

JUNE 17, 2004

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 8:00 A.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA, WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, COPE, CORBIN, FINCH AND HALL PRESENT. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PETER HERBERT, ATTORNEY GERALD HOLLEY AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF PEEL PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. CHAIRMAN HALL CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERING PRAYER AND COMMISSIONER COPE LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

SHERIFF PEEL ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON AN ISSUE WHERE HE HAS A STACK OF CIVIL PAPERS TO BE SERVED; AN INDIVIDUAL HAS FILED INDIGENCY AND APPEARS HAS BECOME A COLLECTION AGENCY. HE, ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINJSTRATOR HERBERT AND COMMISSIONER COPE HAVE LOOKED AT THE SITUATION; HE HAS SENT THE CIVIL PAPERS BACK TO THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE INDIVIDUAL HAS SENT THEM BACK TO HIM. HE ASKED FOR GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD BECAUSE IF AN INDIVIDUAL IS DECLARED INDIGENT, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE SERVICE FEES; THIS IS THE FIRST STACK AND FROM HIS UNDERSTANDING THERE IS AS MANY AS 500 MORE COMING. THE CIVIL PAPERS ARE FOR ENTITIES THAT ARE NOT INDIGENT; THE INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING HIMSELF IS SAYING HE IS INDIGENT AND THEREFORE HE CAN DO IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED HIS UNDERSTANDING OF THE LAW WHEN DEALING WITH A SITUATION WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL CITIZEN NEEDS READDRESSING THE COURT AND CAN'T AFFORD THE FEES, HE COULD BE DECLARED INDIGENT AND THE COUNTY WOULD PAY THE FEES. HOWEVER, HOLLEY SAID THIS WAS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS BUYING BAD DEBTS FROM COMPANIES AND TRYING TO COLLECT THEM; HE IS FILING AN AFFIDAVIT STATING HE IS INDIGENT AND NOT THE PEOPLE WITH THE BAD DEBT. HE OFFERED HIS OPINION THE PURPOSE OF THE LAW DOES NOT ALLOW THIS INDIVIDUAL TO DO THIS; HIS ADVICE WAS FOR THE SHERIFF NOT TO SERVE THE CIVIL PAPERS.

WHEN ASKED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN ON WHAT ACTION THE BOARD SHOULD TAKE, ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED THE BOARD SHOULD RECOMMEND TO THE CLERK AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE NOT TO SERVE THE CIVIL PAPERS WITHOUT PAY.

COMMISSIONER CORDIN OFFERED A MOTION FOR THE CIVIL PAPERS NOT TO BE SERVED WITHOUT PAY. SHERIFF PEEL ADVISED THE BOARD THE CLERK'S OFFICE HAS ALREADY GIVEN THIS INDIVIDUAL THE CERTIFICATE OF INDIGENCY; THEY HAVE ALREADY DECLARED HIM INDIGENT ON THE STACK OF CIVIL PAPERS HE ALREADY HAS. HE STATED HE DIDN'T INTEND TO SERVE THE CIVIL PAPERS HE HAS UNLESS SOMEONE AT THE CIRCUIT JUDGE'S LEVEL ADVISES HIM HE HAS TO.

COMMISSIONER COPE SECONDED THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF IT WOULD BE PROPER FOR SOMEONE TO WRITE A LETTER NOTIFYING THE INDIVIDUAL OF THE BOARD'S ACTION, ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED PEEL IF HE WOULD DRAFT THE LETTER, HE WOULD SIGN IT WITH HIM.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 20, 2004 MEETING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA FOR JUNE 17, 2004. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM A PERTAINING TO PICTOMETRY. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD IT WOULD ONLY COST 10% OF THE \$36,185 IN 2005 TO KEEP THEIR LICENSE FOR PICTOMETRY; THIS WILL NOT PROVIDE THEM WITH ANY SOFTWARE UPDATES OR ANY FLYOVERS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED THE PICTOMETRY REPRESENTATIVES MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD ON THE COSTS INVOLVED IF THE BOARD SHOULD DECIDE THEY WANT SOFTWARE UPDATES, ETC.; ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AGREED TO SEE IF THEY COULD ATTEND THE JULY BOARD MEETING.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE OF ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

A. PICTOMETRY INVOICE FOR \$36,185 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE

PICTOMETRY AGREEMENT.

- B. CHANGE ORDER FOR ANCIL BRYANT ON AG CENTER PAINTING PROJECT
- C. CHANGE ORDER FOR DIXON WELL SERVICE FOR CAMPBELL PARK  
TOTTALLING \$350 DUE TO PERMIT REVISION BY THE STATE.

