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BOARD MINUTES FOR 03/01/96

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PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE FEBRUARY 15, 1996 MEETING, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 9:00 A. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 711 THIRD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, CORBIN, CARTER, DAVIS AND MORRIS PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF HASTY PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT WAS POSTPONED UNTIL ATTORNEY HOLLEY ARRIVED.

SHERIFF HASTY ADDRESSED THE BOARD REQUESTING THEY AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$2,000.00 OUT OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT II MONIES TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF AN EVIDENCE ROOM WHICH WOULD "L" OFF THE BUILDING BEHIND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. THE BOARD AGREED TO LOOK AT THE PROPOSED SITE OF THE EVIDENCE ROOM WHEN THEY TOOK A BREAK.

SHERIFF HASTY REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$18,418.00 OUT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT III FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A JEEP CHEROKEE VEHICLE. HASTY ADVISED THE BOARD THERE WAS \$11,258.33 PRESENTLY IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT III FUNDS; HOWEVER, THERE WAS APPROXIMATELY \$28,000.00 IN SEIZED FORFEITURES THAT IS DUE TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE ACCOUNT WHEN IT IS RELEASED. HASTY REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE \$10,000.00 TO BE USED FOR A DOWN PAYMENT ON THE JEEP, WITH THE BALANCE BEING PAID AFTER THE OTHER FEDERAL MONIES ARE RECEIVED. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH SOME OF THE BOARD EXPRESSING THEIR CONCERN ON SPENDING MONIES PRIOR TO THEM BEING RECEIVED. ACTION ON THE SHERIFF'S REQUEST WAS DENIED FOR LACK OF A MOTION.

COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ON A GRANT FOR AN ADDITION TO THE SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING BUILDING. COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CORBIN AGREED TO A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION TO INCLUDE THE ACTION BEING CONTINGENT UPON ATTORNEY HOLLEY APPROVING THE CONTRACT. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE NEED OF AN APPOINTMENT TO THE MASTER BOARD OF THE JOBS & EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP AND ASKED FOR A VOLUNTEER FROM THE BOARD TO SERVE ON THE MASTER BOARD. COM- MISSIONER CORBIN AGREED TO SERVE ON THE BOARD.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE NEED OF AN APPOINTMENT FOR A LABOR REPRESENTATIVE ON THE JOBS & EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP ALSO. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO APPOINT SHELTON CARROL AS LABOR REPRESENTATIVE TO THE JOBS & EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP IF CARROL WILL ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT. COMMISSIONER DAVIS AGREED TO SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE ON THE BOARD.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE DRAFT OF THE LOGO CONTEST THAT HAD BEEN GIVEN TO EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS. COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE LOGO CONTEST DRAFT AND ADOPT THE SUGGESTED COMMITTEE REFERENCED IN THE DRAFT. (WAUSAU COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CLUB- MONICA CORSO, ATTORNEY-BILL HOWELL, BUSINESSPERSON, JUDY HUGGANS OF CARYVILLE, HISTORIAN-JOAN CHANCE AND ROGER HAGAN AS RESOURCE PERSON)

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE EMA - STATE AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD INTENDED FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF UP TO \$8,000.00 THEY HAD APPROVED FOR THE GROUNDING OF THE MUD HILL TOWER TO COME OUT OF THE \$12.50 SURCHARGE FUNDS. THE BOARD AGREED THE EXPENDITURE FOR THE GROUNDING OF THE TOWER WAS TO COME FROM THESE MONIES.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REFERENCED THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY GIVING RANDALL TRUETTE AND LEON SEXTON AUTHORIZATION TO SPEND UP TO \$500.00 TO HAVE THE CANNISTERS INSTALLED AT THE MUD HILL TOWER. THEY ALSO AGREED FOR THEM TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COMMUNICATIONS PLAN. TRUETTE HAD ADVISED THE COST FOR INSTALLING THE CANNISTERS WAS GOING TO BE OVER THE \$500.00 AMOUNT. HE QUESTIONED WHAT EXPENDITURE ALLOWANCE DID HE AND SEXTON HAVE TO IMPLEMENT THE PLAN WITHOUT HAVING TO COME BACK BEFORE THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE FOR TRUETTE AND SEXTON TO SPEND UP TO \$2,500.00 TO IMPLEMENT THE

