

BOARD MINUTES FOR 04/16/02

APRIL 16, 2002

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 8:30 A. M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, COPE, ENFINGER, FINCH AND HALL PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF PEEL PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. CHAIRMAN FINCH CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER, OFFERED PRAYER AND LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

ED MINER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SMALL COUNTY ROAD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND THE NEED TO SUBMIT TWO PROJECTS FOR POSSIBLE FUNDING. MINER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD SELECT TWO OF THE FIVE PROJECTS LISTED BELOW AND TWO MORE FOR BACKUP IN CASE THERE IS ADDITIONAL FUNDING:

1. CR-276 CLAYTON ROAD (NOT FUNDED LAST YEAR)
2. CR-276 CLAYTON ROAD (NOT FUNDED LAST YEAR)
3. CR-280 (NOT FUNDED LAST YEAR)
4. DELTONA BLVD
5. PIONEER ROAD FROM VERNON TO WAUSAU

DUE TO THE CR-280 PROJECT HAVING BEEN DONE BY THE STATE, THE BOARD AGREED IT SHOULD BE DELETED AND CR-279 FROM VERNON TO GREENHEAD AND CR-279 FROM CARYVILLE TO ALLIGATOR CREEK BE ADDED TO THE LIST.

COMMISSIONER HALL VOICED HIS OPPOSITION TO DELTONA BOULEVARD BEING ON THE LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR FUNDING UNTIL AFTER SOME OF THE OLD COUNTY ROADS WHICH HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY FUNDING IN THE PAST HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF.

CHAIRMAN FINCH WAS IN FAVOR OF DELTONA BOULEVARD REMAINING ON THE LIST AS IT IS STILL THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSIST SUNNY HILLS WITH MAINTENANCE OF THEIR ROADS EVEN THOUGH THEY PASSED THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR MINER TO RANK THE FOLLOWING ROADS USING HIS JUDGEMENT AS TO HOW HE FEELS THE STATE COMMITTEE WILL RANK THEM BASED ON THE CRITERIA FOR THE SCRAP PROJECTS AND BRING A RECOMMENDATION BACK AT THE APRIL 25, 2002 BOARD MEETING:

- A. CR 276 ALFORD ROAD
- B. CR 276 CLAYTON ROAD
- C. DELTONA BOULEVARD
- D. PIONEER ROAD BETWEEN WAUSAU AND VERNON
- E. CR 279 FROM GREENHEAD TO VERNON
- F. CR 279 FROM CARYVILLE TO ALLIGATOR CREEK

MINER REPORTED HE HAD VERBAL APPROVAL OF FEMA FUNDING TO DO APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN TO THIRTEEN MILES OF BASE STABILIZATION ON HIGHWAY 284; HOWEVER, HE IS WAITING FOR WRITTEN NOTIFICATION.

MINER UPDATED THE BOARD ON HE AND THE COUNTY ENGINEER DISCUSSING THE WORSEN ROAD CONDITIONS ON THE HIGHWAY 284 PROJECT. COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, HAD AGREED TO DRAFT A LETTER TO SANDCO, THE CONTRACTOR ON THE PROJECT, PUTTING THEM ON NOTICE THESE ROAD CONDITIONS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE AND CAN NOT CONTINUE TO WORSEN.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON SEVERAL SURVEYING PROPOSALS FROM THE COUNTY SURVEYOR, SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYING:

1. BOUNDARY SURVEY FOR THE OLD ROULHAC MIDDLE SCHOOL;
TOPO SURVEY OF APPROXIMATELY 203 ACRES OF INDUSTRIAL
PARK SITE; TOTAL COST \$16,467.54.
2. SURVEY FOR COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM FOR SIDEWALKS
IN CHIPLEY; THIS PROJECT TO BE REIMBURSED THROUGH GRANT
FUNDING FROM FL-DOT; TOTAL COST OF SURVEY \$900.
3. FALLING WATERS ROAD DRAINAGE TOPOGRAPHY; TOTAL COST FOR

TOPO \$2,275.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO HAVE ALL THREE SURVEYS DONE FOR THE PROJECTS REFERENCED.

