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BOARD MINUTES FOR 07/24/97

JULY 24, 1997

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 9:00 P. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 711 THIRD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, CARTER, CORBIN, DAVIS AND HALL PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND CLERK LINDA COOK WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF FRED PEEL PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH REV. CLINTON HOWELL, JR. OFFERING PRAYER. CHAIRMAN CARTER LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 27, 29, JUNE 10 AND JUNE 19, 1997 MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ITEMS 2 AND 3 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

2. APPROVAL TO REMOVE JASON RUDD AND RONALD GERALD PLEAS FROM PROBATION AT RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS.
3. APPROVAL TO ADOPT RESOLUTION CHANGING THE FACT POLICY ON BOARD AND ADMINISTRATOR; REPLACES EXISTING RESOLUTION AND CREATES ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 1 ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

1. APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE COUNTY IN PREPARING THE LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY REPORT. COMMISSIONER DAVIS

QUESTIONED IF THE LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY REPORT COULD NOT BE DONE INHOUSE IN ORDER TO SAVE MONEY. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD THIS WAS A FOLLOW UP TO THE LOCAL MITIGATION GRANT WHICH HAD ALREADY BEEN APPROVED AND WAS AN AGREEMENT WITH WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL TO PREPARE THE LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY REPORT. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS TOTTALLING \$22,760.00 FOR THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT AS REQUESTED BY WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL.

CAROL GRIFFIN, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD REQUESTING THEY APPROVE THE MONIES NEEDED FOR HER TO PURCHASE NEW VOTING MACHINES. SHE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE QUOTES SHE HAD RECEIVED: BUSINESS RECORDS CORPORATION, A LITTLE OVER \$133,000.00, GLOBAL CORPORATION \$168,000.00. SHE ADVISED THE BOARD DAVID BURKE, REPRESENTATIVE OF BUSINESS RECORDS CORPORATION, WAS PRESENT TO DO A BRIEF DEMONSTRATION ON HOW THE VOTING MACHINES WORK. SHE ALSO ADDRESSED HER CHECKING ON THE FINANCING OF THE MACHINES AND REGIONS BANK WOULD FINANCE AT A RATE OF 5.3375%; HOWEVER, CHAIRMAN CARTER HAD ADVISED HER OTHER FINANCING AT A LOWER RATE MAY BE AVAILABLE.

MR. BURKE ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND GAVE THEM A PRESENTATION ON HOW THE NEW VOTING MACHINES WOULD WORK; THE NEW MACHINES WOULD MAKE VOTING TABULATIONS MUCH FASTER AND MORE ACCURATE. THE BOARD WAS ADVISED TWENTY MACHINES WOULD BE NEEDED FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY; ONE FOR EACH PRECINCT, ONE FOR THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OFFICE AND FOUR EXTRAS IN CASE A PROBLEM OCCURS.

BURKE ADDRESSED THE NEW VOTING MACHINES WOULD BE UNDER A TWO YEAR SERVICE WARRANTY FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST ELECTION; AFTER THAT A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT COULD BE SIGNED WITH BUSINESS RECORDS CORPORATION. ALSO, IF THERE IS A PROBLEM ON ELECTION NIGHT, BRC WOULD HAVE SOMEONE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST WITH CORRECTING THE PROBLEMS. BRC WOULD ALSO AGREE TO HAVE SOMEONE ON SITE FOR THE FIRST FOUR ELECTIONS OR ANY FOUR ELECTIONS OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS CHOICE WHEN THE MACHINES ARE PUT INTO USE; THE CUSTODIAN OF THE MACHINES FOR THE COUNTY WILL BE TRAINED TO HANDLE ANY TYPE OF FAILURE WITH THE MACHINES.

BURKE ADDRESSED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THERE WERE A POWER FAILURE; THE POLL WORKER COULD OPEN THE FRONT BIN AND LET THE VOTERS DROP THEIR BALLOT IN OR AN EXTERNAL BATTERY BACKUP COULD BE PURCHASED. THE EXTERNAL BATTERY BACKUP WOULD COST

\$150.00 EACH; THE MODEM IS INCLUDED IN THE PURCHASE PRICE THAT HAD BEEN PROVIDED. MR. BURKE ADVISED THE BOARD BUSINESS RECORDS CORPORATION WAS CERTIFIED BY THE STATE ELECTIONS OFFICE.

CHAIRMAN CARTER REQUESTED MS. GRIFFIN INCLUDE THE PRICE OF THE BATTERY PACKS IN HER BUDGET REQUEST AS SHE HAD ONLY SUBMITTED THE FINANCING OF THE MACHINES THEMSELVES.

FRANK CORSO QUESTIONED WHO WOULD SUPPLY THE BALLOTS FOR THE NEW VOTING MACHINES. BURKE ADVISED CORSO THAT BRC OR A LOCAL PRINTING COMPANY COULD SUPPLY THE BALLOTS.

WHEN MS. GRIFFIN QUESTIONED SHOULD SHE BEGIN THE BIDDING PROCESS, ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HIS PREFERENCE WAS TO BID; HOWEVER, AS THE QUOTES HAVE ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED AND MADE PUBLIC, THERE IS NO POINT IN BIDDING.

STEVE ROARK, COMPUTER OPERATOR, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE COMPUTER UPGRADES NEEDED FOR THE COUNTY. ROARK ADDRESSED THE CURRENT COMPUTER OPERATING SYSTEM WAS NOT DESIGNED TO HANDLE THE YEAR 2000; EVEN IF NIXDORF GETS THIS PROBLEM FIXED, NIXDORF IS GOING TO CUT OFF THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT ON IT AND THEY WILL ONLY COVER TIME AND MATERIALS. ROARK ADVISED THE BOARD THAT PARTS FOR THE CURRENT SYSTEM ARE GETTING SCARCE NOW AND WITHIN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS THERE PROBABLY WON'T BE ANY AT ALL.

ROARK ADDRESSED THE CLERK'S OFFICES DATA AND APPLICATIONS ARE BEING SPLIT OFF ON TWO DIFFERENT COMPUTER SYSTEMS. ALSO, THE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM IS ON THE OLDER TARGON SYSTEM AND IF THIS GETS SPLIT OFF, BEING ABLE TO COMMUNICATE AND HAVING THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION THAT COMES FROM THE DIFFERENT SYSTEMS FEED THE ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL LEDGER WILL BE A PROBLEM.

ROARK ADDRESSED THE CURRENT COMPUTER SYSTEM ALMOST PROHIBITS THE EXPANDING INTO OTHER AREAS FOR THE COUNTY DUE TO THE LACK OF FEATURES BEING ABLE TO TIE INTO THE NEWER TECHNOLOGY.

ROARK ADDRESSED THERE WERE ONLY TWO SYSTEMS HE HAD FOUND SO FAR THAT WOULD RUN THE NIXDORF PROGRAMS AND UTILIZE THE EXISTING PROGRAMS AND DATA: THE RM 400 OR THE RM FAMILY AND THE PRIMERGY SYSTEM. ROARK ADVISED THE RM 400 HAD THE GROWTH PATH AND POTENTIAL TO POSSIBLY TAKE THE COUNTY INTO THE NEXT TEN YEARS; HE WAS NOT ABLE TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON THE PRIMERGY SYSTEM BECAUSE THERE WERE QUESTIONS HE DIDN'T KNOW AS FAR AS THE INFORMIX SYSTEM THE CLERK'S OFFICE RUNS ON.

ROARK TOLD THE BOARD THE WORSE CASE SCENARIO AS FAR AS COST OF THE RM 400 WOULD BE \$83,000.00. NIXDORF HAS SAID THEY MAY BE ABLE TO WORK OUT SOME TYPE OF DISCOUNT FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENTS AND EDUCATION, ETC.