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN AS LONG AS ADMINI-STRATOR HAGAN AND CHAIRMAN CARTER APPROVES THE EXPENDITURE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE EXPENDITURE OF \$73.44 OUT OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT III FUNDS FOR A U-HAUL RENTAL AND FUEL COSTS INCURRED WITH A FORFEITURE OF SEIZED PROPERTY.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REFERENCED AN EQUIPMENT LIST PROVIDED BY PAM KARCHER OF ROAD AND BRIDGE WHICH WAS JUNKED EQUIPMENT AND NEEDED TO BE TAKEN OFF THE INVENTORY. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO REMOVE THE JUNKED EQUIPMENT OFF THE INVENTORY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT \$2,000.00 FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND II ACCOUNT TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF AN EVIDENCE ROOM, INSTRUCT ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN TO LOOK FOR FUNDS TO COMPLETE THE EVIDENCE ROOM THE SHERIFF HAD REQUESTED AND AT THAT TIME HAVE A PRELIMINARY DRAINAGE AND SITE PLAN ALONG WITH THE COST OF THE BUILDING PROVIDED TO THE BOARD.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED ADDENDUM #1 TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND ARGUS SERVICES, INC., WHICH HAD BEEN PROVIDED TO THE BOARD. HOLLEY STATED A FAX HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY ARGUS SAYING THEY HAD RECEIVED THE CORRECTED ADDENDUM AND THEY ACCEPTED IT AS WRITTEN. ATTORNEY HOLLEY READ THE ADDENDUM IN ITS ENTIRETY. HE ADVISED THE BOARD IF THEY CHOSE TO ENTER INTO THE AGREEMENT, IT WAS HIS OPINION IT WOULD NOT BE NECESSARY TO HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION ON THE NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES. COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT ADDENDUM #1 TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND ARGUS SERVICES, INC.

COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED NOT TO HOLD THE PUBLIC HEARING THAT HAD BEEN ADVERTISED AND SCHEDULED FOR THIS DATE ON THE NON AD-VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES.

AUBREY DAVIS, REPRESENTING HIMSELF AND CITIZENS VOICE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD WELCOMING THE ACTION OF THE BOARD ON THE ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND ARGUS AND POINTED OUT SEVERAL CONCERNS:

1. WOULD ARGUS BE USING SMALLER TRUCKS TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE LONG DRIVEWAYS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED ARGUS WOULD BE USING SMALLER MECHANIZED TRUCKS BUT WAS NOT SURE WHAT EFFECT IT WOULD HAVE ON THEIR PICK UP SITES.  
MR. DAVIS REQUESTED ANY SUPPORT THE BOARD COULD OFFER FOR ARGUS TO GET UP CLOSER TO THESE HOUSES FOR THEIR GARBAGE PICK UPS.
2. WOULD THE CART CONTAINERS BE MANDATORY FOR CURB SIDE SERVICE.  
ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IF PERSONS USED CURB SIDE SERVICE, THE CARTS WOULD BE MANDATORY; HOWEVER, PERSONS COULD USE THE BAG SYSTEM REFERENCED IN THE ADDENDUM.
3. IN SECTION 8 OF THE ADDENDUM WHERE IT STATES A PERSON NOT USING ARGUS SERVICES MUST DISPOSE OF THEIR GARBAGE IN A PERMITTED DISPOSAL SITE, WOULD THIS BE PERTAINING TO THE LETTER OF THE LAW OR IS THE BOARD LOOKING AT A CONFLICT WITH THE STATE LAW WHICH INDICATES IF STIPULATIONS ARE MET, A PERSON CAN DISPOSE OF TRASH ON THEIR OWN PROPERTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE INTENT OF PARAGRAPH 8 WAS FOR PERSONS TO HAVE TO DISPOSE OF THEIR GARBAGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.
4. IN SECTION 8 OF THE ADDENDUM WHERE IT STATES NO OTHER PERSONS OR ENTITIES WILL BE ALLOWED TO COLLECT OR DISPOSE OF SOLID WASTE WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF THE AGREEMENT, DOES THIS PROHIBIT ANYONE FROM TAKING THEIR NEIGHBORS TRASH OR A RELATIVES TRASH AND DISPOSING OF IT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED AS LONG AS THERE IS NO FEE CHARGED TO TAKE THE GARBAGE AND IT WAS ONLY FOR A RELATIVE OR NEIGHBOR, IT WOULD NOT BE PROHIBITED. HOWEVER, A PERSON COULDN'T DISPOSE OF A LARGE NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLD'S GARBAGE.
5. WHEN WOULD THE PRICE GO UP ON THE \$3.00 PER STICKER THAT IS

