

BOARD MINUTES FOR 03/27/03

MARCH 27, 2003

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, CORBIN, COPE, FINCH AND HALL PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERED PRAYER WITH COMMISSIONER COPE LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 3, 11, 19 AND 25 MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR MARCH 27, 2003 WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM E BEING PULLED FOR DISCUSSION:

- A. APPROVAL OF A SATURDAY WORK CREW AGREEMENT WITH RICKY KENT TO SUPERVISE WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL INMATES TO CLEAN AROUND THE CEMETERIES IN THE COUNTY
- B. APPROVAL OF A REQUEST FROM HOLMES COUNTY TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO HELP PREVENT THE SHIFTING OF PROGRAMS TO COUNTIES AND THE ELIMINATION OF VITAL FUNDING FOR COUNTY PROGRAMS
- C. APPROVAL OF RATE INCREASE FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT; STARTING ON APRIL 1, 2003, WASTE MANAGEMENT WILL BE BILLING RESIDENTS \$13.78 (\$.34 INCREASE) PER MONTH FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS. COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS WILL BE BILLED BASED ON \$4.39 PER YARD (\$.06 INCREASE). CUSTOMERS PAYING FOR ONE YEAR WILL BE INVOICED \$153.78 (A 7 PERCENT DISCOUNT). THIS INCREASE IS BASED ON CONSUMER PRICE INDEX OF 2.6 PERCENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CONTRACT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT
- D. APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION ADOPTING THE WEEK OF JUNE 2-7 2003 AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' APPRECIATION WEEK
- F. APPROVAL OF PAYING MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR FLORIDA CITY AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED ITEM E ON LAND THE STATE IS DONATING TO NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, QUESTIONING IF THERE MAY BE SOME OF THE LAND THE COUNTY MAY WANT FOR FUTURE USE.

DON WALTERS WITH SOIL CONSERVATION POINTED OUT HIS UNDERSTANDING NFWFMD WAS GOING TO BUILD A PARK; THEY CURRENTLY ARE WORKING ON A BOAT RAMP. HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE PROPERTY THE STATE WAS DONATING TO NFWFMD WOULD BE OF NO USE TO THE COUNTY UNLESS THEY COULD WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT TO GET TO THE PROPERTY; NFWFMD OWNS ALL THE PROPERTY AROUND THE LAND BEING DONATED.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REITERATED THE LAND BEING LANDLOCKED TO THE COUNTY AND WOULD BE OF NO USE TO THEM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED SOME OF THE LANDOWNERS WHO OWN LAND AROUND THE STATE PROPERTY MAY WANT TO PURCHASE IT FOR THEIR OWN USE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED MORE TIME TO LOOK OVER THE MAP PROVIDED AND DETERMINE EXACTLY WHERE THE LAND IS LOCATED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO TABLE THIS ISSUE UNTIL MORE INFORMATION IS RECEIVED AND ADDRESS IT AT THE APRIL BOARD MEETING.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY POST, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON COMCAST CABLEVISION'S REQUEST FOR A NON- EXCLUSIVE CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT FOR A PORTION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY IN THE CRYSTAL LAKE AREA.

STEVE WILBURN, GENERAL MANAGER FOR COMCAST IN PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BACKGROUND OF THEIR COMPANY AND ADDRESSED THEM LOOKING AT PROVIDING BASIC CABLE, DIGITAL CABLE AND HIGH SPEED INTERNET. COMCAST IS REQUESTING THE FRANCHISE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY DUE TO IT BORDERING RIGHT UP TO THE BAY COUNTY LINE AND THEY CURRENTLY SERVICE ALL OF BAY COUNTY. AS OTHER AREAS DEVELOP, WILBURN ADVISED THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WOULD GIVE COMCAST THE RIGHT TO SERVICE THESE AREAS IF THEY MEET THE CRITERIA IN THE AGREEMENT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY RIGHTS OF WAY AND ROADS WITH WILBURN.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WANTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT; NO ONE RESPONDED.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED IF THE CABLE WOULD BE BURIED OR ABOVE GROUND ON COUNTY RIGHTS OF WAY.

WILBURN ADVISED WHATEVER THE UTILITIES REQUEST, THEY BASICALLY FOLLOW SUIT; THEY LEASE FROM THE POWER COMPANY AND WOULD BE ATTACHING TO THE EXISTING POLES.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON CONCERNS OF NOT BEING ABLE TO DETERMINE COUNTY RIGHTS OF WAY. THE BOARD WAS PRESENTED ANOTHER COPY OF THE MAP SHOWING THE AREA IN WASHINGTON COUNTY COMCAST WAS REQUESTING A FRANCHISE ON.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED AGAIN IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE HAD ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PERTAINING TO COMCAST'S REQUEST.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH COMCAST CABLEVISION.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY POST, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF WHITTINGTON ROAD. DAVID WHITTINGTON ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE REQUEST FOR CLOSURE BEING FOR THE LAST 1/4 MILE OF WHITTINGTON ROAD THAT DEAD ENDS INTO THE INTERSTATE.

LINDA WALLER, PLANNING OFFICER, ADVISED THE BOARD THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION HAD RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE ROAD CLOSURE CONTINGENT ON THE WHITTINGTONS BEING ABLE TO GET AN EASEMENT FROM THE TIMBER COMPANY OR BUY THE PROPERTY; THEY PURCHASED THE PROPERTY.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WANTED TO SPEAK ON THE ROAD CLOSURE; NO ONE RESPONDED. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE ROAD CLOSURE REQUESTED BY WHITTINGTON.

