BOARD MINUTES FOR 07/26/01

JULY 26, 2001

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 8:00 A. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, COPE, ENFINGER, FINCH AND HALL PRESENT. ADMINI- STRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT, ATTORNEY GERALD HOLLEY, CLERK LINDA COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN COPE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER, OFFERED PRAYER AND LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR THE MAY 15 AND 24, 2001 MEETINGS.

CONSENT AGENDA-COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR JULY 26, 2001 EXCEPT ITEM F:

- A. REQUEST TO BUDGET \$3,000 IN FY 2001-2002 FOR BAY CARES ACCESS PROGRAM; A VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER PROGRAM
- B. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS' INTERAGENCY/PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT
- C. LEASE AGREEMENT FOR 375.36 SQUARE FEET OF OFFICE SPACE IN THE OLD BUILDING DEPARTMENT OFFICE FOR THE GUARDIAN AD LITEM PROGRAM FOR THE 14TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
- D. OPPORTUNITY FLORIDA 2001-2002 MEMBERSHIP DUES-\$2,097.30
- E. PROPOSAL FOR SERVICES FROM THE WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL FOR FY 2002 TOTALLING \$17,220.00
 - 1. COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN-\$2,710 TO BE BUDGETED UNDER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUDGET
 - 2. ANNUAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EXERCISE-\$5,010 TO BE BUDGETED UNDER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BUDGET
 - 3. LOCATION MITIGATION STRATEGY-\$4,280 TO BE BUDGETED UNDER LEGISLATIVE BUDGET
 - 4. MISCELLANEOUS GRANT APPLICATION ASSISTANCE-\$5,220 TO BE BUDGETED UNDER LEGISLATIVE BUDGET

CONSENT AGENDA/ITEM F-PURCHASE OF TWO FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

- 1. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON JUSTIFICATION FOR VEHICLES
- DUE TO NEW VEHICLES HAVING BEEN SOLD, REQUEST IS TO PURCHASE TWO IDENTICAL VEHICLES, EXCEPT USED, FROM HOWELL CHEVROLET AT \$19,500 EACH
- COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AGREED TO APPROVE THE REQUEST IF 4-H VAN FOR AG CENTER WAS LEFT IN FY 2002 BUDGET
- 4. CODE ENFORCEMENT VEHICLE WOULD BE PAID FOR OUT OF RECYCLING GRANT MONIES; \$4,000 WOULD BE PAID OUT OF RECYCLING GRANT MONIES TOWARD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT VEHICLE
- 5. DR. FRASIER BINGHAM, RECYCLING CONSULTANT, HAD CHECKED WITH FL-DEP AND THERE WAS NO PROBLEM WITH RECYCLING MONIES BEING USED TO PURCHASE VEHICLES.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PURCHASE OF TWO USED FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES FROM HOWELL CHEVROLET FOR \$19,500 EACH.

CEREMONIAL CHECK PRESENTATION FOR DANIELS LAKE SPORT COMPLEX- SENATOR DURELL PEADON AND STATE REPRESENTATIVE DONALD BROWN MADE CHECK PRESENTATION TO DAVID CORBIN AND SUSAN LAWSON OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS-CAROL GRIFFIN THANKED SENATOR PEADON AND REPRESENTATIVE BROWN FOR THE SUPPORT IN TALLAHASSEE OF REIMBURSE- MENT FOR THE UPDATED VOTING EQUIPMENT SHE HAD ALREADY PURCHASED PRIOR TO IT BEING MANDATED; \$56,200 OF THE \$112,500 TO BE RECEIVED WILL BE WIRE TRANSFERRED SOON.

RECYCLING AGREEMENT/DR. FRASIER BINGHAM REQUESTED BOARD APPROVAL FOR A THREE YEAR EXTENSION TO HIS PRESENT CONTRACT FOR LOOKING OVER SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING PROGRAMS; THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN THIS CONTRACT AND HIS LAST CONTRACT EXCEPT THE DATES.

ROAD & BRIDGE CREWS-DR. FRASIER BINGHAM UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CREWS CLEANING UP LITTER, WASTE TIRES, WHITE GOOD, ETC. ALONG THE ROADS IN THE COUNTY. HE REQUESTED BOARD APPROVAL TO SPEND RECYCLING MONIES FOR AN ICE MACHINE FOR THEM AT THE RECYCLING CENTER FROM WARREN EQUIPMENT COMPANY IN DOTHAN, ALABAMA FOR \$2,700.00.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO APPROVE OF DR. BINGHAM'S REQUEST TO APPROVE OF A THREE YEAR EXTENSION TO HIS PRESENT CONTRACT AND OF THE PURCHASE OF AN ICE MACHINE AT THE RECYCLING CENTER.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON BINGHAM'S REQUEST FOR A THREE YEAR EXTENSION TO HIS PRESENT CONTRACT. COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED PUTTING THE CONSULTANT SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE REYCLING PROGRAM OUT FOR BID. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT ADVISED BINGHAM'S PRESENT CONTRACT WOULD NOT BE EXPIRED UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2001. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH THE MOTION CARRYING; COMMISSIONERS HALL AND BROCK OPPOSED.

FALL AMNESTY DAY-DR. FRASIER BINGHAM INFORMED THE BOARD FALL AMNESTY DAY WOULD BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 3, 2001.

NEW LIBRARY-STEVE CHRISTOPHER WITH PETER BROWN CONSTRUCTION UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE NEW LIBRARY PROJECT. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER REQUESTED THE AIR CONDITIONERS AT THE NEW LIBRARY BE INSTALLED WHERE LOCAL PEOPLE CAN WORK ON THEM.

COURTHOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT-STEVE CHRISTOPHER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROJECT; THEY ARE TRYING TO BREAK PROJECT INTO PHASES AS TO HOW IT CAN BE PUT OUT AS A PACKAGE TO GET A BASE BID AND WORK FROM BASE BIDS WITH ALTERNATES TO ADD IN AS FAR AS MONIES WILL GO.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON AIR CONDITIONING UNITS BEING PLACED ON THE ROOF OF THE COURTHOUSE. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED FOR THE ARCHITECT TO LOOK AT PUTTING THE AIR CONDITIONING UNITS ON THE GROUND.

NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION GRANT-STACY WEBB ADDRESSED THE TWO PROPOSALS RECEIVED FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE GRANT AND QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD HAD RANKED THEM:

1. JULIAN WEBB & ASSOCIATES

2. SUMMIT CHAIRMAN COPE APPOINTED HIMSELF, ATTORNEY HOLLEY,

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT PETER HERBERT AND CHARLES DUNN TO SERVE ON A COMMITTEE TO RANK THE PROPOSALS.

DRY WELL GRANT-STACY WEBB UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DRY WELL GRANT. CHAIRMAN COPE REQUESTED WEBB MAP OUT THE LOCATIONS OF ALL THE WELLS BEING INSTALLED UNDER THE GRANT.

ESCAMBIA COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY-KAREN NORTON UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROGRAM AND ADVISED THE MONIES FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY WERE NOT GOING AS FAST AS IN OTHER COUNTIES. SHE ADDRESSED WAYS THEY HAVE TRIED TO MAKE THE PUBLIC AWARE OF THE LOW INTEREST MORTGAGE LOANS AND REQUESTED THE BOARD ALLOW THEM TO CONTINUE TO GET THE WORD OUT TO PEOPLE ON THE LOANS AND SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARINGS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THE PROGRAM FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON BANK AND MORTGAGE COMPANIES BEING IN THE BUSINESS TO MAKE PROFIT AND THIS PROGRAM WAS NOT A HIGH MONEY MAKER FOR THEM; THEREFORE, IF THEY CAN STEER SOMEONE TO ANOTHER PRODUCT THEY WILL. NORTON ADDRESSED ANOTHER PROBLEM WAS MOST OF THE SMALL BANKS DON'T EMPLOY A FULL TIME MORTGAGE ORIGINATOR; HOWEVER, THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY PUTS THEIR 1800 NUMBER ON THEIR ADVERTISING SO PEOPLE CAN CONTACT THEM FIRST AND THEY CAN PUT THEM IN TOUCH WITH THE ONE PERSON WHO DOES THE ORIGINATING.

