



## APPLICATION TO SERVE ON A CHARLOTTE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD

☒ New Applicant ☐ Re-Appointment

### INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED

<b>Mr/Mrs/Ms:</b>	Benjamin	Lawrence (Larry)	A
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Last</b>	<b>First</b>	<b>Middle Initial</b>
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<b>Residence Address:</b>			
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I hereby submit my name for consideration to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Charlotte County Commissioners on the following Advisory Board:

**Beaches & Shores Advisory Committee**

Name of Advisory Board

If applying for a specific category/position, please so state: District 1

Occupation: Civil Estimator / Project Manager

If currently retired, previous occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Civic/Professional Accomplishments/Offices Held:**

President / Vice-President Miss Charlotte Fast Pitch Softball

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CHARLOTTE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD – CONTINUED**

My qualifications to be eligible are as follows:

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If applicable, please indicate any employment, contractual relationship or status that you may have, or have had within the past 12 months, with any private business entity that rents, leases or sells any realty, or provides any goods or services to the County or that is conducting any business with the County.

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Is this application for a new appointment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please indicate what you would like to accomplish if you are appointed to this Board:

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Is this application for a re-appointment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

➤ If yes, please indicate what your accomplishments have been while serving on this Board:

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➤ If “Yes”, please indicate what you would like to accomplish during this term:

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If you have previously served on a Charlotte County Advisory Board or are currently serving and seeking reappointment, please indicate the number and general nature of any voting conflict disclosure memorandum filed (Form 8B) while serving on the board:

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Have you ever worked for the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners? ☐ Yes ☐ No

➤ If “Yes”, please list position, department, start and end date: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any relatives currently working for the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners? ☐ Yes ☐ No

➤ If “Yes”, please list name(s) and department(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a full-time Charlotte County Resident? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever been convicted of a Felony or Misdemeanor? (Please be sure you understand the question, as failure to answer truthfully will disqualify you). ☐ Yes ☐ No

➤ If "Yes", please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever pled NO LO CONTENDRE or pled guilty to a crime which is a Felony or a Misdemeanor? (Please be sure you understand the question, as failure to answer truthfully will disqualify you). ☐ Yes ☐ No

➤ If "Yes", please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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- 1.) All of the Boards and Committees appointed by the Board of County Commissioners are required to comply with the Sunshine Law FS 286.011 and some of the Boards and Committees appointed by the Board of County Commissioners are required to comply with Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, the Financial Disclosure Law. You may be required to file a Form 1 Financial Disclosure. You will be provided with more information upon appointment.
- 2.) Charlotte County, an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer, considers the selection and appointment of persons to advisory boards in a non-discriminatory manner consistent with the requirements of Federal, State and Local non-discrimination laws.
- 3.) The Board of County Commissioners request that you attend the Commission meeting at which your application will be considered for appointment. This office will notify you of the Commission meeting date.
- 4.) Members who fail to regularly attend meetings may automatically forfeit their appointment.

By signing this application, you acknowledge that you have read and understand the previous statements.

*Lawrence A Benjamin*

Signature

Date

**A résumé or list of qualifications and experience is required but cannot replace this application form.**

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO:

Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners  
Attn: Executive Assistants  
18500 Murdock Circle  
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

OR EMAIL TO:

[Assistant@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:Assistant@CharlotteCountyFL.gov)

# **LARRY A. BENJAMIN**

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## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

**8/2024 - Present: *Kavalo LLC, Fort Myers, Florida***

***Estimator/Project Manager***

Duties included: Complete estimating process of beach and shoreline restoration, roadways & highways, storm water systems, underground utilities, and complete sitework package excluding vertical construction.

**2012-2014 & 3/23 – 8/2024: *Ongrade Contracting, Lake Suzy, Florida***

***Estimator/Project Manager***

Duties included: Complete estimating process of roadways and storm water systems. Processing change orders, schedule of values and pay applications, and material ordering, modifications to machine control models. Tracking of employees and equipment hours, and material purchases.

**2014-8/2017 & 5/2022 – 3/23: *Quality Enterprises USA, Naples, Florida* *Senior Estimator/Project Manager***

Duties included: Complete estimating process of roadways, underground utilities, storm water systems, box culverts, lift stations, master pump stations and recreation parks. Process change orders, schedule of values and pay applications. Negotiate pricing with subcontractors and vendors, contract buy outs, and material ordering. Work directly and correspond with municipalities to resolve pricing conflicts, construction conflicts and application of payment resolutions.

**8/2017-5/2022: *Wright Construction Group, Fort Myers, Florida***

***Civil Estimator/Project Manager***

Duties included: Complete estimating process of roadways, underground utilities, storm water systems, box culverts, bridges, lift stations, and recreation parks. Quantity take-offs using Agtek. Creating estimates using Bid2win. Process change orders, schedule of values and pay applications. Negotiate pricing with subcontractors and vendors, contract buy outs, and material ordering.