TIM JOINER AND DAVID MANNING ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON PROBLEMS WITH WHITE DOUBLE PARK AND OTHER AREAS IN SUNNY HILLS AROUND THEIR PONDS; THEY ARE ATTRACTING UNSAVORY PERONS AND THERE ARE PROBLEMS WITH SPEEDING, RACING, ETC. THEY REQUESTED GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD ON A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM.

MANNING ALSO REFERENCED THERE BEING SIX POLICE REPORTS WITHIN THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF ON VANDALISM, MISCHIEF, THROWING TOILETS IN THE WOODS, CUTTING CHAINS AND TAKING PICNIC TABLES, ETC.; HE ADDRESSED THE LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON MOST OF THE PROBLEMS OCCURRING BETWEEN 9:00 P.M AND 3 A.M. WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH SUGGESTING THE BOARD LOOK AT SETTING A CURFEW IN THE PROBLEM AREAS. HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE NEED TO ESTABLISH SOME TYPE OF BATHROOM FACILITY AT WHITE DOUBLE AND SECURE IT BETTER.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED THE BOARD REQUEST THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE PATROL THE SUNNY HILLS AREA MORE FREQUENTLY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO WRITE THE SHERIFF A LETTER INSTRUCTING HIM TO GIVE ATTENTION TO THE TROUBLED AREAS IN SUNNY HILLS AS OFTEN AS POSSIBLE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIM PREVIOUSLY HAVING MENTIONED THE NEED TO HAVE A PARK RANGER IN PLACE DUE TO THE NUMBER OF PARKS IN THE COUNTY.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

KIRK STULL, HDR ENGINEERING, INC., UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PD & E STUDY FOR THE FOUR LANING OF HIGHWAY 77 FOR THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON WHAT THEY ARE PRESENTLY DOING, WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AND WHERE THEY ARE GOING WITH THE PROJECT. HE ADDRESSED THE PURPOSE OF THE PROJECT WAS TO EXPAND CAPACITY TO MEET FUTURE DEMANDS AND IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF THE EXISTING ROADWAY.

AFTER DISCUSSING THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS THEY HAVE ALREADY GONE THROUGH, STULL STATED THEY HAVEN'T GOTTEN AS MUCH INPUT AS THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AND ARE SCHEDULING AN ADDITIONAL WORKSHOP IN WAUSAU AT THE WAUSAU CITY HALL ON JUNE 21, 2004 AND ONE IN CHIPLEY ON JUNE 23, 2004 AT THE CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL.

HE WENT OVER THE ALTERNATIVES FOR WAUSAU WHICH CAME FROM THE CITIZENS OF WAUSAU:

- A. BYPASSES TO THE WEST AND EAST (WOULD REQUIRE 200' RIGHTOFWAY)
- B. ONE WAY PAIRS USING THE EXISTING ROADWAY FOR THE NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC AND JEFFERSON STREET FOR THE SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC
- C. WIDENING THE EXISTING ROADWAY

HE POINTED OUT THE IMPACT TO WAUSAU WOULD BE SEVERE DUE TO THE WIDENING THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE IF THE ONE WAY PAIRS ALTERNATE WAS USED. HE SAID A LOT OF INTEREST HAD BEEN SHOWN IN WIDENING THE EXISTING ROADWAY; THIS WOULD REQUIRE ACQUISITION OF ALL PROPERTIES ON ONE SIDE OR THE OTHER.

STULL UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ALTERNATIVES FOR CHIPLEY:

- A. ONE WAY PAIR ALTERNATIVE USING EXISTING ROADWAY FOR SOUTHBOUND TRAFFIC AND DEVELOP 7TH AND 8TH STREET FOR NEW SEGMENTS OF ROADWAY NORTH OF THE RAILROAD FOR NORTHBOUND TRAFFIC
- B. TRUCK ROUTE RUNNING EAST OF DOWNTOWN AND JUST WEST OF FL-DOT COMPLEX; THERE WOULD BE RAILROAD OVERPASS AT THE RAILROAD AND AN OVERPASS AT HWY 90 WITH RAMPS TO CONNECT IT. (THIS WOULD NOT BE A FREEWAY; THERE WOULD

STILL BE ACCESSES)

STULL SHOWED GRAPHIC SIMULATIONS OF THE DIFFERENT ALTERNATIVES AND ADDRESSED THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. HE POINTED OUT THE HISTORIC DISTRICTS IN CHIPLEY AND IN WAUSAU; EAST OF HWY 77 AND NORTH OF HWY 90 IS A CANDIDATE FOR BEING AN EXPANSION OF THE CURRENT HISTORIC DISTRICT AND THE CHIPLEY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN CALLS FOR THAT EXPANSION WITH THE HISTORIC DISTRICT IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD.