NORTON ADVISED THEY WERE LOOKING AT GETTING A NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT SPECIALIZES IN HOME BUYER EDUCATION TO DO A WORK- SHOP AT THE WASHINGTON-HOLMES VOCATIONAL CENTER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO ALLOW THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE WITH THEIR PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND TO HOLD THE REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARING AT THE AUGUST 23RD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.

RURAL COUNTY WORKSHOP/FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: TOMMY BARFIELD-WENT OVER THE PROJECTS THAT ARE UPCOMING FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY:

- 1. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY/FOUR LANING OF STATE ROAD 77 FROM THE BAY COUNTY LINE TO THE JACKSON COUNTY LINE/APPROXIMATELY 4.5 MILLION DOLLARS FUNDED TO DO STUDY/MAJOR CORRIDOR FOR EVACUATION OUT OF BAY COUNTY
- 2. HIGHWAY 79-INHOUSE STUDY TO START THIS YEAR ON FOUR-LANING OF HIGHWAY 79 TO WEST BAY BRIDGE/MAJOR CORRIDOR FOR EVACUATION OUT OF BAY COUNTY/HAVING TO PUT A SISTER BRIDGE IN AT ESTIMATED COST OF \$20,000,000 COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED THE STATE LOOK AT REPLACING THE BRIDGE ON HIGHWAY 79 BETWEEN THE CAUTION LIGHT AND THE INTERSTATE JUST INSIDE THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LINE.
- 3. STATE ROAD 79-EIGHT MILES OF RESURFACING OF COUNTY ROAD 278 TO HOLMES COUNTY LINE/BIDS TAKEN ON THIS PROJECT 07-25-2001/CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN IN ABOUT FOUR MONTHS. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED THE FOUR LANING OF HIGHWAY 77 FROM WAUSAU TO THE BAY COUNTY LINE NOT BEING MILLED ASPHALT.
- HIGHWAY 90 FROM HOLMES CREEK TO VERNON HIGHWAY 277/BIDS WERE TAKEN ON THIS PROJECT 07-25-2001/CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN IN ABOUT FOUR MONTHS.
- 5. HIGHWAY 79 NORTH OF HIGHWAY 20 TO HIGHWAY 284/10.5 MILES OF RESURFACING/BIDS TAKEN ON THIS PROJECT 07-25-2001/ CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BEGIN IN ABOUT FOUR MONTHS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NEED TO USE MILLED ASPHALT ON ALL THESE RESURFACING PROJECTS DUE TO PROBLEMS WITH CRACKING. COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED ALL LEVELING

CRACKING. COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED ALL LEVELING ON PROJECTS BE DONE BEFORE COMING BACK AND STARTING RESURFACING. COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED THE COST SAVINGS TO THE CONTRACTOR IN USING MILLED ASPHALT AND ADDRESSED THE RURAL COUNTIES HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY AT TIMES TO GET SOME MILLED ASPHALT TO USE ON BAD AREAS OF ROADS.

- 6. ST. ROAD 273-APPROACHES TO ALLIGATOR CREEK BRIDGE
- ST. ROAD 79-MILLERS FERRY ROAD TO PATE POND ROAD/PROJECT IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 2003
- 8. HIGHWAY 90-SINCLAIR STREET TO END OF FOUR LANE

9. REPLACEMENT OF COUNTY BRIDGE-HIGHWAY 166 10. ALLIGATOR CREEK BRIDGE-DESIGN SCHEDULED TO BEGIN THIS YEAR

AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BEGIN IN 2006. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF TWO BRIDGES ON S-CURVE ON HIGHWAY 166 WOULD BE REPLACED AS ONE BRIDGE; BARFIELD AGREED TO RESEARCH AND NOTIFY OF HIS FINDINGS. 11. UNPAVED COUNTY ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER HOLMES CREEK

SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 2002/REPLACING TWO BRIDGES WITH ONE

BARFIELD THEN WENT OVER FL-DOT INCENTIVE PROGRAMS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY: SMALL COUNTY OUTREACH PROGRAM-WAITING FOR INFORMATION ON INKIND SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY MATCH REQUIREMENT BEFORE AGREEMENTS CAN BE EXECUTED ON THESE PROJECTS.

TWO NEW PROJECTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1. CR 273-SOUTH BOULEVARD FROM BRICKYARD ROAD TO VERNON HIGHWAY
- 2. CR 278-PIONEER ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 277 IN VERNON TO STATE ROAD 77

PROJECTS ARE FUNDED AT 75% FL-DOT AND 25% COUNTY MATCH. BARFIELD UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SMALL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS SUBMITTED THREE PROJECTS FOR FUNDING:

- 1. CR 276-ALFORD ROAD
- 2. CR 276-CLAYTON ROAD
- 3. CR 280

IF APPROVED, THESE PROJECTS WILL BE FUNDED AT 100%. ISSUES ADDRESSED BY THE BOARD:

- DOES ROAD HAVE TO BE A SECONDARY ROAD TO BE FUNDED UNDER SCRAP; BARFIELD ADVISED IT DID NOT HAVE TO BE A SECONDARY ROAD BUT IT DOES HAVE TO BE A PAVED ROAD; RECOMMENDED BOARD SUBMIT ROADS THAT ARE IN WORST CONDITION.
- 2. IS THERE A POSSIBILITY NEW CONSTRUCTION CAN BE FUNDED IN THE FUTURE UNDER SCRAP-BARFIELD ADVISED IT WOULD REQUIRE A LEGISLATIVE CHANGE.
- 3. DOES BRIDGES QUALIFY FOR FUNDING UNDER SCRAP OR SCOP PROGRAM AND ADDRESSED HARD LABOR CREEK NEEDING TO BE REPLACED; BARFIELD ADVISED FUNDING MAINLY TO BE USED FOR RESURFACING BUT FL-DOT DID HAVE A BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM THAT WAS INDEPENDENT OF SCRAP AND SCOP.

BARFIELD ADVISED SCRAP WAS FUNDED FOR TEN YEARS WHEN IT BEGAN; BOARD WILL ONLY BE ASKED TO SUBMIT TWO PROJECTS IN THE FUTURE RATHER THAN THREE; BOARD WILL NOT BE ASKED TO SUBMIT PROJECTS NEXT YEAR FOR SCOP AS THIS PROGRAM WAS FUNDED THROUGH 2003.

CHRIS CONNOR/FL-DOT AREA MAINTENANCE ENGINEER FOR WASHINGTON, HOLMES AND JACKSON COUNTY INTRODUCED MALCOM MINCHIN, ASSISTANT MAINTENANCE ENGINEER. CONNOR THEN INFORMED THE BOARD:

- 1. THEY HAD A SUBYARD IN CARYVILLE; PAUL CROFT WAS THE SUPER-VISOR OF THE OFFICE.
- 2. IF THE COUNTY HAS ANY PROBLEMS WITH MAINTENANCE, CONTACT THEIR OFFICE.
- 3. CONTACT PEGGY PALMER WITH FL-DOT SAFETY OFFICE ON CLAIMS FOR BROKEN WINDSHIELDS ON VEHICLES.

GREG UTES/FL-DOT ASSISTANT RESIDENT ENGINEER IN CRESTVIEW OFFICE/STAN SWYTECK-RESIDENT ENGINEER/THEY COVER OKALOOSA, WALTON, HOLMES AND WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THEY HAVE AN OFFICE IN BONIFAY, FLORIDA. FOR CONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS, UTES ADVISED THE BOARD TO CALL THE BONIFAY OFFICE AND THEY WILL GET UP WITH HIM. UTES AGREED TO TRY AND GET AN ANSWER AS WHY HIGHWAY 77 FROM WAUSAU TO THE BAY COUNTY LINE WAS NOT GOING TO BE MILLED.

- HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:
- 1. HIGHWAY 90 FROM HIGHWAY 277 TO SINCLAIR STREET IS APPROXIMATELY 99% COMPLETE
- 2. FROM THE END OF THE FOUR-LANE, HIGHWAY 90 TO JACKSON COUNTY LINE SHOULD BEGIN SHORTLY

3. CYPRESS SLEUGH BRIDGE NEAR CARYVILLE IS APPROXIMATELY 99% COMPLETE

4. I-10 PROJECT SHOULD START ANYTIME

SIDEWALKS ON SINCLAIR STREET WERE ADDRESSED; BARFIELD WAS REQUESTED TO LOOK AT SIDEWALKS FOR BRICKYARD ROAD.

JUNE COATES/FL-DOT TRAFFICE OPERATIONS OFFICE IN THE CHIPLEY OFFICE, PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A HANDOUT LISTING NAMES, FACES, AND PHONE NUMBERS AND THE AREA THEIR OFFICE COVERS.

FRED BUCHANAN-COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM COORDINATOR, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CTST BEING IN EXISTENCE FOR FOUR YEARS AND THEIR GOALS WERE TO PROVIDE A SAFER WALKING AND TRAVELING PLACE FOR THE PUBLIC AND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON THE EXISTENCE OF HAZARDS AND UNSAFE DRIVING HABITS.

HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT ON SOUTH SECOND STREET TO PALS PARK TO BE COMPLETED IN FOUR TO SIX MONTHS. HE THEN RECOMMENDED THE BOARD, IF THEY RECOGNIZE ANY OTHER HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS, REPORT THEM TO THE CTST. HE THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE CTST.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON A STUDY FOR THE INTERSECTION OF BRICKYARD ROAD AND HIGHWAY 77. RESTRICTIONS FOR CTST PROJECTS WERE ADDRESSED WITH BUCHANAN

ADVISING THERE WERE NO RESTRICTIONS AS LONG AS IT IS ON A PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY. BUCHANAN ADVISED THE CTST MEETS THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH IN THE BOARD MEETING ROOM AND WOULD WELCOME IDEAS ON SETTING PRIORITIES.

CHAIRMAN COPE CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

CONNECTOR ROUTE/AUBREY DAVIS PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION ON AN ALTERNATIVE TO THE LIMITED ACCESS CONNECTOR. HE HAD A THREE- FOLD OBJECTIVE:

- 1. REQUESTED THE BOARD RECONSIDER THEIR VOTE LAST DECEMBER TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED EXPRESSWAY
- 2. REQUESTED AN EXPLANATION WHY THE BOARD DIDN'T FOLLOW UP WITH THEIR ACTION
- 3. REQUESTED THE BOARD SUPPORT AN ALTERNATIVE TO PUTTING IN THE EXPRESSWAY; ALTERNATIVES BEING PROPOSED IS TO IMPROVE THE EXISTING HIGHWAYS US 231, FL 77, 79, US 331 AND THE USE OF RAILROAD.

IN TALKING WITH PERSONS IN WASHINGTON AND SURROUNDING COUNTIES, DAVIS SAID HE HAD FOUND NO SUPPORT FOR THE EXPRESSWAY; THE ABSENTEE BUREAUCRATS AND ABSENTEE SPECIAL INTEREST IS WHAT HE HAS FOUND TO BE IN FAVOR OF THE EXPRESSWAY. DAVIS'S OBJECTION TO THE EXPRESSWAY:

- 1. DISRUPT, UNNECESSARILY, HOMES, FAMILIES AND BUSINESSES
- 2. CAUSE TRAVELERS TO BYPASS COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES; THEREBY, DEGRADING THE ECONOMY OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES
- 3. THE COST FOR THE EXPRESSWAY SEEMS EXORBITANT
- 4. WITH EXTENDED PERIOD OF CONSTRUCTION FOR THE EXPRESSWAY, PROPERTY OWNERS AND BUSINESSES ARE IN LIMBO; EXPRESSWAY DEGRADES VALUE OF PROPERTY
- 5. EXISTING HIGHWAYS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE IMPROVED REGARDLESS OF THE DECISION ON THE EXPRESSWAY
- 6. THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT WITH THE EXPRESSWAY
- EXPRESSWAY WILL INTERDICT A NUMBER OF EAST/WEST SECONDARY ROADS; THIS WILL NOT HELP PEOPLES LIFESTYLES OR ECONOMIC STATUS.

8. YOU CAN'T HAVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ALONG AN EXPRESSWAY

DAVIS ADDRESSED THE ADVANTAGES OF THE ALTERNATIVES HE IS PROPOSING:

- 1. IT WILL COST LESS DUE TO RIGHT OF WAY ALREADY EXISTING; THIS WILL ACCELERATE CONSTRUCTION AND THERE WILL BE A LESSER REQUIREMENT FOR STUDYING AND PLANNING
- 2. MUCH LESS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
- 3. THE PUBLIC WOULD REALIZE BENEFITS MUCH SOONER BY

ACCELERATING THE IMPROVEMENTS OF EXISTING ROADS BECAUSE IT WOULD PROBABLY BE DONE IN SECTORS AND COMPLETED IN INCREMENTS

- 4. BY HAVING FOUR CORRIDORS TO TAKE PEOPLE OUT OF THE GULF COAST AREA INTO ALABAMA, PEOPLE WILL HAVE BETTER ACCESS FOR HURRICANE EVACUATION.
- 5. BY IMPROVING THE FOUR EXISTING ROADS, BUSINESSES AND LOCAL ECONOMY WILL BE IMPROVED DUE TO TRAVELERS HAVING BETTER ACCESS.
- 6. RAILROAD WOULD TAKE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF PRESSURE OFF OF ANY HIGHWAY COMING OUT OF GULF COAST AREA; IT WOULD ALSO OFFER TOURIST POTENTIAL.

DAVIS STATED THE FL-DOT CORRIDOR FEASIBILITY STUDY, IN HIS OPINION, APPEARS TO BE VERY LIMITED AND BIASED TOWARD PROPOSING THE CORRIDOR AND DOESN'T ADDRESS MUCH ABOUT THE ALTERNATIVES; IT APPEARED TO HIM THE MOMENTUM IS BUILT UP BY THE BUREAUCRATS, POLITICIANS AND SPECIAL INTEREST FOR THE EXPRESSWAY.

DAVIS REQUESTED THE BOARD SUBMIT A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CORRIDOR AND SUPPORTING THE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE OR GIVE AN EXPLANATION WHY THEY AREN'T.

COMMISSIONER FINCH RESPONDED TO SOME COMMENTS MADE BY MR. DAVIS: THE FEASIBILITY STUDY WAS CONDUCTED ACCORDING TO A SPECIFIC SCOPE OF SERVICES WITH NO INFLUENCES; THE RAILROAD WAS LOOKED AT BUT THERE WAS NO INTEREST IN EXPANDING THE RAILROAD SERVICES DUE TO IT NOT PAYING FOR ITSELF; THERE WAS NO BIAS OR PRE-DETERMINED STUDIES AND ALL EFFORTS WERE PUT INTO IT TO MAKE IT A FAIR STUDY; THERE IS A LOT OF PEOPLE SUPPORTING THE IDEA OF AN EXPRESSWAY COMING THROUGH WASHINGTON COUNTY; FOUR LANING IS ALSO INCLUDED IN THE FEASIBILITY STUDY AS A POSSIBILITY.

DAVIS ADVISED THE PERCEPTION OF THE AVERAGE PERSON IN THE AREA WAS OPPOSED TO THE EXPRESSWAY AND RECOMMENDED EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS READ THE FEASIBILITY STUDY.

DAVIS REITERATED HIS REQUEST FOR AN EXPLANATION FROM EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS WHY THEY DID NOT FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THEIR PREVIOUS ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE EXPRESSWAY.

COMMISSIONER HALL STATED HE WAS STILL OPPOSED TO THE EXPRESSWAY; HE HAD NOT CHANGED HIS MIND AS IT WAS GOING TO DISRUPT A LOT OF PEOPLE LIVES.

