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BOARD MINUTES FOR 03/13/00

MARCH 13, 2000

PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE FEBRUARY 24, 2000 MEETING, THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 8:00 A. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, CARTER, COPE, ENFINGER AND HALL PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT, CLERK LINDA COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CLIFF SINGLETON OF SENIOR HOUSING PARTNERS BRIEFED THE BOARD ON AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED FOR FUNDING OF A NEW RETIREMENT CENTER IN WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS. SINGLETON ADVISED THE FACILITY WOULD HAVE AN OPEN DOOR POLICY FOR SENIORS WHO DO NOT LIVE THERE TO BE ABLE TO USE THE COMMON AREAS OF THE FACILITY. HE THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FEE STRUCTURE WHICH WOULD RANGE FROM APPROXIMATELY \$275.00 TO \$525.00 PER MONTH; THIS INCLUDES THE UTILITIES, ETC.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON THE ABANDONMENT OF PORTIONS OF THE GREENHEAD PLAT: THOSE PARTS OF FIFTH STREET, SIXTH STREET, SEVENTH STREET, AND EIGHTH STREET THAT LIE WITHIN PARCEL NUMBER 3050.0002, IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 1N, RANGE 14W AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF RECORD FILED WITH THE CLERK OF COURT ON JANUARY 30, 2000. CHAIRMAN CARTER BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THIS BEING A PLAT THAT STEVE NICHOLS LIVED ON WITH THE STREETS BEING PLATTED BUT NEVER DEDICATED. AS NO ONE IN THE AUDIENCE OR ON THE BOARD HAD ANY COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE ABANDONMENT ON THESE STREETS, COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO ABANDON THOSE PORTIONS OF THE GREENHEAD PLAT REFERENCED ABOVE.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON THE ABANDONMENT AND CESSATION OF ANY MAINTENANCE BY WASHINGTON COUNTY AND WASHINGTON COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ON:

BELL COMMUNITY ROAD, AN UNPAVED ROAD, WHICH BEGINS AT HIGHWAY 79, RUNNING IN A SOUTHWESTERLY DIRECTION AND TURNING TO A NORTHWESTERLY DIRECTION ENDING AT THE INTERSECTION OF BELL COMMUNITY ROAD AND JAMES POTTER ROAD AND LYING IN SECTION 21 TOWNSHIP 1N, RANGE 16W.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ASKED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE OR ANY OF THE BOARD HAD ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE ABANDONMENT OF MAINTENANCE ON BELL COMMUNITY ROAD. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE ABANDONMENT AND CESSATION OF MAINTENANCE ON THAT PORTION OF BELL COMMUNITY ROAD LISTED ABOVE CONTINGENT UPON RIGHT OF WAY BEING GIVEN TO THE COUNTY ON JAMES POTTER ROAD.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON THE ABANDONMENT OF RATTLESNAKE LAKE ROAD, ALSO KNOWN AS RATTLESNAKE POND ROAD AS DESCRIBED BELOW:

RATTLESNAKE LAKE ROAD, A.K.A. RATTLESNAKE POND ROAD, WHICH BEGINS AT GREENHEAD ROAD (HIGHWAY 77), THEN RUNS IN A SOUTHWEST DIRECTION FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE-QUARTERS OF ITS LENGTH AND TURNS DUE SOUTH FOR THE REMAINING ONE-QUARTER OF ITS LENGTH AND ENDS AT THE SHORELINE ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF RATTLESNAKE LAKE, LYING IN SECTION 19, 30, AND 29, TOWNSHIP 1N, RANGE 13W.