AS FAR AS THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, STULL STATED THE TRUCK ROUTE ALTERNATIVE HAS ABOUT 26 ACRES OF WETLANDS IMPACT; THE BYPASSES AROUND WAUSAU HAS SIGNIFICANT WETLANDS IMPACT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE WIDENING OF THE EXISTING HIGHWAY 77 AND THE OLD BUILDING ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 77 AND PIONEER ROAD POSSIBLY BEING REGISTERED AS A HISTORIC SITE. HE QUESTIONED IF EVERYTHING ON THE WEST SIDE OF HIGHWAY 77 WOULD HAVE TO BE TORN DOWN, COULD THE BUILDING BE MOVED, ETC.

STULL ADVISED IF THIS ALTERNATE SURFACED AS THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE, THEY WOULD START FINE TUNING THAT ALIGNMENT AND TRY AND MINIMIZE THAT IMPACT. AS FAR AS IMPACTING A HISTORICAL SITE, STULL SAID HE WAS NOT QUITE SURE WHETHER IT COULD BE MOVED OR IF THEY COULD MITIGATE, ETC.

STULL STATED THEY WERE NOT LOOKING FOR THE CHEAPEST ALTERNATIVE BUT WHAT WOULD BE BEST FOR THE COMMUNITIES, THE COUNTY, ETC.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE WATER LINES IN WAUSAU WOULD HAVE TO BE MOVED IF THE WIDENING OF 77 ALTERNATIVE WAS USED; STULL ADVISED THIS WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND COMMISSIONER FINCH INFORMED STULL MOST OF THE PEOPLE THEY HAVE TALKED TO IN WAUSAU WANTS THE WIDENING OF HIGHWAY 77.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE FORM THAT HAD BEEN DEVELOPED FOR PEOPLE TO FILL OUT AT THE PUBLIC MEETINGS BEING SIMPLE; ALL THEY WOULD HAVE TO DO IS CHECK THE ALTERNATIVE THEY WOULD LIKE. HOWEVER, THEY WOULD LIKE FOR THE PEOPLE TO STATE WHY THEY PREFER THE ALTERNA-

TIVE THEY SELECT.

STULL SAID THEY WOULD COME BACK AND DO A BIG FORMAL HEARING IN THE FALL; THIS WOULD GIVE PEOPLE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO A COURT REPORTER, GET UP AND MAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS OR PROVIDE WRITTEN COMMENTS AGAIN.

COMMISSIONER BROCK, FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, QUESTIONED IF THE ONLY FUNDING THAT HAD BEEN RELEASED WAS FOR THE PD&E STUDY ON THE HWY 77 FOUR LANING PROJECT. STULL SAID THAT WAS CORRECT; NO FUNDING HAD BEEN RELEASED FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY AND CONSTRUCTION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE IMPORTANCE FOR EVERYONE ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS TO PROVIDE THEIR WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THEIR ALTERNATIVE CHOICES.

MARY DEKLE, LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA, UPDATED THE BOARD ON A PROPOSED ORDINANCE THE COUNTY ATTORNEY WOULD BE PROVIDING THEM ON A FUNDING STREAM TO FUND SOME OF THE MANDATED AND REQUESTED ITEMS UNDER ARTICLE V. SHE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THEIR ORGANIZATION:

1. LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA SERVES SIXTEEN COUNTIES IN NORTHWEST FLORIDA; THEIR PANAMA CITY OFFICE SERVES WASHINGTON COUNTY
2. 3,757 CITIZENS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THEIR SERVICES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
3. THEY PROVIDE CIVIL LEGAL REPRESENTATION TO AFFORD DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS AND SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE COMMUNITY

DEKLE REFERENCED A LETTER SHE HAD SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD REQUESTING THEY PLACE A BUDGET AMOUNT OF ANTICIPATED REVENUES TOTALLING \$3,363 IN THE 2003-2004 BUDGET AND \$13,450 FOR THE 2004-2005 BUDGET.

SHE STATED THEY WERE ANTICIPATING ABILITIES TO HAVE INCREASED SERVICES WITH THIS FUNDING SOURCE; THE FUNDING SOURCE WOULD BE AN ASSESSMENT OF ADDITIONAL COURT COSTS IN CRIMINAL CASES.