BLAIR GOLDEN, PROJECT MANAGER WITH THE FL-DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PROVIDED AN UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED CORRIDOR: THE FEASIBILITY STUDY IS COMPLETED; THEY ARE FINALIZING THEIR DOCUMENTS, AND THEY WILL NO IN OCTOBER IF IT WILL BE FUNDED. THE FEASIBILITY STUDY STATES THAT EITHER THE EXISTING NORTH SOUTH ROUTE WILL BE WIDENED OR THEY WILL STUDY A CONNECTOR. AT THIS TIME BECAUSE OF THE CONCLUSION OF THE FEASIBILITY STUDY, THEY WILL BE INCLUDING IN THE SCOPE THE STUDY OF THE EXISTING NORTH SOUTH ROUTE, HIGHWAY 77, 79 AND 231; THEY WILL BE CONSIDERED AS AN EQUAL ALTERNATIVE AS THE CONNECTOR; SCOPE OF WORK WILL BE REWRITTEN, PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IS A LARGE PART OF THE STUDY, THERE IS A NEED FOR ADDITIONAL CAPACITY IN THIS AREA, IF THEY ARE NOT FUNDED FEDERALLY, THEY WILL NOT CONTINUE WITH THE FEASIBILITY STUDY. THEY WILL TRY AND CONTINUE WITH WHAT THEY HAVE PLANNED FOR HIGHWAY 77 AND 79.; NOTHING WILL BE DONE WITHOUT THE PUBLIC BEING NOTIFIED; THERE WILL ALSO BE A PUBLIC HEARING.

LARRY CARTER QUESTIONED PUTTING THE EXPRESSWAY ON A REFERENDUM ON THE BALLOT SO EVERYONE COULD VOTE; ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD COULD HAVE IT PUT ON A BALLOT BUT IT WOULD NOT BE BINDING, ONLY A STRAW BALLOT. CARTER DIDN'T SEE ANY ECONOMIC BENEFIT FROM THE EXPRESSWAY AND FELT IT WOULD HAVE A TERRIBLE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT. MS. GOLDEN ADVISED CARTER HE WAS WELCOME TO SEND HIS WRITTEN COMMENTS AND THEY WOULD BE MADE A PART OF THE RECORD.

HARRY JOHNSON ADDRESSED REASONS THE LIMITED ACCESS CONNECTOR WOULD BE SAFER FOR RESIDENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY; IF HIGHWAY 77 AND 79 WERE FOUR-LANED, THERE WOULD BE INCREASED CAPACITY AND INCREASED SPEED LIMIT AND WOULD BE MORE INCREASED HAZARDS FOR SCHOOL BUSES. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER ADDRESSED WHY HE HAD CHANGED HIS MIND ON OPPOSING THE EXPRESSWAY; BY THE COUNTY NOT OPPOSING THE EXPRESSWAY, THE FL-DOT HAD COME UP WITH SOME ALTERNATIVES THAT HAVE BEEN SUGGESTED AND BY NOT OPPOSING IT, IT PUT THE COUNTY IN A BETTER POSITION TO BARGAIN RATHER THAN SAYING THEY DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING.

COMMISSIONER COPE COMMENTED THE EXPRESSWAY WAS PROBABLY GOING TO COME WHETHER THE COUNTY WANTED IT OR NOT; LIKE DAVIS SAID, THE POWERS WANT IT; HE DID FEEL THE PEOPLE AFFECTED SHOULD BE COMPENSATED WELL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE FEASIBILITY STUDY WAS DONE BECAUSE THERE IS A NEED FOR CAPACITY ON THE ROAD; ADDING TWO LANES TO THE ROADS DAVIS REFERENCED WOULD WORK FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME BUT EVENTUALLY THERE WILL STILL BE A NEED FOR ANOTHER ROAD.

FRANK CORSO RECOMMENDED THE BOARD RESEARCH SEAHOPE; THIS COULD CONSTITUTE THE CONNECTOR ROUTE GOING NORTH AND SOUTH TO TAKE PRODUCTS THROUGH THE COUNTRY.

AUBREY DAVIS ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO SUPPORT THE ALTERNATIVES TO THE EXPRESSWAY HE HAD ADDRESSED.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO SUPPORT THE ALTERNATIVES OF EXPANDING THE LANES ON THE FOUR ALTERNATIVE ROUTES IN LIEU OF A CONNECTOR ROAD GOING THROUGH WASHINGTON COUNTY. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE FUTURE SCOPE OF SERVICES IF THE PROJECT GOES FORWARD WILL LOOK AT FOUR LANING HIGHWAY 77 AND 79 AND SIX LANING OF HIGHWAY 231 AS WELL AS LOOK AT A DIFFERENT CONNECTOR ROUTE; HE QUESTIONED WHY WOULD THE BOARD WANT TO DISCOURAGE LOOKING AT OTHER POSSIBILITIES.

DAVIS ADDRESSED EIGHT TO TEN YEARS BEING TOO LONG TO WAIT FOR ANOTHER ROUTE; THE BOARD COULD DE-EMPHASIZE THE CORRIDOR AND PUT EMPHASIS ON THE EXISTING ROADS. COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED IT ALREADY BEING IN THE STATE'S WORK PROGRAM TO FOUR LANE 77 AND 79.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER ADDRESSED THE NEED TO KNOW MORE INFORMATION AS TO HOW MANY PEOPLE WOULD BE AFFECTED, WHO WOULD BE AFFECTED AND WHAT IS IT GOING TO DO BEFORE MAKING AN INTELLIGENT DECISION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIM FEELING THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE BORN AND RAISED IN WASHINGTON COUNTY DOES NOT WANT ANY MORE GROWTH.

THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION WAS CALLED FOR. THE MOTION FAILED WITH COMMISSIONER HALL AND BROCK FOR AND COMMISSIONER COPE, ENFINGER AND FINCH OPPOSED.

AUBRY DAVIS RE-ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON COMMISSIONER FINCH HAVING RECUSED HIMSELF FROM VOTING ON THE ISSUE LAST DECEMBER DUE TO HIM BEING EMPLOYED BY METRIC ENGINEERING, THE FIRM WHO DID THE FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR FL-DOT ON THE CONNECTOR ROUTE. HE QUESTIONED WHY FINCH DIDN'T RECUSE HIMSELF FROM VOTING TODAY. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED HE FELT THE STUDY SHOULD CONTINUE AND FELT THERE WAS NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

SHARRON WHITAKER WITH NEW TOWN REALTY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON BEHALF OF HER CLIENTS, RANDY AND PAT BROWN, WHO HAD PURCHASED PROPERTY FROM W W LAND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, PAUL AND BILL WORLEY. DUE TO THE ISSUES THE COUNTY HAS WITH W & W LAND DEVELOPMENT AND UNKNOWN TO THE BROWNS AND TO NEW TOWN REALTY, LINDA WALLER INFORMED THEM SHE COULD NOT ISSUE THEM AN ADDRESS AND RECOMMENDED THEY COME BEFORE THE BOARD.

WHITAKER EXPLAINED THE BROWNS HAD PURCHASED 25 ACRES AT NEW AND OWNED FRONTAGE ON HIGHWAY 79 CONSISTING OF TWO 30' WIDE PARCELS THAT JOIN THEIR 25 ACRERS; TWO ACCESS POINTS FOR THEIR DRIVEWAY. WHITAKER ADDRESSED THERE BEING NO PROBLEM WITH THE BROWNS USING ACCESS "A" OFF OF HIGHWAY 79; HOWEVER, THIS WOULD INCREASE THEIR EXPENSE FOR A DRIVEWAY. THE BROWNS PREFER TO USE ACCESS "B" WHICH IS WHERE THE COUNTY HAS AN ISSUE WITH THE WORLEYS; THE "B" ACCESS IS OWNED BY THE BROWNS. IN CONCLUSION, WHITAKER REQUESTED THE ISSUE THE BOARD HAS WITH W W LAND DEVELOPMENT NOT PROHIBIT THE BROWNS FROM OBTAINING THEIR ADDRESS ASSIGNMENT. RANDY BROWN ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HIS DEED AND SURVEY SHOWS AN EASEMENT; THERE IS A DRIVEWAY THAT IS CURRENTLY EXISTING; THE COUNTY HAS DEEMED THE DRIVEWAY IS FOR ONE INDIVIDUAL. WHEN OTHER ADJACENT LANDOWNERS OWN OUT TO THE MIDDLE OF THE ROADWAY, TYPICALLY EVERYBODY SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO THE PARCEL OF LAND THEY OWN. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO MAKE SOME SORT OF EXCEPTION OR PROVISION TO HELP HIM RESOLVE THE PROBLEM OF GETTING AN ADDRESS. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING NO RED FLAGS THAT WENT UP WHEN HE WAS PURCHASING THE PROPERTY FROM WORLEY AND FILING ALL THE PAPERWORK WITH THE COUNTY; APPARENTLY THERE ARE NO COMPONENTS IN PLACE TO STOP THEM FROM PURCHASING THE PROPERTY.