MARK HERNDON WITH NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THEIR REQUEST FOR THE COUNTY TO ABANDON RATTLESNAKE LAKE ROAD. HE ADVISED, DUE TO THE STEEP SLOPES OF THE ROADS WHICH WENT INTO RATTLESNAKE LAKE CREATING A GREAT AMOUNT OF SOIL MOVEMENT, NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT CLOSED THEM AND WOULD LIKE TO DEVELOP A ROAD WHICH WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE IN NOT ALLOWING SOIL MOVEMENT. THEY WERE REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO USE PART OF THE EXISTING ROAD, REROUTE THE SOUTH END OF THE ROAD DOWN A MORE GENTLE SLOPE TO A BETTER LOCATION, AND THE COUNTY TO TURN OVER THE MAINTENANCE OF THE ROAD TO THEM. DUE TO NWFWMDS GOVERNING BOARD NOT ALLOWING THEM TO PUT MONEY INTO A ROAD THE COUNTY MAINTAINS, THE COUNTY WILL NEED TO TURN THE MAINTENANCE OVER TO THEM BEFORE THE REROUTING OF THE ROAD CAN BE DONE. HERNDON ADVISED THE ROAD TO THE LAKE WOULD NOT BE CLOSED BUT BE

BETTER DEVELOPED; THERE WOULD BE A PUBLIC BOAT RAMP, THREE GROUP CAMPSITES, PORT A POTTIES, FACILITIES, ETC.

FRANK CORSO ADDRESSED HIS CONCERN THAT NFWFMD MAY CLOSE THE ROAD ONCE THEY MAKE THE IMPROVEMENTS REFERENCED BY HERNDON IF THE COUNTY TURNS THE ROAD OVER TO THEM. HERNDON ADVISED IT WAS NOT IN THE PLAN FOR NFWFMD TO CLOSE THE ROAD; THEY WOULD NOT BE PUTTING THE MONIES INTO THE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE ROAD JUST TO CLOSE IT.

FRANK CORSO QUESTIONED IF THERE WOULD BE FEES IMPOSED FOR THE USE OF THE LAKE. HERNON ADVISED THEIR PLANS WERE TO PUT A PUBLIC BOAT RAMP AT THE LAKE WHICH WOULD BE FREE TO THE PUBLIC; PUT TWO TO THREE GROUP CAMPSITES WHICH WOULD BE BY RESERVATION ONLY AT A COST OF \$20.00 FOR FOUR DAYS.

CORSO QUESTIONED IF THE LAKE WOULD BE LEASED TO A HUNTING CLUB OR ANY OTHER LONG TERM LEASE; HERNON ADVISED IT WOULD NOT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIS CONCERN WITH GATES BEING PUT UP AND GENERAL CONSENSUS OF THE PUBLIC BEING WATER MANAGEMENT IS COMING INTO THE COUNTY AND CLOSING OFF ALL THE RECREATION. HE REFERENCED WATER MANAGEMENT CLOSING THE TOM JOHNS LANDING. HERNDON STATED THE TOM JOHNS LANDING WOULD TAKE A GREAT DEAL MORE OF EXCAVATION THAN ALLOWED BY FL-DER TO MAKE IT USEFUL AND DUE TO THERE BEING TWO MORE GOOD CONCRETE BOAT RAMPS ON PORTER LAKE, NFWFMD DIDN'T FEEL THE TOM JOHNS LANDING WOULD BE NECESSARY.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER ADDRESSED HIS CONCERN WITH THE COUNTY CLOSING THE ROAD AND LOSING ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY AT RATTLESNAKE LAKE; IF NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT WOULD ENTER INTO A LONG TERM AGREEMENT ASSURING THE ROAD TO THE LAKE WOULD NOT BE CLOSED, HE WOULD NOT HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ABANDONING AND TURNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE ROAD OVER TO NFWFMD. HERNON DIDN'T FORESEE A PROBLEM WITH DOING THIS AS NFWFMD FULLY INTENDS TO OPEN UP RATTLESNAKE LAKE TO THE PUBLIC.

HERNDON STATED NFWFMD WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THERE BEING A STIPULATION IN THE AGREEMENT THEY WOULD REPAIR THE ROAD TO THE LAKE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS SHOULD IT WASH OUT.

LLOYD POWELL ADDRESSED HIS CONCERNS WITH HAVING TO PAY AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THE CAMPSITES AS PEOPLE ALREADY HAVE TO PAY FOR HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES, PROPERTY TAXES AND PERMITTING FEES.