THE BOARD AGREED FOR ROARK TO WRITE THE BID SPECIFICATIONS ON WHAT THE COUNTY'S NEED ARE AND GIVE A SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATION AS FAR AS THE BUDGETED AMOUNT TO INCLUDE THE PURCHASE, HOOKUP, ETC. ALSO, THE SPECIFICATIONS SHOULD STATE THE BIDDER IS TO MAKE SURE THEIR EQUIPMENT WILL BE COMPATIBLE TO THE EXISTING LANGUAGE AND DATA ON THE CURRENT COMPUTER SYSTEM.

ROARK ADDRESSED HE MAY CALL IN A CONSULTANT TO MAKE SURE THE BOARD IS CONSIDERING EVERYTHING NEEDED AS HE FEELS HE HAS ONE CONSULTANT HE CAN GET IN A DAYS WORK AT A COST THAT IS UNDER THE \$500.00 HE IS ALLOWED TO EXPEND WITHOUT BOARD ACTION.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED AN EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT ON A WORK ORDER REQUEST TOTALLING \$4,800.00 FOR 9-1-1. CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD HE HAD REFUSED TO SIGN THE PURCHASE ORDER BECAUSE A MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT SHOULD BE AS AN AGREEMENT AND NOT ON A PURCHASE ORDER. THE BOARD AGREED FOR JERRY BROCK, 9-1-1 COORDINATOR TO PROVIDE THE AGREEMENT TO THEM AND HAVE ATTORNEY HOLLEY REVIEW IT PRIOR TO THEM GIVING THEIR APPROVAL.

DAVID MELVIN, COUNTY ENGINEER, REPORTED ON THE ANDERSON COLUMBIA CONTRACT ON THE CDBG ROAD GRANT. MELVIN ADDRESSED THERE BEING ENOUGH MONEY LEFT OVER FROM THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AWARD AMOUNT AND THE ACTUAL QUANTITIES INSTALLED TO COVER CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE FOR \$22,670.00. WITH THE ADDITIONAL TESTING BY TRI-STATES, IF THE PROJECT CONTINUES FOR ANOTHER FOUR WEEKS, IT APPEARS THERE WILL BE AN APPROXIMATE DEFICIT OF \$4,300.00. HOWEVER, WITH THE PROJECT CLOSING OUT LIKE IT IS NOW; MELVIN FELT THE COUNTY WOULD PROBABLY BALANCE OUT. THE BOARD AGREED FOR MR. MELVIN TO KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON THE PROJECT AND MAKE SURE THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO OVERRUN ON THE GRANT AMOUNT AND IT IS ABSOLUTELY BALANCED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED WITH MELVIN THE DRAINAGE ON BRICK- YARD ROAD WAS NOT SUFFICIENT AND NEEDED TO BE CHECKED TO MAKE SURE IT IS CORRECTED PRIOR TO PAYING THE CONTRACTOR HIS RETAINER FUNDS.

JOHN WEEKS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE ACCIDENT HE HAD ON SOUTH BOULEVARD AND THE NEXT DAY THE ROAD BEING PATCHED. WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AS TO WHAT HE WANTED, MR. WEEKS RESPONDED THE BOARD HAD ASKED THAT HE TURN HIS CASE OVER TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY WITH HOLLEY TO CONTACT THE COUNTY INSURANCE COMPANY FOR A REPLY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED WEEKS HE HAD CONTACTED THE COUNTY INSURANCE COMPANY AND THEY SAID THEY WOULD NOT PAY WEEKS' CLAIM BECAUSE IT WAS LESS THAN THE DEDUCTIBLE. WEEKS REFERENCED THE BOARD BEING AWARE OF THE ROAD CONDITION FOR MANY YEARS YET THEY HAVE DONE NOTHING TO CORRECT IT.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS REFERENCED THERE NOT BEING FUNDS AVAILABLE TO FIX EVERY ROAD IN THE COUNTY THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH. WEEKS REFERENCED SOMEONE HAVING ENOUGH MONEY TO PATCH THE ROAD AFTER HE HAD HIS ACCIDENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE ROAD HAD BEEN UNDER CONTRACT WITH ANDERSON COLUMBIA FOR EIGHT MONTHS BEFORE THEY HAD GOTTEN THERE TO FIX THE ROAD.

CHAIRMAN CARTER QUESTIONED MR. WEEKS ON WHAT HIS ULTIMATE REQUEST FROM THE BOARD WAS. WEEKS REQUESTED THE BOARD FIX ALL THE ROADS IN THE COUNTY.

CHAIRMAN CARTER QUESTIONED IF ANYONE WAS PRESENT TO SPEAK FOR LOU TRACY AS TRACY WAS NOT PRESENT. MR. VIC BELECKAS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON BEHALF OF THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION. HE REFERENCED LOT OWNERS AT BOAT LAKE BEING APPROACHED BY THE DELTONA CORPORATION TO PURCHASE PARCELS BETWEEN THEIR LOTS AND THE WATER AND THE GROUND UNDER THE WATER AT BOAT LAKE.

BELECKAS WAS REQUESTING THE COUNTY CHECK WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO TO ALLOW DELTONA TO SALE THE PARCELS AS THERE ARE RESTRICTIONS ON THESE PARCELS AND THE BOARD SHOULD BE AWARE OF THEM. BELECKAS ADVISED THE PARCELS CAN'T BE USED FOR ANYTHING THAT WON'T BE PUBLIC.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE STATE DIVISION OF LAND SALES CALLED HIM WITH THEIR CONCERN BEING DID DELTONA HAVE TO DO SOMETHING AS FAR AS FILING PLATS ON THE LAND THEY ARE DIVIDING UP AND SELLING. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THEM IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THEY WOULD HAVE TO FILE A PLAT; HE HAS BEEN TOLD DELTONA IS IN THE PROCESS OF PREPARING THE PROPER PLAT TO FILE WITH THE COUNTY.

HOLLEY REFERENCED THE LAND BEING NATURAL PRESERVED WITH CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF IT; THE LAND THAT IS BEING SUBDIVIDED AND SOLD WILL HAVE THE SAME RESTRICTIONS ON ITS USE WITH THE COUNTY'S REQUIREMENT BEING THEY FILE A PLAT. THIS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AT A LATER DATE.

MS. ESTES, OFFICE MANAGER, ADVISED THE BOARD OF A CONVERSATION WITH RANDY PARKER, COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING CONSULTANT, WHERE HE HAD RECEIVED SOME INFORMATION FROM KATHMAN, A SURVEYOR, AND THEY WERE IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING ON THE WORDING TO GO ON THE PLAT TO BE CONSIDERED A REPLAT; IT WILL EXTEND THE PROPERTY LINES TO THOSE LOTS, IT WILL STILL BE A NATURAL PRESERVE AND HAVE THE SAME RESTRICTIONS WHEN IT SALES AS IT DOES NOW.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE LOTS AT BOAT LAKE AS HE HAD ALWAYS UNDERSTOOD THERE WAS A SMALL AREA AROUND THE LAKE WHICH NOTHING COULD BE DONE WITH; IT COULDN'T BE FENCED, NOTHING COULD BE BUILT ON IT, ETC. CHAIRMAN CARTER RESPONDED NOTHING COULD BE BUILT BELOW THE HIGH WATER LINE; AS FAR AS THE BUILDING ON THE LOTS, A PERSON CAN BUILD AS LONG AS IT IS AN ENHANCEMENT OF RECREATION.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE LAND STATE IT IS BASICALLY DEDICATED FOR THE USE OF THE LOT OWNERS AT SUNNY HILLS. HOWEVER, BOAT LAKE PARK IS CLOSED EIGHT MONTHS OUT OF THE YEAR, THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION CHARGES FOR ANYONE TO BELONG TO THE PARK, AND THIS IS THE ONLY ACCESS PEOPLE HAVE TO THE PARCELS AROUND THE LAKE. THE MIAMI BRANCH OF THE DELTONA CORPORATION AGREED TO OFFER THIS EXTENSION TO THE LOT OWNERS PROPERTY TO THE LOT OWNERS; A QUESTIONNAIRE WAS SENT OUT TO THE LOT OWNERS TO FIND OUT IF THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING THE EXTENSION OF THEIR PROPERTY; THE ONES INTERESTED CAME IN; A COMPLETE CONTRACT WAS GIVEN TO THEM WITH THE RESTRICTIONS ATTACHED TO IT; THEY UNDERSTOOD IT; A DEPOSIT WAS MADE AND THE LOT OWNERS WERE TOLD IT WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY 60 TO 90 DAYS TO CLOSING SO THE PLATTING PROCESS COULD BE ADHERED TO.