**2005-2008 *Technical Construction Specialties, Inc., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio***

***Laborer***

Duties included: Extreme attention to detail, structural repair of parking decks and other structures, repaired wastewater treatment holding tanks, renovated prison cells, hallways, and restrooms, constructed forms for pumping concrete, operated chipping hammers, concrete drills, saws, pumps, mixers, and operated skid steers.

**1995-2008: *Self-Employed***

***Laborer***

Duties: Customer relations dealing with concerns and complaints, estimating, dig footer drains, lay footer pipe and down spout drains, waterproof basements externally, rake, finish, and edge concrete, poured driveways, steps, and footers, mason assistant with block and brick, tree trimmings and removals, operated chainsaws, brush chippers, stump grinders, installed vinyl siding and vinyl windows, installed asphalt shingles, some deck building, and some framing.

## **ESTIMATING AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT PROJECTS:**

### **Commons R, Commons S, Commons T&U Sidewalk & Berm Grading**

**Estimator**

Remove & replace concrete sidewalks & asphalt pathways, import sand and grade beach dunes and berms.

### **Gulfside Place Sand Import and Beach Regrading**

**Estimator**

Remove sand from boardwalks, place sand on beach dunes and regrade.

### **RSW Chamberlin Pkwy Realignment      \$3.1 million contract      Estimator & Project Manager**

Full depth roadway reconstruction, milling, detention pond construction, airside access road milling. Full project estimation, material acquisition and project management.

### **Burnt Store Road Widening (Lee Co.)      \$16 million & \$7 million contract      Estimator**

Clearing & grubbing, bridge construction, full depth roadway reconstruction & roadway construction, milling, detention pond construction, storm drainage system, concrete sidewalks and curbing, asphalt pathways, sodding, pavement markings, and signage. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations.

### **Sands & Oasis Parks      \$5 million contract      Estimator & Project Manager**

Clearing & grubbing, asphalt pathway construction, playground, shade structures, prefabricated restrooms, basketball courts, tennis & pickleball courts, putting greens, fencing, full landscaping and irrigation, parking lot construction, storm drainage systems, underground utilities with horizontal directional drilling, pavement markings and signage. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations and project management.

### **Senator Bob Johnson Landings      \$2.1 million contract      Estimator**

Clearing & grubbing, asphalt pathway construction, rubberized pathway, shade structures, elevated CMU restrooms, kayak launch and docks, full landscaping and irrigation, parking lot construction, storm drainage systems, underground utilities with horizontal directional drilling, pavement markings and signage. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations.

### **East Naples Community Park Soccer Field      \$400,000 contract      Project Manager**

Clearing & grubbing, field lighting, irrigation, USGA soil applications and sodding, fencing, and storm drainage system.

### **T1742 & US 41 Water Main (FDOT & Charlotte)      \$7.1 million & 3.1 million      Estimator**

Pedestrian bridge construction, 3 miles watermain construction, 3 miles sidewalk construction, storm drainage systems, sodding, and signage. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations.

### **West Dearborn Streetscape      \$7.6 Million      Estimator**

Full roadway intersection reconstruction with brick pavers, brick paver sidewalks, street lighting, shade structures and comfort stations, pervious concrete parking, asphalt milling and resurfacing, irrigation and landscaping, storm drainage systems, wayfinding signage, streetscape signage with deep foundations, pavement markings and signage. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations.

### **SMAA North Quad      \$4.1 million contract      Estimator**

Full depth reconstruction and construction of taxiways, milling, detention pond construction, storm water, sanitary sewer, and potable water construction. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations.

**PGD Runway 4/22****\$16.3 million contract****Estimator**

Full depth reconstruction and construction of runways, milling, detention pond construction, and storm water construction. Full project estimation and subcontractor and material acquisition contract negotiations.

**EDUCATION & BOARD HISTORY:**

**2023 – 2025**     ***President / Vice President Miss Charlotte Fast Pitch***

Also coaching two years steady as well as periodically since 2015.

**2020**            ***Florida SouthWestern State College, Fort Myers, Florida***

Associate of Arts in General Studies: GPA 3.48

**2012**            ***Stark State College of Technology, North Canton, Ohio***

Associate of Applied Science in Civil Engineering: GPA 3.67

**2010**            ***Townsend Learning Center, Akron, Ohio***

Office Skills and Computer Technology: Microsoft Office, Word, Outlook, Excel

**1991**            ***Portage Lakes Career Center, Coventry High School, Green/Akron, Ohio***

Co-operative Business Education: Effective speaking, keyboarding, and accounting

**Skills:** Knowledge with Agtek, Trimble Business Center, Bid to Win, HCSS, Procore, and Microsoft Office.

More projects are available on request.

Over \$500 million in project bidding.

Over \$152 million in contract awards.

Approximately 5-7 million in subcontractor, material acquisition negotiations, and cost savings initiatives.

Management and estimation of multi-million-dollar projects annually.