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BOARD MINUTES FOR 08/11/97

AUGUST 11, 1997

PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE JULY 31, 1997 MEETING, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 4:30 P. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 711 THIRD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS CARTER, CORBIN, BROCK, DAVIS AND HALL PRESENT. CLERK LINDA COOK AND DEPUTY CLERKS DIANNE CARTER AND JOHNNIE ODOM WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED THE RECESSED MEETING TO ORDER.

PATSY JUSTICE, WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD BRIEFING THEM ON HOUSE BILL 1965 WHICH SETS PROVISIONS FOR PRIMARY CARE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES CHALLENGE GRANTS. JUSTICE REFERENCED AN INKIND MATCH FOR THE GRANTS WAS NEEDED; HOWEVER, THIS MATCH COULD BE FOR SERVICES OR FOR MONIES THEY ARE ALREADY SPENDING. NO EXTRA MONIES WOULD HAVE TO BE SPENT IF THEY ARE SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE GRANT FUNDING. JUSTICE WAS REQUESTING PERMISSION FROM THE BOARD TO PURSUE ALONG WITH THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND WITH THE PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTORS TO PUT TOGETHER A GRANT PROPOSAL FOR THEM TO REVIEW PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 5TH. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE MS. JUSTICE PERMISSION TO PURSUE, ALONG WITH THE HOSPITAL AND PRIVATE MEDICAL SECTORS, PUTTING TOGETHER A GRANT PROPOSAL FOR THE BOARD TO REVIEW ON THE PRIMARY CARE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES GRANT FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPOINT BEVERLY FARLEY TO THE SHIP COMMITTEE TO REPLACE HAROLD STRICKLAND.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE PAVING PROJECT AT THE METHODIST CHURCH WHICH HAD BEEN BID ALONG WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE PARKING LOT AND THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS ACTION TO DO THE METHODIST CHURCH PROJECT IF THE LOW BIDDER WOULD AGREE TO DO IT FOR THE SAME PRICE BID WITHOUT DOING THE ADMINISTRATIVE PARKING LOT. DAVID FRENNEY HAD ADVISED CORBIN THE LOW BIDDER WAS BAXTERS ASPHALT COMPANY ON THE METHODIST CHURCH PAVING PROJECT AT A BID OF \$2,888.00. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO AWARD THE METHODIST CHURCH PAVING PROJECT TO BAXTERS ASPHALT FOR \$2,888.00.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT THEY COULD PURCHASE FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

THREE (3) 1987 DODGE DAKOTAS-\$2,000.00 EACH

ONE 1985 FORD FLATBED-\$3,000.00 CORBIN ALSO ADDRESSED THERE BEING AN AUCTION AT THE CHIPLEY LIVESTOCK AUCTION ON THE 15TH OF AUGUST AND THE BOARD COULD SELL ANY ROAD AND BRIDGE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS FOREMEN AT THAT TIME AND USE THOSE MONIES TO HELP PAY FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE EQUIPMENT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO PURCHASE THE THREE 1987 DAKOTA TRUCKS AND THE FLATBED TRUCK FROM THE DOT FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$9,000.00. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED FOR THE UNITS TO BE REPLACED WITH THE EQUIPMENT PURCHASED FROM THE DOT TO BE SOLD AT THE CHIPLEY LIVESTOCK AUCTION ON THE 15TH OF AUGUST.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN GAVE HIS REPORT ON THE JACKSON COUNTY BUILDING REQUIREMENTS ON EXEMPTIONS. HE ADDRESSED IN JACKSON COUNTY ANYONE, INCLUDING A CONTRACTOR, WAS EXEMPT FOR THE 1,000 SQUARE FEET OR A COST OF \$5,000.00 AND DID NOT HAVE TO DO ANYTHING.

