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BOARD MINUTES FOR 12/16/99

DECEMBER 16, 1999

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 8:00 A. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 711 THIRD STREET, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, CARTER, COPE, ENFINGER AND HALL PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, CLERK LINDA COOK, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY LINDA WALLER AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERING PRAYER. CHAIRMAN CARTER LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28 AND NOVEMBER 16, 1999 WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR THE DECEMBER 16, 1999 MEETING:

1. APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC FIVE-YEAR PLAN TO INCLUDE STATE/FEDERAL REQUIRED WORK ITEMS.
2. APPROVE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR PUBLIC BUS ROUTE FUNDS; TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL INVOICE FL-DOT FOR REIMBURSEMENT FUNDS, A CHECK WILL BE ISSUED TO WASHINGTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON COUNTY WILL SUBMIT THE CHECK TO TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND A ONE PERCENT FEE WILL BE ISSUED TO THE COUNTY FOR FUNDS RECEIVED AND SUBMITTED.

GAIL CULBRETH REQUESTED A WAIVER OF USER'S FEE FOR THE AG CENTER FOR AN ADDITIONAL FUND RAISER EACH YEAR IN FEBRUARY OR MARCH FOR THE TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF CULBRETH'S REQUEST.

GORDON WARREN, JR., PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON SPEED STUDIES THEY HAD REQUESTED HE DO ON ORANGE HILL SOUTH BOULEVARD AND SUNNY HILLS BOULEVARD. WARREN RECOMMENDED THE FOLLOWING SPEED ZONES BE ESTABLISHED:

SUNNY HILLS BOULEVARD-40 MPH FROM HIGHWAY 77 EASTWARD TO .2 TO 300' WEST OF COLUMBIA PLACE TO COUNTRY CLUB BOULEVARD.

ORANGE HILL SOUTH BOULEVARD-45MPH FROM STATE ROAD 277 IN AN EASTERLY DIRECTION AROUND CAT BROWN CURVE TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD; FROM THE INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD TO THE END OF THE PAVEMENT BE SET AT 55MPH. WARREN ADDRESSED OTHER ITEMS LISTED IN THE REPORT THAT WERE IN NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE MANUAL OF UNIFORM TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES WHICH NEEDED TO BE CORRECTED IN THE FUTURE.

THE BOARD REQUESTED WARREN GET WITH THE COUNTY SIGN PERSON ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HEIGHT, SIZE, COLOR, ETC. OF SIGNS FOR COUNTY ROADS.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE FOR WARREN TO GET A LIST OF ROADS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY THAT WERE LIKE THE SUNNY HILLS BLVD. AND THE ORANGE HILL SOUTH BLVD. THAT COULD BE POSTED THE SAME AND DO TRAFFIC STUDIES ON OTHER COUNTY ROADS SO A COUNTY WIDE ORDINANCE COULD BE ADOPTED ON SPEED LIMITS. COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERENCED THERE ALREADY BEING A RESOLUTION IN PLACE FOR ALL COUNTY ROADS THAT ARE POSTED BE SET AT 35MPH SPEED LIMIT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE COUNTY IS NOW RE-DOING THESE SPEED LIMITS ROAD BY ROAD WITH WARREN DOING SPEED STUDIES ON THEM. HOLLEY REQUESTED WARREN INCLUDE IN THE RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS ON COUNTY ROADS THAT THE SPEED LIMITS ARE BEING ADOPTED PURSUANT TO STATE LAW AND COUNTY ORDINANCE RATHER THAN JUST STATE LAW. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE SPEED LIMITS ON SUNNY HILLS BOULEVARD AND ORANGE HILL SOUTH BOULEVARD RECOMMENDED IN THE TRAFFIC STUDIES PROVIDED BY GORDON WARREN, JR.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AMENDING A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 23, 1999 CHANGING GORDON W. WARREN, JR. TO GORDON WARREN, JR. AS THE COUNTY'S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE TO CONDUCT TRAFFIC ENGINEERING STUDIES ON SELECTED COUNTY ROADS.

