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BOARD MINUTES FOR 08/16/94

AUGUST 16, 1994

PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE AUGUST 11, 1994 MEETING, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 6:30 P. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 711 THIRD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS CARTER, CORBIN, BROCK, MORRIS AND TAYLOR PRESENT. CLERK EARNESTINE MILLER, DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER AND ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN MORRIS CALLED THE RECESSED MEETING TO ORDER.

JOE ANDERSON, OF ANDERSON COLUMBIA, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE ORANGE HILL PROJECT AND BRIEFED THEM ON THE COSTS INVOLVED. HE SAID A ONE MILE SECTION WOULD COST \$90,000.00; HOWEVER, IF HE DOES THREE MILES HE WOULD ONLY CHARGE \$80,000.00 PER MILE. ANDERSON AGREED TO FINANCE THE PROJECT HIMSELF. HE QUOTED A PRICE FOR TWO YEARS FINANCING FOR \$240,000.00 BEING \$75,000.00 DOWN WHEN HE GETS THROUGH WITH THE JOB, AND \$21,189.00 EVERY THREE MONTHS. THIS WOULD INCLUDE \$4,517.00 INTEREST OVER THE TWO YEAR PERIOD. HE QUOTED A PRICE OF \$75,000.00 DOWN AND \$10,850.00 EVERY THREE MONTHS FOR FINANCING \$240,000.00 FOR FOUR YEARS. CHAIRMAN MORRIS SAID THERE WAS A COMMITMENT FROM FEMA FOR \$60,000.00 FOR THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO DECLARE THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY AN EMERGENCY.

COMMISSIONER CARTER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT JOE ANDERSON'S PROPOSAL ON THE THREE MILE PLAN WITH THE TWO YEAR FINANCING UNLESS FINANCING BECOMES A PROBLEM, THEN THE BOARD AND ANDERSON WILL WORK OUT OTHER FINANCES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN MORRIS TO SIGN THE CONTRACT ON THE THREE MILE RESURFACING PLAN ON ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN TO CHECK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON THE COST OF #9 RAILROAD ROCKS. JOE ANDERSON AGREED TO CHECK ON 1" ROCK.

MARIE "TOOGIE" MITCHELL, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER BUDGET REQUEST AND EXPLAINED THE REASONS FOR BUDGET INCREASES. SHE ADVISED THE BOARD THE MOTOR VOTER BILL WAS GOING TO ADD A LOT OF EXPENSE TO HER OPERATIONS. SHE ALSO ADVISED THEM THERE WOULD BE TWO ELECTIONS HELD IN THE 1994-95 FISCAL YEAR. SHE PRESENTED THEM WITH CORRESPONDENCE ON HER REQUEST FOR BUDGET INCREASES.

MITCHELL ASKED THE BOARD ABOUT THEIR PLAN FOR STORING THE VOTING MACHINES PRESENTLY BEING STORED AT THE BUILDING NEXT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING. SHE STATED SHE HAD HEARD THEY WERE GOING TO TEAR THAT BUILDING DOWN. THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF STORING THEM AT THE RECYCLING CENTER.

MITCHELL ASKED ABOUT GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE RATES. COMMISSIONER TAYLOR ASKED MITCHELL IF THE BOARD COULD NOT PROVIDE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE AT A REASONABLE RATE, HOW WOULD SHE FEEL ABOUT GIVING THE EMPLOYEES THE \$88.12 PER MONTH AND LET THEM GO OUT AND GET THEIR OWN INSURANCE. MITCHELL SAID SHE WOULD AGREE WITH THIS IDEA.

CHAIRMAN MORRIS CALLED FOR A RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ROAD AND BRIDGE TO SET A 35 MPH SPEED LIMIT BEGINNING AT KAYS CORNER TO THE END OF ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY DURING THE PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION ON THE HIGHWAY.

SHERIFF HASTY ADDRESSED THE BOARD WITH JUSTIFICATION OF HIS BUDGET REQUEST. HE PRESENTED THEM WITH HIS BUDGET PACKET. HE ADVISED THE BOARD HIS BIGGEST INCREASE WAS IN SALARIES AS HE WAS WANTING TO MAKE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS TO BRING HIS EMPLOYEES BASE RATE UP TO WHAT SURROUNDING COUNTIES ARE STARTING THEIR EMPLOYEES AT. HE PRESENTED THEM WITH A COMPARISON OF HIS SALARIES AND SALARIES IN THE OTHER COUNTIES.

SHERIFF HASTY ALSO PRESENTED A COMPARISON OF COMPLAINTS ANSWERED FROM JANUARY 1993 TO JULY OF 1994.

HE ADDRESSED THE 911 DISPATCHERS SALARIES. HE SAID HE HAD 4 911 DISPATCHERS, 6 OTHER DISPATCHERS, 9 CORRECTIONS OFFICERS AND 18 OTHER EMPLOYEES THAT INCLUDED INVESTIGATORS, ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL, HIMSELF AND DEPUTIES. HASTY SAID THE INCREASE IN HIS BUDGET OVER LAST YEAR TOTALLED \$439,271.85. THE BOARD RAISED A

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QUESTION ON THE DIFFERENCE IN TOTAL SALARIES FOR THE FOUR 911 DISPATCHERS VERSUS THE TOTAL SALARIES FOR THE OTHER SIX DISPATCHERS. SHERIFF HASTY AGREED THERE APPEARED TO BE A DISCREPANCY AND SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO THIS AND MAKE THE NECESSARY CORRECTIONS.

HASTY SAID HE ADDED A TOTAL OF EIGHT NEW VEHICLES DURING THE 93-94 FISCAL YEAR AND HE HAS APPROXIMATELY TWENTY THREE OR TWENTY FOUR VEHICLES ON THE ROAD AT THE PRESENT TIME. HE ADDED THAT THREE CARS ARE ASSIGNED TO THE JAIL.

SHERIFF HASTY ASKED THE BOARD TO LOOK REALISTICALLY AT THE INCREASES HE IS REQUESTING. THE BOARD ASKED FOR SHERIFF HASTY TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AGAIN ON AUGUST 25TH AT 6:30 P. M. AFTER HE HAS ADDRESSED THE ERROR IN THE DISPATCHERS SALARIES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN. ATTEST: _____

CLERK

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____

DEPUTY CLERK

END OF MINUTES FOR 08/16/94