VONCILE ESTES, OFFICE MANAGER, REPORTED IN JACKSON COUNTY AN OWNER IS EXEMPT FOR 1,000 SQUARE FEET REGARDLESS OF COST AND A NON OWNER IS EXEMPT UP TO \$5,000.00; BUT THEY ISSUE A PERMIT WHICH SAYS EXEMPT ON IT SO A RECORD COULD BE KEPT. ESTES ADVISED THE EXEMPTIONS WERE FOR ELECTRICAL, BUILDING AND PLUMBING.

DISCUSSION ON ELECTRICAL EXEMPTIONS WERE DISCUSSED WITH COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO AMEND ORDINANCE 97-4 FOR ANY UPGRADING OF ELECTRICAL SERVICES TO BE PERMITTED WITH A FEE CHARGED AND PERMITS BE ISSUED FOR ALL SERVICES THAT ARE EXEMPT WITH EXEMPT STAMPED ON THE PERMIT AND THE FEE AND INSPECTION WAIVERED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND

CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE TAKING THE MONEY RECEIVED FROM THE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT SALES (\$267,430.00) AND PAYING IT TO THOMPSON TRACTOR EQUIPMENT COMPANY TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF THE SIX MOTORGRADERS AND THE EXCAVATOR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE ROAD AND BRIDGE FOREMEN HAD REQUESTED PERMISSION TO WEAR THEIR SAFETY BELTS ONLY IF THEY GOT OUT OF THEIR VEHICLE AND WAS LIFTING A BARRICADE, ETC. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISORS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE TO USE THEIR OWN DISCRETION IN WHEN TO WEAR THE SAFETY BELTS. COMMISSIONER BROCK AND HALL OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS ACTION TO GIVE THE BUILDING OFFICIAL, BO CREEL, A 10% INCREASE IN SALARY; HALL REFERENCED CREEL ALREADY GETTING FULL PAY AND THE 10% WAS NOT DEDUCTED FROM HIS SALARY IN THE BEGINNING. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO RESCIND THEIR PREVIOUS ACTION ON GIVING CREEL A 10% SALARY INCREASE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED WITH ALL THE CERTIFICATIONS THAT CREEL HAS, HE SHOULD BE AWARDED SOME TYPE OF PAY INCREASE. THE BOARD'S CONCENSUS WAS TO ADDRESS ANY PAY INCREASE FOR CREEL DURING THE BUDGET WORKSHOPS. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED A PROBLEM WITH A DRESSER GRADER AT ROAD AND BRIDGE WITH THE COST TO REPAIR IT BEING \$8,450.46. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ROAD AND BRIDGE TO SEND THE DRESSER GRADER TO TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT FOR REPAIRS AT A COST OF \$8,450.46. THE BOARD AGREED FOR THE WORK TO BE WARRANTED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE CORING AT ROCHE PIT HAD BEEN DONE. THE BOARD AGREED FOR MS. ESTES TO CONTACT GEORGE ROGERS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE TO SEE IF HE HAD THE INFORMATION ON THE CORING.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED INTER-DEPARTMENTAL LINE ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS TOTALLING \$30,000.00 ROAD AND BRIDGE WERE REQUESTING THE BOARD APPROVE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE \$30,000.00 INTER-DEPARTMENTAL LINE ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED A REQUEST FROM ROAD & BRIDGE TO PURCHASE TWO REPLACEMENT TIRES FOR AN EXCAVATOR OPERATED BY CHRIS ROBERTS DURING THIS BUDGET YEAR AND TWO IN THE 1997-98 BUDGET YEAR AT A COST OF \$1,330.00 EACH PLUS FREIGHT. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED ROAD AND BRIDGE ONLY BEING ABLE TO LOCATE FOUR OF THESE TYPE TIRES NATION WIDE. (MICHELIN X DOUBLE X RADIALS 18-R 22.5XF) COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO PURCHASE ALL FOUR OF THE TIRES.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER OPENED THE SEALED BIDS ON TWO FUEL TANKS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE. BIDS WERE RECEIVED FROM:

1. ALABAMA TANK INC. \$11,470.00 FOR BOTH TANKS
2. HOLLEY, INC. 6,002.00 FOR EACH TANK

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID FROM ALABAMA TANK, INC. FOR \$11,470.00 CONTINGENT UPON IT MEETING THE SPECIFICATIONS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD SET THEIR FIRST BUDGET HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 23 AT 5:05 P. M.; IF THIS DATE IS USED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD, THEN SET THE HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 25 AT 5:05 P. M. SHE ADVISED THE BOARD THEY NEEDED TO SET A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE WITH THE ROLLED BACK RATE BEING 9.499%. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE A MILLAGE RATE OF TEN MILLS AND SET THE FIRST BUDGET HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 23, 1997 AT 5:05 P. M.; IF THIS DATE IS TAKEN BY THE SCHOOL BOARD, SET THE HEARING DATE FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 1997 AT 5:05 P. M.

MS. ESTES PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH THE CORING INFORMATION ON ROCHE PIT PROVIDED TO HER BY GEORGE ROGERS; THE FIRST 10' IS SAND WITH THE NEXT 20' BEING CLAY WHICH IS THE SAME MATERIAL AS THE PIT THE BOARD OWNS THAT IS ADJACENT TO THIS PROPERTY. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NEED FOR A 15' OR BELOW THE WATER TABLE.

MS. ESTES ADVISED THE BOARD OF A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF VERNON FOR THE BOARD TO WRITE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THEM TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR A NEW FIRE HOUSE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE A LETTER OF SUPPORT BE SENT TO THE CITY OF VERNON FOR THEM TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FOR A NEW FIRE HOUSE CONTINGENT UPON IT MEETING ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS QUESTIONED IF ANY OF THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS HAD RECEIVED ANY CALLS PERTAINING TO THE UTILITY TAX ORDINANCE AS HE HAD GOTTEN SEVERAL CALLS DISCOURAGING THE UTILITY TAX DUE TO THE TAXES THE SCHOOL BOARD WAS GOING TO IMPOSE.

NONE OF THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS HAD RECEIVED ANY CALLS PERTAINING TO THIS ISSUE.

THE BOARD BEGAN THEIR BUDGET WORKSHOP. THE BOARD HAD BEEN GIVEN INFORMATION SHEETS ON THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997-98. THE BOARD BEGAN REVIEWING THE PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE PROPOSED COURT REPORTER SERVICE BUDGET NOT INCREASING OVER LAST YEAR; HOWEVER, CONNIE UPTAIN'S CONTRACT IS INCREASED FROM \$25,000.00 TO \$30,000.00.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAD TENTATIVELY APPROVED ALL THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS' BUDGETS ON JULY 31ST WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE TAX COLLECTOR'S BUDGET. COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAD SPOKEN WITH THE TAX COLLECTOR AND SHE ASSURED HIM BOTH OF THE NEW EMPLOYEES WERE NEEDED. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR'S BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997-98 TOTALLING \$193,475.00 TO BE FUNDED BY THE BOARD.

CLERK COOK ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER TENTATIVELY APPROVING THE AMENDED BUDGETS SHE HAD PRESENTED TO THEM WHICH WAS AMENDING THE SALARIES FOR HER EMPLOYEES FROM 3% TO 5% FOR A TOTAL INCREASE OF \$2,650.00. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE THE CLERK'S AMENDED BUDGETS TO COVER THE \$2,650.00 INCREASE FOR SALARY INCREASES. THE COUNTY CLERK/ACCOUNTANT BUDGET WOULD TENTATIVELY BE SET AT \$130,900.00 AND THE CLERK/COUNTY COURT WOULD TENTATIVELY BE SET AT \$127,420.00.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED IN THE GENERAL BUILDING BUDGET THERE WAS \$2,500.00 BUDGETED FOR UTILITIES FOR THE VERNON EMERGENCY CENTER AND HE SUGGESTED THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL MAY COULD PAY FOR THESE SERVICES. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD AT THIS TIME.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE THE GENERAL BUILDING SERVICES BUDGET TOTALLING \$190,203.00. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REQUESTED THE BOARD REVIEW ALL OF THE BUDGETS IN THE GENERAL FUND AND THEN MAKE ONE MOTION TO APPROVE OF ALL THE CHANGES. COMMISSIONER DAVIS WITHDREW HIS MOTION.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE CIVIL DEFENSE BUDGET WITH THE BOARD AND EXPLAINED THE INCREASES LISTED ON THE INFORMATION SHEET PROVIDED TO THEM. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON USING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT FUNDS FOR ALL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES IN THE CIVIL DEFENSE BUDGET. THE BOARD AGREED TO ADDRESS THIS BUDGET LATER.