BELECKAS STATED HIS CONCERN WAS THE LIABILITY OF THE LOT OWNERS IF SOMEONE WERE HURT ON THE PROPERTY.

JAN MORRIS QUESTIONED IF THE ISSUE DISCUSSED WAS DELTONA OFFERING TO SALE THE LOT OWNERS AROUND BOAT LAKE THE LAND BETWEEN THEIR LOTS DOWN TO THE WATER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED MORRIS THIS WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING. MORRIS ALSO QUESTIONED IF THE LOT OWNER COULD PUT A FENCE ON THE PROPERTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED MORRIS HE DID NOT HAVE THE RESTRICTIONS WITH HIM AND COULDN'T ANSWER THAT QUESTION. HOWEVER,

BELECKAS ADVISED THAT THE LOT OWNERS WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO BUILD ANYTHING ON THE LOTS.

VIC MARSHALL ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE SURPLUS PROPERTY HE HAD RECENTLY PURCHASED FROM THE COUNTY AT BIG PINES CAMPSITES. MARSHALL ADVISED THAT ONE OF THE LOTS HE HAD PURCHASED FROM THE COUNTY DID NOT BELONG TO THE COUNTY WHEN IT WAS SOLD AND IT WAS THE MOST VALUABLE PIECE OF PROPERTY HE PURCHASED. MARSHALL WAS AGREEING TO QUIT CLAIM DEED THE LOT BACK TO THE ORIGINAL OWNER, MS. PEGGY STARKIE, IF THE COUNTY WOULD AGREE TO PAY HIM THE APPRAISED VALUE OF THE LOT WHICH WAS \$3,955.00. ATTORNEY HOLLEY INFORMED THE BOARD THEY HAD A MORAL OBLIGATION TO REFUND MR. MARSHALL THE VALUE OF THE LOT THAT HAD BEEN SOLD TO HIM IN ERROR; HOWEVER, IT WAS UP TO THEM WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO COMPENSATE HIM FOR THE PROPERTY. AFTER DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO REFUND VIC MARSHALL THE APPRAISED VALUE OF \$3,955.00 FOR THE LOT BELONGING TO PEGGY STARKIE IN CONJUNCTION WITH MARSHALL GIVING A QUIT-CLAIM DEED BACK TO HER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY IS TO PREPARE THE QUIT-CLAIM DEED FOR THE PROPERTY MARSHALL IS TO DEED BACK TO MS. STARKIE.

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, BO CREEL, BUILDING INSPECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE NEW EDITION OF THE HURRICANE RESISTANT RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION, SSTD1096. HE GAVE A BRIEFING ON THE SSTD1096 REDUCING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ONE AND TWO STORY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES; ONE ITEM SPECIFICALLY WHICH REDUCES THE COST TO THE CONTRACTOR AND THE OWNER IS BEING ABLE TO CHANGE THE ANCHOR BOLT SPACING FROM 21" ON THE CENTER TO 4' ON THE CENTER. HE REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO BEGIN ENFORCING THE NEW EDITION IMMEDIATELY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY TOLD THE BOARD THEY COULD AUTHORIZE THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO BEGIN IMPLEMENTING THE CHANGE, GET HIM A COPY OF THE NEW EDITION TO REVIEW AND THEN HE WILL MAKE A DETERMINATION IF IT WILL NEED TO BE DONE BY ORDINANCE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO PROCEED WITH ENFORCING THE CHANGE AND NOTIFY THE CONTRACTORS OF THE CHANGE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE PREVIOUS BUILDING ORDINANCE ADOPTED ALLOWING THE HOME OWNER TO DO ADDITIONS UP TO 500 SQUARE FEET OR \$5,000.00. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED IT NEEDED TO BE CLARIFIED THIS DID NOT INCLUDE ELECTRICAL; IF THERE IS AN UPGRADE IN ELECTRICAL, IT WILL REQUIRE AN ELECTRICAL PERMIT.

CREEL ADDRESSED A COPY OF THE REVISIONS TO THE ORDINANCE PROVIDED TO HIM BY ROGER HAGAN WHEN THE ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD MIGHT WANT TO SET UP A WORKSHOP ON THIS ISSUE FOR CLARIFICATION AS THE ORDINANCE DOES NOT RELIEVE THE PERMITTING PROCESS; IT JUST RELIEVES THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BUILDING CODE.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL TO AUTHORIZE THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO BEGIN ENFORCING ANY UPGRADE IN ELECTRICAL SERVICES WILL BE PERMITTED AS THIS WAS THE INTENT OF THE BOARD WHEN THE ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED. CREEL ADDRESSED THE ORDINANCE DON'T SAY A PERSON DOES NOT HAVE TO GET A PERMIT FOR BUILDING, ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING; THE STATE LAW REQUIRES AN EXEMPTION. CREEL SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING A PERSON APPLIES TO THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT FOR AN EXEMPTION AND THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT ISSUES AN EXEMPTION FOR WHATEVER PORTION OF THE CODE APPLIES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED HIS UNDERSTANDING WHEN THE ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED WAS A PERSON COULD GO AND ADD ON TO THEIR HOUSE AS LONG AS IT DIDN'T EXCEED 500' OR \$5,000.00 WITHOUT PERMITTING. CREEL SAID THE REVISIONS TO THE ORDINANCE PROVIDED TO HIM BY HAGAN STATED THIS ALSO; HOWEVER, THE ORDINANCE DOES NOT STATE THIS. CREEL SAID THE SITUATION IN THE FLOOD ZONES ALSO NEEDS ADDRESSING; THEREFORE, A WORKSHOP NEEDS TO BE HELD TO CLARIFY THE ORDINANCE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND HALL WITHDREW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND WITH THE BOARD AGREEING TO HOLD A WORKSHOP ON THIS ISSUE ON THURSDAY, JULY 31ST AS THEY WERE GOING TO SCHEDULE A BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR THIS DATE.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS MADE A STATEMENT HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE PROBATION PROCESS WAS AT THE END OF SIX MONTHS AN EMPLOYEE, UNLESS THERE IS A DEROGATORY REVIEW OF THAT EMPLOYEE, WOULD AUTOMATICALLY COME OFF OF PROBATION. COMMISSIONER DAVIS SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THE BUILDING OFFICIAL, BO CREEL, IS STILL ON PROBATION AND HE OFFERED A MOTION TO REMOVE BO CREEL FROM PROBATIONARY STATUS AND GET A 10% INCREASE IN PAY APPLIED TO HIS POSITION. COMMISSIONER BROCK SECONDED THE MOTION. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE ISSUE WHETHER IT WAS UNDERSTOOD WHEN MR. CREEL WAS HIRED HE WOULD GET A 10% RAISE WHEN HE CAME OFF PROBATION. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED NO EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN HAVING 10% WITHHELD FROM THEIR WAGES WHILE ON PROBATION FOR SOME TIME NOW. THE REMAINING BOARD MEMBERS SAID IT WAS THEIR UNDERSTANDING IT WAS

BOARD POLICY TO WITHHOLD 10% OF AN EMPLOYEES WAGES UNTIL THEY ARE OFF PROBATION. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH COMMISSIONER DAVIS STATING HIS MOTION STOOD.

