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

-Thomas Jefferson

### **July, 2014**

#### **Learning My Own Limitations**

There was a time when I thought I was pretty invincible. Growing up playing football you learn how to take a hit, get back up, and keep going. In fact, if you cannot take the hit and get back up then you do not last very long in the game. I was pretty invincible – until April 12, 2014.

Many of you may have attended the annual Spring Game at FSU to see our Seminoles for the first time since winning the national championship. For the former players this weekend is a great time to come together and reminisce and have a little fun on the field during half time in the annual alumni flag football game. I decided to play this year to prove to some of my former teammates and myself that I still had "it." On the first play of the game I jumped up to catch the ball, and it was a spectacular catch if I say so myself, and was somehow knocked to the ground. As I was



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trying to get up I felt a pain in my knee like no other pain I had ever felt before, and that is when I noticed my knee was facing another direction.

Less than two weeks later I was at the Tallahassee Orthopedic Center having surgery on the ruptured patella tendon in my right knee. Now, almost three months later, after much physical therapy I can bend my knee at about 115°. This has been one of the most painful and difficult processes I have ever been through in my life; however, it has also been one of the best. Sometimes in life we need to be reminded that we are not in control.

When this happened I told my chief of staff that I realized now that I am mortal. She said no it means you are too old to play football. I think she is right... no more football for me. I am a golf man now.



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# **Commission Meeting Schedule**

#### July 8, 2014

3:00 pm: Regular Meeting

6:00 pm: Public Hearings (listed below)

\*All Workshops, Meetings and Public Hearings are subject to change .\*

## **Upcoming Public Hearings**



View the BOCC agenda at www.leoncountyfl.gov or click the picture above.

July 8, 2014 - 6:00 pm

First and Only Public Hearing on the Refinancing of the Capital Improvement Revenue Bond, Series 2005 and Proceed with a RFP for a Partial Refinancing of Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2005

First of Two Public Hearings to Consider Proposed Revisions to the Land Development Code Regarding Minor Commercial Land Uses in the Rural Zoning District

First and Only Public Hearing to Consider Enactment of a Moratorium Ordinance for the Approval of Applications for Commercial Land Uses in the Rural Zoning District

First and Only Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing on a Proposed Ordinance Amending the Official Future Land Use Map to Change the Zoning Classification from the Industrial Zoning District to the Suburban Zoning District on Four Parcels

First and Only Public Hearing to Consider the Public Benefits and Enter Into a Public-Private Cooperation Agreement for the Construction of a Roundabout on Bannerman Road

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

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