CHAIRMAN CARTER SUGGESTED, CONTINGENT UPON THE ROAD BEING CON- STRUCTED AND OPENED TO THE LAKE, THE COUNTY AGREE TO TURN THE MAINTENANCE OF THE ROAD OVER TO WATER MANAGEMENT.

ROGER HAGAN REQUESTED THE BOARD PURSUE HAVING A BOATRAMP AT THE TOM JOHNS LANDING AT PORTER LAKE WHEN THE LAKE IS USABLE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY ONLY HAVING MAINTENANCE RIGHTS TO THE EXISTING ROAD TO RATTLESNAKE LAKE NOW; HOWEVER, AS LONG AS THEY HAVE THESE RIGHTS WATER MANAGEMENT CAN NOT CLOSE THE ROAD TO THE LAKE.

HERNON ADDRESSED THE ONLY PROBLEM WITH FIXING THE NEW ROAD FIRST WAS HIM NOT BEING ABLE TO GET HIS TRUCKS IN THERE BECAUSE THE OLD PART IS STILL STANDING AND HE WOULD HAVE TO START AT THE GREENHEAD ROAD AND GO IN THAT WAY. CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISED IT COULD BE STIPULATED IN THE AGREEMENT THE COUNTY WOULD GRANT A WAIVER AND ALLOW NFWFMD TO USE THE EXISTING ROAD WHILE FIXING THE NEW ROAD.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF NFWFMD GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS WERE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, HERNON ADVISED THEY WERE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND WERE HELD THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH IN HAVANNA.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO ABANDON THE COUNTY'S MAINTENANCE RIGHTS ON THE EXISTING ROAD CONTINGENT UPON WATER MANAGEMENT COMPLETING THE NEW ROAD TO THE BOAT RAMP AT RATTLESNAKE LAKE, MAINTAINING THE ROAD IN THE FUTURE AND KEEPING IT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC WITHOUT COST EXCEPT FOR THE WATER MANAGEMENT PERMIT AND THE COUNTY GRANTING NFWFMD A WAIVER TO USE THE EXISTING RATTLESNAKE LAKE ROAD WHILE CONSTRUCTING THE NEW ONE.

FRANK CORSO ADVISED HERNDON OF ADA NON-COMPLIANCE AT THE TOM JOHNS LANDING AND AT SWEET GUM LANDING; HERNDON REQUESTED CORSO NOTIFY NFWFMD OF WHAT THE PROBLEMS ARE AND THEY WOULD BE GLAD TO TAKE CARE OF IT. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY IS TO SEND THE AGREEMENT WITH NFWFMD TO MR. HERNDON. MR. HERNDON IS TO SEND A COPY OF THE PLANS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF RATTLESNAKE LAKE TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.

HERNDON ADVISED THE BOARD NFWFMD WAS IN THE PROCESS OF BUILDING ANOTHER BOAT RAMP AT HAMMONDS LAKE; ROAD IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE MADE ON THE ROAD TO GAINER POND AND THEY ARE WORKING WITH GAME AND FISH COMMISSION ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER FOR CHILDREN AT GAINER POND. HERNDON ALSO AGREED TO GET A SIGN PUT UP AT BOYINGTON

CUTOFF LANDING.

BRUCE LARSON, REPRESENTING THE SNAP-TITE SYSTEMS, PROVIDED A FILM PRESENTATION ON THE SNAP-TITE LINER PIPES. GEORGE ROGERS AND ROBERT HARCUS, ROAD AND BRIDGE SUPERVISORS, WERE PRESENT TO LEARN AND ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SNAP-TITE PIPES AND THE INSTALLATION OF THE PIPES. CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, WAS QUESTIONED ON THE COST COMPARISON OF SNAP-TITE PIPE VERSUS THE CORRUGATED METAL PIPE. HE ADVISED THE SNAP-TITE PIPE WAS MORE EXPENSIVE; HOWEVER, SAVINGS ON INSTALLATION MAKES USING SNAP-TITE PIPE CHEAPER.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR LARSON TO GET WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY ENGINEER AND DO A DEMONSTRATION ON CERTAIN ROADS; THEY WILL DO AN EVALUATION ON THE SNAP-TITE SYSTEM AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION BACK TO THE BOARD.

