complete list below)

## Upcoming Public Hearings

### January 24, 2012 - 6:00 pm



View the BOCC agenda at [www.leoncountyfl.gov](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov) or click the picture above.

Second and Final Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Amendments to the Hopkins Crossing/ Park Place 163 Development Agreement

Second and Final Public Hearing on a Proposed Ordinance Related to Implementation of Comprehensive Plan Amendment PCT110110, Regarding Urban Fringe and Conservation Subdivisions

First and Only Public Hearing on an Ordinance for a Proposed Amendment to the Official Zoning Map to Change the Zoning Classification from the Target Planning Area (TPA) and Single Family Detached, Attached Two-Family Residential (R-3) Zoning Districts to the Planned Unit Development (PUD) Zoning District

First and Only Public Hearing to Consider the Adoption of a Proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Article XXIII of the Code of Laws of Leon County, Florida, Entitled "Regulation of Simulated Gambling Devices"

*\*\*Public hearings are held at the Leon County Courthouse, 5th Floor (301 South Monroe Street)*

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