CHUCK YATES ADDRESSED IT BEING HIS UNDERSTANDING THE JOB REQUIRED CERTAIN TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS AND QUESTIONED IF CREEL HAD COMPLETED ALL OF HIS CERTIFICATIONS. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADVISED THAT CREEL HAD COMPLETED ALL OF HIS CERTIFICATIONS AS HE HAD SPOKEN WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL BUSINESS REGULATIONS AND WAS TOLD CREEL HAS EXCEEDED ANY REQUIREMENTS THE STATE HAS AND HAS FAR SURPASSED ANY BUILDING INSPECTOR IN THIS AREA.

SOMEONE IN THE AUDIENCE QUESTIONED IF CREEL HAD MOVED INTO THE COUNTY YET AND WAS ADVISED HE HAD NOT MOVED. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERENCING WHEN CREEL WAS HIRED IT WAS AGREED BEFORE HE GOT A COUNTY VEHICLE HE WOULD MOVE INTO THE COUNTY AND THAT HE WOULD MOVE TO THE COUNTY. CORBIN REFERENCED HIM KNOWING CREEL WAS DOING A GOOD JOB AND HE APPRECIATED IT; HOWEVER, CREEL HAD AGREED TO MOVE INTO THE COUNTY AND HE WOULDN'T COME OFF PROBATION UNTIL HE DID.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED OTHER EMPLOYEES WHO WORK FOR THE COUNTY WHO DO NOT LIVE IN THE COUNTY AND ARE NOT BEING REQUIRED TO MOVE TO THE COUNTY. BROCK RECOMMENDED THE BOARD SET A POLICY WHICH WOULD BE FOR ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED IT BEING PRESENTED TO THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY TO REMOVE CREEL FROM PROBATION; HOWEVER, NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE AS OF YET. COMMISSIONER DAVIS, CARTER AND BROCK VOTED FOR THE MOTION TO REMOVE CREEL FROM PROBATION AND GIVE HIM A 10% INCREASE WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND HALL OPPOSING.

FRANK CORSO QUESTIONED WHEN AN EMPLOYEE MOVES FROM ONE POSITION TO ANOTHER, ARE THEY STILL UNDER A SIX MONTH PROBATION. CHAIRMAN CARTER SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING IF AN EMPLOYEE MOVES INTO ANOTHER POSITION, THEY GO INTO ANOTHER SIX MONTHS PROBATION.

CORSO REFERENCED THE BOARD'S ACTION CHANGING ROGER HAGAN FROM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND CHANGING GINA GAINNEY FROM CLERICAL-CIVIL DEFENSE AND PARKS AND RECREATION TO CLERICAL-BUILDING AND PARKS AND RECREATION AND QUESTIONED IF THEY WERE STILL ON PROBATION. COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADVISED CORSO THAT MR. HAGAN WAS STILL ON PROBATION BECAUSE HIS SALARY WAS NOT REDUCED; MS. GAINNEY WAS NOT ON PROBATION DUE TO HER GETTING AN INCREASE IN PAY AND SHE WAS JUST GIVEN ADDITIONAL DUTIES WITH HER EXISTING JOB.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO REMOVE LLOYD POWELL, BUILDING INSPECTOR, FROM PROBATION. THE BOARD ADVISED CORBIN THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY TAKEN ACTION TO REMOVE POWELL FROM PROBATION.

MR. TOMMY CHESSEY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON A ROAD ON THE BACKSIDE OF HIS PROPERTY; HE OWNS APPROXIMATELY 120 ACRES AND HAS NO ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY. CHESSEY SAID HE HAD APPROACHED CANAL FOREST FOR THEM TO GIVE HIM A SIMPLE EASEMENT TO HIS PROPERTY SO HE COULD HAVE ACCESS.

CHESSEY REFERENCED THE BOARD TAKING ACTION TO ABANDON THE ROAD AND QUESTIONED THE BOARD IF THEY ABANDONED THE ROAD, DOES THIS STOP HIS ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY; THE PEOPLE WHO OWN THE PROPERTY AND HAVE THE PROPERTY LEASED SEEMS TO THINK SO. CHESSEY WAS ADVISING THE BOARD HE WAS HAVING TROUBLE SELLING THE PROPERTY DUE TO THERE BEING NO ACCESS TO IT.

CHESSEY ADVISED MR. MATHIS OF CANAL FOREST HAD AGREED TO GIVE HIM A 40' EASEMENT TO THE PROPERTY SHORTLY AFTER CHESSEY'S FATHER PASSED AWAY; HOWEVER, THE ONLY THING THEY HAVE GIVEN ME IS A LICENSE AGREEMENT WHICH IS ONLY GOOD FOR TEN YEARS WHICH ALLOWS ONLY HIM, HIS MOTHER AND HIS TWO CHILDREN THE RIGHT TO ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY. CHESSEY ADVISED THE BOARD HE WAS IN A SITUATION WHERE HE NEEDS TO SELL THE PROPERTY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO SATISFY HIS DEBTS AND HIS FATHER'S DEBTS THAT WERE ACQUIRED ON THE FARM; IF NOT, EVERYTHING THEY HAVE WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM HIM AND HIS MOTHER AS THE PROPERTY WILL BE FORECLOSED ON.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THE COUNTY HAS NO RIGHT OF WAY THROUGH THIS PROPERTY; THE COUNTY ABANDONED IT BY NOT MAINTAINING IT. CHESSEY REFERENCED FLORIDA STATUTES STATES THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO NOTIFY THEM IN ORDER TO ABANDON THE ROAD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED FLORIDA STATUTES STATES IF THE COUNTY DOES NOT MAINTAIN A ROAD FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME, THEY HAVE NO RIGHT TO GO BACK AND MAINTAIN IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED CHESSEY HE COULD GET ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY BUT HE WOULD HAVE TO USE HIS ATTORNEY TO GET INTO A PRIVATE LAWSUIT. HOLLEY ADDRESSED FLORIDA STATUTE 704.01 STATES IF A PERSON IS LANDLOCKED, THEY ARE ENTITLED TO AN ACCESS BY THE NEAREST PRACTICAL ROUTE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERENCED THE HISTORY OF THE PROBLEM AND QUESTIONED WHEN AND WHY DID THE COUNTY STOP MAINTAINING THE ROAD. HE ALSO REFERENCED CULVERTS BEING

INSTALLED BY THE COUNTY ON THE ROAD IN THE PAST. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED BROCK THIS STILL DID NOT GIVE THE COUNTY THE RIGHT TO START MAINTAINING THE ROAD AGAIN AFTER ALL THESE YEARS OF NOT MAINTAINING IT.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE A LETTER BE WRITTEN TO BE SIGNED BY HIM AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTING THE LAND OWNER GIVE AN EASEMENT TO THE PROPERTY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED CHESSEY TO TALK WITH HIS ATTORNEY; HOWEVER, IT WOULD NOT BE A BAD IDEA IN HIS OPINION TO GET THE USE PERMIT SIGNED AND START USING IT. THIS WOULD TEND TO INDICATE TO THE COURT THIS WOULD BE THE MOST PRACTICAL ROUTE SHOULD HE HAVE TO GO TO COURT TO GET A RIGHT-OF-WAY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTED CHESSEY GET HIS ATTORNEY TO SEND HIM A LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE ROAD IN QUESTION, WILDERNESS ROAD. MR. CHESSEY PROVIDED ATTORNEY HOLLEY WITH A MAP SHOWING HIS PROPERTY AND THE ROAD IN QUESTION. MR. CHESSEY ADVISED THE BOARD WILDERNESS ROAD WAS THE ORIGINAL ACCESS TO HIS PROPERTY AND DOESN'T UNDERSTAND HOW HE CAN BE DENIED GETTING ACCESS.

