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BOARD MINUTES FOR 02/20/92

FEBRUARY 20, 1992

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 9:00 A. M. AT THE CHIPLEY CITY HALL WITH COMMISSIONERS TRACY, CORBIN, TAYLOR, COOK AND DAVIS PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, CLERK EARNESTINE MILLER AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN PROCLAIMED THE MEETING WITH REVEREND DAVID WARREN OFFERING PRAYER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER TRACY OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 16, 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING, JANUARY 16, 1992 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AND THE FEBRUARY 11, 1992 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING.

MS. JULIE PREVATT, REPRESENTING RSVP, ADDRESSED THE BOARD GIVING THEM AN UPDATE ON THE RSVP PROGRAM AND GIVING EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS A LIST OF THE WORK STATIONS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. MS. PREVATT ADVISED THEY WERE CHANGING THEIR FISCAL YEAR AND GETTING SET UP ON A CALENDAR YEAR, THERE WERE NEW PHONE NUMBERS FOR THE HOLMES AND WALTON COUNTY OFFICES AND THEY WOULD BE CONDUCTING A HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY EVALUATION ON ALL STATIONS BY MAIL.

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WORK STATIONS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

FRASIER BINGHAM, CONSULTANT ON RECYCLING, ADVISED THE BOARD THE RECYCLING SITE ON HIGHWAY 90 EAST OF HIGHWAY 77 WAS CLOSED AND WAS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING CLEANED UP AND GETTING BACK IN THE SAME SHAPE IT WAS ORIGINALLY IN. MR. BINGHAM ADVISED THE BOARD THE STATE WAS REQUIRING A RECYCLING BUSINESS PLAN BE ADOPTED AND PRESENTED THE BOARD MEMBERS A PLAN HE HAD DRAWN UP. AFTER DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER TRACY OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN TO WORK WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO WRITE A RECYCLING BUSINESS PLAN WHICH WOULD IN NO WAY COMMIT THE COUNTY TO SUPPORT RECYCLING AFTER GRANT MONIES ARE EXPENDED AS THE COUNTY CAN NOT SUPPORT THE RECYCLING PROGRAM IF THERE IS NO STATE FUNDING.

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BUSINESS PLAN

PHYLLIS VARNUM AND DAN COLLETTI ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO REQUEST A WAIVER OF FEES FOR USE OF THE AG CENTER AS THEY WERE GOING TO SPONSOR A GOSPEL SING AND CHARGE ADMISSION OF CANNED FOOD TO BE USED FOR A COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY. COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO WAIVE THEIR FEE FOR USE OF THE AG CENTER.

GENE MARTIN, REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, WAS PRESENT TO DISCUSS THE DOT 280 BRIDGE PROJECT AS BOARD MEMBERS HAD RECEIVED NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS ABOUT DOT USING AN OFF SITE DETOUR RATHER THAN CONSTRUCTING A TEMPORARY DETOUR BRIDGE. MR. MARTIN ADVISED THE BOARD THEY HAD THREE OPTIONS: 1. DESIGN A DETOUR AND SCHEDULE A DETOUR BRIDGE. (MR. MARTIN SAID THE COST INVOLVED WOULD BE AN ADDITIONAL \$200,000 AND THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THE PROJECT MAY BE KICKED OUT.) 2. USE AN OFF SITE DETOUR. (MR. MARTIN EXPLAINED THIS MEANT USING AN EXISTING ROUTE TO BYPASS CONSTRUCTION.) 3. THE COUNTY WOULD PROVIDE A DETOUR FOR USE. THE BOARD ADVISED MR. MARTIN IF FUNDS BECAME AVAILABLE AND A DETOUR BRIDGE COULD BE CONSTRUCTED WITHOUT JEOPARDIZING THE DOT 280 BRIDGE PROJECT, TO PLEASE ADVISE THEM.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED FOR A RECESS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER AT 10:15. PURSUANT TO A NOTICE IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE COUNTY, THE BIDS ON THE RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT WERE OPENED. MR. MILNER AND MR. MAYNE WERE PRESENT TO OPEN THE BIDS. ANDERSON BUILDERS SUBMITTED A BID BUT IT WAS NOT ACCEPTED BECAUSE IT DID NOT MEET THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE DEADLINE OF SUBMISSION OF THE BIDS AS IT CAME IN AT 3:25 P. M. ON FEBRUARY 19, 1992. THE BIDS RECEIVED WERE:

ASSOCIATED CONTRACTORS, INC.	BASE BID	\$292,814.00
MARIANNA, FLORIDA	LESS	4,000.00
	TOTAL	\$288,814.00
LEWIS & ASSOCIATES	BASE BID	\$288,654.00
DOTHAN, ALABAMA	LESS	3,000.00

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	TOTAL	\$285,654.00
PRO-STEEL BUILDINGS, INC.	BASE BID	\$298,520.00

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA COMMISSIONER TRACY OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED FOR MR. MILNER AND MR. MAYNE TO COMPILE THE BIDS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD LATER ON IN THE MEETING.