RANDY PARKER, COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING CONSULTANT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON WALLER HAVING WORKED UP A TIMELINE ON THE WORLEY DEVELOPMENT; WALLER PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A COPY. PARKER THEN REFERENCED THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS ACTION FOR WORLEY TO BRING HIS DEVELOPMENT PLAN UP TO CODE, LET THE PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW IT TO SEE HOW HE WAS GOING TO DEVELOP IT SO EVERYONE COULD SIGN OFF ON IT ON THE FRONT END. A LETTER WAS SENT TO MR. WORLEY DETAILING WHAT NEEDED TO BE DONE BASED ON THE ACTION THE BOARD HAD TAKEN AND BASED ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WHICH WAS TO PRESENT A CONSEPTUAL DRAWING OF THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO PREVENT SOMEONE FROM PURCHASING THE PROPERTY AND NOT HAVING ACCESS TO IT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD AMONG MR. WORLEY AND THE BOARD ON THE PROBLEMS BEING INCURRED DUE TO HIM NOT HAVING ABIDED BY THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS ACTION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO PROTECT EVERYBODY THAT OWNS PROPERTY ALONG THE 30' EASEMENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED FOR THIS EASEMENT TO BE A COMMON DRIVE FOR TWO OR MORE PEOPLE, IT WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; IF IT SERVES MORE THAN ONE PERSON IT BECOMES A ROAD AND NOT A DRIVEWAY AND IT DOESN'T MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A ROAD NOW.

RANDY PARKER RECOMMENDED LETTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION REVIEW AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD ON THE LIMITED ACCESS ISSUES ON THE ROADWAYS TO THE PROPERTY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED WORLEY HAVING BEEN REQUESTED TO PROVIDE A DRAWING OF HIS DEVELOPMENT PLAN BEFORE HE BEGAN DEVELOPING AND SUBDIVIDING PROPERTY; THIS WAS NOT DONE.

WORLEY ADDRESSED THERE WAS NO REASON THE BROWN'S CAN'T GET AN ADDRESS AS THEY OWN A PIECE OF PROPERTY THAT IS SEPARATE FROM THE CONTENTIONS ON THE ROAD BEING ADDRESSED.

MR. BROWN ADVISED HE PREFERRED TO USE THE EXISTING DRIVEWAY HE SUPPOSEDLY OWNED PART OF AS OPPOSED TO GOING THROUGH THE FL-DOT PERMIT TING, ETC.; ISSUES IN USING THE HIGHWAY 79 PROPERTY:

- 1. AS YOU GO IN THAT SIDE OF THE PROPERTY, IT IS NOT CONDITIONED THE WAY IT IS LAID OUT WITH CREEKS, ETC ALONG THE FRONT PORTION.
- 2. THERE IS ANOTHER DRIVEWAY LOCATED RIGHT NEXT TO IT; IT IS IN A CURVE RIGHT OUTSIDE OF NEW HOPE AND FOR SAFETY REASONS HE WOULDN'T FEEL COMFORTABLE ABOUT ENTERING AND EXITING FROM THAT POINT.

DISCUSSION HELD ON BROWN HAVING TWO 30' PARCELS OFF OF HIGHWAY 79.

MR. OLNEY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HE, MR. BROWN, AND MR. SHEEHAN WANTING IT WHERE THEY ALL CAN USE THE SAME ROAD FOR A DRIVEWAY AS THEY ALL OWN A PROPERTY EASEMENT ON THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO GIVE MR. BROWN A 911 ADDRESS ON THE "A" SITE CON- TINGENT ON MR. WORLEY MEETING WITH THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON AUGUST 7TH TO COME UP WITH A SOLUTION; IF THE PROBLEM IS RESOLVED, THE BROWNS AND THE OLNEYS CAN GET A 911 ADDRESS OFF THE B SITE. MR. WORLEY WAS ADVISED TO PROVIDE A DETAILED DEVELOPMENT PLAN TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION. COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS-RANDY PARKER UPDATED THE BOARD ON A MEMO HE HAD SUBMITTED TO THEM ON THE ALTERNATIVE PROJECTS FOR THE GRANT FUNDING:

- 1. THE MUNICIPALITIES OF CARYVILLE, EBRO, VERNON AND WAUSAU HAVE COMMITTED TO BE A PART OF THE COUNTY'S GRANT APPLICATION; THIS SHOULD INCREASE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FUNDS AVAILABLE TO PROJECTS IN THE COUNTY AND SHOULD INCREASE THE POSSIBILITY OF BEING FUNDED SINCE MULTI-COMMUNITY APPLICATIONS ARE GIVEN PRIORITY.
- FOUR PROJECTS SUGGESTED BY PARKER:
 A. PREPARATION OF AN ECONOMIC ELEMENT IN THE COMPREHENSIVE
 - PLAN; ESTIMATED COST \$10,500.00
 - B. DEVELOPMENT OF A "PLANNING SECTION" ON THE COUNTY'S WEB SITE AND TRAINING TO MAINTAIN INFORMATION ON SITE; ESTIMATED COST \$7,500
 - C. AMENDMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SUCH THAT THE RECOMMENDED LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACTIONS AND STRATEGIES AS OUTLINED IN THE FLORIDA SPRINGS TASK FORCE REPORT, DATED NOVEMBER 2000 ARE INCORPORATED THEREIN; ESTIMATED COST \$2,500.00.
 - D. AMENDMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ESTABLISHMENT OF IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES FOR IDENTIFICATION AND PRIORTI-ZATION OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT NEEDS; ESTIMATED COST \$6,500.00.

PARKER RECOMMENDED SUBMITTING ALL FOUR PROJECTS TO SEE WHAT FUND- ING CAN BE OBTAINED. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PARKER SUBMITTING ALL FOUR OF THESE PROJECTS TO USE THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS TO FUND.

PARKER RECOMMENDED A COMMITTEE BE APPOINTED ONCE IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED WHAT PROJECT WILL BE FUNDED UNDER THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT.

HIGH VIEW ACRES/ROAD MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS-FRANK PIERCE UPDATED THE BOARD ON WHAT HAD BEEN DONE TO THE ROADS IN HIGH VIEW ACRES TO BRING THEM UP TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY ROAD STANDARDS.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROJECT AND THERE BEING A QUESTION OF WHAT ROADS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A 40' RIGHT OF WAY AND WHAT ROADS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A 60' RIGHT OF WAY.

RANDY PARKER, COMP PLAN CONSULTANT, ADDRESSED THERE BEING ONLY 40' OF ROAD TO WORK IN AND THE NEED TO TRY AND ALLOW PIERCE TO USE THE 40' UNLESS THERE IS A PROBLEM WHERE THE DRAINAGE WOULDN'T WORK AND THE ROAD WOULDN'T HOLD.

PIERCE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING TAKEN SOME UNSOLD PROPERTIES AND MADE SOME 60' ROADS WHERE THE BAD SPOTS WERE; 40' ROADS WERE IN MOST OF THE DEVELOPMENT.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER RECOMMENDED PIERCE MEET WITH THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON AUGUST 7, 2001 TO SEE IF VARIANCES CAN BE WORKED OUT ON 40' ROADWAYS.