GARY THURMAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD FOR FINAL APPROVAL ON PINE LAKES ESTATE PHASE 3 PLAT WHICH THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AND GRANT FINAL APPROVAL OF PINE LAKES ESTATES PHASE 3 PLAT.

GARY THURMAN ALSO REQUESTED THE BOARD ACCEPT THE ROAD IN THE PINE LAKES SUBDIVISION. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ROAD IN PINE LAKES SUBDIVISION 3 CONTINGENT TO THURMAN FOLLOWING THE CONDITIONS OF DAVID MELVIN, COUNTY ENGINEER, ON THE ROAD AND MELVIN SIGNING OFF STATING THE ROADS HAVE MET THE CONDITIONS. COMMISSIONER BROCK SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

GARY THURMAN ADDRESSED ON DECEMBER OF 1996 ON PHASE 2 OF PINE LAKES SUBDIVISION, IT WAS PAST THE YEARS MAINTENANCE; THURMAN WAS REQUESTING TO GET THAT PORTION OF ROAD ACCEPTED UP TO PHASE 3. WHEN QUESTIONED BY CHAIRMAN CARTER IF HE HAD DONE ANYTHING ON THIS PORTION OF ROAD ON A FINAL, DAVID MELVIN SAID THERE WAS NO PROBLEM WITH THE PAVED ROAD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE PHASE 2 PORTION OF THE ROAD IN PINE LAKES SUBDIVISION UP TO PHASE 3.

OLE ELLIS, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE GRANT REQUEST BEFORE EDA FOR RESURFACING BRICKYARD ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 77 OUT TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. ELLIS ADVISED THE BOARD THE REQUEST FOR FUNDING WAS LOOKING GOOD AND THE BOARD SHOULD KNOW SOMETHING BY MID AUGUST. ELLIS ADDRESSED THIS WAS A \$200,000.00 PROJECT WITH IT BEING A 50/50 MATCH. THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO BUDGET A \$100,000.00 MATCH FOR THE PROJECT.

ELLIS ADDRESSED A RURAL COMMUNITY REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM BEING AVAILABLE FOR PROJECTS OF THIS TYPE WHERE MONIES COULD BE BORROWED AT 5% TO COVER THE MATCH TO BE PAID BACK OVER A PERIOD OF FOUR OR FIVE YEARS IF THE BOARD CHOSE TO DO SO.

ELLIS ADDRESSED THE GRANT COVERING THE RESURFACING OF BRICKYARD ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 77 TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK, IMPROVE THE 273 INTERSECTION AND WIDEN THAT PORTION OF BRICKYARD ROAD THAT IS NOT AS WIDE THE OTHER PART.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ENGINEER, DAVID MELVIN, TO REVIEW ALL THE PAVED ROADS IN THE COUNTY, PRIORITIZE THEM AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD.

CHAIRMAN CARTER RECOMMENDED MELVIN LOOK AT HIGHWAY 77 TO HIGHWAY 277 DUE TO THE NEW SCHOOL BEING BUILT THERE. CHAIRMAN CARTER HAD MET WITH EDWARD PRESCOTT AND GOTTEN A COMPLETE SET OF THE OLD ENGINEERING PLANS ON BRICKYARD ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 77 TO HIGHWAY 277 WHICH HE AGREED TO PROVIDE TO MELVIN.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED MELVIN GET COST ESTIMATES ON THE RESURFACING OF HIGHWAY 284 RATHER THAN THE WIDENING OF IT. MELVIN ADVISED CORBIN THE INFORMATION HE HAD PROVIDED GAVE DIFFERENT OPTIONS TO THE BOARD ON HIGHWAY 284 AND THE ESTIMATE FOR RESURFACING WAS ONE OF THE OPTIONS.

J. R. FOXWORTH, ADDRESSED THE BOARD, STATING IF COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAD TO LIVE ON HIGHWAY 284 HE WOULD WANT IT WIDENED. CHAIRMAN CARTER EXPLAINED THAT COMMISSIONER CORBIN ONLY MEANT THERE WERE NOT SUFFICIENT FUNDS TO WIDEN THE ROAD AND RESURFACE IT AT THIS TIME. FOXWORTH QUESTIONED IF GRANT MONIES WERE NOT AVAILABLE FOR THE PROJECT. FOXWORTH WAS ADVISED THIS ROAD WOULD NOT MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT. HE ADDRESSED THE 30 DAY TEMPORARY ELECTRICAL PERMIT ORDINANCE THE BOARD HAD REQUESTED HE DRAFT AND ADVISED THE BOARD

THEY WOULD NEED TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IF THEY WANTED TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE 30 DAY TEMPORARY ELECTRICAL PERMIT ORDINANCE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD THEY WOULD HAVE TO ESTABLISH A FEE TO BE CHARGED FOR THE TEMPORARY ELECTRICAL PERMIT AND THIS CAN BE DONE BY A REGULAR MOTION AT THE TIME THEY ADOPT THE ORDINANCE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE POLICY DEALING WITH THE TEARING DOWN, STEALING OR DEFAMATION OF COUNTY ROAD SIGNS AND ADVISED THE BOARD ALL THAT WAS REQUIRED WAS FOR THE BOARD TO VOTE TO ADOPT IT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED THIS BE PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT MONTH'S MEETING. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE POLICY ON ROAD SIGNS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE RESOLUTION THE BOARD HAD REQUESTED HE DRAW UP ON THE SAND BARS ON HOLMES CREEK. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE ORDINANCE HE HAD DRAFTED AT THE REQUEST OF THE BOARD ON JET SKIS IN HOLMES CREEK. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE UTILITY ORDINANCE HE HAD DRAFTED AT THE REQUEST OF THE BOARD GIVING THEM THE RIGHT TO ISSUE LICENSES OR FRANCHISES TO THE UTILITY COMPANIES TO GENERATE FUNDS WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO USE TO FUND THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTING OF THE UTILITY ORDINANCE. CHAIRMAN CARTER REQUESTED THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS BE NOTIFIED THE BOARD WILL NOT ADOPT THE ORDINANCE UNLESS THEY PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A GOOD PLAN ON HOW THE MONIES ARE TO BE DISTRIBUTED.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THERE BEING NO LEGAL REQUIREMENT THESE FUNDS HAVE TO BE USED TO FUND THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS; THEY CAN BE USED FOR ANY LAWFUL COUNTY PURPOSE.

CHUCK YATES VOICED HIS OPPOSITION TO THE BOARD PASSING AN ORDINANCE AND USING THE FUNDS FOR ANY PURPOSE THEY WANT TO; THE FUNDS SHOULD BE FOR A SPECIAL USE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED YATES THE ONLY WAY THE ORDINANCE COULD BE DRAWN UP ACCORDING TO STATE LAW IS FOR GENERAL REVENUE TO BE USED FOR ANY COUNTY PURPOSE.