WARREN THEN QUESTIONED THE WEIGHT LIMIT POSTED AT 15,000 POUNDS PER AXLE ON THE NEW PART OF FALLING WATERS ROAD THAT WAS PAVED; HE FELT THIS WAS TOO HIGH. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD AGREEING FOR WARREN TO IDENTIFY ANY PROBLEMS WITH WEIGHT LIMITS ON COUNTY ROADS.

WARREN THEN VOICED A COMPLAINT ABOUT THE DITCH PAVING ON STATE PARK ROAD STATING A DANGEROUS SITUATION WAS MADE IN TO A MORE DANGE- ROUS SITUATION; THE DITCH PAVING WAS SO DEEP, THE PIPE WAS SO BIG AND MITERED ENDS WAS USED WITH NO GRATE INSTALLED. HE ALSO QUESTIONED THE DESIGN OF THE PROJECT. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED WARREN GRATES WERE GOING TO BE INSTALLED BUT THIS WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE SOIL CONSERVATION'S PLANS FOR THE PROJECT.

WARREN THEN VOICED A COMPLAINT ABOUT PHOENIX CONSTRUCTION COMPANY NOT FOLLOWING ANY SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND ENDANGERING THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC WHILE DOING THE WORK ON THE PROJECT. HE RECOMMENDED HAVING SOMEONE MAKE SURE PHOENIX FOLLOWS THE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS WHEN DOING WORK ON COUNTY ROADS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED COUNTY ROAD NAME SIGNS BEING DESTROYED BY VANDALISM AND SUGGESTED THE BOARD MAY WANT TO LOOK AT OFFERING A REWARD AND PUBLICIZING IT IN THE PAPER TO TRY AND CATCH THE PERSONS DESTROYING THE SIGNS. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD REQUESTING THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT MAKE SURE PUBLIC WORKS IS PROVIDED COPIES OF THE SPEED LIMIT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD AND THE SPEED LIMIT SIGNS ARE POSTED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS.

STACY WEBB ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON SHIP SUBORDINATIONS AND REQUESTED THE BOARD TAKE ACTION TO LIMIT SUBORDINATIONS TO BENEFIT THE HOMEOWNER ONLY WHICH WOULD MEAN LOWER INTEREST RATES THAN THEY CURRENTLY HAVE; NO CASH OUT WOULD BE ALLOWED FOR DEBT CONSOLIDA- TION OR REMODELING. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR SHIP SUBORDINATIONS TO BE APPROVED IF THEY BENEFIT THE HOMEOWNER ON LOWER INTEREST HOMEOWNER PAYMENTS ONLY; NOT FOR CONSOLIDATION OF DEBT.

WEBB THEN ADDRESSED SHIP RECAPTURE PROVISIONS AND REQUESTED THE BOARD ELABORATE ON THE RECAPTURE PROVISIONS AND REQUIRE THE SHIP PARTICIPANTS HAVE TO RESIDE IN THE HOME; IF NOT, THE SHIP FUNDS WILL BE DUE AND PAYABLE AT A PRO-RATED RATE. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHETHER THE SHIP REGULATIONS REQUIRE THE PARTICIPANT TO RESIDE IN THE HOME OR JUST MAKE PAYMENTS ON THE HOME. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO REVIEW THE SHIP REGULATIONS AND ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AT THE JANUARY 27, 2000 BOARD MEETING.

WEBB ADDRESSED A RECENT MONITORING VISIT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ON THE CDBG ROAD GRANT AND ADVISED THE COUNTY NEEDED TO UPDATE THE COORDINATOR FOR THEIR 504 PLAN. WEBB RECOMMENDED THE BOARD APPROVE THE UPDATED 504 PLAN TO STATE THE COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION WOULD BE THE COORDINATOR FOR THEIR PLAN. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE UPDATED 504 PLAN TO STATE THE POSITION OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT OR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR WOULD BE THE COORDINATOR FOR THE PLAN.