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AD AND BID TABULATION

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD MR. PHIL BENNETT OF THE FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY SAID THEY COULD USE CURRENT LOAN FUNDS TO START THE AG CENTER PROJECT AND REPLENISH THEM WHEN THE LOAN MONIES FOR THE AG CENTER BECAME AVAILABLE; HOWEVER, ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN RECOMMENDED THE BOARD WAIT UNTIL THE AG CENTER LOAN MONIES ARE AVAILABLE. THE BOARD WAS CONCERNED THEY HAD AWARDED THE LOW BIDDER, LEWIS & ASSOCIATES, THE CONTRACT ON THE AG CENTER PROJECT CONTINGENT UPON LOAN MONIES BEING AVAILABLE BACK IN NOVEMBER, AND ARE STILL UNABLE TO SIGN THE CONTRACT DUE TO THE LOAN MONIES NOT BEING AVAILABLE. THE CONTRACTOR ADVISED THE BOARD HE WAS SATISFIED TO CONTINUE TO LEAVE EVERYTHING ON HOLD. THE BOARD AGREED TO LEAVE THE BID ON THE AG CENTER FROM LEWIS & ASSOCIATES ON THE TABLE.

MR. R. A. GRIFFIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE WAS STILL HAVING A PROBLEM WITH WINDHAM ROAD. MR. GRIFFIN THOUGHT HE HAD PROVIDED ENOUGH PROOF TO SHOW THE COUNTY HAD CONSTRUCTED THE ROAD BUT ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED THERE WERE PLENTY OF WITNESSES TO PROVE THE COUNTY MAINTAINED THE ROAD IN QUESTION BUT THERE WAS ONLY ONE WITNESS WHO MADE A STATEMENT TO HIM CONCERNING THE COUNTY CONSTRUCTING THE ROAD. HE ALSO ADVISED THE BOARD IF THEY WENT TO A FINAL HEARING ON THIS CASE THAT EVIDENCE ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROAD WAS WEAK AND IF THERE WAS AN ADVERSE RULING ON THE CASE, THIS WOULD AFFECT THE COUNTY IN THE FUTURE AS THEY MAY HAVE TO PROVE THEY ACTUALLY CONSTRUCTED ALL OF THE ROADS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED MR. GRIFFIN HE MAY HAVE A STRONGER CASE THAN THE COUNTY IF THIS ROAD IS THE ONLY WAY HE HAS TO INGRESS AND EGRESS TO HIS PROPERTY. MR. HORACE NELSON STATED HE AND HIS WIFE BOTH COULD TESTIFY THAT THE COUNTY ACTUALLY CONSTRUCTED THE ROAD. MR. & MRS. HORACE NELSON AND ANY OTHER WITNESSES THEY CAN GET TO PROVE THE COUNTY ACTUALLY CONSTRUCTED THE ROAD ARE TO GET WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY REPORTING BACK TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF PHILLIP PIPPIN FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION. THE BOARD AGREED TO AUTHORIZE A LETTER OF APPRECIATION BE SENT TO MR. PIPPIN FOR HIS TIME WHILE SERVING ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

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LETTER OF RESIGNATION

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES AND APPROVE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR DECEMBER 5, 1991 AND JANUARY 21, 1992.

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MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COOK AND CARRIED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FEES FOR DRIVEWAY PERMITS ACCORDING TO OUR NEW POLICY.

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RESOLUTION

COMMISSIONER TRACY OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING FEBRUARY 23-29 AS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CORRECTIONS APPRECIATION WEEK.

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RESOLUTION

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AGREEMENTS FOR VERNON, FIVE POINTS AND HINSON CROSSROADS.

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AGREEMENTS

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO APPOINT MR. TOMMY MCDONALD TO THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL - BUSINESS POSITION.