KNAUER PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A DRAWING ON STANDARD PIPE INSTALLATIONS FOR CROSS DRAINS AND SIDE DRAINS. KNAUER LOOKED AT RAISING THE BOTTOM OF PIPES UP TO KEEP WHATEVER DIRT IS IN THE DITCHES IN THE DITCH UNTIL THE WATER RAISES UP HIGH ENOUGH TO COME THROUGH THE PIPE; THE DOWN SIDE IS WHEN THE DITCHES GET PULLED, A PILE OF DIRT IS LEFT IN FRONT OF THE CULVERTS. HE ALSO ADDRESSED IF THERE WAS A COVER PROBLEM AND THE DITCHES WERE DUG OUT ON EACH SIDE BEFORE THE PIPES WERE PUT IN, IT WILL FILL IN THE FIRST TIME A STORM COMES IN. IDEALLY KNAUER ADVISED THE BEST WAY FOR IT TO WORK IS TO HAVE THE DITCHES FILL UP WITH WATER BEFORE THEY COME INTO THE PIPE; THE PROBLEM IS HOW DO YOU COMPROMISE WITH SETTING THEM HIGH INITIALLY AND MAKING SURE THE DITCHES DON'T GET PULLED UNTIL THEY FILL UP. KNAUER ADVISED THE ONLY THING HE KNEW TO DO WAS TO RECOMMEND A MINIMUM SLOPE FOR PIPE INSTALLATIONS AND A MINIMUM COVER; IN PLACES WHERE A COVER IS NOT A PROBLEM, SETTING THE BOTTOM OF THE PIPE AT LEAST 8" ABOVE THE DITCH BOTTOM WOULD BE A GOOD PRACTICE. WHEN THERE IS NO COVER, THE DITCH WILL HAVE TO BE DUG OUT TO GET THE SLOPE ON THE PIPE THAT IS NEEDED. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR KNAUER TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS AND COME UP WITH A WORKABLE SOLUTION ON PIPE INSTALLATION.

CHAIRMAN CARTER CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SMALL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE RESURFACING OF COUNTY ROAD 280 (BRICKYARD ROAD) FROM STATE ROAD 277 (VERNON HIGHWAY) TO STATE ROAD 77 (MAIN STREET). COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED HIM DRAFTING A PARAGRAPH TO GO IN THE ALABAMA POWER AGREEMENT WHICH WAS DISCUSSED AT THE FEBRUARY 24TH MEETING WHICH BASICALLY SAYS; NOT WITHSTANDING ANY LANGUAGE IN THE AGREEMENT, THEY WOULD NOT HAVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE THE COUNTY CLOSE OR ABANDON THEIR EXISTING RIGHT OF WAY ON ORANGE HILL ROAD. HE HAD SUBMITTED THIS TO ABB RILEY AND IS WAITING FOR HIM TO SEND THE AGREEMENT BACK WITH THIS LANGUAGE IN IT. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THIS LANGUAGE INCLUDED CONTINGENT UPON ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECEIVING THE AGREEMENT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE DEDICATION OF HIGHWAY 279; ALL THAT IS REQUIRED IS THE BOARD TO TAKE ACTION TO DEDICATE THE ROAD AND PUTTING SOME TYPE OF MARKER UP AT EACH END OF THE ROAD. HE AGREED, IF THE BOARD DESIRED TO DO SO AND SOMEONE WOULD PROVIDE HIM WITH SUFFICIENT INFORMATION ABOUT THE HONOREE, TO DRAFT A RESOLUTION TO PRESENT TO THE HONOREE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR COMMISSIONER HALL TO WORK WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY IN DRAFTING A RESOLUTION DEDICATING HIGHWAY 279 TO THE HONOREE AND SET UP A MEETING FOR THE RESOLUTION TO BE PRESENTED.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED SEVERAL DOCUMENTS THE BOARD NEEDED TO ADOPT WHICH WERE RELATIVE TO THE MEDICAL OFFICE COMPLEX AT THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL:

1. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AGREEMENT-A STANDARD AGREEMENT COMPLYING WITH THE FEDERAL EQUAL OPPORTUNITY LAW. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AGREEMENT.
2. ASSURANCE AGREEMENT - COMPLIES WITH TITLE 6/CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE ASSURANCE AGREEMENT.
3. LOAN RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZES COUNTY TO SECURE FUNDING FOR MEDICAL OFFICE COMPLEX. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE LOAN RESOLUTION.

4. CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC MEETING - STATES MEETING WAS ADVERTISED IN THE PAPER FOR THE PEOPLE TO COME AND ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT; A COPY OF THE NOTICE IN THE PAPER NEEDS ATTACHING TO CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC MEETING. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC MEETING.
5. LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - AGREEMENT FOR LOCAL COUNSEL AND BOND COUNSEL. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED HIM MAKING SOME CHANGES TO THE WORDING ON THE RESOLUTION THE NWFCH WOULD NEED TO ADOPT ON THE FUNDING FROM WEST FLORIDA ELECTRIC COOP, WHICH WOULD BE AN INTEREST FREE LOAN.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED THE UNDERGROUND SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH GULF POWER COMPANY ON ELECTRICITY FOR THE NEW JAIL. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE UNDERGROUND SERVICE AGREEMENT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SEND HIM A COPY OF ALL THE DOCUMENTS ON THE MEDICAL OFFICE FACILITY ONCE THEY HAVE BEEN EXECUTED.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED HE AND CHAIRMAN CARTER MEETING WITH SHERIFF PEEL ON THE BISHOP SUIT AND A FOLLOW UP LETTER BEING SENT TO THE BOARD; HE HAS NOT HAD A REPLY FROM BISHOP'S ATTORNEY, OWEN POWELL, AS OF THIS DATE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS NOT TO ADDRESS THE PURCHASE OF THE ROOT RAKES FOR THE DOZERS AND LOADERS NOR THE ROAD PATCHING MACHINE AT THIS TIME DUE TO THE INCREASE IN THE FUEL PRICES.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE LAND SALES LIST HE AND ADMINISTRATIVE PETER HERBERT HAD WORKED ON:

1. 50' X 157' LOT ON SOUTH SIDE OF COGGIN AVENUE BETWEEN EIGHTH STREET AND EAST BOULEVARD/EAST OF HIGHWAY 77.
2. 3 ACRE PARCEL ON LOVETT ROAD WEST OF MUDHILL.
3. LOTS AT BLUE LAKE ONE-HALF MILE S/W OF INTERSECTION OF SHELL LANDING AND MILLER FERRYS ROAD/25' X 110'/ NUMBER OF LOTS WITH NO ACCESS TO THEM.
4. LOTS IN CARYVILLE OBTAINED THROUGH FEMA BUYOUT/ A REQUEST FROM PERSON WANTING TO USE AS GARDEN SITE AND A REQUEST TO RENT THE ADKISON PROPERTY.
5. LAND THAT IS LANDLOCKED ON WEST SIDE OF DANIELS LAKE.
6. STRIP AT OWENS POND. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON 80 ACRES AT HICKS LAKE WITH

COMMISSIONER BROCK RECOMMENDING THE BOARD HAVE THE PROPERTY RESURVEYED AND SEE HOW IT COMES TRUE TO THE OTHER TWO SURVEYS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN DONE ON THE PROPERTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED IF A PERSON HAS A DEED AND PAYS TAXES ON WHAT IS DESCRIBED ON THE DEED FOR A PERIOD OF SEVEN YEARS, THEY CAN ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER HALL REQUESTED AN UPDATE FROM ATTORNEY HOLLEY ON THE SUIT INVOLVING THE 10' STRIP AT HOLMES CREEK CAMPSITES. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IT WAS RECOMMENDED TO THE COURT TO WAIT FOR THE CLOSING ON THE STRICKLAND PROPERTY ON HOLMES CREEK; THIS HAS BEEN COMPLETED NOW, THE COUNTY HAS BOUGHT STRICKLAND'S INTEREST AND THE MATTER SHOULD BE READDRESSSED SHORTLY.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO REVIEW THE LIST OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTIES, HIGHLIGHT THE ONES THAT APPEAR TO BE FEASIBLE TO SALE, GET A GOOD LOCATION OF THE PROPERTIES ON A MAP, PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION TO THE BOARD WITH THEM TO MAKE A DECISION AT THE MARCH 23RD MEETING ON THE PROPERTIES TO SELL.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON RENTING OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTIES. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD HE WOULD NEED TO REVIEW THE STATUTES REGARDING THIS MATTER.