CHARLES DUNN, PIERCE'S ENGINEER, ADVISED PIERCE WAS WANTING A RELEASE ON THE HIGH VIEW ACRES MOROTORIUM SO HE COULD BEGIN SELLING PROPERTY BUT IS NOT ASKING FOR THE COUNTY TO TAKE OVER MAINTENANCE AT THIS TIME.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO RELEASE THE MORITORIUM FOR MR. FRANK PIERCE ON HIGHVIEW ACRES WITH PIERCE TO COMPLETE ROADS BY DECEMBER 31, 2001 AND CONTINGENT ON PIERCE MEETING WITH THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND GETTING VARIANCES ON ROAD SIZE REQUIREMENTS.

THE BOARD RECESSED FOR LUNCH.

PURSUANT TO A LUNCH BREAK, KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON SEVERAL PROJECTS:

1. BIDS FOR CONTINUOUS SERVICE CONTRACT FOR STRIPING OF ROADS/SET UP FOR UNIT PRICES FOR SET QUANTITIES/ONLY ONE BID RECEIVED; KNAUER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD ACCEPT THE LOW AND ONLY BID RECEIVED FROM GUETTLER & GUETTLER. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON EXCESSIVE TEMPORARY STRIPING COST ON THE 2000 SCRAP PROJECT AND IF THERE WERE WAYS TO REDUCE THIS COST. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT KNAUER'S RECOMMENDATION AND AWARD THE STRIPING CONTRACT TO GUETTLER AND GUETTLER. COMMISSIONER BROCK OPPOSED. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR KNAUER TO CHECK ON USING TEMPORARY REFLECTIVE MARKERS AND OTHER MEANS TO CUT DOWN ON TEMPORARY STRIPING EXPENSES.

- 2. CR-280 IMPROVEMENTS-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR PREVIOUS ACTION TO USE ALL THE REMAINING SCRAP 2000 FUNDS ON CR-280; THE PROJECT IS OUT FOR BID TO PAVE APRONS ALL THE WAY BACK TO THE RIGHT OF WAY LINE WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 40' BACK FROM EXISTING EDGE OF PAVEMENT; 35' RADIUSES WILL BE ON ALL APRONS; 1.5" S-1 ASPHALT OVER PRIMECOAT; COUNTY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CLIPPING AND GETTING COMPACTION ON THE DRIVES BEFORE THE CON-TRACTOR SHOWS UP. BIDS WILL BE OPENED ON AUGUST 1, 2001 WITH KNAUER ASKING THE BOARD HOW THEY WOULD LIKE TO HANDLE THE BIDS FOR THE CR-280 PROJECT. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO LET COMMISSIONER HALL AND KNAUER TAKE CARE OF AWARDING THE BIDS.
- 3. KNAUER PROVIDED COMMISSIONER BROCK WITH THE PRELIMINARY DRAWINGS FOR DISTRICT III PARK. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS FOR ANY FRDAP PROJECTS TO GO THROUGH THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE WITH THEM MAKING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD.
- 4. SCRAP & SCOP PROJECTS-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD:
 - A. ADVERTISING FOR PROJECTS WILL BE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 4TH.
 - B. CR279 AND CLAYTON ROAD ARE ON SCOP PROGRAM-INFORMATION ON INKIND COUNTY MATCH IS STILL MISSING ON SCOP PROJECTS. HE HAS PROVIDED FL-DOT A BREAKDOWN ON WHAT THE BOARD HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO USE FOR THE MATCH WHICH WAS WIDEN-ING, EROSION CONTROL, EARTHWORK AND SHOULDERS; HOWEVER, FL-DOT WANTS ESTIMATED QUANTITIES WITH UNIT PRICES, ETC. SCOP AGREEMENT SHOULD BE FORTHCOMING WHEN HE SUBMITS THIS INFORMATION.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON USING MILLING MATERIALS FOR THE BASE ON WIDENING AND BIDDING OUT TESTING. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR KNAUER TO BID OUT THE TESTING ON THESE PROJECTS; IF HE FINDS OUT FROM FL-DOT, THEY WILL REQUIRE FL-DOT CERTIFICATION FOR THE TESTING, HE WILL PUT IT IN THE SPECIFICATIONS; IF NOT REQUIRED, HE WILL LEAVE IT OUT. IF THE JPA AGREEMENTS FOR THE SCOP PROJECTS ARE RECEIVED SOON, HE SHOULD HAVE THE BIDS FOR BOTH THE SCRAP AND SCOP PROJECTS AVAILABLE FOR THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON WIDENING BEING PART OF THE COUNTY'S INKIND MATCH. KNAUER ADVISED THE FL-DOT HAD AGREED WIDENING COULD BE PUT OUT AS AN ALTERNATE ON THE PROJECTS; THEY WILL CONSIDER THE UNIT PRICE FOR THE COUNTY'S INKIND.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL TO PURCHASE A DISTRIBUTOR AND A BROOM WITH FUNDING TO COME OUT OF THE TRANSPORTATION FUND. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE MOTION CARRYING UNANIMOUSLY.

HANDICAP PARKING FINE ORDINANCE-A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE WAS HELD. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER READ THE ORDINANCE HEADING. ED PELLETIER, FRANK CORSO AND MONICA CORSO ADDRESSED THE BOARD WITH QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE. DISCUS- SION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE. MSBU/SUNNY HILLS AND OAK HILL-GLENN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO SET THE DATE, PLACE AND TIME FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE MSBU; THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL HAVE TO BE HELD BY SEPTEMBER 15, 2001 WITH MAILOUTS ON THE HEARING TO BE MAILED 20 DAYS PRIOR TO THE HEARING DATE. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 4, 2001 AT 3:00 P.M. AT THE BOARD MEETING ROOM. CHAIRMAN COPE APPOINTED COMMIS- SIONER FINCH TO WORK WITH ZANETIC ON IDENTIFYING PROPERTIES.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

- REQUESTED A MOTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN ECONOMIC AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION FOR TRAWICK CONSTRUCTION COMPANY; THEY HAVE BEEN DETERMINED THEY QUALIFY FOR THE EXEMPTION. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ADVERTISING AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE EXEMPTION.
- 2. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT/ANIMAL CONTROL-ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAD DRAFTED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS FOR VERNON, EBRO, WAUSAU AND CARYVILLE TO JOIN IN ON THE REMAINDER OF THE THREE MONTHS ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE. HOLLEY PROVIDED THE AGREEMENTS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO GET SIGNED.
- 3. AGREEMENT-HOLLEY BRIEFED THE BOARD ON AN AGREEMENT HE HAD DRAWN UP FOR THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO USE FOR STRUCTURES THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE GOING TO BURN FOR PRACTICE PURPOSES. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE CONCEPT OF ALLOWING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS TO USE STRUCTURES DONATED BY INDIVIDUALS FOR TRAINING PURPOSES.
- 4. GRIT-HOLLEY GAVE DEPUTY CLERK CARTER THE SIGNED AGREEMENT FROM THE LIQUIDATED TRUSTEE ON GOVERNMENT RISK INSURANCE TRUST.
- 5. DEED-HOLLEY GAVE THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT A DEED HE HAD PREPARED FOR BESSIE MAE CULPEPPER TO SIGN ON CULPEPPER LANE.
- 6. DEED-HOLLEY HAD TITLE WORK DONE AND DEED PREPARED ON THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY FROM JULIA LYNN WOOD FOR ACCESS TO DANIELS LAKE PROPERTY; HE WILL NEED TO GET A CHECK FOR \$9,000.00 WHEN CLOSING ON PROPERTY.
- 6. HOSPITAL REVENUE BOND-HOLLEY HAD A RESOLUTION THE BOARD NEEDED TO ADOPT TODAY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A \$1,000,000 HOSPITAL REVENUE BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES FOR THE INTERIM FINANCIAL FOR THE MEDICAL OFFICE COMPLEX. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.
- 7. RETIREMENT FOR MINI GUNTER AND KIM BIRCH-NOTICE FROM DIVISION OF RETIREMENT STATING COUNTY OWES RETIREMENT ON THESE FORMER EMPLOYEES; COUNTY THOUGHT THEY WERE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES BUT FL-DIVISION OF RETIREMENT HAS REVIEWED AND DETERMINED THEY ARE EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE FOR RETIREMENT. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED IF THE COUNTY CAN'T PROVE OTHERWISE, PAY THE BILL FROM THE DIVISION OF RETIREMENT FOR MINI GUNTER AND KIM BIRCH.
- 8. VOTING RIGHTS-HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON TRYING TO SCHEDULE

