

BOARD MINUTES FOR 08/17/01

AUGUST 17, 2001

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 12:00 NOON AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, COPE, ENFINGER, AND FINCH PRESENT. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT, CLERK LINDA COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN COPE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS FROM THE AUGUST 2, 2001 MEETING, CHAIRMAN COPE CALLED THE BUDGET WORKSHOP TO ORDER. CHAIRMAN COPE ADDRESSED THE BUDGET INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE BOARD ON ALL THE CHANGES THAT WERE MADE PER THE BOARD'S REQUEST ON AUGUST 2, 2001 AND REQUESTED FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS SHOULD THEY WANT ANY MORE CHANGES. DUE TO THE CHANGES MADE, THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET NOW TOTALLED \$8,450,784.00 WITH A CONTINGENCY OF \$129,731.00; THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET TOTALLED \$3,913,162.00 WITH A CONTINGENCY OF \$78,211.00.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS TO INCREASE THE MATERIALS BUDGET FOR EACH DISTRICT BY \$5,000 IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHETHER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM WITH THE DUMP TRUCKS AND WHETHER TO PURCHASE TRI-AXLES OR TANDUM TRUCKS IF THEY DID EXCHANGE THEM. CHAIRMAN COPE ADVISED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY WANTED TO PIGGY BACK WITH THE COUNTY ON WHATEVER THEY AGREE TO DO. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE AUCTIONING OFF EIGHT MACK DUMPTRUCKS AND PURCHASING EIGHT NEW TRI-AXLE TRUCKS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED A REQUEST TO CONTRIBUTE \$5,000 TOWARDS PALS PARK. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS TO WAIT UNTIL GRANT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE WITH THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE TO PRIORITIZE THE PALS PARK PROJECT.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT REPORTED ON SEVERAL ISSUES:

1. JANITORIAL CONTRACT NEEDS TO INCLUDE PROVIDING SERVICES TWICE A WEEK FOR THE VERNON AND CHIPLEY LIBRARIES; \$5,000 A YEAR NEEDS TO BE ADDED TO THE 2001-2002 BUDGET FOR THESE SERVICES.
2. MONIES NEED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE 2001-2002 BUILDING MAINTENANCE BUDGET FOR FIRE INSPECTIONS ON ALL COUNTY OWNED BUILDINGS.
3. BIDS WERE RECEIVED FOR TWO TRUCKS FOR THE TWO SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS:

HENRY ARNOLD FORD	\$20,338.50 EACH
CHIPOLA FORD	\$18,225.00 EACH

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO PURCHASE THE TRUCKS FROM CHIPOLA FORD FOR \$18,225.00 EACH. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON PURCHASING LONG WHEEL BASE TRUCKS. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND FINCH WITHDREW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO READVERTISE BIDS FOR TWO TRUCKS FOR PUBLIC WORKS USING THE SAME SPECIFICATIONS EXCEPT SPECIFY LONG WHEEL BASE TRUCKS.

4. BIDS ON ORANGE HILL AND HINSON CROSS ROADS VOTING PRECINCTS/ FIRE STATION HEAT PUMPS:

HUGHES SUPPLY	(EQUIPMENT ONLY)	\$3,128.00
P&P HEATING AND COOLING		\$6,249.67
TRIPLE A REFRIGERATION		\$6,425.00
HASTY HEATING & COOLING		\$6,642.00
HY-TEMP GAS COMPANY		\$5,848.00

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO TAKE THE LOW BID OF \$5,848.00 FROM HY-TEMP GAS WITH A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO BE MADE TO TRANSFER THE ADDITIONAL \$848.00 NEEDED PER PRECINCT. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR COMMISSIONER ENFINGER TO CHECK WITH THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS TO SEE IF SHE COULD ASSIST WITH THE ADDITIONAL \$848.00 NEEDED FOR EACH OF THE PRECINCTS.