TO BE PLACED ON GARBAGE BAGS REFERENCED IN SECTION 7 OF THE ADDENDUM. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IT WOULD RELATE BACK TO THE INCREASE PARAGRAPH IN THE CONTRACT.

6. WHY IS THE TIME FRAME TO RECEIVE BAGS REFERENCED IN SECTION 7 OF THE ADDENDUM SO RESTRICTIVE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN FELT ARGUS WOULD BE WILLING TO STAY OPEN FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME IF IT BECAME CONGESTED DURING THE HOURS STATED IN THE ADDENDUM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN EMPHASIZED ARGUS'S CONCERN ABOUT PERSONS PUTTING THEIR GARBAGE OUT WHEN PERSONNEL WAS NOT AT THE FACILITY.

AUBREY DAVIS ADVISED THE BOARD HE WAS SITING POTENTIAL PROBLEMS IN A CONSTRUCTIVE MANNER IN ORDER FOR THE BOARD TO BEGIN LOOKING INTO THEM. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED TO VOLUNTEER TO CONTINUE TO NEGOTIATE WITH ARGUS ON ANY PROBLEMS INCURRED IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE FOR HIM TO.

AUBREY DAVIS ADDRESSED THE ADDENDUM TO THE ARGUS CONTRACT ONLY DEALS WITH FUTURE POLICY AND NOT WITH THE EXPENSES PEOPLE HAVE ALREADY INCURRED. HE QUESTIONED THE DURATION OF THE CONTRACT WITH ARGUS AND WAS ADVISED THERE WAS EIGHT YEARS LEFT ON THE CONTRACT UNLESS THE BOARD EXERCISES THEIR OPTION TO RENEW THE CONTRACT. DAVIS STATED THE EXCLUSIVITY OF THE CONTRACT WAS STILL A CONCERN; ALSO, THE ADDENDUM DID NOT DO ANYTHING TO ENHANCE RECYCLING.

DAVIS STATED CITIZENS NEED TO GET INVOLVED WITH GOVERNMENT AND ELECTED OFFICIALS NEED TO LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE GOVERNMENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN PUBLICLY THANKED ARGUS FOR THEIR COOPERATION IN THE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS.

COMMISSIONER MORRIS ASKED AUBREY DAVIS AND CITIZENS VOICE TO WORK AS HARD FOR THE ADDENDUM TO THE ARGUS CONTRACT AS THEY DID AGAINST THE PREVIOUS CONTRACT AND ENCOURAGED THEM TO GET INVOLVED WITH AN ADOPT A ROAD POLICY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERENCED A FILM THE PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR HAD MADE ON THE PROBLEMS OF LITTER IN THE COUNTY AND FELT EVERYONE SHOULD SEE IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD HE HAD TALKED WITH DON CRISP ON THE BOARD'S DESIRE TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY ACROSS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING FOR ITS APPRAISED VALUE. CRISP TOLD HOLLEY HE WOULD BE WILLING TO SELL THE PROPERTY FOR \$20,000.00 TO \$21,000.00. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO GET AN APPRAISAL ON THE DON CRISP PROPERTY.