DEKLE ENCOURAGED THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE. WHEN QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY WAS MANDATED TO PROVIDE THE LEGAL

AID SERVICES, DEKLE ADVISED THIS WAS A LOCAL REQUIREMENT AND AT THE PRESENT TIME, THEIR AGENCY IS THE ONLY LEGAL AID AGENCY IN THE COUNTY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE STATE CUTTING FUNDING FOR THE JUVENILE COURT SYSTEM AND PUTTING IT BACK ON THE COUNTIES. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE SMALLER COUNTIES WERE NOT GOING TO HAVE TO FUND THIS BUT THE LARGER COUNTIES ARE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY INFORMED THE BOARD EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004, THE FILING FEES ARE GOING TO BE QUADRUPLED AT THE COURTHOUSE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT EXPLAINED THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES WAS LOBBYING AGAINST THE JUVENILE PROGRAM CUTS AND ARE CONSIDERING SUING THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOR THE COST SHIFT FROM THE STATE TO THE COUNTIES.

DIANNE GARS, SENIOR ATTORNEY FOR THE OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES THAT SERVES WASHINGTON COUNTY, WAS ALSO PRESENT.

KIM LEE AND MELISSA BOGGS, HEALTHY FAMILY SERVICES, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SERVICES THEIR AGENCY PROVIDES AND REQUESTED CONTINUATION OF THE USE OF COUNTY OFFICES TO HOUSE THEIR PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW HEALTHY FAMILIES TO USE THE OFFICE SPACE THE COUNTY IS CURRENTLY PROVIDING FOR ONE YEAR.

TED EVERITT, TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH JUNE 15, 2004 ON THE BALLOON FESTIVAL; A NET PROFIT OF \$2,052.67 WAS MADE.

HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BALLOON FESTIVAL ACTIVITIES AND ADVISED THOSE PRESENT INFORMATION ON THE FESTIVAL WAS AVAILABLE AT THE BOARD FINANCE OFFICE IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT.

HE ADDRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ANNUAL TRACTOR PULL HELD IN VERNON AND REFERENCED THE PROCEEDS GOING TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY STUDENTS.

COMMISSIONER COPE THANKED TED FOR ALL OF HIS HARD WORK BEFORE,

DURING AND AFTER THE BALLOON FESTIVAL.

EVERITT EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO THE SCHOOL BOARD, THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, THE TDC COMMITTEE AND THE CITY OF CHIPLEY FOR ALL THEIR SUPPORT.

HE INFORMED THE BOARD THE BALLOON FESTIVAL EVENT COST ABOUT \$58,000 WITH ALL BUT \$3,000 HAVING TO BE RAISED. WHEN QUESTIONED IF THE BALLOON FESTIVAL WOULD CONTINUE, EVERITT SAID THAT HAD NOT BEEN DISCUSSED BUT HE WOULD BE MEETING WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD TO SEE WHAT THEIR CONSENSUS IS ON HAVING THE BALLOON FESTIVAL AT THE SAME LOCATION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN INFORMED EVERITT OF A CALL HE HAD RECEIVED FROM THE HOLIDAY INN ON NOT HAVING RECEIVED NOTIFICATION ON THE INCREASE IN THE BED TAX. EVERITT ADVISED THE INCREASE IN THE BED TAX WOULD BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST AND HE HAS GOTTEN A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDINANCE TO ALL THE HOTELS IN THE COUNTY.

EVERITT ADVISED THE MONTH OF MAY THEY RECEIVED THEIR LARGEST TDC CHECK EVER; ALL OF THE INTERSTATE HOTELS WERE AT 100% OCCUPANCY. HE POINTED OUT THIS WAS WHY IT IS NECESSARY TO HAVE FESTIVALS AND EVENTS IN THE COUNTY.

CHAIRMAN HALL CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

FURSUANT TO A RECESS, GLEN ZANETIC, MSBU COORDINATOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON A COUPLE OF ISSUES:

1. APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD ON THE LAST LANGUAGE CHANGES ON THE RECOGNITION SIGNS FOR THE RESURFACING PROJECT. THE CHANGES WERE:
  - A. CHANGED MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT TO SUNNY HILLS PROPERTY OWNERS
  - B. TOOK OFF ONE WASHINGTON COUNTY LOGO AND PUT SUNNY HILLS LOGO AND WASHINGTON COUNTY LOGO
  - C. HIS NAME WAS TAKEN OFF THE SIGNS

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHY THE SIGNS HAD NOT ALREADY BEEN PUT UP. ZANETIC STATED THERE HAD BEEN NEGATIVE COMMENTS ABOUT