5. INMATES ARE NOT GOING TO BE ALLOWED TO DO PREP WORK ON THE AG CENTER FLOOR WORK; TRAVIS BROCK HAS AGREED TO DO THE PREP WORK FOR \$900 WITH THIS TO BE PAID OUT OF THE AG CENTER GRANT. ANDY ANDREASON WAS TO CHECK TO SEE IF TRAVIS COULD WORK NEXT WEEK TO HELP WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE FLOORING IF NEEDED. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT HERBERT RECOMMENDED AUTHORIZATION FOR TRAVIS BROCK TO DO THE PREP WORK FOR \$900 UNDER AN EMERGENCY BASIS AND IF NEEDED, PAY HIM TO WORK NEXT WEEK TO GET THE FLOORING DONE. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF HERBERT'S RECOMMENDATION.

CLERK LINDA COOK REQUESTED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE BOARD TO DO LANDSCAPING AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO CONTRIBUTE UP TO \$500 TOWARD THE LANDSCAPING AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON PURCHASING A PATCHING MACHINE AT AN ESTI- MATED COST OF \$41,000.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY DOING BRIDGEWORK THEMSELVES AND HAVING A PLUMMER PUT ON AN ESCAVATOR TO DRIVE PILINGS. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO CHECK ON AN EXCAVATOR WHICH COULD BE ADAPTED FOR DRIVING PILINGS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER BRIEFED THE BOARD ON BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS:

VETERANS SERVICES DEPARTMENT	\$ 1,023.00	INTERDEPARTMENTAL
SOIL CONSERVATION	805.00	INTERDEPARTMENTAL
SOIL CONSERVATION	+ 385.00	
PARK & RECREATION	4,827.82	INTERDEPARTMENTAL
LEGISLATIVE-BD OF COMM	+ 13,000.00	
LEGISLATIVE-BD OF COMM	+ 30,000.00	
COMPUTER DEPARTMENT	6,049.00	INTERDEPARTMENTAL
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT	- 43,385.00	

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON A BILL FOR PROPERTY INSURANCE TOTALLING \$636.00 TO INSURE THE ORANGE HILL AND HINSON CROSSROADS VOTING PRE- CINCT/FIREHOUSE/COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDINGS UNTIL OCTOBER 1, 2001. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED FOR THE COUNTY TO PAY THE INSURANCE AND UTILITIES UNTIL OCTOBER 1ST ON THESE TWO FACILITIES; AFTER OCTOBER 1ST, THE COUNTY WILL PAY HALF AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS WILL PAY HALF UNTIL A PLAN IS IMPLEMENTED TO RENT OUT THE FACILITIES WITH THIS MONEY TO BE USED TO PAY FOR THE INSURANCE, UTILITIES, AND MAINTENANCE ON THE FACILITIES. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR DAVID CORBIN, LINDA COOK, DIANNE CARTER, AND LARRY ENFINGER ALONG WITH ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT TO DEVELOP A POLICY ON FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR USE OF ANY COUNTY OWNED RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO INCLUDE THE PATCHING MACHINE IN THE TENTATIVE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET IF MONIES ARE AVAILABLE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON TRYING TO GET AWAY FROM WOODEN BRIDGES IN THE COUNTY AND REPLACE THEM WITH BOX CULVERTS. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO CHECK WITH FL- DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO SEE IF SCOP MONIES COULD BE USED TO REPLACE BRIDGES; IF THEY CAN BE USED, TAKE ONE YEAR UNDER THE SCOP PROGRAM AND REQUEST FUNDING FOR BRIDGES RATHER THAN ROADS.

FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED METRIC ENGINEERING HAD GOTTEN A CONTRACT FROM FL-DOT TO INVENTORY ALL OFF SYSTEM ROADS AND DO STRAIGHT LINE DIAGRAMS ON THEM; A PHOTO LOG OF ALL FEATURES ON ALL OFF SYSTEM ROADS MAY BE AVAILABLE IN THE FUTURE.

ED PELLETIER, COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HAVING RECEIVED NOTIFICATION THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAD BEEN AWARDED A \$35,000 GRANT FOR BUNKER GEAR AND REQUESTED THE BOARD PROVIDE THE 10% MATCH REQUIRED. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO PROVIDE THE 10% MATCH (\$3,500) FOR THE COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT GRANT FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO RECESS THIS MEETING UNTIL SEPTEMBER 4, 2001.

ATTEST: _____
CLERK

CHAIRMAN

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DEPUTY CLERK

END OF MINUTES FOR 08/17/01