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BOARD MINUTES FOR 08/03/93

AUGUST 3, 1993

PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE JULY 27, 1993 MEETING, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 5:30 P. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 201 WEST CYPRESS AVENUE, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA, WITH COMMISSIONERS CARTER, BROCK, CORBIN, MORRIS AND TAYLOR PRESENT.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED THE RECESSED MEETING TO ORDER.

LAMAR PETERMAN, ENGINEER ON THE ST. MARYS ROAD PROJECT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND PRESENTED THEM WITH A LETTER STATING HIS RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE AWARDING OF THE CONTRACTS ON THE ST. MARYS ROAD PROJECT. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD AWARD CONTRACT #1 (3 BRIDGES) TO MCCORMIC CONTRACTING COMPANY FOR \$165,862.50, CONTRACT #2 (RESURFACING EXISTING PAVEMENT FOR ST. MARYS ROAD) WITH ALTERNATE # 1 (RESURFACING-CARYVILLE CITY LIMITS) TO PANHANDLE GRADING AND PAVING FOR \$54,816.39 AND CONTRACT # 3 (CONSTRUCT 0.7 MILE OF ROADWAY FOR ST. MARYS ROAD) TO PANHANDLE GRADING AND PAVING WITH ALTERNATE #2 INCLUDED FOR \$101,759.50. PETERMAN EXPLAINED THE COUNTY WOULD BE DOING THE CLEARING AND GRUBBING AND HAULING THE FILL DIRT. COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT PETERMAN'S RECOMMENDATION ON THE AWARDING OF THE CONTRACTS ON THE ST. MARYS PROJECT EXCEPT DELETE THE \$6,384.00 FOR CONCRETE HEADWALLS ON CONTRACT THREE. COMMISSIONER MORRIS IS TO TALK WITH THE CITY OF CARYVILLE TO SEE IF THEY COULD CONTRIBUTE FUNDS TOWARD THE PROJECT. THE BOARD AGREED FOR THE ENGINEER TO SEND THE NOTICE OF AWARDS TO PANHANDLE GRADING AND PAVING AND MCCORMIC CONTRACTING COMPANY.

JOHN MILNER, ARCHITECT WITH FIRM OF MILNER, MOORE & MAYNE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD WITH A CASH FLOW CHART ON THE AG CENTER PROJECT. MR. MILNER ALSO HAD SCHEMATICS TO BRING THE COURTHOUSE UP TO THE SOUTHERN BUILDING CODE AND UP TO ADA REQUIREMENTS. HE WAS REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO SEARCH FOR A GRANT TO RENOVATE THE COURTHOUSE. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE MR. MILNER TO GO AFTER A GRANT TO RENOVATE THE COURTHOUSE WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE FOR THESE SERVICES.

SHERIFF HASTY ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO GO OVER HIS BUDGET REQUEST. HE STATED IT INCLUDED THE ADDITION OF TWO PATROL OFFICERS, ONE FEMALE CORRECTIONS OFFICER AND ONE DISPATCHER. HE ALSO SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A LITTLE MORE THAN THREE PERCENT SALARY INCREASES BUT WOULD TRY TO GO ALONG WITH THE 3% INCREASES RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD. HASTY DID SAY HE WOULD LIKE TO GIVE MORE THAN 3% TO THE LONGEVITY EMPLOYEES. A DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE BOARD'S DECISION TO FUND HEALTH INSURANCE FOR ALL OFFICES AT THE SAME RATE THEY FUND THEIR EMPLOYEES. HASTY THEN GAVE A REPORT ON THE INCREASE OF FEES THE COUNTY HAS BEEN GETTING DUE TO TRAFFIC VIOLATION CHARGES. HE ADVISED THE BOARD HIS OFFICE HAD INCREASED ENFORCEMENT ON THESE TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS.