DR. RON WEBER TO BE PRESENT AT THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING TO TALK ABOUT VOTING RIGHTS. IF WEBER CAN'T BE PRESENT AT THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING, HOLLEY WILL GET WITH CHAIRMAN TO SCHEDULE A TIME WHEN HE CAN COME.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT REPORT:

- 1. BUILDING OFFICIAL-HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BUILDING OFFICIAL COMMITTEE AND THE CRITERIA THEY USED TO BASE THEIR RECOMMENDATION:
 - A. THE NEED FOR A BUILDING OFFICIAL WITH A SALARY OF \$40,000 AND THE NEED FOR A BUILDING INSPECTOR AT \$25,000 PER YEAR SHOULD THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT COME BACK UNDER THE COUNTY. COMPUTATIONS WERE DONE FOR THE SALARY AND BENEFITS, VEHICLES, VEHICLE INSURANCE, FUEL, MEDICAL INSURANCE, UNEMPLOYMENT AND WORKERS COMPENSATION FOR THE TWO EMPLOYEES. THIS COST CAME TO \$135,125.
 - B. BUILDING PERMITS FOR FY 2000/2001 THROUGH JUNE 2001 (9 MONTHS) TOTALLED \$103,482.50; PRORATED FOR ONE YEAR, THE COST WOULD BE \$137,976.66.
 - C. UNDER CURRENT BUILDING OFFICIAL CONTRACT, BUILDING OFFICIAL PERCENTAGE OF PERMIT FEES IS .65; \$137,976.66 X 65% = \$89,684.82.
 - D. COUNTY SAVINGS: BUILDING OFFICIAL AND INSPECTOR UNDER THE COUNTY-\$135,125.50; CONTRACTING OUT SERVICES-\$89,684.82
 - E. THE COMMITTEE LOOKED AT THE 13 MONTHS FROM JUNE, 1998 THROUGH JUNE, 1999 AND THE FEES PAID TO MR. POWELL WERE \$138,842.07. AFTER THE COMMITTEE MET, HERBERT SUBTRACTED OUT JUNE OF 1999 TO MAKE IT A 12 MONTH PERIOD DUE TO THE COMMITTEE HAVING NOT REALIZED THERE WERE 13 MONTHS INCLUDED IN THE FIGURES THEY LOOKED AT; THE FEES THEN EQUALLED \$118,355.41. TOTAL AMOUNT PAID TO THE CONTRACT-OR DURING THAT TIME WAS \$118,355.41 COMPARED TO A BUILD-ING OFFICIAL AND BUILDING INSPECTOR UNDER THE COUNTY AT \$118,355.41; DIFFERENCE IF \$16,770.09.

THE BUILDING OFFICIAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD LEAVE THE BUILDING OFFICIAL POSITION AS IT CURRENTLY IS UNTIL A LATER DATE; HAVE THE LIAISON TALK WITH MR. POWELL ABOUT HIS UNNECESSARY COMMENTS; AND IF MR. POWELL IS ASKED TO DO SOMETHING TO DO IT WITHOUT QUESTIONING. ALSO, THAT MR. POWELL IS NOT REQUIRED TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS UNLESS THE BOARD REQUESTS HE BE THERE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH SEVERAL ISSUES ADDRESSED: WAS THERE A NEED FOR MORE THAN ONE BUILDING OFFICIAL, WAS THE COMMITTEE SUPPLIED WITH THIS SAME INFORMATION, AND WHY AREN'T OTHER COUNTIES CONTRACTING OUT THEIR BUILDING SERVICES IF THIS IS A BETTER WAY TO GO.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO ACCEPT THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION TO LEAVE THE BUILDING OFFICIAL POSITION AS IT CURRENTLY IS UNTIL A LATER DATE.

FRANK CORSO REQUESTED THE PUBLIC BE NOTIFIED WHEN COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE HELD.

LLOYD POWELL, BUILDING OFFICIAL, REQUESTED HE START GETTING 65% OF ALL FEES AGAIN, INCLUDING COMPETENCY FEES.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON JUSTIFICATION FOR THE NEED OF TWO BUILDING OFFICIALS IF IT WERE BROUGHT BACK UNDER THE COUNTY BASED ON THE NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS PRESENTLY DONE; A COMPARISON WAS NEEDED ON INSPECTIONS DONE WHEN THE COUNTY HAD ONE OFFICIAL VERSUS INSPECTIONS BEING DONE BY CONTRACTOR.

COMMISSIONER HALL CALLED FOR THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION. DISCUSSION CONTINUED. CHAIRMAN COPE ADDRESSED PERSONS COMING TO HIM WHO DO NOT FEEL THEY ARE GETTING A GOOD INSPECTION AND HIS MAIN CONCERN IS FOR PEOPLE BUILDING A HOME TO GET A GOOD INSPECTION. POWELL ASSURED CHAIRMAN COPE EVERYONE WAS GETTING A GOOD INSPECTION. COMMISSIONER HALL AND BROCK FOR WITH COMMISSIONER COPE, ENFINGER AND FINCH OPPOSED.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH THE BOARD REQUESTING MORE INFORMATION ON COMPARISON OF INSPECTIONS DONE WHEN THE COUNTY HAD ONE OFFICIAL VERSUS INSPECTIONS BEING DONE BY CONTRACTOR, ONE VEHICLE RATHER THAN TWO AND ONE INSPECTOR RATHER THAN TWO.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHERE MONIES WOULD COME FROM TO PAY ANOTHER BUILDING INSPECTOR TO DO INSPECTIONS IF THE COUNTY ONLY HAD ONE BUILDING OFFICIAL AND THEY WERE OUT ON LEAVE; WOULD LIABILITY INSURANCE GO UP SHOULD THE BUILDING OFFICIAL COME BACK UNDER COUNTY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GO AHEAD AND MAKE A DECISION TODAY IF THEY ARE INCLINED TO HAVE THE SERVICES DONE INHOUSE; THERE IS NO NEW INFORMATION TO BRING BACK AS ONE OF THE VEHICLES AND ONE EMPLOYEE WOULD BE TAKEN OUT. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO BRING THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT INHOUSE AND LOOK AT ONE EMPLOYEE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2001. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREEING TO WITHDRAW HIS MOTION IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO GATHER MORE INFORMATION.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR-HERBERT REQUESTED THE BOARD RECLASSIFY HIS POSITION TO COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2001.

COUNTY ENGINEER-HERBERT ADDRESSED THERE BEING A POSITION FOR A COUNTY ENGINEER ON THE COUNTY SALARY SCHEDULE THAT HAS NEVER BEEN FILLED AND REQUESTED THE BOARD FILL THIS POSITION EFFECTIVE OCTOBER, 1, 2001. THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR WAS PROVIDED WHICH HE FEELS MEETS THIS POSITION. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER TO CREATE THE POSITION OF A PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AND ADVERTISE FOR THE POSITION.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE CURRENT TWO PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS; HERBERT ADVISED HE HAD PROVIDED A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR WHICH WOULD COVER THE TWO CURRENT SUPERVISORS DUTIES. DISCUSSION CONTINUED. THE QUESTIONED WAS CALLED FOR ON THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER HALL OPPOSED.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR-COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO RECLASSIFY PETER HERBERT AS COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2001. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR HAVING A LOT MORE RESPONSIBILITY AND THE NEED TO DO AWAY WITH ALL LIASONS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COMMISSIONER FINCH WITH THE WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONER BROCK WITH TRI COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND TRI COUNTY DISADVANTAGED PROGRAMS. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER SUGGESTED THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TAKE OVER LIASONS INSIDE THE GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY. CHAIRMAN COPE RECOMMENDED EACH BOARD MEMBER GET WITH HERBERT ON THE BOARDS THEY PRESENTLY SERVE LIASON ON.