UNDER THE AG & EXTENSION BUDGET, THE BOARD'S CONCENSUS WAS TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL \$500.00 TO COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE PAY TELEPHONE THE BOARD HAD TAKEN ACTION TO INSTALL AT THE AG CENTER.

UNDER INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT, THE BOARD AGREED NOT TO TAKE ACTION ON TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY'S REQUEST UNTIL THEY RESEARCH WITH JACKSON AND HOLMES COUNTY TO SEE IF THEY ARE GOING TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY.

THE BOARD ADDRESSED THE VETERANS SERVICE BUDGET AND AGREED TO THE TENTATIVE BUDGET PRESENTED WHICH INCLUDED A 3% SALARY INCREASE RATHER THAN THE 8% REQUESTED.

AS THERE WAS NO INCREASE IN THE GENERAL HEALTH SERVICES AND THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TENTATIVE BUDGETS, THE BOARD'S CONCENSUS WAS TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE BOTH OF THEM.

UNDER THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR WELFARE SERVICES, THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE REQUEST FROM TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL FOR THE TRI-COUNTY HEAD START, TRI COUNTY DISADVANTAGED TRANSPORTATION AND THE TRI-COUNTY FLORIDA FIX PROGRAM. ALSO UNDER THE OTHER HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL WAS REQUESTING \$5,000.00 FOR THE CANNING CENTER. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD AGREEING TO FUND \$5,000.00 TOTAL TO TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL WITH THEM USING THEIR DISCRETION ON WHERE TO SPEND THE FUNDS. ALSO THE BOARD'S CONCENSUS WAS TO FUND THE COUNCIL ON AGING THE SAME AS THE 1996-97 FISCAL YEAR WHICH WAS \$8,000.00.

THE BOARD'S CONCENSUS WAS FOR MS. ESTES TO CONTACT THE COUNCIL ON AGING FOR JUSTIFICATION ON WHY THERE WAS AN OVER RUN OF THE GRANT FOR THE SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER; WHY WAS THERE NOT A CHANGE ORDER ISSUED AND APPROVED FOR THE ROOF, ETC.

UNDER PARKS AND RECREATION, THE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM WAS DISCUSSED ON THE REQUEST FOR A FRONT END LOADER AND MOWER FOR \$10,000.00. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION BUDGET OF \$82,717.00 AND CARRY A \$7,000.00 CONTINGENCY FUND IN ADDITION TO THIS AMOUNT DUE TO THE SALE OF THE BIG PINES PROPERTY FOR A TOTAL TENTATIVE BUDGET OF \$89,717.00.

