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BOARD MINUTES FOR 08/25/94

AUGUST 25, 1994

PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE AUGUST 23, 1994 MEETING, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 6:00 P. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 711 THIRD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS CORBIN, BROCK, MORRIS, TAYLOR AND CARTER PRESENT. CLERK EARNESTINE MILLER, ADMINISTRATOR ROGER HAGAN AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN BRIEFED THE BOARD ON A FAX FROM THE FLORIDA LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY ADDRESSING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE 1990 & 1992 LOANS AT A FIXED INTEREST RATE OF 6.15% AND THE BORROWING OF AN ADDITIONAL \$250,000.00 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PROBATION AND PAROLE BUILDING. THE FAX ALSO ADDRESSED THE REFINANCING OF THE 1987 FLGFA LOAN AT A FIXED RATE ADVISING THAT IF THE BOARD WANTED TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THIS LOAN BY THREE YEARS, THE LOAN PAYMENT WOULD BE REDUCED BY APPROXIMATELY \$16,000.00 PER MONTH. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD ON THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE LOANS.

ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD A. C. MOORE HAD FINISHED A ROAD PAVING PROJECT AT PARADISE LAKES. AS MOORE IS UNDER A CONSENT AGREEMENT WITH THE DIVISION OF FLORIDA LAND SALES TO COMPLETE THE PAVING PROJECT, MOORE WAS REQUESTING THE BOARD WRITE A LETTER TO THE DIVISION OF FLORIDA LAND SALES SAYING THE PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE. ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN READ A LETTER HE HAD WRITTEN TO THE DIVISION OF FLORIDA LAND SALES REGARDING THIS ISSUE IN CASE THE BOARD WANTED TO TAKE ACTION.

COMMISSIONER CARTER QUESTIONED IF ANYONE KNEW WHAT WAS ACTUALLY REQUIRED IN THE CONSENT ORDER.

CHAIRMAN MORRIS SUGGESTED THE BOARD MAY WANT THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION TO APPROVE OF THE PAVING PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER CARTER SAID HE WOULD WANT A LETTER DRAFTED STATING ACCORDING TO MOORE'S INDEPENDENT TESTING COMPANY AND ENGINEERS, THE REPORT MOORE SUBMITTED PASSED THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS.

CHAIRMAN MORRIS SUGGESTED SEEING IF THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION WAS SATISFIED WITH THE PAVING AND THE BOARD ACCEPT THE AMOUNT OF PAVING THEY ARE SATISFIED WITH.

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR SAID IT WAS UP TO THE DIVISION OF FLORIDA LAND SALES TO RELIEVE A. C. MOORE OF INFRACTIONS REFERENCED IN THE CONSENT ORDER. COMMISSIONER TAYLOR OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED FOR THE BOARD TO REFRAIN FROM GETTING INVOLVED WITH ANY TYPE OF LITIGATION BETWEEN A. C. MOORE AND THE DIVISION OF FLORIDA LAND SALES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED THE BOARD THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HAD TWO FLATBED DUMPTRUCKS TO COME IN BUT HE WAS UNABLE TO GET A PRICE ON THEM.

COMMISSIONER CARTER SAID JOE ANDERSON OF ANDERSON COLUMBIA HAD LOCATED THE MIX HE NEEDED. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO HAVE ANDERSON PUT UP CONSTRUCTION SIGNS ON THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY.