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD EDWIN J. TILLER HAD FILED A SMALL CLAIMS COMPLAINT AGAINST ADMINISTRATOR HAGAN FOR \$194.74 SAYING HE WAS FORCED BY WASHINGTON COUNTY TO PAY A SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT FOR SERVICES HE WAS NEVER PROVIDED. HOLLEY REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FROM THE BOARD TO FILE ON THE COMPLAINT AND ASK THE JUDGE TO DISMISS IT. COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO FILE ON THE COMPLAINT AND ASK THE JUDGE TO DISMISS IT. COMMISSIONERS BROCK AND DAVIS WERE NOT PRESENT WHEN THE VOTE WAS TAKEN.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD WHEN THEY GET THE SURVEY ON THE BARROW PIT THEY ARE PURCHASING FROM BUDDY BRACKIN, HE CAN PROCEED WITH THE CLOSING ON THE PROPERTY.

OLE ELLIS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE CHIPLEY, JAY AND QUINCY BEEF DEMONSTRATION UNITS. ELLIS SAID PROPERTY IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING PURCHASED IN JACKSON COUNTY FOR THE CONSOLIDATED UNIT AND WAS REQUESTING THE BOARD ALLOW THE CHAMBER TO MOVE FORWARD ON TRYING TO PROCURE THE PRESENT IFAS PROPERTY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AT NO COST. ELLIS BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE PROCESS THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED TO PROCURE THE PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD IN PROCURING THE PRESENT IFAS PROPERTY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND BROCK AGREED TO A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD IN PROCURING THE PRESENT IFAS PROPERTY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO SIGN THE LEASE WITH ARGUS TO THE PROPERTY ACROSS FROM THE RECYCLING CENTER.

COMMISSIONER MORRIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO POSTPONE THE MOVE FOR ROTATION OF THE SUPERVISORS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE AND LET THEM

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WORK TOGETHER TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE COUNTY FOR THE PRESENT TIME. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN VOICING HIS DISSATISFACTION WITH THE SUPERVISOR IN HIS DISTRICT. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED HIS DISSATISFACTION WITH THE AMOUNT OF WORK THAT HAD BEEN DONE IN HIS DISTRICT. COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND BROCK AGREED TO AMEND THE MOTION TO INCLUDE POSTPONING THE MOVE FOR ROTATION OF THE SUPERVISORS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE TO SIX MONTHS AND LET THEM WORK TOGETHER TO FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE COUNTY FOR THE PRESENT TIME. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND DAVIS OPPOSING.

CHAIRMAN CARTER SUGGESTED THE BOARD GET MR. JOHN FOSTER TO LOOK AT A 9-1-1 OPERATIONAL CENTER BEING INCLUDED IN THE PLANS OF THE OLD HOSPITAL AND THE EOC OPERATIONS. COMMISSIONER DAVIS AGREED TO TOUCH BASE WITH MR. FOSTER ON INCLUDING A 9-1-1 OPERATIONAL CENTER.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADVISED THE BOARD HE WAS GOING TO TALK TO THE ROAD AND BRIDGE SUPERVISOR IN HIS DISTRICT, REVIEW HIS EVALUATION, GIVE HIM TIME TO TAKE CARE OF PROBLEMS HE HAS FAILED TO DO AND IF HE IS STILL UNABLE TO DO WHAT HE ASKS HIM, HE WAS GOING TO ASK THE BOARD FOR ANOTHER SUPERVISOR. DAVIS STATED IF THIS WAS GOING TO BE A PROBLEM FOR ANYONE ON THE BOARD FOR THEM TO SPEAK UP NOW. COMMISSIONER MORRIS ADVISED AS LONG AS THE MATTER WAS HANDLED CORRECTLY HE WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS QUESTIONED WHEN A TAX NOTICE IS RECEIVED IF IT HAS A SOLID WASTE ASSESSMENT ON IT, WHO MAKES THE DECISION JUST PART OF THAT BILL CAN'T BE PAID.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED DAVIS STATE LAW PROHIBITS ANYONE FROM PAYING PART OF THE BILL; THE ENTIRE BILL HAS TO BE PAID.

FRANK CORSO QUESTIONED IF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION PROPERTY COULD BE SOLD BY TAX CERTIFICATE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED CORSO THAT IT COULD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MORRIS AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN. ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

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