THE COMPUTER OPERATIONS BUDGET WAS DISCUSSED. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED A

MEETING HE HAD WITH STEVE ROARK, THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT HEAD, AND ALL THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, AND THE CONCENSUS WAS THEY WERE ALL WELL PLEASED WITH THE OPERATIONS OF THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT. CLERK COOK AGREED AND ALSO FELT THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT NEEDED THE ADDITIONAL PERSON THEY WERE REQUESTING IN THEIR BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS REFERENCED ROARK BEING WORTH A LOT MORE MONEY THAN HE IS BEING PAID. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ELIMINATE THE NEW POSITION IN THE COMPUTER BUDGET AND AUTHORIZE THE 20% SALARY INCREASES AND THE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED FOR ANY COMPUTERS WASHINGTON COUNTY PURCHASES TO BE AT THE RECOMMENDATION OF STEVE ROARK TO MAKE SURE THEY WILL BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE COMPUTER SYSTEM AND A MEMO BE SENT TO ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS ADVISING THEM OF THIS ACTION.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD ONE OF THE REASONS FOR A LARGER CONTINGENCY WAS DUE TO ONLY \$120,000.00 BEING BUDGETED FOR INMATE DETENTION RATHER THAN THE \$300,000.00 BUDGETED FOR THE 1996-97 FISCAL YEAR. SHE REMINDED THEM THEY WOULD NEED THE OTHER \$180,000.00 IN THE FUTURE TO HELP FUND THE JAIL CONSTRUCTION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE OF THE TENTATIVE BUDGETS PROVIDED WITH THE AMENDMENTS MADE BY THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND BROCK AGREED TO WITHDRAW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND UNTIL THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUDGET REQUEST COULD BE REVIEWED TO SEE IF THEY WANTED TO TAKE ACTION ON THE CIVIL DEFENSE TENTATIVE BUDGET.

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT GRANT REQUEST AND WAS ADVISED OF THE ITEMS THAT WAS BUDGETED IN BOTH THE CIVIL DEFENSE BUDGET AND THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUDGET. THE BOARD AGREED FOR COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO MEET WITH ROGER HAGAN, THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, TO SEE IF EVERYTHING PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CAN BE FUNDED FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT GRANT AND THE \$12,079.00 SLA GRANT.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED IT WAS THE CONCENSUS OF EVERYONE INVOLVED WITH 9-1-1, AFTER THE PROGRAM WAS FULLY IMPLEMENTED, THERE WOULD ONLY BE A NEED FOR A PART TIME POSITION. HOWEVER, THERE PRESENTLY IS A FULL TIME 9-1-1 PERSON PLUS A PART TIME POSITION. HE QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO CONTINUE TO FUND THE FULL TIME AND PART TIME POSITION.

THE BOARD QUESTIONED THE INCREASE IN SALARY THE 9-1-1 DIRECTOR WAS REQUESTING.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THEM HE WAS REQUESTING A 23% SALARY INCREASE; HOWEVER, THE TENTATIVE BUDGET SHOWED A 3% SALARY INCREASE AS THIS WAS THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD. THE BOARD WAS ALSO ADVISED NOTHING HAD BEEN CHANGED FROM BROCK'S BUDGET REQUEST WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE 3% SALARY INCREASE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE OF THE 9-1-1 TENTATIVE BUDGET TOTALLING \$86,047.00. COMMISSIONER DAVIS WITHDREW HIS MOTION.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON THE 9-1-1 BUDGET REQUEST INCREASES. THE BOARD'S CONCENSUS WAS FOR COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO MEET WITH ROGER HAGAN AND JERRY BROCK ON THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT GRANT BUDGET, CIVIL DEFENSE BUDGET AND 9-1-1 BUDGET FOR A MORE DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THEIR BUDGET REQUESTS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER READ THE LIST OF TENTATIVE BUDGETS APPROVED IN THE GENERAL FUND AND THE AMENDMENTS THE BOARD HAD MADE IN ORDER FOR THE BOARD TO TAKE ACTION TO TENTATIVELY APPROVE OF THEM:

1. BD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (CONTINGENCY LINE ITEM WILL CHANGE DUE TO AMENDMENTS APPROVED BY BOARD) \$908,941.00.
2. FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT WILL HAVE TO BE MADE DUE TO COUNTY CLERK ACCOUNTANT TENTATIVE BUDGET INCREASING BY \$1,350.00) \$712,684.00.
3. LEGAL SERVICES \$81,000.00
4. GENERAL COURT SERVICES (AMENDMENT WILL HAVE TO BE MADE DUE TO CLERK/COUNTY COURT FEES TENTATIVE BUDGET INCREASING BY \$1,300.00) \$285,095.00
5. COURT REPORTERS (THIS TENTATIVE BUDGET REMAINED THE SAME EVEN THOUGH BOARD TENTATIVELY APPROVED INCREASE IN CONNIE UPTAIN'S CONTRACT TO \$30,000.00) \$35,000.00
6. SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS \$181,118.00
7. GENERAL BUILDING SERVICES \$190,203.00
8. GENERAL INSURANCE SERVICES \$135,000.00
9. LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES \$1,062,490.00
10. FIRE CONTROL \$121,323.00