TERESA ESTES ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO SEE IF THEY HAD A DISPUTE WITH HER DIRECTING THE LITTLE MISS AND MISS WASHINGTON COUNTY PAGEANT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THERE WAS SOMEONE FROM VERNON THAT WAS WANTING TO DIRECT THE PAGEANT; HOWEVER, HE HAS NOT HEARD FROM THEM.

ESTES BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR BEING IN THE PAGEANT AND ADDRESSED THERE HAVING TO BE A NON PROFIT ORGANIZATION SPONSORING THE PAGEANT; HABILITATIVE SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA IS THE SPONSORING AGENT.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ESTES DIRECTING THE PAGEANT.

LEL CZECK, LARRY McDONALD AND PAUL MILLER, REPRESENTING WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, ADDRESSED THE BOARD. CZECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ACTIVITIES WASHINGTON COUNTY IS INVOLVED WITH AND THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO THEM. SHE PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A PACKET PERTAINING MORE INDEPTH INFORMATION ON WHAT THEY WOULD BE SPEAKING ON. THE WFRPC IS ORGANIZED INTO THREE DIVISIONS: ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCE DIVISION, COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION PLANNING. CZECK ADVISED MOST OF THE MONIES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS COMES FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WHO BELONG TO A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION; WASHINGTON COUNTY DOES NOT. HOWEVER, THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS THE COUNTY IS INVOLVED WITH ARE THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED PROGRAM AND THE COMMUTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THROUGH THE TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

PAUL MILLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON TWO PROGRAMS WFRPC IS INVOLVED WITH THAT HASN'T TOTALLY IMPACTED WASHINGTON COUNTY AS OF YET; DEVELOPMENTS OF REGIONAL IMPACT. WFRPC ROLE IS THE COORDINATOR AND REVIEW AGENCY FOR THE DEVELOPMENTS. THE OTHER PROGRAM THEY ARE INVOLVED WITH IS THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION REVIEWER; THE PLANNING COUNCIL WILL REVIEW GRANT APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PROGRAMS FOR THE COUNTY AND MAKE THEM AWARE OF ANY NEW TYPES OF GRANTS AVAILABLE OR IF SOMEONE ELSE IS DOING AN EFFORT CLOSE BY THAT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE COUNTY.

LARRY McDONALD UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PLANNING AND TRAINING HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM RELATED TO EMERGENCY TYPE SITUATIONS. HE ALSO BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE'S PURPOSE TO DO COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND WORK WITH THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICES AND COMMUNITIES ON HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AWARENESS.

McDONALD REPORTED THEY HAD JUST FINISHED THE SMALL QUANTITY HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATOR PROGRAM FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR 2003. HE REFERENCED THE COUNTY RECEIVING FUNDING FOR THIS PROGRAM FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS THRU THE WFRPC AND BRIEFED THEM ON THE PROGRAM ACTIVITIES.

McDONALD REPORTED ON SEVERAL OTHER ISSUES WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL WAS INVOLVED WITH:

- A. UPDATES TO THE COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN
- B. CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN; DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IN TALLAHASSEE TO INSTRUCT ON HOW THE PLAN NEEDS TO BE PUT TOGETHER
- C. LANDS THAT ARE GOING TO BE SOLD BY THE STATE; WFRPC RECEIVES NOTIFICATION ON THESE LANDS AND THEY WILL KEEP COUNTY ABREAST OF ANYTHING THEY FEEL WOULD AFFECT THE COUNTY
- D. LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY; FEMA HAS REWRITTEN RULES AND WANTING A MUCH MORE DETAILED PLAN, PLANS WILL FOLLOW A LOT MORE STATE AND FEDERAL PROCEDURES AS THEY ARE DEVELOPED, AND WILL BE A CHALLENGE TO GET PLAN DONE. COUNTY SUPPLIES WFRPC ABOUT \$2,300 PER YEAR TO STAFF THE LMS COMMITTEE AND McDONALD ASSURED THE COUNTY THEY HAVE RECEIVED THEIR MONIES WORTH. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS LOOKING TO PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY \$15,000 OVER THE NEXT 50 TO 60 DAYS TO ASSIST WITH BRINGING PLAN INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RULES.
- E. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION; WASHINGTON COUNTY IS A RECIPIENT OF TWO MAJOR GRANTS: RESURFACING AND WIDENING OF BRICKYARD ROAD EAST OF 77 TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK AND EXPANSION OF WEST POINT STEVENS. TYLER COLE IS PRIMARY PLANNER FOR WFRPC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF BRICKYARD ROAD AND ORANGE HILL ROAD WOULD QUALIFY FOR EDA FUNDING DUE TO THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. McDONALD ADDRESSED THE EDA FUNDING WAS TO BE USED FOR THE DIRECT INFRASTRUCTURE TO THE FACILITY ITSELF; HOWEVER, THIS INTERSECTION IS A PROBLEM. HE AGREED TO CHECK TO SEE IF EDA FUNDING WOULD BE APPLICABLE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED HOW WFRPC WAS IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES WHEN THEY WENT DOOR TO DOOR TO MAKE PEOPLE AWARE OF THE SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR PROGRAM. McDONALD ADVISED THEY IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES AS BEING FROM THE WFRPC ON BEHALF OF WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE SQG PROGRAM; THEY PROVIDE WRITTEN INFORMATION ABOUT THE SQG PROGRAM AND IT BEING STRICTLY A NON-ENFORCEMENT ISSUE, WHAT THE STATUTORY CITATIONS ARE; THEY WORK DIRECTLY WITH THE INDIVIDUALS TO IDENTIFY WHAT HAZARDOUS WASTE THEY HAVE AND PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC DOCUMENTATION ON WHAT THEIR HAZARDOUS WASTE MAY BE, HOW TO HANDLE IT AND WHAT TO LOOK FOR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED HIM HAVING INVITED LEL CZECK, ALONG WITH HER STAFF, TO COME TO THE BOARD MEETING TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MAY HAVE.