ROGER HAGAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON SEVERAL ISSUES:

1. NON-DECLARED AREA DISASTER RELIEF FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR HURRICANE FLOYD - WASHINGTON COUNTY WAS A HOST COUNTY; THE COUNCIL ON AGING AND THE ASSOCIATION OF RETARDED CITIZENS INCURRED SOME EXPENSES AND ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT. THE REIMBURSEMENTS HAVE

TO COME THROUGH THE EOC AGENCY. IN IDENTIFYING PRIMARY CONTACT PERSONS, HE LISTED HIMSELF AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT.

2. FISCAL YEAR 2000 STATE AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT (SLA)- \$10,941.00 FUNDING. FUNDING COMES FROM SURCHARGES ON HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE; EVERY COUNTY GETS THE SAME BASE ALLOCATION. COUNTY IS REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN FUNDING AT THE LOCAL LEVEL IN THE AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE LAST YEAR FUNDED. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE SLA AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000.
3. 800 MHZ RADIO INVENTORY - PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH AN UPDATE ON RADIO INVENTORY AND REQUESTED THE BOARD ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS:
  1. DELETE RADIO SERIAL NUMBER 340AXY2927 AND PROPERTY NUMBER 17035. THIS RADIO AND PROPERTY STICKER WAS ISSUED TO COMMISSIONER BROCK AND WERE REPORTED STOLEN. A NEW RADIO WAS PURCHASED AND A NEW PROPERTY NUMBER ISSUED. ADD RADIO SERIAL NUMBER 340AVL6962 AND PROPERTY NUMBER 17121.
  2. DELETE PROPERTY NUMBER 26077 WHICH WAS REPORTED LOST BUT HAS BEEN SUBSEQUENTLY FOUND. PROPERTY NUMBER 26071 WAS ASSIGNED TO AND STILL CORRESPONDS TO THE RADIO THAT WAS 26077. CONFIRM 26071 AS CORRECT NUMBER.
  3. DELETE PROPERTY NUMBER 26074 AND 26075. THEY WERE AFFIXED TO BATTERIES/CHARGER AND HAVE BEEN RETRIEVED.
  4. DELETE PROPERTY NUMBER 26082 ASSIGNED TO DAVID CORBIN AND REPORTED LOST, PERHAPS DURING A QUICK SWAP. ADD PROPERTY NUMBER 17130 ASSIGNED TO DAVID'S RADIO.
  5. CONFIRM THAT BATTERIES AND CHARGERS ARE EXPENDABLE AS COMPONENTS AND NO OTHER PROPERTY NUMBERS BE ASSIGNED TO COMPONENTS. EACH USER OF A RADIO OUGHT TO HAVE ONE NUMBER ASSIGNED AND WILL HAVE A RADIO UNIT, SPARE BATTERY AND CHARGER. EACH CHANGE WILL CONSIST OF A COMPLETE CHANGE OF ALL COMPONENTS. BROKEN/EXPENDED CHARGERS AND BATTERIES WILL BE DISPOSED OF AND NEW ONES BOUGHT AS NEEDED.
  6. AUTHORIZE THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO WORK WITH THE CLERK'S OFFICE TO REMOVE ANY VOID PROPERTY NUMBER STICKERS FOUND TO BE ASSIGNED.
  7. CONFIRM TO EACH DEPARTMENT THAT RADIOS CAN NOT BE ARBITRARILY REASSIGNED WITHOUT PROPER PAPER WORK BEING COMPLETED.
  8. THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PURCHASING, MAINTENANCE, AND INVENTORY RECORDS ONLY. THEY DO NOT DETERMINE IF A RADIO IS NEEDED. THAT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT HEAD MAKING THE PURCHASE.