THE SIGNS AND ADDRESSED HE AND THE ADMINISTRATOR HAD BEEN PUT IN THE MIDDLE OF A DISPUTE ABOUT THE SIGNS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE SIGNS HAVING NOT COME BEFORE THE BOARD; THEY WERE TO BE PUT IN HIS DISTRICT AND HE WAS NOT AWARE OF THE SIGNS UNTIL HE SAW THEM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE ADMINISTRATOR HAD POLLED EACH BOARD MEMBER ABOUT THE SIGNS AND DISPUTED COMMISSIONER FINCH'S CLAIM HE HAD NOT BEEN AWARE OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK INFORMED COMMISSIONER FINCH THE SIGNS WERE TO LET THE PEOPLE KNOW THE SUNNY HILLS RESIDENTS PAID FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS AND THE TAXPAYERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY PUT IN \$200,000 TOWARD THE RESURFACING PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF SIMILAR SIGNS WERE PUT UP ON JOINER ROAD AND HOLMES VALLEY ROAD; COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY DURING POLITICAL TIMES, THE BOARD DECIDES TO PUT UP A SIGN IN SUNNY HILLS AND ADDRESSED HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE SIGNAGE SINCE IT WAS IN HIS DISTRICT. HE ALSO ADDRESSED MONIES BEING SPENT FOR THESE SIGNS; HOWEVER, THE BOARD WOULDN'T GIVE ZANETIC MONIES FOR STOP SIGNS OR OTHER NEEDED SIGNAGE FOR THE MSBU AREA.

COMMISSIONER BROCK CONFRONTED COMMISSIONER FINCH ABOUT HAVING A SIGN TAKEN DOWN AT DANIELS LAKE WITH PRIOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER HULAN CARTER'S NAME ON IT AND HAVING HIS NAME PUT ON IT; YET, HULAN CARTER WAS THE ONE WHO GOT THE MONEY FOR IT AND IT WAS HIS PARK. COMMISSIONER FINCH DENIED THIS ACCUSATION.

ZANETIC THEN ITERATED IT WAS EVIDENT WHAT HE HAD SAID ABOUT THERE BEING A DISPUTE ABOUT THE SIGNS AND ALL HE NEEDED TO PUT THE SIGNS UP WAS APPROVAL OF THE LAST LANGUAGE CHANGES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE SIGN; HE HAD A PROBLEM WITH SOMETHING DEVELOPED IN HIS DISTRICT BY ANOTHER COMMISSIONER WITHOUT HIM KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK POLLED THE BOARD ON WHO WAS CONTACTED BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ABOUT THE SIGNS; ALL BOARD MEMBERS ACKNOWLEDGED THEY WERE CONTACTED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR ABOUT THE SIGNS EXCEPT COMMISSIONER FINCH.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ALSO STATED SIMILAR SIGNS SHOULD BE PLACED ON HOLMES VALLEY ROAD AND JOINER ROAD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE GRANT GUIDELINES CALLED FOR A SIGN TO BE PUT UP ON HOLMES VALLEY ROAD AND JOINER ROAD BUT THEY HAVE NEVER BEEN PUT UP. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE SIGNS WOULD BE PUT UP ON THESE TWO ROADS IF THE GRANT REQUIRED IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO LET ZANETIC PUT UP THE RECOGNITION SIGNS WITH THE LATEST LANGUAGE CHANGES.

2. ZANETIC PROVIDED A LIST OF LANDS SCENARIO ON SUNNY HILLS PROPERTIES AND HOW TO GET RID OF THEM. HE ADDRESSED THE VALUE OF PROPERTIES, CONSTRUCTION AND EXISTING HOMES INCREASING TREMENDOUSLY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY EXPLAINED TAX DEEDS BY LAW BECOMING A MARKETABLE TITLE WHEN ONE OF TWO THINGS HAPPEN:

1. HOLD IT FOR TWENTY YEARS WHICH IS NOT WORKABLE
2. QUIET TITLE IT

HOLLEY EXPLAINED THERE WERE TWO DIFFERENT LISTS OF PROPERTIES; PROPERTIES WITH A TAX SALE CERTIFICATE CAN BE BOUGHT BY ANYONE IF THEY PAY THE TAXES ON THE PROPERTIES AND AFTER A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME THE CLERK WILL DEED THOSE PROPERTIES TO THE COUNTY WITH A TAX DEED.

ZANETIC ADDRESSED IF THE PROPERTIES WERE SOLD BY TAX CERTIFICATE, ALL THE COUNTY WOULD COLLECT WOULD BE BACK TAXES, PENALTIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEES; HOWEVER, IF THEY GOT A WARRANTY DEED, THEY WOULD BE DOUBLING THEIR MONIES WHEN THEY SOLD THEM.