WEBB ADDRESSED ANOTHER ISSUE BROUGHT OUT ON THE MONITORING VISIT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS; THE INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS CONTROL OF THE SIGNATURE STAMP FOR THE CHAIRMAN ALSO HAS CONTROL OF THE BLANK CHECKS. JULIAN WEBB ADVISED THE BOARD HE WOULD RESPOND TO THIS FINDING STATING ONE DEPUTY CLERK WILL PREPARE THE CHECKS AND ANOTHER DEPUTY CLERK WILL KEEP THE CHAIRMAN'S STAMP; THE BOARD WAS IN AGREEMENT WITH THIS RESPONSE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON MORTGAGE BROKERS WORKING WITH SHIP APPLICANTS WHO WOULD NOT NORMALLY BE ABLE TO GET FUNDING ELSEWHERE AND THE DIFFERENT INTEREST RATES BEING CHARGED. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED HIS CONCERNS ON MORTGAGE COMPANIES FINANCING SHIP APPLI- CANTS THE LOCAL FINANCING INSTITUTIONS WOULD NOT FINANCE, THE NEED TO ESTABLISH A LIMIT ON THE INTEREST RATE THAT CAN BE CHARGED AND THE NEED TO MAKE SURE ALL SHIP PARTICIPANTS HAVE INSURANCE TO COVER MORTGAGE OF HOME. STACY WEBB AGREED TO KEEP THE BOARD INFORMED ON THE INTEREST RATES AS FAR AS WHAT THE LOCAL BANKS ARE DOING AS OPPOSED TO MORTGAGE COMPANIES.

JOHN MASLER, DISTRICT SUPERVISOR FOR WESTERN DISTRICT OF RESPECT FOR FLORIDA PROGRAMS, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THEIR PROGRAM SERVING THE DISABLED POPULATION IN THE

COMMUNITY AND LOOKED AT WAYS TO PROVIDE THEM WITH EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. RESPECT HAD PROVIDED A PROPOSAL ON JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING AND BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE DIFFERENT ISSUES THEY LOOKED AT WHEN PROVIDING THE PRICE FOR THEIR SERVICES.

LINDA WALLER PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION ON THE OTHER BIDS RECEIVED AND ALSO ADVISED RESPECT DID NOT ATTEND THE PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND ONLY BID ON THE COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING; THE OTHER TWO BIDDERS BID ON ALL OF THE COUNTY BUILDINGS.

MASLER ADVISED HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE COUNTY ANNEX WAS NOT TO BE BID UNLESS RESPECT AND THE COUNTY COULD NOT COME TO SOME TYPE OF AGREEMENT ON THE PRICE TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES; RESPECT IS NOT ALLOWED TO COMPETE ON A COMPETITIVE NATURE AS FAR AS WITH COMPETITIVE BIDDERS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE PRESENT JANITORIAL SERVICES AND THE COMPLAINTS THAT HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER ADDRESSED HE HAD NOT BEEN AWARE OF ANY COMPLAINTS. COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED HE HAD BEEN HEARING SOME COMPLAINTS AND HAD BEEN SEEING SOME AT THE AG CENTER.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERENCED THE PRESENT JANITORIAL SERVICE HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN BEFORE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS COMPLAINTS THAT HAD BEEN RECEIVED ON THE SERVICES THEY PROVIDED AND AGREED TO ADDRESS THE COMPLAINTS AND IMPROVE THEIR SERVICES. LINDA WALLER ADVISED THE BOARD THE COMPLAINTS HAVE CONTINUED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO TAKE CARE OF THE JANITORIAL NEEDS FOR THE COUNTY VERSUS CONTRACTING OUT THE SERVICES; WHETHER TO NEGOTIATE WITH RESPECT ON THE COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL YEAR AND REBID THE REMAINING BUILDINGS OR REBID ALL OF THE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR ALL THE COUNTY BUILDINGS. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO NEGOTIATE THE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY ANNEX WITH RESPECT AND IF NEGOTIATIONS CAN'T BE REACHED WITHIN THE BUDGET GUIDELINES, THE TOTAL BID PACKAGE FOR JANITORIAL SERVICES WILL BE REBID AND A DECISION MADE AT THE JANUARY 27, 2000 MEETING.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ENTER INTO A SIX MONTH CONTRACT WITH USSI TO CONTINUE PROVIDING JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT INCLUDE THE COUNTY ANNEX DEPENDING ON WHETHER NEGOTIATIONS CAN BE REACHED WITH RESPECT.