KNAUER THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING AGREED TO DO THE SIDEWALKS FOR THE HOSPITAL PROJECT AND THIS BEING A SUBSTANTIAL PROJECT. KNAUER REPORTED THE CONTRACTOR ON THE PROJECT HAD AGREED TO HOLD HIS CONTRACT PRICE TO DO THE CONCRETE WORK FOR THE SIDEWALKS AT \$15,593 IF THE BOARD DESIRED.

KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROBATION AND PAROLE PROJECT; THE CONTRACTOR HAS BEEN ISSUED THE NOTICE TO PROCEED AND SHOULD BEGIN WORK APRIL 23RD.

THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE RECYCLING POSITION AT THE RECYCLING CENTER. HE REQUESTED GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD ON HOW TO PROCEED WITH THE REPLACEMENT OF WALTER EDWARDS WHO IS DECEASED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON POSSIBLY HIRING ANOTHER REGULAR EMPLOYEE AS A REPLACEMENT WITH THEM TO REPORT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO HAVE DR. FRASIER BINGHAM, RECYCLING CONSULTANT, COME TO THE APRIL 25, 2002 BOARD MEETING AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON THE REPLACEMENT POSITION.

CHAIRMAN FINCH CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS TIME.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS AND BEFORE GOING INTO THE NWFWMDC WORKSHOP, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MINER WANTED TO DISCUSS THE WORK THE COMMISSIONERS HAD AGREED THEY WOULD DO FOR THE BALLOON FESTIVAL, WHICH WAS ONLY TWO WEEKS AWAY. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE FUNDING TO PAY FOR THE WORK TO BE DONE BY PUBLIC WORKS AS MINER ADVISED IT COULD NOT BE TAKEN FROM TRANSPORTATION MONIES. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR CHAIRMAN FINCH AND THE CLERK TO GET TOGETHER TO SEE WHERE THE FUNDING MAY COME FROM.

COMMISSIONER ENFINGER OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO GIVE MINER DIRECTION TO DO WHATEVER IS NEEDED TO TAKE CARE OF THE BALLOON FESTIVAL. COMMISSIONER BROCK OPPOSED; HE WAS CONCERNED THE CREWS WOULD NOT BE BACK TO WORK IN HIS DISTRICT WHEN SCHEDULED.

TOM PRATT OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT AND JIM STEVENSON WITH FL-DEP GAVE A PRESENTATION ON THE SPRINGS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, THE VALUES THEY REPRESENT TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, STEPS THAT CAN BE TAKEN TO PROTECT THE SPRINGS AND WHAT THINGS REPRESENT THREATS TO THE RESOURCES.

THE BOARD THANKED PRATT AND STEVENSON FOR AN INFORMATIVE PRESENTATION. IT WAS NOTED, AFTER THE MEETING ADJOURNED, ANYONE WISHING TO DO SO WAS INVITED TO ATTEND A FIELD TRIP OF SOME OF THE SPRINGS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED AN ISSUE WHERE A LANDOWNER HAD CLOSED TWO ROADS IN THE COUNTY AND REQUESTED THE BOARD PUT SOMETHING IN FORCE FOR APPLYING FOR AN INJUNCTION AGAINST ANYONE CLOSING A COUNTY ROAD WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE LEGAL PROCESS AS SET FORTH IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER TO PUT THIS POLICY IN FORCE.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SUGGESTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY WRITE A LETTER TO THE LANDOWNER, INFORM HIM OF THE COUNTY PROCESS FOR CLOSING A ROAD AND GIVE THEM FIFTEEN DAYS TO RESPOND.

RANDY PARKER, PLANNING CONSULTANT, STATED HE FELT THE COUNTY COULD REMOVE THE FENCE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE ROAD.

CHAIRMAN FINCH ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION ON WHAT THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR WAS. COMMISSIONER BROCK ADVISED THE MOTION WAS FOR BOARD APPROVAL TO FILE AN INJUNCTION AGAINST THIS PARTICULAR LAND OWNER TO STOP THEM FROM CLOSING ANY MORE ROADS UNTIL THIS ISSUE IS SETTLED; THE FENCE WILL BE REMOVED UNLESS THE LAND OWNER GOES THROUGH THE PROPER PROCEDURE TO CLOSE THE ROAD. THE MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ENFINGER AND
CARRIED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ATTEST: _____

CLERK

CHAIRMAN

ATTEST: _____

DEPUTY CLERK

END OF MINUTES FOR 04/16/02