MCDONALD WENT ON TO ADDRESS THE DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL IMPACT PROCESS BEGINNING IN 1973 WITH MAJOR MODIFICATIONS IN 1984; SUNNY HILLS WAS ORIGINALLY CONSIDERED TO BE A DRI IN THE EARLY 70'S BUT DIDN'T BECAUSE OF THE RURAL NATURE AND THERE BEING FILES THAT WERE NEVER ENTERED INTO THE FORMAL PROCESS. THE THEN ADDRESSED A DRI PROBABLY COMING INTO THE AREA WHERE THE AIRPORT IS GOING TO BE LOCATED ALONG HIGHWAY 20.

PAUL MILLER BRIEFED THE BOARD ON HIM BEING CONSIDERED MORE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH ONE OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE WFRPC BEING TO REVIEW COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS; RANDY PARKER, COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING CONSULTANT, WORKS CLOSELY WITH THE COUNCIL. MILLER IS ALSO WORKING ON PREPARATION OF GRANT APPLICATIONS ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS; THEY ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY ON THREE GRANT APPLICATIONS:

1. ADMINISTRATION ON STRICKLAND PROPERTY
2. CRYSTAL LAKE
3. SPRING RUN

MILLER ADDRESSED WFRPC WORKING WITH THREE OTHER COUNTIES ON INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS ON SCHOOL COORDINATIONS; THE OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THEY PROVIDE IS TO DO ANY STUDIES THE COUNTY MAY NEED SUCH AS POPULATION GROWTH, HOW TO DIRECT IT, HOW IT IMPACTS, ETC.

MILLER THEN TOUCHED ON THE STRATEGIC REGIONAL POLICY PLAN DESIGNED SO THE BOARD WOULD HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO THE REGION, HOW IT IS GROWING, HOW THE COUNTY IS GROWING AND WHAT IMPACTS THE COUNTY MAY HAVE FROM THE GROWTH.

LEL CZECK ADDRESSED ANOTHER PROGRAM THE WFRPC IS INVOLVED WITH; THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING EMERGENCY REPAIR SERVICES. CZECK ADVISED THEY ARE NOT ADMINISTERING THESE PROGRAMS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY; THEY DO ADMINISTER THEM IN WALTON, HOLMES AND SANTA ROSA COUNTIES. SHE ENCOURAGED THE BOARD TO GET IN CONTACT WITH BETH KILMER AND ALLAN BENSE, BOTH ARE ON THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, ON A BILL THAT IS TO BE VOTED ON TOMORROW THAT MAY JEOPARDIZE DESIGNATED FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE COUNTY SHIP PROGRAM.

CZECK MADE THE BOARD AWARE THE WFRPC IS A MEMBER OF A COUPLE OF FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENT THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL COUNCILS TO TRY AND KEEP UP WITH WHAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS DOING IN ORDER TO KEEP THE COUNTIES AWARE OF WHAT IS GOING ON.

THE BOARD THANKED WFRPC FOR THE SERVICES THEY HAVE PROVIDED TO WASHINGTON COUNTY.

PHIL BENNETT, CAPITAL PROJECTS FINANCE AUTHORITY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO CONTINUE DISCUSSION ON THE RESTRUCTURING OF SOME DEBT AND PROVIDING NEW MONIES FOR THE HOSPITAL:

- A. TO RESTRUCTURE NOTE B THAT IS OUTSTANDING TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FINANCE AUTHORITY
- B. PROVIDE 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS NEW MONEY FOR NWFCH
- C. CONSIDER REFINANCING OF FIRST UNION NOTE
- D. CONSOLIDATE ALL OF THIS INTO ONE DEBT UNDER THE UMBRELLA OF KEEPING THE SECURITY LIMITED TO THE HALF CENT SALES TAX THAT IS CURRENTLY PLEDGED TO FIRST UNION NOTE

HE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE FIRST UNION NOTE BEING EXECUTED IN 1994 AND RUNS THRU 2010; COUNTY IS CURRENTLY PAYING \$285,000 PER YEAR ON THE NOTE AT A FIXED INTEREST RATE OF 6.8%; NOTE IS PREPAYABLE SUBJECT TO A PREPAYABLE PENALTY OF \$220,000 WITH A CURRENT EXISTING BALANCE OF 1.6 MILLION; THESE MONIES WOULD BE PART OF THE FINANCING PACKAGE AND WOULD NOT HAVE TO COME OUT OF THE COUNTY'S OPERATING BUDGET; \$220,000 COULD BE RECOVERED WITHIN ABOUT 14 MONTHS DUE TO SAVINGS AND CASH FLOW ON DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS FROM THE RESTRUCTURING.

BENNETT THEN DESCRIBED TWO SCENARIOS:

1. PREPAYMENT OF FIRST UNION NOTE, RESTRUCTURE THE CAPITAL FINANCE AUTHORITY NOTE AND GENERATE 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS NEW MONEY FOR THE NWFCH, SPREAD OUT OVER A 25 YEAR PERIOD

AT EXISTING VARIABLE INTEREST RATE OF 2.3% WOULD REDUCE DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS FROM \$610,000 ANNUALLY TO \$442,000 ANNUALLY.