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED FOR A RECESS. PURSUANT TO A RECESS, JAMES BLALOCK ADDRESSED THE POOR ROAD CONDITIONS ON THE OLD BONIFAY ROAD WHERE THE BLACKTOP ENDS TOWARD THE CREEK. COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED THE COUNTY NEEDS MORE RIGHT OF WAY IN ORDER TO WIDEN THE ROAD TO HELP CORRECT SOME OF THE PROBLEMS; HE AGREED TO GET WITH BLALOCK ON THE ROAD CONDITIONS.

BLALOCK QUESTIONED WHY THE BLACKTOP STOPPED WHERE IT DID ON THE OLD BONIFAY ROAD AND STATED HE WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY THE EXTRA TAXES TO GET THE REMAINDER OF THE ROAD BLACKTOPPED.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE BID OPENINGS ON JAMES POTTER ROAD HELD ON DECEMBER 8, 1999 AND REMINDED THE BOARD FL-DCA GAVE THEM WRITTEN PERMISSION TO REBID JAMES POTTER ROAD FOR FINAL GRADING AND ASPHALT PAVING ONLY:

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| 1. ANDERSON COLUMBIA  | \$58,400.00 |
| 2. COUCH CONSTRUCTION | \$70,120.00 |
| 3. GRANGER ASPHALT    | \$54,260.00 |
| 4. FLORIDA ASPHALT    | \$75,685.00 |

KNAUER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD AWARD THE BID TO GRANGER ASPHALT FOR \$54,260.00 CONTINGENT ON GRANGER BEING WILLING TO WAIT UNTIL THE ROAD WAS PREPARED FOR PAVING. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO AWARD THE BID TO GRANGER ASPHALT IF GRANGER WILL GUARANTEE THE PRICE FOR SIXTY DAYS.

KNAUER THEN UPDATED COMMISSIONER BROCK ON THE PROPERTY INVOLVED WITH THE 1998 CDBG ROAD GRANT THAT RUNS INTO HIGHWAY 79; THE SURVEYORS HAVE FOUND A LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND THE ISSUE SHOULD BE RESOLVED SHORTLY. COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED KNAUER GET WITH JULIAN WEBB, THE GRANTS MAN FOR THE CDBG, WHEN THE NEEDED FOOTAGE OR ACREAGE IS DETERMINED FOR ACQUISITION PURPOSES.

KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SMALL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROJECTS:

1. HWY 77A FALLING WATERS ROAD FROM THE INTERSECTION OF STATE PARK ALL THE WAY TO HWY 77; ESTIMATED COST OF \$190,000.00 TO DO LEVELING NEEDED, WIDEN TWO FEET ON EACH SIDE OF ROAD AND 1 1/2" SURFACE ON 2.32 MILES.
2. HWY 280 BEGINNING AT HWY 79 WEST TO HWY 284; ESTIMATED COST OF \$650,250.00 FOR LEVELING AND 1 1/2" SURFACE ON

10.99 MILES AND \$310,000 FOR WIDENING OF TWO FEET ON EACH SIDE OF ROAD; TOTAL COST \$960,250.00. DISCUSSION HELD ON CONDITION OF PIPES ON ROAD AND SLEEVING THEM RATHER THAN INSTALLING NEW ONES DUE TO COST FACTOR.

3. BRICKYARD ROAD; ESTIMATED COST OF \$144,660.00 FOR LEVELING, WIDEN TWO FEET ON EACH SIDE OF ROAD AND DO OVERLAY FOR APPROXIMATELY 8,000 LF. ESTIMATED COST OF \$120,000 WHEN TAKING OUT PART THAT IS BEING DONE BY SCHOOL BOARD FOR NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL.