HAGAN ADDRESSED IN THE NEAR FUTURE HE WOULD BRING BACK A SIGNIFICANT COST SAVINGS PROPOSAL CONCERNING THE SERVICE PROVIDED ON THE RADIOS. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS PRESENTED BY HAGAN.

4. EXECUTIVE ORDER 2000-64 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR BUSH - THE COUNTY IS NOT UNDER A BURN BAN; HOWEVER, THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND DIVISION OF FORESTRY HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS LEAD AGENCIES IN FIGHTING AND SUPPRESSING WILDFIRES. IT ALSO HAS MADE RESOURCES AVAILABLE. EXTREMELY GOOD RECORDS NEED TO BE KEPT ON ANY WILDLAND FIRES IN THE EVENT THERE IS A DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD TAKE ACTION, IN EVENT THE DROUGHT CONTINUES LIKE THE FORECAST CALLS FOR, TO AUTHORIZE THE

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CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A RESOLUTION PREPARED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PROVISIONS OF EMP WHICH WOULD ALLOW THEM TO DECLARE A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY OR A BURN BAN SHOULD IT HAPPEN BETWEEN BOARD MEETINGS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD BUT THE BOARD TOOK NO ACTION TO APPROVE OF HAGAN'S RECOMMENDATION.

HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD OF INFORMATION HE HAD BEEN PROVIDED ON A SCREW WORM ALERT BEING IN EFFECT.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, PETER HERBERT, ADVISED THE BOARD THE FL-DOT HAD SENT A LETTER REQUESTING THEY SUBMIT THREE ROAD PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002 FUNDING UNDER THE SMALL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. CHAIRMAN CARTER RECOMMENDED GETTING THE PREVIOUS LIST OF ROAD PROJECTS SUBMITTED, DEDUCTING THE PROJECTS THAT WERE FUNDED AND ADDING MORE PROJECTS TO THAT LIST.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ALSO RECOMMENDED WRITING TOMMY BARFIELD A LETTER REQUESTING HE EXPEDITE THE OTHER TWO JPA PROJECTS (HIGHWAY 77A AND HWY 280) SO ALL THREE PROJECTS COULD BE ADVERTISED AT THE SAME TIME AND A BETTER BID PRICE COULD BE RECEIVED. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE RESOLUTIONS ON THESE TWO PROJECTS SHOULD THEY COME IN BETWEEN BOARD MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER RECOMMENDED HAVING BOTH SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS INVESTIGATE ACCIDENTS INVOLVING AN EMPLOYEE DRIVING A COUNTY VEHICLE TO DETERMINE IF THE EMPLOYEE SHOULD HAVE A DRUG TEST OR NOT. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH IT BEING THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, PETER HERBERT, AND THE TWO SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS TO DETERMINE IF AN EMPLOYEE SHOULD HAVE A DRUG TEST; DALE MACUMBER WILL BE AN ALTERNATE SHOULD ONE OF THESE THREE NOT BE AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED MR. GORDON WARREN HAVING DONE SPEED SURVEYS AND EVALUATIONS ON ABOUT A THIRD OF THE ROADS IN HIS DISTRICT. IF ANY OF THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS WOULD LIKE FOR WARREN TO DO THE SURVEYS ON SOME OF THEIR ROADS, PROVIDE HIM WITH A LIST; IF NOT, THEY WILL USE THE ROADS WARREN HAS DONE GET THEM UP TO STANDARDS AND DO WHAT WARREN IS SUGGESTING ON SIGNAGE. COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED WARREN HAD CHARGED HIM \$2,000.00 FOR DOING THE SURVEYS IN HIS DISTRICT WHICH WOULD COME FROM HIS MATERIALS BUDGET. COMMISSIONER COPE ALSO REQUESTED HE, THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AND THE TWO SUPERVISORS GET WITH THE SIGN MAN AT PUBLIC WORKS, GO THROUGH THE ROADS IN THE SURVEY AND BRING THEM UP TO STANDARDS. THE SIGN MAN SHOULD THEN BE ABLE TO TAKE THESE ROADS AND DO LIKE ROADS IN THE SAME MANNER.