2. ASSUMING NO PREPAYMENT OF FIRST UNION NOTE: EFFECT WOULD BE ANNUAL DEBT OF \$285,000 TO FIRST UNION; RESTRUCTURE CAPITAL FINANCE AUTHORITY NOTE B AND GENERATE 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS NEW MONEY; PAYMENTS WOULD BE \$355,000 PER YEAR; PROBLEMS IF BOARD CHOOSES NOT TO PREPAY FIRST UNION NOTE: IT HAS A FIRST LIEN ON SALES TAX REVENUE; THEREFORE, THEY WOULD GET THE FIRST \$285,000 OF THE \$900,000 REVENUE SOURCE WHICH MEANS THEY WOULD BE ENOUGH CASH TO MAKE PAYMENTS ON THE NEW LOAN BUT NOT ENOUGH TO MAKE THE COVERAGE ON THE NEW LOAN. THIS IS BECAUSE OF THE VARIABLE RATE STRUCTURE AND AND BECAUSE OF THE 25 YEAR SCENARIO; SUNTRUST BANK REQUIRES THERE BE A CUSHION ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT THE ACTUAL PAYMENT IS IN CASE THE REVENUE DECREASES SIGNIFICANTLY AND THE RATE GOES SIGNICANTLY HIGHER. TO SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT A SUPPLEMENTAL REVENUE SOURCE WOULD HAVE TO BE PLEDGED IN ADDITION TO THE HALF CENT SALES TAX.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ASKED IF THERE WAS A CAP ON THE VARIABLE INTEREST RATE; BENNETT RESPONDED THERE WAS NOT A CAP BUT IN THE HISTORY OF THIS TYPE OF INSTRUMENT, THE HIGHEST INTEREST RATE EVER INCURRED WAS 8.5%. BENNETT ALSO REFERENCED WASHINGTON COUNTY BEING IN THE VARIABLE INTEREST RATE MARKET SINCE 1987 AND SAVED AN AWFUL LOT OF MONEY; THE BOARD WOULD HAVE AN OPTION TO CONVERT THIS LOAN INTO A FIXED INTEREST RATE FOR A FEE OF 1/2 PERCENT. BENNETT POINTED OUT THIS INTEREST RATE HAS NO RELATIONSHIP TO THE PRIME INTEREST RATE; JUST BECAUSE THE PRIME INTEREST RATE GOES UP DOES NOT MEAN THIS INTERST RATE WILL.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF IT WOULD'N'T BE SMART TO WAIT UNTIL THE BOARD FINISHED DISCUSSION ON THE SALE, LEASE OR PURCHASE OF THE HOSPITAL BEFORE MAKING A DECISION ON THE 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED THE BOARD NEEDS TO KNOW THE DIRECTION THEY ARE GOING AND THE FUNDING AMOUNT NEEDED; THE 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS BEING DISCUSSED, IN HIS OPINION, IS A FIGURE SACRED HEART HAS SAID WAS NEEDED AS WELL AS A 1% SALE TAX AND THE BOARD FUNDING MORE MONIES TOWARD THE HOSPITAL EACH YEAR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGAIN ADDRESSED THE NEED TO WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE PROPOSALS ON THE SALE, LEASE OR MANAGEMENT OF THE NWFCH WERE OPENED AND IT BE DETERMINED THE ACTUAL AMOUNT OF MONIES NEEDED BEFORE BORROWING ANY.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE BOARD COULD GET THE 3.2 MILLION APPROVED AND JUST USE THE AMOUNT NEEDED. COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERENCED BENNETT HAVING ADVISED THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY, ONCE THEY BORROW THE 3.2 MILLION DOLLARS, THEY HAVE TO GET THE ENTIRE AMOUNT; IT IS NOT A LINE OF CREDIT UP TO 3.2 MILLION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIM HAVING A COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AS HE HAS TOLD THEM HE WOULD NOT LET THE NWFCH CLOSE; IN 30 DAYS, THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD THEY WOULD BE IN CRITICAL NEED OF FINANCING AND QUESTIONED WHERE WOULD THE BOARD COME UP WITH THE MONEY IF THEY ARE TOLD THEY CAN'T MAKE PAYROLL.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED BORROWING MONIES FROM A LOCAL BANK TO MEET THE PAYROLL NEEDS IF NECESSARY WITH COMMISSIONER COPE REFERENCING THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN TURNED DOWN FOR A LOAN BY A LOCAL BANK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK WANTED SOMETHING PUT IN PLACE WITH THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FINANCE AUTHORITY LOAN IN CASE THERE IS AN EMERGENCY NEED AT THE HOSPITAL; HE DID NOT FEEL THE BOARD NEEDED TO DELAY THE LOAN PROCESS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE FOR THE MONIES TO BE AVAILABLE IF THE BOARD TOOK ACTION TO SECURE THE LOAN TODAY; BENNETT ADVISED IT WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY 30 DAYS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED THE PEOPLE HE HAD TALKED TO DIDN'T WANT THE BOARD TO FINANCE THE HOSPITAL AND REFERENCED WHEN SACRED HEART CAME TO THE HOSPITAL THERE WAS MONEY THERE AND NOW IT IS GONE; THE PEOPLE MAY COULD UNDERSTAND A SMALL AMOUNT FINANCED BUT TO CONTINUE MONTH AFTER MONTH TO MAKE A BIG PAYROLL WITHOUT SACRED HEART GENERATING THEIR WAY, THE PEOPLE WILL NOT STAND FOR THAT.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING AN OBLIGATION TO THEIR EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A PREPAYMENT PENALTY WITH THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FINANCE AUTHORITY LOAN; BENNETT ADVISED THERE WAS NO PREPAYMENT PENALTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BENNETT TO PROCEED WITH RESTRUCTURING OF CAPITAL PROJECTS FINANCE AUTHORITY LOAN NOTE B, PAY OFF OF FIRST UNION LOAN, PREPAYMENT PENALTY AND ISSUANCE OF 3.2 MILLION OF NEW MONEY. COMMISSIONER COPE SECONDED THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE MONIES WERE BEING BORROWED FOR THE HOSPITAL; COMMISSIONER BROCK ADVISED IF NEEDED; HE WILL KEEP THE DOORS OPEN.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED HE COULDN'T VOTE TO COMMIT THE ENTIRE 3.2 MILLION TO THE HOSPITAL. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONERS CORBIN AND FINCH OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED FOR ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO REVIEW THE LOAN DOCUMENTS PRIOR TO THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK BEING AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THEM.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR THE MONEY SAVED EACH MONTH, DUE TO A LOWER DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT, BE SET ASIDE AND NOT BE USED IN CASE INTEREST RATES GO UP, MONIES WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO OFFSET THE PAYMENT.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER.