KNAUER ADVISED THE BOARD THE TOTAL FUNDING AWARDED FOR THE PROJECTS TOTALLED \$1.3 MILLION DOLLARS AND THE ESTIMATED COST FOR THE THREE PROJECTS TOTALLED \$1,292,360.00; THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE MOBILIZATION, BONDS, MAINTENANCE, TRAFFIC, STRIPING, MITERED ENDS, HEADWALLS, ETC. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LARGE SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY IF THEY WOULD GIVE THE CONTRACTOR ACCESS TO ONE OF THEIR BARROW PITS AND RECOMMENDED BIDDING THE PROJECTS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COM- MISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE KNAUER TO PUT THE PROJECTS OUT FOR BID.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS TO ALLOW THE CONTRACTOR TO PULL THE BASE MATERIALS OUT OF THE COUNTY BARROW PITS, REVIEW THE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE PROJECTS PRIOR TO THEM GOING OUT FOR BID AND TO INSTALL MITERED ENDS ON THE PIPE.

KNAUER RECOMMENDED DOING A SET OF DRAWINGS WHICH DO NOT MATCH ALL OF THE FL-DOT SPECIFICATIONS, THAT DON'T HAVE TO HAVE HEADWALLS POURED IN THREE DIFFERENT POURS WITH STEEL SCHEDULES, SEE WHAT THE PRICES COME IN AT AND ALSO BID IT OUT ACCORDING TO DOT SPECIFICATIONS. THE BOARD AGREED FOR THE PROJECT TO BE ADVERTISED BOTH WAYS. KNAUER ADVISED THE BOARD THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ALLOCATED AN AMOUNT TOTALLING 10 PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT AWARDED TO THE COUNTY UNDER THE SMALL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO COVER CONSTRUCTION PLANS, DESIGN WORK, INSPECTIONS, ETC.; HE PROPOSED TO HANDLE THE PROJECTS FOR THIS SET AMOUNT.

KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CDBG PROJECTS:

1. NOTICE TO PROCEED HAD BEEN ISSUED ON PAIGE DRIVE.
2. UTILITIES HAD ALMOST BEEN WORKED OUT ON ORANGE HILL ROAD; ONCE THIS HAS BEEN COMPLETED, A NOTICE TO PROCEED WILL BE ISSUED FOR THAT PROJECT ALSO.
3. LEGAL DESCRIPTION ON ST. MARYS ROAD SHOULD BE AVAILABLE IN A FEW DAYS FOR COMMISSIONER HALL TO GET SIGNED.
4. ONE PROBLEM ON JAMES POTTER ROAD IS BEING TAKEN CARE OF NOW WITH ONE PROPERTY OWNER THE SURVEYOR DIDN'T PICK UP.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED OF THE ACQUISITION COSTS THAT HAD BEEN PAID FOR THE ORANGE HILL ROAD PROJECT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE AGREEMENT WITH FLORIDA COMMUNITIES TRUST ON THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT HOLMES CREEK CAMPSITES FROM CLIFFORD STRICKLAND UNDER THE PRESERVATION 2000 PROGRAM. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF TWO AGREEMENTS WITH TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL:

1. REPORT THAT GOES TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HUD
2. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION JOINT PARTICIPATION PROJECT

COMMISSIONER COPE UPDATED THE BOARD ON A MEETING HE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, MR. GRIFF GODFREY AND ATTORNEY BILL MONGOVEN HAD WITH THE FL-DEP ON THE ROAD BEHIND THE WINN DIXIE IN CHIPLEY. DUE TO NO PERMITS BEING GOTTEN FOR WORK DONE ON THE PROP- ERTY, A FINE WAS IMPOSED BY FL-DEP TOTALLING \$650.00. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED FOR THE COUNTY TO PAY ONE HALF THE FINE WITH GODFREY AND MONGOVEN TO PAY THE OTHER HALF.