11. DETENTION & CORRECTIONS \$749,870.00 12. CIVIL DEFENSE (BOARD DID NOT APPROVE OF THIS BUDGET) 13. MEDICAL EXAMINER \$48,725.00 14. SOLID WASTE CONTROL \$15,000.00 15. POLLUTION CONTROL \$30,000.00 16. SOIL CONSERVATION \$4,649.00 17. AGRICULTURE & EXTENSION (THIS WILL CHANGE DUE TO \$500.00 BEING ADDED TO COMMUNICATIONS LINE ITEM TO COVER MONTHLY CHARGE FOR PAY TELEPHONE STATION) \$100,642.00 18. INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT (BOARD DID NOT APPROVE THIS BUDGET UNTIL CHECKING WITH JACKSON AND HOLMES COUNTY TO SEE IF THEY ARE GOING TO FUND TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY) 19. VETERANS SERVICES \$32,660.00 20. GENERAL HEALTH SERVICES \$17,900.00 21. MENTAL HEALTH \$28,000.00 22. WELFARE (THIS WILL CHANGE DUE TO BOARD AGREEING TO FUND TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL \$5,000.00 TOTAL AND FUND COUNCIL ON AGING AT 1996-97 BUDGET OF \$8,000.00) \$387,590.00 23. OTHER HUMAN SERVICES (TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL CANNING CENTER-\$0; THIS IS INCLUDED IN \$5,000.00 TOTAL TO BE GIVEN TO TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL UNDER WELFARE BUDGET) 24. PARKS AND RECREATION (THIS WILL CHANGE DUE TO \$7,000.00 CONTINGENCY LINE ITEM BEING ADDED) \$82,717.00 25. COMPUTER OPERATIONS (THIS WILL CHANGE DUE TO BOARD ELIMINATING POSITION AND FUNDING 20% SALARIES AND MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT) \$206,880.00.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE TENTATIVE BUDGETS AND AMENDMENTS AS LISTED. CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, THE BOARD ADDRESSED THE TRANSPORTATION TENTATIVE BUDGET AND THE INFORMATION SHEETS PRESENTED TO THEM DATED 8/11/97 WITH THE TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET TOTALLING \$2,078,352.00.

IN REVIEWING THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET, THE BOARD AGREED TO MOVE \$25,000.00 FROM BOTH THE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE-SERVICES AND THE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE-PARTS TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR A TOTAL OF \$50,000.00 AND TRANSFER THIS AMOUNT TO MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT. THIS WOULD INCREASE THE MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET TO \$120,830.00.

THE BOARD HAD BEEN PROVIDED INFORMATION ON THE EXTRA MONIES THAT WOULD NEED TO BE FUNDED FOR SALARIES IF THE BOARD AGREED TO THE \$.10 PER HOUR FOR EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE WORKED FOR 5-9 YEARS, \$.20 PER HOUR FOR EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE WORKED 10-14 YEARS AND \$.30 PER HOUR FOR EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE WORKED 15-OVER YEARS. ALSO, THE BOARD WAS PROVIDED WITH THE COST TO IMPLEMENT SALARY INCREASES FOR EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE WORKED 5-9 YEARS RECEIVING \$.50 PER HOUR, 10-14 YEARS RECEIVING \$.75 PER HOUR AND 15-OVER YEARS RECEIVING \$1.00 PER HOUR. AFTER REVIEWING THE INFORMATION, COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO IMPLEMENT THE \$.10, \$.20 AND \$.30 PAY INCREASES FOR EMPLOYEES ABOVE THE 3% ACROSS THE BOARD RAISES.