PATSY JUSTICE, REPRESENTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD UPDATING THEM ON THE GOVERNOR HAVING REMOVED \$275,000 FROM THE TRUST FUND OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT; SENATOR PEADEN GOT LEGISLATURE PASSED AND GOT THE SAME \$275,000 MOVED TO A SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATIONS OF A COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. JUSTICE ADVISED, IN ORDER FOR THE MONIES TO BE ENCUMBERED, IT HAS TO HAVE LAND ATTACHED TO IT. SHE REQUESTED THE BOARD DESIGNATE PROPERTY FOR A NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT SO THE MONIES COULD BE ENCUMBERED AND BE SPENT; THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WOULD NEED TO BE LOCATED IN THE MAIN POPULATION AREA, NEAR A HOSPITAL, PHARMACY, DOCTORS OFFICES, ETC; THEY NEED A FIRETRUCK, WATER AND SEWER.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY MS. JUSTICE ON THE PROPERTY BEHIND THE HOSPITAL FOR A POSSIBLE SITE LOCATION FOR THE NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT. HE HAD REQUESTED THE COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, LOOK AT THE PROPERTY TO SEE IF IT WAS SUITABLE. KNAUER MADE A REPORT ON HIS FINDINGS:

1. VOLUME FOR STORM WATER RUN OFF REQUIRED BY FL-DEP IS ALREADY AVAILABLE
2. WATER AND SEWER IS ALREADY AVAILABLE
3. GAS LINE WILL HAVE TO BE REROUTED BUT WON'T BE HARD TO FIND
4. HE HAD DESIGNED A SITE PLAN FOR 16,000 SQUARE FEET FOR A TWO STORY FACILITY; IT WOULD MEET REQUIREMENTS FOR PARKING, ALL WATER AND SEWER STUDS ARE WHERE THEY NEED TO BE, ETC.
5. SITE IS PERFECT FOR NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED WHERE THE \$100,000 FOR THE ELEVATOR FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WOULD COME FROM; JUSTICE RESPONDED IT WOULD COME FROM THE SAME PLACE THE 4.3 MILLION FOR THE FACILITY WOULD COME FROM. JUSTICE ADDRESSED THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO BUY THE LAND; IT HAS TO BE DONATED BY THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HALL REFERENCED THERE BEING APPROXIMATELY THREE ACRES OF PROPERTY AVAILABLE FOR \$100,000 WHICH IS LOCATED RIGHT ACROSS FROM THE FIVE ACRES THEY TRIED TO GET THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO DONATE.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED COMMISSIONER HALL SEE IF SONNY LEAVINS, OWNER OF PROPERTY REFERENCED BY HALL, WOULD BE INTERESTED IN EXCHANGING COUNTY PROPERTY AT DANIELS LAKE FOR HIS PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED KNAUER ON HAVING A ONE STORY FACILITY AT THE LOCATION; KNAUER ADDRESSED THERE WOULD BE NO ROOM FOR PARKING AT ALL. IF THE BOARD SELECTED ANOTHER SITE, KNAUER ADDRESSED THEM HAVING TO HAVE STORM WATER WHICH WOULD TAKE ABOUT 25% OF THE SITE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON A SURVEY OF THE SITE WITH KNAUER ADVISING HE HAD A BOUNDARY SURVEY OF THE WHOLE PIECE OF PROPERTY; JUSTICE AGREED THIS WOULD BE OKAY AS LONG AS THE BOARD IDENTIFIED THE PIECE OF PROPERTY THEY WERE COMMITTING FOR THE NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO COMMIT THE PROPERTY BEHIND THE HOSPITAL FOR THE NEW WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. CHAIRMAN CORBIN RELINQUISHED HIS CHAIR TO VICE-CHAIRMAN BROCK AND SECONDED THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD NOT HAVING THE FUNDING TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY COMMISSIONER HALL REFERENCED; THE PROPERTY BEING REQUESTED BEHIND THE MEDICAL FACILITY COULD NOT BE UTILIZED BETTER THAN FOR A NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT NEAR THE HOSPITAL, DOCTOR'S OFFICE, ETC.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THIS BEING THE LAST LITTLE PIECE OF PROPERTY AROUND THE HOSPITAL AND THE NEED FOR THE AMBULANCE SERVICE TO HAVE SOMEWHERE TO PARK THEIR AMBULANCES.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED THE DEADLINE FOR A COMMITMENT AND ADDRESSED HIS ONLY CONCERN WAS SOME OF THE PROPOSALS ON THE SALE, LEASE OR MANAGEMENT OF THE NWFCH MAY AFFECT THE PROPERTY IN QUESTION.