UPON A REQUEST FROM COMMISSIONER COPE, COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO WRITE A LETTER TO ATT EXPRESSING THE BOARD'S CONCERN ON THE RECENT LAYOFF OF ATT EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE COUNTY MOTOR VEHICLE POLICY ON EMPLOYEES DRIVING COUNTY VEHICLES HOME HAVING TO PAY TAXES FOR USE OF THE VEHICLE; COMMISSIONER BROCK WAS ADVISED THIS WAS A FEDERAL LAW.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF JERRY TROTTER EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 30, 1999.

COMMISSIONER BROCK BRIEFED THE BOARD ON PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS MAKING THOMAS ANDREWS A DUMP TRUCK LEADER AND BILLY CLARK MOVING TO A LOADER POSITION. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WILLIAM BENTON, A TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE, TAKING OVER CLARK'S DUMP TRUCK POSITION; BROCK ADVISED BENTON WAS STILL A TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK BRIEFED THE BOARD ON DAVID ROGERS MOVING FROM MOWER OPERATOR TO DUMP TRUCK DRIVER WHICH LEAVES THE MOWER POSITION VACANT. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS FOR:

1. THOMAS ANDREWS-DUMP TRUCK LEADER
2. BILLY CLARK-LOADER OPERATOR
3. DAVID ROGERS-MOWER OPERATOR

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON TWO DUMP TRUCK POSITIONS AND ONE MOWER POSITION BEING VACANT. LINDA WALLER READ THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY ON RECRUITMENT OF EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO POST THE POSITIONS ACCORDING TO THE COUNTY POLICY; IF NOT FILLED, ADVERTISE FOR THE POSITIONS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSING THE NEED TO HIRE QUALIFIED PERSONS TO OPERATE THE COUNTY EQUIPMENT AND RECOMMENDED TAKING NEW APPLICATIONS FOR VACANT POSITIONS. COM- MISSIONER BROCK WAS INFORMED THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR WOULD TAKE CARE OF HIS CONCERNS FOR FILLING VACANT POSITIONS AND THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED THE BOARD TAKE A TRIP TO THE NEW VERNON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO LOOK AT HIGHWAY 279.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ONE OF THE OLD AMBULANCES THAT HAS BEEN DELETED FROM THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE VERNON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPOINT SUE PORLIER TO A TWO YEAR TERM ON THE EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT BOARD.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO GIVE THE PIECE OF PROPERTY AND THE FACILITY ON THE PROPERTY THAT HAD BEEN USED AS A VOTING PRECINCT AT GILBERTS STORE TO GLENN ROOKS WITH LLOYD BRUNER TO REMOVE ANYTHING IN THE BUILDING WHICH MAY BE OF USE TO THE COUNTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTED THE DEED TO THE PROPERTY BE LOCATED IN ORDER FOR HIM TO PREPARE THE DEED TO ROOKS.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR THE BOARD TO GO ON RECORD WHEN AND IF THE 197 ACRES OF IFAS PROPERTY IS GIVEN TO THE COUNTY, IT WILL BE TURNED INTO A COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD THEY HAD BEEN REQUESTED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY POST TO PUT AN AD IN THE PAPER WISHING EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS WITH EACH COMMISSIONER HAVING TO PAY \$25.00. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR COMMISSIONERS TO MAKE AN INDIVIDUAL DECISION AND A DETERMINATION MADE WHETHER TO PUT THE AD IN THE PAPER.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS RECEIVING THE ESTIMATED VALUE OF REVENUES FOR THE YEAR 2000; A CALCULATED ESTIMATE OF WHAT A ONE MILL REDUCTION IN TAXES WOULD BE AND ALSO THE ESTIMATE ON THE NEW \$25,000.00 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IN \$5,000.00 INCREMENTS WITH THIS TO BE ADDRESSED AT THE JANUARY 27, 2000 MEETING. COM- MISSIONER ENFINGER REQUESTED THE BOARD BE PROVIDED THE INFORMATION ON WHAT SAVINGS THE ELDERLY WOULD RECEIVE WITH THE NEW \$25,000 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION VERSUS THE ONE MILL REDUCTION.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD CLERK LINDA COOK HAD SUBMITTED A CHECK FOR \$9,979.75 FOR EXCESS FEES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1999.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR NOVEMBER 1999 TOTALLING \$2,443,553.93.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED THE ROAD AND BRIDGE EQUIPMENT AUCTIONED OFF BY DEANCO BROUGHT EXACTLY DEANCO'S GUARANTEED PRICE TO THE BOARD.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAD DRAFTED AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE, 1999 EDITION AND IT WOULD BE ADVERTISED AND A PUBLIC HEARING HELD AT THE JANUARY 27, 2000 MEETING.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED HIM ADVISING THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO ADVERTISE ON THE INTERNET THE THREE GRADERS WHICH WOULD BE UP FOR EXCHANGE IN MARCH OR APRIL TO SEE IF THE COUNTY COULD SAVE MONEY AS FAR AS THE COMMISSION HAVING TO BE