COMMISSIONER CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD WASHINGTON COUNTY'S SHARE FOR MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1993-94 WOULD BE \$19,306.00, WHICH WAS \$3,421.00 BELOW THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE. HE STATED THE CONTRACT WITH BAY COUNTY TO PROVIDE MEDICAL EXAMINER SERVICES TO WASHINGTON COUNTY WILL BE COMING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED FOR A RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER. MR. OLE ELLIS AND MR. GARY CLARK, REPRESENTING THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD. MR. CLARK, PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER, SPOKE ON THE CHAMBER'S \$20,000.00 BUDGET REQUEST FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTY. MR. ELLIS REPORTED ON THE INCOME GENERATED BY THE CHAMBER FOR THE COUNTY. HE PRESENTED THE BOARD MEMBERS WITH A LETTER ON THE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF WAL-MART COMING TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE ALSO PRESENTED THE BOARD MEMBERS WITH A FACT SHEET ON WHAT THE CHAMBER HAS DONE FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND PRESENTED EACH OF THEM WITH A NEW BUDGET PACKET. HE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON ALL THE CHANGES WHICH HAD BEEN MADE BEGINNING WITH THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET. ON THE REVENUE PORTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET, THE 9TH CENT GAS TAX WAS ADDED AS WELL AS AN ADDITIONAL THREE CENT GAS TAX. HAGAN BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE EXPENDITURE CHANGES TO THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET WITH THE MAJOR INCREASE BEING THE TRANSFER TO DEBT SERVICE FOR THE PURCHASE OF NEW EQUIPMENT. ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET TALLING \$1,409,575.00 WAS BALANCED.

EACH BOARD MEMBER HAD ALSO BEEN GIVEN NEW BUDGET PACKETS FOR THE GENERAL FUND

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WITH THE MAJOR REVENUE CHANGE BEING DUE TO THE ADDITION OF THE ONE CENT SALES TAX. ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN WENT OVER THE EXPENDITURE CHANGES IN THE BUDGET ADVISING THE GENERAL FUND ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES EXCEEDED THE ESTIMATED REVENUES BY \$102,469.00. DURING THE BUDGET WORKSHOP, THE BOARD ASKED THAT ONE POSITION, (SIGN MAN), IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET BE TAKEN OUT, TAKE OUT THE THREE CENT GAS TAX IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET, TAKE OUT THREE OF THE FOUR EMPLOYEES THE SHERIFF IS REQUESTING IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND RE-ADDRESS THE BUDGET FIGURING 3% AND 5% INCREASES OVER LAST YEAR'S TOTAL BUDGET. THE BOARD AGREED FOR THE CLERK AND ADMINISTRATOR TO ALSO DO 3% AND 5% LINE ITEM INCREASES OVER LAST YEAR'S BUDGET; EXCEPT FOR THOSE LINE ITEMS THEY ALREADY KNOW WILL EXCEED THESE PERCENTAGES.

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD OF A LETTER FROM PHIL BENNETT, PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE FLGFA, ADVISING OF A 30% REDUCTION IN CONVERSION COSTS HE PREVIOUSLY QUOTED ON THE TWO FLGFA LOANS THE COUNTY HAS FOR A SAVINGS OF \$31,500.00. ALSO, THE INTEREST RATE WAS CURRENTLY 5.03% FOR ANOTHER SAVINGS OF \$21,561.00. THE BOARD TOOK NO ACTION TO CONVERT ITS TWO FLGFA LOANS TO FIXED INTEREST RATES.

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN ALSO ADVISED THE BOARD DAVID SOLGER, THE AG CENTER EXTENSION DIRECTOR, HAD REQUESTED THE HIRING OF A TEMPORARY PERSON DUE TO HIS SECRETARY BEING OUT ON WORKERS COMPENSATION. SOLGER ADVISED ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN HE HAD MONIES IN THE BUDGET TO PAY THIS TEMPORARY PERSON FROM THE SALARY LINE ITEM DUE TO HIS SECRETARY BEING PAID BY WORKERS COMPENSATION. HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD HE HAD APPROVED OF SOLGER HIRING A TEMPORARY PERSON.

THE BOARD AGREED TO RECESS UNTIL THURSDAY, AUGUST 5TH AT 5:30 P. M.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK

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CHAIRMAN

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DEPUTY CLERK

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