THE BOARD BEGAN TO ADDRESS THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997-98.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON GINA GAINNEY MOVING TO THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, GETTING PAID HALF A SALARY FROM THERE AND HALF A SALARY FROM PARKS AND RECREATION, AND MAKING MORE MONEY THAN FELICIA REED WHO WORKS AT THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT. THE BOARD HAD PREVIOUSLY TAKEN ACTION TO GIVE GINA GAINNEY AN INCREASE WHEN SHE TRANSITIONED TO PART TIME AT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND PART TIME AT 9-1-1. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO BRING FELICIA REED'S SALARY UP TO WHAT SHIRLEY HIGHTOWER AND GINA GAINNEY IS PRESENTLY MAKING AS THEIR CLASSIFICATION IS THE SAME; THEN GIVE HER THE 3% SALARY INCREASE AND THE STEP PAY PLAN INCREASE IN THE 1997-98 BUDGET.

THE BOARD ADDRESSED THE BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TOTALLING \$166,601.00. THE CONCENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS TO GIVE 3% SALARY INCREASES TO LLOYD POWELL, GINA GAINNEY AND BO CREEL WITH FELICIA GETTING THE 3% AND THE STEP PAY PLAN; DELETE THE OTHER CONTRACTURAL SERVICES FOR \$1,500.00 DUE TO THE BUILDING INSPECTORS BEING ABLE TO STAGGER THEIR TIME OFF; DELETE \$1,000.00 OFF THE TRAVEL AND PER DIEM LINE ITEM; AND DELETE THE \$24,000.00 BUDGETED FOR MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE CELLULAR PHONES AND IT WAS QUESTIONED AS TO WHO AUTHORIZED THE PURCHASE OF THE PHONES AND WERE THEY NEEDED AS SOME OF THE DEPARTMENTS HAD RADIOS ALSO. THE BOARD AGREED FOR DEPUTY CLERK ODOM TO PROVIDE A BREAKDOWN ON ALL THE DEPARTMENTS HAVING A CELLULAR PHONE AND WHAT THE COST FOR EACH DEPARTMENT ON THE PHONES IS.

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FRANK CORSO QUESTIONED IF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT WAS GENERATING ENOUGH REVENUES TO COVER THEIR BUDGET OR WAS THE BOARD SUPPLEMENTING THEIR BUDGET. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED AS OF THIS DATE, THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT HAS GENERATED ENOUGH REVENUE TO COVER ITS EXPENDITURES; THEY ALSO HAVE PROVIDED ANTICIPATED REVENUES TO COVER ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES FOR THE 1997-98 FISCAL YEAR.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING A DRAFT OF AN EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL POLICY SINCE 1995 AND HAVE NEVER SET A WORKSHOP ON THE POLICY. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED COMMISSIONER DAVIS THE BOARD WAS WAITING ON LEONARD CARSON TO REPORT TO THEM ON THE FINAL DRAFT OF THE UPDATED PERSONNEL POLICY. THE BOARD AGREED FOR MS. ESTES TO CONTACT MR. CARSON TO REPORT TO THE BOARD ON THE FINAL DRAFT OF THE PERSONNEL POLICY AT THEIR OCTOBER MEETING.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED HIGHWAY 279 FROM GUM CREEK TO CARYVILLE HAVING CRACKS ALL IN IT AND NEEDING REPAIR. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE RAINFALL RECEIVED IN THE COUNTY HAVING ALL THE SECONDARY ROADS IN NEED OF REPAIR. THE BOARD AGREED FOR MS. ESTES TO CONTACT DAVID MELVIN TO HAVE THE PRIORITY LIST ON ALL THE SECONDARY ROADS IN THE COUNTY AT THE AUGUST 28TH MEETING. ALSO, COMMISSIONER HALL IS TO CHECK TO SEE WHAT THE COST WOULD BE TO RESURFACE THAT PORTION OF HIGHWAY 279.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN.

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DEPUTY CLERK

END OF MINUTES FOR 08/11/97