FRANK CORSO QUESTIONED COULDN'T THE BOARD DESIGNATE THE USE OF THE FUNDS FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE BOARD COULD DESIGNATE A SPECIFIC USE OF THE FUNDS AFTER THE ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE ORDINANCE HE HAD DRAFTED AT THE REQUEST OF THE BOARD ON GIVING THE BOARD AUTHORITY TO CONDEMN OLD ABANDONED HOUSES OR BUILDINGS THAT HAVE BEEN LEFT UNTENDED AND UNSAFE. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED A QUIT CLAIM DEED FRANK PERICOLA FROM INTERNATIONAL TIMBER COMPANY HAD PREPARED TO THE COUNTY ON THE TEN FOOT STRIPS OF PROPERTY AT HOLMES CREEK CAMPSITES WHICH HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AT A PREVIOUS MEETING. COMMISSIONER HALL ADVISED THE BOARD THIS WOULD BE A WAY FOR PEOPLE TO GET OUT WHEN THE RIVER RISES; RIGHT NOW IT IS GROWN UP, PEOPLE HAVE GOT A FENCE ACROSS IT AND WHEN THE RIVER RISES THERE IS NO WAY OUT OR IN WITHOUT THIS DEED. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REFERENCED IF PEOPLE HAVE A FENCE ACROSS IT, THEY MAY CHALLENGE THE BOARD LEGALLY IN COURT WHEN THEY TRY TO OPEN THIS PROPERTY UP. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE QUIT CLAIM DEED FROM INTERNATIONAL TIMBER COMPANY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE LAWSUIT AGAINST THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FILED BY SHERRI THOMPSON HAS BEEN SETTLED FOR \$23,000.00 AND THE BOARD NEED TO FORMALLY APPROVE THAT SETTLEMENT. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO APPROVE THE \$23,000.00 SETTLEMENT.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED WHY IS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BEING SUED AND WHY IS THE BOARD HAVING TO PAY THE SETTLEMENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY BRIEFED HALL ON THIS BEING A DISCRIMINATION SUIT THAT HAS BEEN PENDING AGAINST THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE WHEN DANNY HASTY WAS SHERIFF; PEEL INHERITED THE LAWSUIT AND IT IS A TYPE OF DISCRIMINATION THAT IS NOT COVERED UNDER THE SHERIFF'S INSURANCE. HOLLEY ADVISED HALL THERE WAS ANOTHER CASE WHICH HAS NOT BEEN SETTLED THAT WILL NOT BE COVERED UNDER THE SHERIFF'S INSURANCE ALSO.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE OF THE \$23,000.00 SETTLEMENT WAS APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED THESE MONIES WOULD COME OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY FUNDS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE LEGALITY OF PAYING THE CHAIRMAN ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR DOING ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES DURING THE TIME THE BOARD HAS NO ADMINISTRATOR. HOLLEY ADVISED HE HAD FOUND NO AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BOARD TO PAY THE CHAIRMAN ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION; HE HAD CONTACTED BOB NABORS OFFICE, THE ATTORNEY FOR THE STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, AND REQUESTED HE RESEARCH THE ISSUE. NABORS IS TO GIVE HOLLEY AN OPINION ON FRIDAY WHICH HE WILL SHARE WITH THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF HE HAD RECEIVED THE PAPERWORK FROM THE FINANCING AUTHORITY ON THE LOAN. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD HE HAD RECEIVED THE PACKET AND REVIEWED IT; IT IS THE SAME PROCESS THE BOARD HAD WENT THROUGH PREVIOUSLY WHEN THEY BORROWED MONEY FROM THE SAME ORGANIZATION.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED INFORMATION HE HAD ON PUBLIC FINANCING THE BOARD HAD REQUESTED HE LOOK INTO. HE ADVISED THE BOARD OF A MEETING HE, MS. ESTES AND MS. CARTER HAD WITH PHIL BENNETT OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE ASSOCIATES, INC. ON A LOAN POOL ESTABLISHED IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA; ANYTHING THE BOARD BORROWS WILL BE SET UP LIKE A LINE OF CREDIT; IF THEY DON'T USE IT, THEY HAVE IT AVAILABLE WHEN THEY WANT TO USE IT. DAVIS ADDRESSED THE INTEREST RATE IS ACTUALLY 3.8%; HOWEVER, THE LOAN WAS CALCULATED AT 4% IN CASE THE INTEREST RATE FLUCTUATES. DAVIS ADVISED THE BOARD THE 5TH AND 6TH CENT GAS TAX WILL BE USED TO RETIRE A LOAN FOR THE ROAD AND BRIDGE EQUIPMENT AT A RATE OF \$369,000.00 ANNUALLY FOR TEN YEARS FOR A \$3,000,000.00 LOAN; THE ROAD AND BRIDGE EQUIPMENT ALREADY PURCHASED BY THE BOARD TOTALLED \$1,279,451.00. THE BOARD RECEIVED \$267,430.00 FROM THE SALE OF SOME EQUIPMENT AT THE J. M. WOOD AUCTION; IF THIS IS USED TOWARD THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE NEW EQUIPMENT, THE BALANCE OWED ON THE EQUIPMENT WOULD TOTAL \$1,012,111.00 TO BE FINANCED. ALSO, IF THE BOARD ALLOWS THEMSELVES \$100,000.00 TOWARD THE MATCH FOR THE EDA GRANT, THIS WOULD LEAVE \$1,787,889.00 THE BOARD COULD USE FOR PAVING, PURCHASING NEW EQUIPMENT, ETC.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERENCED \$2,000,000.00 NOT BEING ENOUGH TO RESURFACE THE ROADS IN THE COUNTY. CORBIN WAS ADVISED NOT ALL OF THE 5TH AND 6TH CENT GAS TAXES WERE BEING OBLIGATED TO PAY BACK THE \$3,000,000.00 LOAN AND THE BOARD COULD BORROW MORE IF THEY WANTED TO DO SO.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REFERENCED THE RESOLUTION FROM THE FINANCING AUTHORITY WOULD GIVE THE BOARD AUTHORITY TO BORROW UP TO \$10,000,000.00.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED THE BORROWING OF \$4,500,000.00 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW JAIL WHICH WILL BE RETIRED AT 288,000.00 ANNUALLY FOR A 25 YEAR PERIOD. DAVIS HAS CALLED BENNETT TO SEE WHAT THE ANNUAL PAYMENT WOULD BE FOR A 10 YEAR PERIOD AS HE DIDN'T LIKE THE 25 YEAR PERIOD INDEBTEDNESS.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED \$300,000.00 BEING ADDED TO THE OLD HOSPITAL PROJECT TO GO WITH THE \$600,000.00 ALREADY AVAILABLE FOR THE RENOVATIONS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE ROAD PAVING NEEDS OF THE COUNTY. CHAIRMAN CARTER SUGGESTED THE BOARD NEEDED TO TAKE ACTION FOR THE SHOULDERS OF THE ROADS TO BE CLIPPED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE INTEREST RATE ON THE LOAN POOL MONIES BEING A VARIABLE INTEREST RATE; THE LONGER THE MONEY IS BORROWED FOR THE MORE EXPENSIVE THE RATE CAP IS GOING TO BE. WHEN LOOKING AT A TEN YEAR PERIOD, A 7% INCREASE CAN BE SET WHICH WOULD BE A VERY LITTLE INCREASE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ENTER INTO THE LOAN POOL, APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO BORROW UP TO \$10,000,000.00 AND ASK FOR A CAP OF 4.7% INTEREST RATE.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS AGREED TO CALL A MEETING OF THE JAIL COMMITTEE AND MAKE A DETERMINATION ON THE NEEDS AND THE STATUS OF THE JAIL AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS ADDRESSED THE REVENUE PLEDGED TO PAY BACK THE LOAN FOR THE JAIL WAS THE \$300,000.00 BUDGETED EACH YEAR FOR INMATE DETENTION AND THE \$50,000.00 PLEDGED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION; THE PAYMENTS ON THE LOAN FOR THE JAIL WOULD NOT HAVE TO BEGIN UNTIL THE JAIL IS COMPLETED AND OCCUPIED.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION TO APPOINT MR. DAVID MORRIS TO SERVE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION REPLACING MR. JOHN LANE. COMMISSIONER BROCK SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN, CLERK AND ATTORNEY TO SIGN THE NECESSARY BOND PAPERS ON THE LOAN POOL MONIES FOR THE JAIL, OLD HOSPITAL RENOVATIONS, ROAD & BRIDGE EQUIPMENT, ETC.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED THE FIVE POINTS RECREATIONAL CENTER. HALL HAD MET