ZANETIC SUGGESTED THE COUNTY LOOK AT GIVING A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY TO PERSONS ON SOME OF THE PROPERTY AND ALLOW THEM EIGHTEEN MONTHS TO BUILD A HOUSE; THE COUNTY WOULD THEN GET MONIES BACK THROUGH PROPERTY TAXES YEAR AFTER YEAR RATHER THAN THE PROPERTY JUST SITTING THERE.

ZANETIC DISCUSSED HIM HAVING RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM A REALTOR ON THESE PROPERTIES AND WOULD LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER USING THE REALTOR TO MARKET THE PROPERTIES. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED ZANETIC THE BOARD COULD USE A REAL ESTATE AGENT TO SOLICIT BUYERS TO BID ON THE PROPERTY; HOWEVER, THE STATE LAW REQUIRES ANY COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY TO BE SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER BY COMPETITIVE BID.

HE STATED AT SOME POINT IN TIME, THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO ADVERTISE FOR SALE IN THE PAPER FOR SEALED BIDS OR PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE PROPERTIES. HE SAID THE BOARD COULD HAVE ANY NUMBER OF REAL ESTATE AGENTS SOLICITING BUYERS FOR THE PROPERTIES AND GIVE A COMMISSION TO THE ONE WHO BROUGHT THE TOP BIDDER IF THEY CHOSE TO DO SO. HE RECOMMENDED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IT SHOULD BE NOTED WHAT TYPE OF HOME IS TO BE BUILT THERE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REITERATED THE ADDITIONAL INCREASE OF \$25,000 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION WOULD BE ON THE BALLOT THIS YEAR AND WOULD MOST LIKELY PASS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO APPOINT ATTORNEY HOLLEY, GLEN ZANETIC AND COMMISSIONER FINCH TO FOLLOW THROUGH ON THE LIST OF TEN PROPERTIES AND BRING BACK SOMETHING FOR THE BOARD'S APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER BROCK VOICED HIS OPPOSITION TO GIVING THE LAND AWAY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED COMMISSIONER CORBIN INCLUDE THE APPOINTMENT OF CLERK COOK ON THE COMMITTEE TO LOOK AT THE THE LIST OF LANDS.

ZANETIC REFERENCED THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS ACTION TO PROVIDE

ATTORNEY HOLLEY WITH A LIST OF TEN PROPERTIES ON THE LIST OF LANDS; A LIST OF TWENTY WAS MADE SO IF THERE WERE ANY PROBLEMS WITH ANY OF THEM, HE COULD JUST DROP DOWN TO THE NEXT PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED THE MOTION FOR DISCUSSION. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSING THE BOARD WOULD BENEFIT FOREVER MORE IF THEY GOT SOME OF THESE PROPERTIES BACK ON THE TAX ROLL.

COMMISSIONER BROCK CALLED FOR THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ZANETIC UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SUNNY HILLS PAVING PROJECT.

ED PELLETIER QUESTIONED WHY THE CENTER LINE DOWN WASHINGTON BOULEVARD HAD NOT BEEN DONE; THE ROAD HAS BEEN PAVED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS BUT THERE IS STILL NO CENTER LINE.

ZANETIC ADVISED THE COUNTY NOW HAS A STRIPING MACHINE WHICH CAN DO THE CENTER LINES. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTING STACY WEBB, GRANTS PERSON, GET WITH DALLAS CARTER AT PUBLIC WORKS ON THE CENTER LINE FOR WASHINGTON BOULEVARD.

WEBB UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEM NOW WAITING ON A MODIFIED VEHICLE TO MOUNT THE STRIPING MACHINE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING GOTTEN AN AMBULANCE FROM THE HOSPITAL AND ARE HAVING IT MODIFIED FOR THE STRIPING MACHINE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON AN INVOICE FROM C. W. ROBERTS ON THE BOAT LAKE PAVING PROJECT FOR \$32,674.21. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PAYING THE BILL FROM MSBU FUNDS.

STACY WEBB BEGAN WITH HER REPORT:

- A. SHE REITERATED WHAT ZANETIC HAD SAID ABOUT THE VALUE OF PROPERTY, CONSTRUCTION AND EXISTING HOMES SKYROCKETING. SHE REPORTED ON THERE BEING LIMITS FOR PURCHASE ASSISTANCE IN THE SHIP PROGRAM; SHE WAS RECENTLY AUDITED BY THE STATE SHIP PROGRAM AND WOULD BE WRITTEN UP BECAUSE THE AMOUNT A PERSON BORROWED WAS FAR LESS THAN ITS APPRAISED VALUE. THE APPRAISED VALUE IS WHAT TALLAHASSEE GOES BY IN DETERMINING WHAT THEY COULD GET FOR A HOME IF THE BANK OR MORTGAGE COMPANY FORECLOSED ON THE PERSON. WEBB REQUESTED THE BOARD RAISE THE SHIP LIMITS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION FROM \$94,000 TO \$150,000 AND FROM \$86,000 TO \$100,000 FOR EXISTING HOMES DUE TO THE LAND COST, CONSTRUCTION COST, ETC.
- DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE PROCESS FOR APPROVAL OF SHIP APPLICANTS. WEBB ADVISED THE SHIP COMMITTEE BASES THEIR FINAL APPROVAL ON THE APPLICANT'S APPROVAL FROM THE BANK OR MORTGAGE COMPANY; HOWEVER, THEIR MORTGAGE PAYMENT CAN'T EXCEED 30% OF THEIR MONTHLY INCOME.
- COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO APPROVE OF WEBB'S RECOMMENDATION TO RAISE THE SHIP NEW CONSTRUCTION AND EXISTING HOMES LIMITS.
- DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPRESSING CONCERNS WITH THIS POSSIBLY CUTTING OUT TWO TO THREE APPLICANTS GETTING A HOME IN A GRANT PERIOD. WEBB EXPLAINED THIS WOULD NOT AFFECT THE AWARD AMOUNT THEY ARE RECEIVING FROM THE PROGRAM; THEY WOULD JUST BE ALLOWING AN APPLICANT TO GO UP TO THE \$150,000 FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION OR \$100,000 FOR EXISTING HOMES.
- DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE SHIP COMMITTEE DOING CREDIT CHECKS ON APPLICANTS. WEBB ADVISED THE BANKS AND MORTGAGE COMPANIES PRESENTLY DO THE CREDIT CHECKS; THE SHIP

COMMITTEE REVEIWS AN APPLICANT'S MONTHLY OBLIGATIONS. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH WEBB AGREEING TO PUT A DISCLAIMER IN AN APPICANT'S APPLICATION TO GIVE THE SHIP COMMITTEE PERMISSION FROM THE APPLICANT TO GET A COPY OF THEIR CREDIT REPORT FROM THEIR BANK OR MORTGAGE COMPANY. COMMISSIONER BROCK CALLED FOR THE QUESTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. WEBB UPDATED THE BOARD ON A SPEED CONTROL TRAILER THEY HAD BEEN AWARDED. CHRIS LAWSON WOULD BE IN CHARGE OF THE MACHINE AND THERE WILL NEED TO BE A SIGN OUT SHEET AT PUBLIC WORKS SHOWING WHERE THE SPEED CONTROL SIGN IS USED, HOW IT IT USED AND HOW OFTEN IT IS USED. THE PRIORITY SPOT FOR THE MACHINE WOULD START OFF AT VERNON MIDDLE SCHOOL WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION DUE TO THERE BEING A BIG PROBLEM WITH SPEEDING AT THAT LOCATION.
3. CLOSE OUT SHIP YEAR 11 AND TRANSFER FUNDS TO SHIP YEAR 12. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF CLOSING OUT SHIP YEAR 11.
4. APPLICATIONS FOR SHIP YEAR 13 FUNDS WILL BE ACCEPTED BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 2, 2004.
5. WEBB ADVISED THE BOARD IT WOULD PROBABLY BE AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER BEFORE THEY WILL KNOW IF THEY WILL BE AWARDED THE NEW CDBG GRANT FLUNDING.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. BIDS ON ORANGE HILL PARK TO BUILD WITHOUT COUNTY EFFORT ACCEPTED ON JUNE 16, 2004:
    - A. HALL CONSTRUCTION \$517,734
    - B. ORANGE HILL SOIL & WATER CONS. \$169,900
- BOTH BIDS ARE OVER THE BUDGET GRANT AWARD; ALL ENGINEERING

HAS BEEN DONE FREE OF CHARGE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO AUTHORIZE HIM AND KNAUER TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE LOW BIDDER AND AWARD THE BID IF IT CAN BE BROUGHT IN FOR THE GRANT AMOUNT WITHOUT ANY COUNTY FUNDS OR PARTICIPATION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE MOTION SHOULD BE TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID CONDITIONED UPON THE CONTRACT NOT BEING AWARDED UNTIL OR UNLESS IT IS BROUGHT UNDER THE GRANT MONIES BY NEGOTIATIONS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE MOTION STATED BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY.