DON WALTERS, SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIM WORKING WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD TO TRY AND GET FIVE ACRES FOR THE LOCATION OF THE NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THEY ARGUED ABOUT WHETHER THEY SHOULD DONATE THE PROPERTY OR KEEP IT FOR FUTURE USE; THERE IS A QUARTER OF A MILLION DOLLARS THE COUNTY IS FIXING TO LOSE IF THE BOARD DOESN'T ACT NOW. THE COUNTY WILL ALSO HAVE THE FACILITY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS PRESENTLY LOCATED IN FOR THEIR OWN USE. HE VOICED HIS OPINION THE BOARD SHOULD GO AHEAD AND APPROVE THE PROPERTY BEHIND THE MEDICAL FACILITY SO THE PLANS FOR THE NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT CAN BE DONE AND PROCEED FROM THERE; THIS WON'T COST ANYTHING.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD COMMITTED TO THE SITE BEHIND THE HOSPITAL, WITHIN 30 DAYS COULD THIS BE CHANGED OR IF THE BOARD COULD JUST GUARANTEE THERE WOULD BE A PLACE TO PUT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY FELT LIKE IF THE BOARD HAD ANOTHER SUITABLE SITE, THE LOCATION COULD BE CHANGED; HOWEVER, THAT WOULD BE UP TO THE FUNDING PROVIDER.

COMMISSIONER HALL BRIEFED THE BOARD ON MR. LEAVINS AGREEING FOR THE BOARD NOT TO HAVE TO PAY THE ENTIRE \$100,000 THIS YEAR AND WOULD BE WILLING TO WORK WITH THE BOARD ON PAYMENTS. COMMISSIONER BROCK WAS IN AGREEMENT WITH COMMISSIONER HALL ON PURCHASING LEAVIN'S PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH WITHDREW HIS MOTION AND CORBIN WITHDREW HIS SECOND TO COMMIT THE PROPERTY BEHIND THE HOSPITAL FOR THE NEW COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT UNTIL AFTER THE PROPOSALS ARE OPENED ON THE LEASE, SALE OR MANAGEMENT OF THE NWFCH.

HAYES SHERER, REPRESENTING NATUR CHEM, PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION ON THE SERVICES THEIR COMPANY PROVIDES ON HERBICIDE ROADSIDE SPRAYING. HE REQUESTED APPROVAL TO MEET WITH ROBERT HARCUS AND DALLAS CARTER, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS, TO SEE WHAT SCOPE OF WORK IS NEEDED FOR THE COUNTY TO SEE WHAT HE CAN DO FOR THEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERENCED CHRIS LAWSON, COUNTY EMPLOYEE, BEING QUALIFIED TO DO SPRAYING; SHERER ADVISED THE EQUIPMENT THE COUNTY HAS IS NOT WHAT IS

NEEDED FOR THEIR SPRAYING NEEDS. COM- MISSIONER COPE VOICED HIS OPINION HE WAS SATISFIED WITH THE SPRAYING PROGRAM ALREADY IN PLACE.

SHERER OFFERED TO DO SOME TEST PLOTS TO SHOW WHAT NATUR CHEM PRODUCTS CAN DO. CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADVISED SHERER IF THE BOARD DECIDED THEY LIKED THE PRODUCT, THEY WOULD HAVE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO GIVE OTHER COMPANIES AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVICE THE COUNTY.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS THEY HAD NO OBJECTION FOR SHERER DOING SOME TEST PLOTS. CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED SHERER IF HE HAD INSURANCE SO IF THE HERBICIDE DRIFTED ONTO SOME ELSE'S PROPERTY, NATUR CHEM WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGES; SHERER ADVISED THEY WERE FULLY INSURED AND LICENSED.

DAVID CORBIN, PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, HAD A REQUEST FROM HENRY DAY ON WAIVING THE FEES AT THE FIVE POINTS RECREATION CENTER DUE TO SEVERAL CHURCHES WANTING TO USE THE FACILITY FOR AN EASTER EGG HUNT ON APRIL 13TH. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO WAIVE THE FEES.

CORBIN ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAVING AN AGREEMENT WITH A LANDOWNER AT DUNFORD LAKE FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY TO BE ABLE TO USE THE FACILITY; HE IS RECEIVING COMPLAINTS FROM PERSONS BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO GET INTO THE LAKE AND BUY A PERMIT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE AGREEMENT BEING CLEAR; AS LONG AS THE COUNTY USES THE ROAD DESIGNATED IN THE AGREEMENT, THE PUBLIC IS ENTITLED TO USE IT AS LONG AS THEY BUY A PERMIT.

CORBIN EXPLAINED THE COMPLAINTS ARE: THERE IS NO ONE THERE FOR THEM TO PURCHASE A PERMIT FROM AND THEY CAN'T GET IN.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED COMMISSIONER BROCK CONTACT A. C. MOORE, OWNER, AND ASK HIM TO COMPLY WITH THE AGREEMENT IN PLACE OR THE COUNTY WILL FORCE HIM TO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THERE WAS ANY WAY THE PERMITTING COULD BE TAKEN CARE OF BY THE TAX COLLECTOR AND THE MONIES COLLECTED BE USED FOR THE UPKEEP OF THE PARK. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THIS CAN'T BE DONE WITHOUT CHANGING THE AGREEMENT.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO WRITE A LETTER TO THE OWNER ADVISING THEY ARE VOIDING THE AGREEMENT BY PUTTING THE GATE UP AND NOT HAVING SOMEONE THERE TO SELL A PERMIT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THIS HAS BEEN DONE IN THE PAST AND THE OWNER OPENS IT UP FOR A WHILE.

BYRON HODGES, RESIDENT AT DUNFORD LAKE, REPORTED TO THE BOARD A. C. MOORE HAD TOLD A NEIGHBOR OF HIS THE PERMITS WOULD BE AVAILABLE IN TWO WEEKS; MOORE TOLD ANOTHER NEIGHBOR THE DOCK AND THE PAVILLION AT THE ACCESS WERE IN ILL REPAIR AND IT WAS CLOSED TEMPORARILY. HODGES STATED HIS VIEWPOINT WAS THE PERMITS SHOULD BE AVAILABLE AT THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE OR THE CAMP GROUND OFFICE. WHEN HE PURCHASED HIS PROPERTY, HE WAS TOLD IT WAS A PRIVATE GATED COMMUNITY AND THEY STILL WANT THIS.