WITH THE FIVE POINTS COMMITTEE AND WAS ADVISED NO ONE HAD EVER MADE THEM AWARE THEY NEEDED TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT AND THE ORIGINAL COMMITTEE IS NO LONGER THERE. HALL ADDRESSED THE COMMITTEE WAS NOT AWARE THEY HAD TO TURN THE MONEY IN TO THE COUNTY FOR THE RENTAL OF THE BUILDING; THEY ARE KEEPING A RECORD OF THE MONEY AND PURCHASING SUPPLIES NEEDED WHEN THEY RENT THE BUILDING. THEY WERE REQUESTING DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD AS TO WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN TO THE RENT MONEY WHEN THEY TURN IT IN TO THE BOARD.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HALL THE COMMITTEE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING AN AUDIT TRAIL OF WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THE MONIES COLLECTED; FIVE POINTS NEEDS TO TURN THE MONIES IN TO THE COUNTY AND REQUISITION IT LIKE EVERYONE ELSE DOES.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED FOR ALL MONIES COLLECTED BY FIVE POINTS RECREATION COMMITTEE GO BACK TO FIVE POINTS FOR UPKEEP, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES ETC. OF THE RECREATIONAL CENTER.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL ON AGING HAVING A COST OVERRUN ON THE SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER OVER THE GRANT AMOUNT RECEIVED TOTALLING \$7,456.00 AND WAS REQUESTING THE BOARD ASSIST WITH THE OVERRUN. THE BOARD AGREED TO TABLE THIS ISSUE UNTIL NEXT MONTH WHEN DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WOULD BE PRESENT TO ADDRESS THE OVERRUN.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED THE ROAD AND BRIDGE EMPLOYEES QUESTIONING IF THEY HAVE TO WEAR THEIR SAFETY BELTS ALL DAY LONG AS THEY ARE QUITE WARM, ESPECIALLY DURING THE HOT DAYS. THEY WERE ASKING IF THEY COULD ONLY WEAR THEM WHEN LIFTING. COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE ROAD AND BRIDGE FOREMEN NOT BEING REQUIRED TO WEAR THE SAFETY BELTS. THE BOARD AGREED THIS NEEDED TO BE CHECKED INTO AS THEY SHOULD WEAR SAFETY BELTS ALSO. THE BOARD AGREED TO CHECK WITH THE INSURANCE COMPANY TO SEE WHAT THEIR REQUIREMENTS ARE ON WEARING THE SAFETY BELTS AT ALL TIMES.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED THE ROAD AND BRIDGE EMPLOYEES WORKING AS INMATE GUARDS ARE REQUESTING THE BOARD LOOK INTO HIGH RISK PAY FOR THEM OR HIGH RISK RETIREMENT. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE HIGH RISK RETIREMENT IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THESE EMPLOYEES ACCORDING TO THE STATUTES. AS FAR AS HIGHER PAY, THE BOARD AGREED TO LOOK AT THIS ISSUE AT BUDGET TIME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED AN INVENTORY OF EQUIPMENT AT ROAD AND BRIDGE WHICH NEEDED TO BE MOVED AND REPLACED. COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED A TRACTOR AT ROAD & BRIDGE WHICH WAS 14 YEARS OLD NEEDING REPAIRS WHICH WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$4,000.00. THE BOARD AGREED THEY DIDN'T WANT TO PUT THIS MUCH MONEY INTO A TRACTOR THIS OLD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK HAD GOTTEN ROAD & BRIDGE TO GET THE STATE BID PRICE ON A 72 HP FORD TRACTOR WHICH WOULD RUN ABOUT \$17,500.00. THE BOARD AGREED TO DISCUSS THE REPLACING OF EQUIPMENT DURING BUDGET WORKSHOPS.

CHAIRMAN CARTER RECOMMENDED THE LIASON FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE WORK WITH THEM TO GET THE AGE OF ALL THE EQUIPMENT ON THE THREE YEAR CAT REPLACEMENT AND THE MACK TRUCKS SO THE ROTATION CAN BE SET UP AND THE MONIES CAN BE BUDGETED FOR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED A REQUEST FROM THE ROAD AND BRIDGE FOREMEN DUE TO ROAD DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE FLOODING, THE EQUIPMENT REMAIN IN DISTRICT II AND IV FOR ANOTHER WEEK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CARTER FOR ROAD & BRIDGE EMPLOYEES TO WORK ON FRIDAY, JULY 25TH, AND GET PAY FOR ANY TIME OVER 40 HOURS FOR THE WEEK. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK MADE THE BOARD AWARE ONE OF THE DUMP TRUCKS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE HAD BROKEN DOWN AND IS PARKED AND ANOTHER ONE IS POURING OIL AND RUNNING HOT AND IS FIXING TO BREAK DOWN.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS QUESTIONED WHO WAS GOING TO TAKE CARE OF SENDING THE RESOLUTION TO SENATOR CHILDERS AND REPRESENTATIVE PEADEN REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN GETTING MONIES FOR THE ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS TO ASSIST IN RESEARCHING HOW TO ELIMINATE THE SAND BARS AT HOLMES CREEK. COMMISSIONER DAVIS WAS ADVISED THE CLERK WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING DISTRIBUTION OF THE RESOLUTION TO THESE REPRESENTATIVES.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE TENTATIVELY APPROVED BUDGET OF THE PROPERTY APPRAISER BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE HAS NOTIFIED THE BOARD THEY HAVE UNTIL AUGUST 14TH TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IF THEY DISAGREE WITH THE TENTATIVE BUDGET; HOWEVER, IT IS A ZERO INCREASE BUDGET. THE BOARD AGREED THEY HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S TENTATIVELY APPROVED BUDGET BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE ISSUE OF THE FUNDING OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

POSITION. IF THE BOARD CONTINUES TO GET THE REVENUE THEY ARE PRESENTLY GETTING FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, THEY HAVE TO HAVE A FULL TIME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND HE CAN NOT BE ASSIGNED DUTIES NOT RELATED TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. HOLLEY RECOMMENDED THE BOARD TAKE ACTION APPROVING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR WILL BE A FULL TIME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR UNLESS THEY WANT TO HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE AUDITOR. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOARD INTENDS TO MAINTAIN A FULL TIME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICER IN ORDER TO CONTINUE GETTING REVENUES THEY ARE PRESENTLY RECEIVING.

VONCILE ESTES, OFFICE MANAGER, ADDRESSED A PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE AMBULANCE SERVICE THAT IS UNDER THEIR EMS GRANT FOR \$5,070.00 FOR EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW AMBULANCE; SINCE IT IS OVER THE \$5,000.00 LIMIT, THE BOARD NEEDS TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN CARTER TO SIGN THE PURCHASE ORDER. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN CARTER TO SIGN THE PURCHASE ORDER FOR THE AMBULANCE EQUIPMENT.

MS. ESTES ADDRESSED THE PRICES SHE HAD GOTTEN ON GETTING THE COUNTY LOGO DECALS ON ALL COUNTY EQUIPMENT:

GREEN & BLACK LOGOS/250 - \$5.50 EACH

500 - \$4.75 EACH THE COST WOULD BE SOMEWHERE

BETWEEN \$4.75 AND \$5.50 EACH FOR 300 REFLECTIVE DECALS. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE PURCHASE OF THE REFLECTIVE COUNTY LOGO DECALS.