2. ROCHE ROAD WASH OUT--ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAD CONTACTED KNAUER REQUESTING HE LOOK AT A SECTION OF ROCHE ROAD WHERE THERE WAS A WASH OUT ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE PROPERTY; HE AND HERBERT LOOKED AT THE SITE, HE TOOK PICTURES AND INFORMED HERBERT HE WOULD PUT TOGETHER SOME QUAD MAPS TO SEE WHERE THE DRAINAGE BASIN AREA IS THAT GOES TO THE POND. THE MAP SHOWS TO THE EAST SIDE OF THE ROADWAY, THERE IS ABOUT 25 ACRES THAT DRAIN ACROSS THE ROADWAY TO THE WEST; THERE IS ABOUT 1800 TO 2000 FEET OF ROADWAY FROM TOP OF HILL TO TOP OF HILL. THERE ARE TWO SOURCES OF RUNOFF WITH THE LAKE BEING THE ONLY POPOFF FOR THE WATER. THEY DISCUSSED AT LENGTH THE ISSUE OF A SPRING COMING OUT OF THE SIDE OF THE HILL CAUSING THE EROSION; HE DIDN'T SEE ANY EVIDENCE OF A SPRING EVEN THOUGH ONE MAY BE THERE. KNAUER STATED IT APPEARED A LOT OF WATER OFF SITE AND FROM THE ROADWAY ARE DISCHARGING DOWN THE HILL. WHEN QUESTIONED BY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT FOR A RECOMMENDATION AND IF THIS WAS A COUNTY PROBLEM OR NOT, FROM WHAT HE HAS SEEN, IF THERE COULD BE SOME TYPE OF TREATMENT BEFORE THE WATER CROSSES THE ROADWAY, IT WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY HELP THE PROBLEM. HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THE COUNTY COULD ATTACK COR--

RECTING THE PROBLEM WITHOUT HAVING ADDITIONAL RIGHT OF WAY. IN ORDER TO DESIGN SOMETHING WITHIN THE ROADWAY THAT WOULD WORK WELL, BE A PERMANENT FIX, AND NOT REQUIRE A LOT OF MAINTENANCE WOULD REQUIRE SURVEYING THAT SECTION OF ROADWAY FROM TOP OF HILL TO TOP OF HILL, PAVING IT AND SODDING THE SWALES ALL THE WAY DOWN. HOWEVER, KNAUER SAID EVEN IF ALL OF THIS WAS DONE, THERE WOULD STILL BE AN ISSUE WITH THE OFF SITE WATER COMING TO THE ROADWAY.

HE SUMMARIZED THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO ATTACK THEIR UPHILL PROBLEMS AND PROVIDE SOME FORM OF DISCHARGE WHERE THEY CAN DISSIPATE THE FLOW AND HAVE IT GO INTO THE LAKE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE LAKE WAS A NATURAL LAKE OR MAN MADE LAKE. KNAUER ADVISED IT SHOWED UP ON THE QUAD MAPS WHICH WERE DONE 15 TO 20 YEARS AGO BUT HE IS NOT SURE IF IT IS A NATURAL LAKE OR NOT.

GARY FULMAR ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THIS BEING THE SECOND TIME HE HAS BEEN BEFORE THEM TO DISCUSS THE EROSION PROBLEMS ON HIS AND BETTY MOORE'S PROPERTY LOCATED IN SPRING LAKES ESTATES OFF ROCHE ROAD.

FULMAR READ A LETTER WHICH ADDRESSED HIM CONTACTING MR. KOURTNEY KOCH WITH FL-DEP ON THE EROSION PROBLEMS AND KOCH, COMMISSIONER BROCK, BETTY MOORE, REPRESENTATIVES OF SOIL CONSERVATION AND THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT MET AT THE SITE TO SURVEY THE DAMAGES; IT WAS DETERMINED AT THIS MEETING THERE WAS NO SPRING CAUSING THE DAMAGE TO HIS AND MOORE'S PROPERTY. THE COUNTY WAS ALSO DIRECTED BY MR. KOCH TO HAVE A PLAN OF ACTION IN TWO TO THREE WEEKS WITH FULMAR EXPECTING TO HEAR FROM THEM BEFORE AND NO LATER THAN JULY 6, 2004. UNTIL HE AND MS. MOORE HAS TIME TO REVIEW THE OPTIONS AND DISCUSS WHAT THE NEXT STEP WILL BE, THEY WOULD NOT APPROVE OF ANY WORK BEING DONE TO THEIR PROPERTY. ALSO, ANY ACTIONS OR SURVEYS THAT MIGHT REQUIRE ENTRANCE INTO THEIR PROPERTY WOULD NEED TO BE APPROVED BY HIM OR MS. MOORE PRIOR TO THE DATE OF INTENTION.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED SEVERAL MONTHS AGO HE AND FULMAR