PAID WHEN USING AN AUCTION COMPANY.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE \$10.00 GIFT CERTIFICATES FROM THE PIGGLY WIGGLY FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER COPE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON A MEETING HE HAD WITH JERRY BROCK, 9-1-1 COORDINATOR, ON USING A'S AND B'S WITH 9-1-1 ADDRESSING. COPE ADVISED THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG WITH USING THE A'S AND B'S AS THIS WAS ALREADY BEING DONE WHEN BROCK CAME ON BOARD; IF THE POLICY IS CHANGED, THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE 1100 ADDRESSES CHANGED. THEY HAD SPOKEN WITH THE AMBULANCE SERVICE AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND THEY HAVE NO PROBLEMS WITH THE A AND B SYSTEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE TO COMPILE A LIST OF THE PRIVATE ROADS IN THE COUNTY AND HAVE THE SIGN MAN GO AROUND AND PLACE A "P" FOR PRIVATE ON THOSE SIGNS; OTHERWISE, IF A ROAD SIGN IS NOT POSTED, IT WILL BE CONSIDERED A COUNTY ROAD. COMMISSIONER HALL SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DUE TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING NOT BEING HELD PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE GIVEN THE MAN IN SUNNY HILLS TO MOVE A MOBILE HOME THAT WAS IN VIOLATION OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO AUTHORIZE HIM TO PROCEED WITH THE NEXT ENFORCEMENT STEP. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE REASONS THE PERSON WAS IN VIOLATION, THERE BEING OTHER SIMILAR SITUATIONS IN THE COUNTY AND THE NEED TO ENFORCE THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ON ALL MOBILE HOMES IN VIOLATION. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO WAIT UNTIL THE JANUARY 27TH BOARD MEETING TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH NAMES OF PERSONS WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE ON THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD:

- GENE HENDERSON
- GORDON WARREN
- MILTON STRICKLAND
- TOM ROGERS
- TODD ANDERSON

EVELYN CREWS COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE SIX NAMES SUBMITTED AND IF ANY OF THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS CAN PICK ONE WHO MEETS THE CRITERIA, THE BOARD WILL ACCEPT IT AND THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD WILL BE FILLED.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD PROJECTED TO HOLD THEIR JANUARY 27, 2000 MEETING AT THE NEW COUNTY ANNEX.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE MOVE TO THE COUNTY ANNEX AND HOW IT WILL TAKE PLACE.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS TO MOVE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE DUE TO HER HAVING AN ELECTION ON MARCH 3, 2000. ALSO ADDRESSED WAS THE NEED TO ADVERTISE WHEN THE MOVE WILL TAKE PLACE IN ORDER TO KEEP THE PUBLIC INFORMED.

LINDA WALLER QUESTIONED AFTER THE MOVE TO THE COUNTY ANNEX, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR BOOKING OF THE CURRENT BOARD ROOM. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR MS. WALLER TO CONTINUE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING CARE OF BOOKING THE ROOM.

THE BOARD AGREED TO MEET BACK AT THE BOARD ROOM AT 1:30 P.M. TO MAKE A TOUR OF HWY 279 AT THE NEW VERNON MIDDLE SCHOOL.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED UNTIL JANUARY 27, 2000. ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_

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CLERK  
DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN ATTEST:\_\_\_\_\_

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 12/16/99