MS. ESTES ADDRESSED CONTACTING DAVID SOLGER AT THE AG CENTER IN REGARDS TO THE COST OF A PAY TELEPHONE AT THE AG CENTER AND HE ADVISED IT WOULD COST SOMEWHERE BETWEEN \$137.00 TO \$150.00 TO INSTALL IT AND A \$30.00 PER MONTH CHARGE. SOLGER WAS NOT REQUESTING A PAY PHONE FOR THE AG CENTER. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO HAVE A PAY PHONE INSTALLED AT THE AG CENTER WITH THE RENT MONIES PLEDGED TO COVER THE FEE.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED COPIES OF QUOTES HE HAD FROM ROAD AND BRIDGE FOR FUEL TANKS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE. THE BOARD AGREED FOR COMMISSIONER BROCK TO WRITE UP THE SPECIFICATIONS ON REPLACING THE FUEL TANKS IN THE PROPER REQUIRED CONDITIONS AND SEND THEM OUT FOR BID. CORSO QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WOULD CONSIDER CONTRACTING OUT THE FUEL WITH A VENDOR RATHER THAN REPLACING THE TANKS. IT WAS ALSO QUESTIONED IF THE SUPPLIER WOULD INSTALL THE TANKS FOR THE CONTRACTOR SUPPLYING THE FUEL. THE BOARD AGREED FOR COMMISSIONER BROCK TO RESEARCH BOTH SCENARIOS AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD AT THE NEXT MEETING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE RESOLUTION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SMALL COUNTY COALITION FOR 1997-98.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED BUDGET AMENDMENTS WHICH NEEDED APPROVING, SOME BEING INTERDEPARTMENTAL AND SOME BEING TAKEN OUT OF CONTINGENCY TO COVER THE SETTLEMENT OF THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT LAWSUIT, TO COVER SALARIES FOR THE TRANSITIONS OF PERSONNEL IN SOME DEPARTMENTS, TO COVER THE MATCHING MITIGATION STRATEGY REPORT WITH THE WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS PRESENTED. (COPIES MADE PART OF MINUTES.)

CLERK COOK ADDRESSED A QUIT CLAIM DEED SHE HAD FROM L. M. CRUTCHFIELD ON A ROAD HE HAD PETITIONED THE BOARD TO CLOSE AND THEY HELD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ABANDONED THE ROAD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HE HAD LOOKED AT THE QUIT CLAIM DEED AND HAD NO PROBLEM WITH IT. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN CARTER TO SIGN THE QUIT CLAIM DEED FOR L. M. CRUTCHFIELD.

CLERK COOK ADDRESSED AN AGREEMENT WITH ROBERT JENSON ON THE HICKS LAKE PROPERTY WHICH HAS BEEN EXECUTED BY THE BOARD; HOWEVER, JENSON HAS BEEN WRITTEN A LETTER NOTIFYING HIM TO COME SIGN THE AGREEMENT BUT HAS NOT DONE SO AS OF THIS DATE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE CLERK HE HAD THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION ATTACHMENT FOR THE AGREEMENT. COMMISSIONER BROCK IS TO CONTACT JENSON TO COME AND SIGN THE AGREEMENT AT THE CLERK'S OFFICE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED HENRY DAY AND HIS WIFE BEING PRESENT AS THEY WERE GOING TO DONATE A PIECE OF PROPERTY AT PATE POND AND QUESTIONED IF A SURVEY HAD BEEN DONE ON THE PROPERTY YET. THE BOARD WAS NOT AWARE OF THE SURVEY BEING DONE. HOLLEY SAID THE BOARD WOULD NEED THE SURVEY TO PREPARE THE DEED FOR MR. & MS. DAY TO SIGN DONATING ENOUGH PROPERTY FOR ACCESS TO A FLOATING DOCK BEING FUNDED BY A GRANT FOR

HANDICAP ACCESS TO PATE POND. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THAT DAVID CORBIN, PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, WAS TO HAVE HAD THE SURVEY DONE. THE BOARD AGREED TO GET WITH MR. CORBIN ON THIS ISSUE.

CHAIRMAN CARTER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD TAKE ACTION TO APPLY FOR A WATER USE PERMIT FOR ECONFINA CREEK. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN CARTER TO FILL OUT THE APPLICATION FOR A WATER USE PERMIT FOR ECONFINA CREEK.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED CHAIRMAN CARTER FOR A RECOMMENDATION ON WHETHER THE COUNTY NEEDS A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, ETC. SINCE HE HAS BEEN IN CHARGE SINCE THERE IS NO ADMINISTRATOR. CHAIRMAN CARTER SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY COMPLAINTS BUT THAT WOULD BE THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD ON WHETHER TO OBTAIN AN ADMINISTRATOR OR ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS FELT THE ONLY PERSON NEEDING DIRECTION WOULD BE MR. TOBE RUSS, BUILDING MAINTENANCE, DUE TO HIM GETTING PHONE CALLS FROM INDIVIDUALS WANTING HIM TO DO DIFFERENT JOBS. DAVIS RECOMMENDED THE BOARD SET UP ANY REQUEST FOR RUSS'S SERVICES COME THROUGH MS. ESTES WITH HER TO MAKE A DETERMINATION ON PRIORITIZING THE REQUESTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN FELT THE BOARD NEEDED SOMEONE FOR EVERYBODY TO BE ACCOUNTABLE TO.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REFERENCED HIM ADDRESSING IN HIS LETTER TO THE BOARD THEY MAY WANT TO DO LIKE WALTON COUNTY AND HAVE SOMEONE IN CHARGE OF ALL PERSONNEL EXCEPT THE ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL WITH THE BOARD TAKING CARE OF THOSE.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION FOR ALL MAINTENANCE CALLS TO COME THROUGH MS. ESTES WITH HER PRIORITIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE REQUESTS. COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND THE BOARD AGREED FOR THE CHAIRMAN JUST TO SEND OUT A MEMO TO THIS EFFECT.

THE BOARD AGREED TO HAVE MS. ESTES GET A COPY OF RONNIE BELL'S (WALTON COUNTY) JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THEIR REVIEW.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR JUNE 1997 TOTTALLING \$659,492.12.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE BOARD NEEDING TO RENEW THE GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE AS THE RENEWAL DATE IS AUGUST 1, 1997. DUE TO EXPERIENCING DRASTIC CLAIMS, THE PREMIUMS WILL BE GOING UP FROM \$119.21 TO APPROXIMATELY \$128.95. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CARRIER TO RENEW THE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR THE COUNTY AND APPROVE THE NEW RATES.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9TH AT 10:30 A.M. AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING HAD BEEN SCHEDULED IN PANAMA CITY ON THE PORTER POND ISSUE. HOLLEY ADDRESSED AN EXPERT WITNESS WOULD BE NEEDED TO STATE IT WAS A NAVIGABLE WATERWAY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED REX YATES ADVISING HIM THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 5,000.00 DELINQUENT TAX CERTIFICATES AT THE PRESENT TIME. ATTORNEY HOLLEY AGREED TO PREPARE THE BOARD A LETTER ON THE PROCEDURE TO TAKE CARE OF THE DELINQUENT TAX CERTIFICATES. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERING A MOTION TO CONTACT THE TAX COLLECTOR TO ADVISE THE BOARD ON HOW THEY CAN ASSIST HER WITH EXPEDITING THE DELINQUENT TAX CERTIFICATES. COMMISSIONER DAVIS SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

THE BOARD RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL 4:30 P. M. JULY 31ST.

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CLERK

CHAIRMAN

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DEPUTY CLERK

END OF MINUTES FOR 07/24/97