THE QUESTION WAS CALLED FOR ON THE MOTION TO RECLASSIFY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER HALL OPPOSED.

GROUND BREAKING/NEW LIBRARY-HERBERT INFORMED THE BOARD OF THE GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW LIBRARY AT THE LIBRARY SITE AT 11:00 A.M. ON AUGUST 16, 2001.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED ROCHE ROAD AND STRICKLAND ROAD BE POSTED AT 35 MPH; BROCK WAS ADVISED NO RESOLUTION WAS NEEDED DUE TO THE BOARD HAVING PASSED A RESOLUTION TO COVER ALL ROADS IN THE COUNTY.

ONE STOP CAREER CENTER-CHAIRMAN COPE ADDRESSED ANITA MCCLENDON REQUESTING THE BOARD SEND A LETTER SUPPORTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD'S EFFORTS IN OPERATING A ONE STOP CAREER CENTER IN JACKSON AND CALHOUN COUNTIES. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE REQUEST. CITY OF CHIPLEY-CHAIRMAN COPE INFORMED THE BOARD OF A REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY FOR A VAN TO REPLACE THE ONE THEY PRESENTLY HAVE. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO GIVE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY N. B. PETTIS'S OLD VAN.

HOYT STREET-CHAIRMAN COPE INFORMED THE BOARD THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD IS REQUESTING THE COUNTY'S HELP ON HOYT STREET IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL. COPE REQUESTED THE COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, TAKE A LOOK AT THE PLANS ON BUILDING A STREET FROM SOUTH BOULEVARD TO BRICKYARD ROAD. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS, THE COUNTY IS LOOKING AT A PIECE OF PROPERTY FOR THE NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON BRICKYARD ROAD. COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO HELP THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD BUILD A ROAD BETWEEN HOYT STREET AND BRICKYARD ROAD WHENEVER THEY CAN.

DALE MACUMBER-CHAIRMAN COPE QUESTIONED IF DALE MACUMBER NEEDED TO NOTIFY ANYONE WHEN HE GOES FOR A SAFETY INSPECTION. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHETHER THIS WAS PART OF MACUMBER'S JOB DESCRIPTION; HERBERT ADVISED HE WAS ASSIGNED RISK MANAGEMENT BY THE BOARD AND SAFETY INSPECTIONS IS PART OF RISK MANAGEMENT.

HERBERT ADDRESSED MACUMBER NOT FEELING THE SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS IS SUPPORTING THE SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM AND THEY DON'T TRY AND ENFORCE THE SAFETY ISSUES; MACUMBER HAS ASKED TO BE RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH IT BEING ADDRESSED MACUMBER HAD FILED A GRIEVANCE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD THEY DIDN'T NEED TO BE DISCUSSING THIS UNTIL IT IS BROUGHT BEFORE THEM DUE TO THEM BEING THE LAST STEP IN THE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR MACUMBER TO CONTINUE DOING HIS JOB WITH THE SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM UNTIL OCTOBER 1, 2001 WHEN THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR POSITION IS FILLED.

PARK AND RECREATION-CHAIRMAN COPE QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO START COLLECTING MONIES FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY JUST LIKE THEY DO FOR THE AG CENTER TO HELP GENERATE MONIES FOR UPKEEP ON THE FACILITIES.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD AGREEING FOR PETE TO CHECK TO SEE IF FEES CAN BE CHARGED OR DONATIONS ACCEPTED TO ASSIST WITH THE UPKEEP OF THE FACILITIES IF THE FACILITIES ARE BUILT WITH GRANT MONIES.

DRIVING POLICY-CHAIRMAN COPE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING A COPY OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION POLICY ON DRIVING MOTOR VEHICLES HOME AND HAD PROVIDED THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT WITH ONE. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT HERBERT ADDRESSED HIM HAVING CONTACTED THE SMALL COUNTY COALITION AND THEY HAD SAID DRIVING POLICIES VARY COUNTY TO COUNTY. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO TAKE THE FL-DOT DRIVING POLICY, ADOPT IT TO THE COUNTY DRIVING POLICY, GIVE THE BOARD THE FORMULA HE USED TO ADOPT IT TO THE COUNTY POLICY AND COME BACK WITH A RECOMMENDATION. COMMISSIONER BROCK AND HALL OPPOSED.

MACK TRUCKS-CHAIRMAN COPE ADDRESSED PROBLEMS WITH THE MACK TRUCKS AT PUBLIC WORKS WITH SWAYING, VIBRATIONS, ETC.; EDDIE RILEY, SHOP FOREMAN, HAS CONTACTED THE DEALER AND THEY HAVE SAID ALL OF THESE ISSUES ARE NORMAL WITH THE TRI-AXLE TRUCKS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH IT BEING THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WHEN THE TRUCKS ARE BROUGHT IN TO THE SHOP FOR RILEY TO CONTINUE CHECKING THEM, DOCUMENTING IT AND GET SOMETHING IN WRITING FROM THE MACK DEALER STATING THE SWAYING, VIBRATING, ETC. IS NORMAL FOR THE TRI-AXLE TRUCKS. CHAIRMAN COPE INSTRUCTED THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO CONTACT RILEY WITH THE BOARD'S INSTRUCTIONS.

VOUCHERS-COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR JUNE 2001 TOTALLING \$1,158,295.07.

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET-DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD NEEDED TO SET THEIR FIRST PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 AT 5:05 P. M.

BUDGET NOTES WERE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD ON BUDGET REQUESTS FUNDED AT 10 MILLS AND 9 MILLS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD GIVING DIRECTION TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE TO BRING BACK A BALANCED BUDGET USING THE 10 MILLS, \$1,000 RAISE PER EMPLOYEE IF THE OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS ARE GIVING THEIR EMPLOYEES THIS AMOUNT AND THE BASE RATE PER POSITION ON THE STEP PAY PLAN BEING INCREASED BY \$.48 PER HOUR.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO GIVE THE SAME RATE INCREASE PER EMPLOYEE AS THE OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS GIVE, SET THEIR FIRST PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 AT 5:05 P. M. AND SCHEDULE A BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR AUGUST 2, 2001 AT 4:30 P. M. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REQUESTED THE BOARD REVIEW THE BUDGET REQUESTS PRIOR TO THE AUGUST 2, MEETING AND GIVE DIRECTION IF THEY WANT TO DECREASE ANY FUNDING FOR ANY BUDGET REQUEST. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

| DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED | BUDGET AMENDMENTS WHICH NEEDED APPROVAL: |
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| EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT | \$6500.00 INTERDEPARTMENTAL |
| CIVIL DEFENSE | \$2500.00 INTERDEPARTMENTAL |
| DETENTION AND CORRECTIONS | + \$25,000.00 OTHER FUND |
| MENTAL HEALTH-BAKER ACT | \$ 3,000.00 INTERDEPARTMENTAL |
| MENTAL HEALTH-BAKER ACT | + \$17,000.00 OTHER FUND |
| FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATION | - \$42,000.00 |
| LEGISLATIVE | \$20,500.00 INTERDEPARTMENTAL |
| GENERAL BUILDING | \$17,800.00 INTERDEPARTMENTAL |
| LEGISLATIVE | \$20,500.00 INTERDEPARTMENTAL |

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER REQUESTED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER PROVIDE INFORMATION ON REVENUES AND EXPENSES FOR THE NEW JAIL.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON USING VETENARIAN SERVICES FOR ANIMAL CONTROL DUE TO IT POSSIBLY BEING LESS EXPENSIVE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO WAIT UNTIL THE THREE MONTH PERIOD FOR THE ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM IS UP, LOOK AT THE DATA ON THE PROGRAM AND THEN MAKE A DECISION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED THE BOARD LOOK AT PURCHASING A BALANCER AND NEW TIRE CHANGER.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND CARRIED TO RECESS UNTIL AUGUST 2, 2001 AT 4:30 P.M.

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CHAIRMAN

DEPUTY CLERK *END OF MINUTES* FOR 07/26/01