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LETTER ON APPOINTMENT

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED

TO SET UP A LIMITED \$2,000 BUDGET FOR THE ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT ON THE ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM.

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PROPOSAL & CONTRACT

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR FILTER BIDS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

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UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, GEORGE M. ROGERS, COMMISSIONER TRACY OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COOK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE A PAY INCREASE TO HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR THOMAS ANDREWS AS HE HAS COMPLETED HIS NINETY (90) DAY PROBATION.

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LETTER FROM R&B

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO DECLARE 1-1982 FORD PICKUP-1FTCF10F8CNA39660 AND 1-1979 GMC SERIES 30-TC5339V627289 SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZE THEM TO BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC AUCTION..

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TRUCK EQUIPMENT SALES

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS TO MODIFY THE DRIVEWAY POLICY OF THE COUNTY TO ELIMINATE THE COUNTY FROM BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR FINISHING THE MITERED ENDS. COM- MISSIONER COOK OFFERED A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO HIS MOTION TO ELIMINATE MITERED ENDS FROM THE DRIVEWAY POLICY WITH COMMISSIONER DAVIS AGREEING TO THE AMENDMENT. COMMISSIONER COOK, TAYLOR, CORBIN AND DAVIS FOR WITH COMMISSIONER TRACY OPPOSED.

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LETTER FROM GEORGE ROGERS ON MITERED ENDS.

MR. MILNER AND MR. MAYNE, ARCHITECTS FOR MILNER, MOORE & MAYNE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THEY HAD REVIEWED THE BIDS ON THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH MS. PATSY JUSTICE, DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND SHE WAS IN AGREEMENT TO GO AHEAD AND HAVE THE BOARD ACCEPT THE BASE BID OF LEWIS & ASSOCIATES WITH HER BEING ABLE TO ADD SITE WORK IF SHE DESIRES. COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE LOW BASE BID OF LEWIS & ASSOCIATES ON THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT RENOVATIONS AND ADDITIONS.

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED TOTALLING \$908,990.13.

COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY AND CARRIED TO WRITE A LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO FAMILY MEMBERS OF PRESTON HEWETT AND BERNARD MCWILLIAMS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD HE HAD REVIEWED THE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FROM THE STATE ON THE ROADS A. C. MOORE WAS REQUESTING THE COUNTY ACCEPT INTO THEIR COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. HE ADVISED UNDER THE STATE PROPOSED CONSENT ORDER, IT IS REQUIRING MR. MOORE TO PAVE PART OF THE ROADS IN QUESTION AND REQUIRING HIM TO BRING THE OTHERS UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS. UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF ATTORNEY HOLLEY, COMMISSIONER TRACY OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO LET THE STATE'S ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE RUN ITS COURSE AND THEN MAKE A DECISION ON ACCEPTING THE ROADS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE NHI LAWSUIT STATING THE FEDERAL JUDGE HAS DISMISSED IT AND IT IS ON APPEAL TO THE 11TH CIRCUIT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED HE HAD BEEN ADVISED THAT WE COULD PROBABLY SETTLE THE LAWSUIT NOW WITH THE SAME OFFER WE PREVIOUSLY COMMITTED TO WHICH WAS \$150,000.00 PAYING \$30,000.00 PER YEAR FOR FIVE YEARS BEGINNING WITH THE 1992-1993 BUDGET YEAR. COMMISSIONER COOK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TRACY TO OFFER TO SETTLE THE NHI LAWSUIT FOR THE ORIGINAL OFFER OF \$150,000.00 PAYING \$30,000.00 PER YEAR FOR FIVE YEARS BEGINNING WITH THE 1992-1993 BUDGET YEAR. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAYLOR AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR TWO MOTOR GRADERS.

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CLERK EARNESTINE MILLER ADVISED THE BOARD WE HAD REPAID THE \$300,000 LOAN WHICH

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WE BORROWED TO START OFF THE 1991-1992 FISCAL YEAR AND SAVED A LARGE AMOUNT OF INTEREST BY PAYING IT OFF THIS SOON. CHAIRMAN CORBIN STATED HE WANTED TO COMMEND MS. MILLER ON BEING THE MOST COOPERATIVE CLERK HE HAS EVER WORKED WITH DURING HIS TERMS AS BEING COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

THE BOARD WAS ADVISED OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AT 5:00 P. M. AT THE CHIPLEY CITY HALL.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED. ATTEST: _____

CLERK

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____

DEPUTY CLERK

END OF MINUTES FOR 02/20/92