HODGES ADDRESSED PEOPLE WERE TRASHING THE LAKES BEFORE THEY BEGAN THE PERMITTING PROCESS; PEOPLE PURCHASING THE PERMITS WOULD TAKE CARE OF THE PROPERTY AND WERE PROVIDED BUMPER STICKERS AND THE GATE CODE OR KEY. HOWEVER, THE PROBLEM IS ACCESS TO GET THE PERMITS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO WRITE A LETTER TO MR. MOORE ADVISING HIM TO ABIDE BY THE AGREEMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THIS AGREEMENT BEING FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY OR IF YOU OWN PROPERTY IN THE DEVELOPMENT.

DENNIS TRIMBLEY, OWNER OF PROPERTY ADJACENT TO DUNFORD LAKE PROPERTY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HAVING A GATE UP ALSO; THEY WERE TOLD THIS WAS PRIVATE PROPERTY, THERE HAS BEEN AN EASEMENT AND NO ONE ELSE COULD USE THE ROAD. TRIMBLEY ADDRESSED WHAT HE WAS HEARING TODDAY IS ANYONE PURCHASING A FISHING LICENSE HAS AN EASEMENT ON THE ROAD AND HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN INFORMED TRIMBLEY THE AGREEMENT WITH MOORE WAS A RECORDED DOCUMENT AND HE COULD HAVE RESEARCHED IT PRIOR TO PURCHASING THE PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED TO TRIMBLEY IN 1987 THERE WAS AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LANDOWNER AND THE COUNTY TO RELEASE ALL RIGHTS TO THE ROAD IF THE LANDOWNER WOULD ALLOW THE WASHINGTON COUNTY RESIDENTS TO PURCHASE A PERMIT AND HAVE ACCESS TO USE THE LAND AND THE FACILITY.

TRIMBLEY QUESTIONED IF HIS GATE WOULD NEED TO BE REMOVED OR LEFT OPEN. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADVISING THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT TRIMBLEY'S SITE TO DETERMINE IF THE ROADS IN THE AGREEMENT IS THE SAME AS THE ROAD TRIMBLEY HAS HIS GATE ON. CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECOMMENDED COMMISSIONER BROCK GET WITH TRIMBLEY OR ATTORNEY HOLLEY LOOK AT TRIMBLEY'S SITE TO SEE WHAT IS INVOLVED.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CORBIN THEN ADDRESSED VANDALISM AT COUNTY PARKS AND RECOMMENDED THE BOARD APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO WRITE UP RULES AND REGULATIONS ON VANDALISM. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD THE INDIVIDUALS ARE BREAKING THE LAW AND NEED TO BE ARRESTED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK FELT PUTTING A PARK RANGER IN THE COUNTY TO WORK FROM FRIDAY UNTIL SUNDAY WOULD HELP SOLVE THIS PROBLEM.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO COME UP WITH SOME RULES. CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR MAKE A NOTE OF THIS AND BRING IT UP LATER TODAY IN THE MEETING.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN AND PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, DAVID CORBIN, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON INTERDEPARTMENTAL LINE ITEM BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR PARK AND RECREATION TO COVER COSTS OF CHLORINATION AT COUNTY PARKS AT \$175 PER MONTH PER SYSTEM. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT OPENED THE PROPOSALS ON THE SALE, LEASE OR MANAGEMENT OF THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED, DUE TO THE BIDS BEING LENGTHY, THEY BE OPENED, IT BE REPORTED WHO SUBMITTED A BID, WHETHER THE BID IS FOR LEASE, SALE OR MANAGEMENT AND THE BOARD MEMBERS BE PROVIDED A COPY FOR REVIEW. PROPOSALS RECEIVED:

1. MIKE WALSH/ DOSSAY HEALTH SYSTEMS-RESPONDING TO MANAGEMENT AND ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT
2. ROBERT ROSSBOROUGH/CHIPOLA REALTY-RESPONDING TO PURCHASE OF HOSPITAL FOR \$3,000,000 IN CASH
3. PATRICK MADDEN-SACRED HEART HEALTH SYSTEM-RESPONDING TO PURCHASE OF HOSPITAL, ALL FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, COMMUNITY HOME HEALTH SERVICE, RURAL HEALTH CLINIC AND GROUP OF PROFESSIONAL OFFICES LOCATED ADJACENT TO AND SOUTHWEST OF HOSPITAL; NOT INTERESTED IN PURCHASING MEDICAL OFFICE COMPLEX CONTAINING PRIVATELY OWNED WELLNESS AND DIALYSIS CENTERS AND PHYSICIAN OFFICE LOCATED ADJACENT TO AND NORTHEAST OF THE HOSPITAL; OR THE COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE. SACRED HEART WOULD BE WILLING TO MANAGE THE MEDICAL OFFICE COMPLEX AND THE COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE THROUGH A RELATED COMPANY OF TERMS TO BE NEGOTIATED. SACRED HEART'S PROPOSAL IS CONTINGENT UPON WASHINGTON COUNTY BCC APPROPRIATING A MINIMUM OF \$3.2 MILLION PAYABLE AT TIME OF CLOSING CONTEMPLATED BY SACRED HEART'S PROPOSAL, SUCH FUNDS TO BE USED BY SACRED HEART AFTER THE CLOSING FOR PURPOSES THAT MAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, PHYSICIAN RECRUITMENT, INDIGENT CARE, NECESSARY OPERATIONS AND OTHER PURPOSES BENEFITING THE HOSPITAL AND THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED HERBERT READ THE REMAINDER OF SACRED HEART'S PROPOSAL.
4. PHILLIP EASTMAN III/RESURGENCE HEALTH GROUP, LLC.-