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE NEED TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ON THE SPEED LIMITS ESTABLISHED BY WARREN ON THE ROADS LISTED IN THE SURVEY.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED AND DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON DRAFTING A BILL TO BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS TO THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD: IF A COUNTY WITHIN THE NFWMD HAS A CERTAIN NUMBER OF ACRES, THEY AUTOMATICALLY GET AN APPOINTMENT ON THE BOARD OR EVERY COUNTY WITHIN THE NFWMD HAS AN APPOINTMENT ON THE BOARD. DISCUSSION WAS ALSO HELD ON THE NEED FOR THE NWFWM PROPERTY TO CONTINUE TO BE ON THE TAX ROLL AFTER THEIR TEN YEAR TIME FRAME HAD EXPIRED.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ALSO ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR DRAFTING A BILL WHERE THERE IS A LOT OF WATER GENERATED IN A COUNTY, THE COUNTY BE ISSUED A WATER USE PERMIT ALLOWING THEM TO BANK "X" NUMBER OF GALLONS OF WATER FOR FUTURE USE. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AND CHAIRMAN CARTER TO GET WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND DRAFT A BILL WHICH WOULD ALLOW THE COUNTY TO RECEIVE A BANK OF WATER FOR FUTURE USE.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO THE DRUG FREE WORKPLACE POLICY TO INCLUDE THE TWO SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO INVESTIGATE ACCIDENTS INVOLVING EMPLOYEES DRIVING COUNTY VEHICLES AND DETERMINE IF THE EMPLOYEE NEEDS TO HAVE A DRUG TEST; DALE MACUMBER WILL SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE SHOULD ONE OF THESE THREE BE UNAVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR A RED LIGHT AT THE INTERSECTION OF HWY 20 AND 79 AT EBRO AND QUESTIONED IF THE LEGISLATURE COULD FORCE THE FL-DOT TO PUT UP THE LIGHT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED BROCK THE LEGISLATURE WOULD NOT PASS A BILL TO THIS AFFECT BUT COULD INFLUENCE THE FL-DOT TO PUT UP THE LIGHT.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED THE NEED OF A LIGHT TO BE PUT AT HIGHWAY 79 AND 280 WITH CHAIRMAN CARTER ADVISING THIS WAS A COUNTY ROAD AND A LIGHT COULD BE INSTALLED

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IF THE COUNTY WANTED TO PAY FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ALSO ADDRESSED THE DANGEROUS SITUATION AT HOLMES CREEK BRIDGE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO INSTRUCT THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO HAVE THE SAFETY COMMITTEE REVIEW THESE LOCATIONS AND FORWARD THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE FL-DOT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE INCREASE IN FUEL PRICES. HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD OF THE BALANCE REMAINING IN THE FUEL LINE ITEM OF THE ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGET. SEVERAL SUGGESTIONS WERE MADE WITH IT BEING THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AT THE MARCH 23RD MEETING ON HOW MANY DAYS IT WILL TAKE TO COMPLETE THE DSR WORK; ONLY WORK TRUCKS AND SPREAD GRADERS ON FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS DOING DSR WORK; EACH COMMISSIONER MAKING A DECISION WHETHER THEY WANT TO WORK ON DSR WORK DURING THE WEEK WHEN THE EQUIPMENT IS SCHEDULED TO BE IN THEIR DISTRICT AND MAKE A FINAL DECISION ON HOW TO WORK THE DSR'S AT THE MARCH 23RD MEETING.

CHAIRMAN CARTER ADJOURNED THE MEETING. ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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CLERK

CHAIRMAN

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

DEPUTY CLERK

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 03/13/00