THE BOARD BEGAN WITH THEIR BUDGET WORKSHOP. SHERIFF HASTY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIS BUDGET. SHERIFF HASTY SAID THERE WAS APPROXIMATELY \$10,000.00 FROM OLD ACCOUNTS THAT WOULD GO BACK INTO THE GENERAL FUND. SHERIFF HASTY SAID HE WAS NOT ASKING FOR ADDITIONAL PEOPLE IN HIS BUDGET REQUEST EVEN THOUGH HE DOESN'T HAVE ADEQUATE MANPOWER. HE ALSO SAID THERE WAS NO OVERTIME FIGURED IN HIS BUDGET AS HE WAS ALLOWING TIME IN LIEU OF PAY. HASTY WENT OVER HIS BUDGET HANDOUT HE HAD GIVEN TO THE BOARD. HE ADVISED THE CAPITAL OUTLAY IN HIS CORRECTIONS BUDGET WAS FOR A TRANSPORT VAN AND FOR KITCHEN EQUIPMENT FOR THE JAIL. THE CAPITAL OUTLAY IN HIS LAW ENFORCEMENT BUDGET WAS FOR BAR LIGHTS, EQUIPMENT ACCESSORIES AND NEW EQUIPMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON SHERIFF HASTY'S COMPARISON OF HIS BASE SALARIES VERSUS THOSE OF OTHER COUNTIES, WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY'S BEING THE LOWEST. COMMISSIONER TAYLOR COMPARED HOLMES COUNTY'S SHERIFF BUDGET BEING ALMOST HALF OF WASHINGTON COUNTY'S SHERIFF BUDGET BUT YET THEIR STARTING SALARIES FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES ARE HIGHER THAN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

SHERIFF HASTY ADDRESSED HIS PROJECTED BASE SALARIES, WENT OVER THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS HIS OFFICE HANDLES, AND THE TRANSPORTATION COST FOR COMMERCIAL TYPE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

CHAIRMAN MORRIS CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, CHAIRMAN MORRIS SAID HE WAS NOT IN FAVOR OF RAISING THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET EXCEPT FOR A 3% RAISE FOR HIS EMPLOYEES. COMMISSIONER TAYLOR OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO GIVE THE SHERIFF'S EMPLOYEES A 3% SALARY INCREASE, FUND THE FOUR 9-1-1 DISPATCHERS AND A 3% SALARY INCREASE FOR THEM, WITH THERE BEING NO OTHER INCREASES IN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET FOR OPERATIONAL PURPOSES AND THIS BEING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OPPOSED SAYING HE FELT THE BOARD SHOULD INCREASE THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET TO HELP COVER THE INCREASE IN OPERATIONAL COST.

COMMISSIONER CARTER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAYLOR TO INCREASE THE ROAD & BRIDGE BUDGET BY 3% SALARY INCREASES, WITH THERE BEING NO FURTHER INCREASES. COMMISSIONER CARTER AND TAYLOR WITHDREW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER AND CARRIED TO INCREASE SALARIES AT ROAD & BRIDGE BY 3%, FUND THE ADDITIONAL CLERICAL POSITION, AND ALLOW FOR INCREASES FOR UTILITIES, INSURANCE, AND ALL OTHER BUDGETED ITEMS OF THIS TYPE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN MADE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO HIS MOTION WITH COMMISSIONER CARTER AGREEING TO THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO INCLUDE THE SAME INCREASES FOR ALL OTHER BUDGETING ENTITIES. CHAIRMAN MORRIS OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAYLOR AND CARRIED TO RESCIND THE ACTION JUST TAKEN BY THE BOARD TO FUND ROAD & BRIDGE 3% SALARY INCREASES AND INCREASES FOR UTILITIES, INSURANCE, AND OTHER TYPES OF THESE BUDGETED ITEMS WITH A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO FUND ALL OTHER BUDGET ENTITIES THE SAME. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAYLOR AND CARRIED TO FUND ROAD & BRIDGE 3% SALARY INCREASES, ONE CLERICAL POSITION, AND INCREASES FOR INSURANCE, UTILITIES, AND OTHER BUDGETED ITEMS OF THIS TYPE. CHAIRMAN MORRIS OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED PERMISSION TO PURCHASE A FLATBED TRUCK FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A FLATBED TRUCK FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND CHARGE IT BACK TO FEMA ON A DSR.

FRANK CORSO SAID IF COMMISSIONER CORBIN COULD SAVE MONEY ON DSR'S IN HIS DISTRICT, FINE, BUT NOT TO COME TO COMMISSIONER CARTER FOR MORE MONEY BECAUSE THERE WAS SO MUCH ALLOWED ON A DSR FOR MUD HILL ROAD, THE ROAD HE LIVES ON, AND HE INTENDS TO MAKE SURE ALL OF IT IS SPENT ON THAT ROAD.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO RECESS UNTIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 30TH AT 6:00 P. M.

ATTEST: _____ CHAIRMAN

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END OF MINUTES FOR 08/25/94