RESPONDING TO PURCHASE OF THE HOSPITAL; INCLUDING REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, LEASEHOLD INTERESTS, INTANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS, AND CONTRACT RIGHTS OF HOSPITAL; FURTHERMORE, THE PURCHASER INTENDS TO ASSUME ALL OUTSTANDING SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM DEBT AND IMPROVE THE HOSPITAL THROUGH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AS REFLECTED ON THE 2002/2003 CAPITAL NEEDS BUDGET. HERBERT READ THE CONSIDERATION PORTION OF THE PROPOSAL; THE PURCHASER INTENDS TO ACQUIRE SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF THE ASSETS AND NET WORKING CAPITAL OF THE HOSPITAL. THE PURCHASER'S DETERMINATION OF ECONOMIC VALUE FOR THE IMPROVED ASSETS AND NET WORKING CAPITAL SHALL, COLLECTIVELY, BE \$3,225,000 (THE BUSINESS ENTERPRISE VALUE) HE CONTINUED READING THE SATISFACTION OF SELLER REQUIREMENTS WITH CHAIRMAN CORBIN AGREEING WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY FOR THE BOARD TO BE GIVEN COPIES TO REVIEW DUE TO THE LENGTH OF THE PROPOSALS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED ALL OF THE HOSPITAL BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED TO BE PROVIDED A COPY OF THE PROPOSALS AS WELL. HE ADDRESSED IT BEING A PUBLIC RECORD AND THE PUBLIC IS ENTITLED TO IT; HOWEVER, IF THEY WANT A COPY, THEY ARE REQUIRED TO PAY THE REASONABLE COST FOR THE COPY. COMMISSIONER COPE RECOMMENDED A COMMITTEE BE APPOINTED IN ADDITION TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO REVIEW THE PROPOSALS. HE MADE SOME SUGGESTIONS AND THEN RECOMMENDED EACH COMMISSIONER APPOINT SOMEONE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED APPOINTING A COMMITTEE ADVISING THE BOTTOM LINE WAS THE DECISION WOULD STILL BE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE POSSIBILITY OF THE BOARD REVIEWING THE PROPOSALS AND THERE POSSIBLY COULD BE SOME PROPOSALS THEY MAY WANT TO ELIMINATE TO BEGIN WITH.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE PROPOSAL FROM CHIPOLA REALTY DIDN'T MENTION THE HOSPITAL WOULD REMAIN A HOSPITAL; IF THIS WERE THE CASE, HE WOULD WANT THIS PROPOSAL ELIMINATED TO BEGIN WITH.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON RECESSING THE MEETING WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISING HE WOULD BE AVAILABLE APRIL 1ST. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO RECESS THIS MEETING WHEN THEY FINISH THEIR BUSINESS TODAY UNTIL 8:00 A.M. ON APRIL 1ST WITH ALL MEMBERS OF THE HOSPITAL BOARD TO BE PRESENT ALSO.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON PATSY JUSTICE'S REQUEST FOR THE COUNTY TO DONATE THE PROPERTY BEHIND THE HOSPITAL IN ORDER TO OBTAIN FUNDING FOR A NEW HEALTH DEPARTMENT. DUE TO SOME OF THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED WANTING TO PURCHASE ALL PROPERTIES AT NWFCH, THIS PROPERTY WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE. COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CORBIN WITHDREW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND UNTIL THE PROPOSALS ARE REVIEWED AND A DECISION MADE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR CHAIRMAN CORBIN TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER HALL AND COMMISSIONER COPE TO NEGOTIATE WITH SONNY LEAVINS KNOWING THERE IS APPROXIMATELY \$27,000 OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT MONIES THE COUNTY HAS WHICH COULD BE USED AS A DOWN PAYMENT; COMMISSIONER COPE IS TO NEGOTIATE WITH LEAVINS SEPARATELY FROM COMMISSIONER HALL WITH BOTH BRINGING BACK A REPORT TO THE APRIL 1ST MEETING.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH THE BOARD AND MS. JUSTICE AGREEING THERE IS A NEED FOR FIVE ACRES RATHER THAN THREE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED COMMISSIONER HALL AND COMMISSIONER COPE TO NOT COMMUNICATE PERTAINING TO THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH LEAVINS.

JUSTICE ASKED IF THE BOARD COULD PROVIDE HER WITH A LETTER OF COMMITMENT TO THE LAND IF THE LEAVINS' PROPERTY IS A DEAL THEY COULD DO NEXT TUESDAY; BOARD AGREED THEY COULD. JUSTICE AGREED TO GIVE THE BOARD UNTIL THE APRIL 1ST MEETING FOR A LAND DONATION COMMITMENT.

ROGER HAGAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING CONTRACTED WITH GOVERNMENT SERVICES GROUP TO DO A FIRE STUDY; THE

FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION CHIEFS HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THE PRELIMINARY STUDY DONE AND MEMBERS OF GSG WERE PRESENT TO GO OVER THE MASTER PLAN.

CAMILLE THARP THANKED THE BOARD FOR ALLOWING THEM TO DO THE STUDY AND ALLOWING THEM TO WORK WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY. THE MASTER PLAN IS A GOOD PLAN FOR THE COUNTY TO GO FORWARD AND IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE, WITHIN A FIVE TO TEN YEAR TIME FRAME, HELP IMPROVE FIRE SERVICES WITHIN THE COUNTY. SHE ADVISED THE BOARD THEY HAD BEEN PROVIDED A PRELIMINARY DRAFT BUT THE FINAL PLAN HAS BEEN PROVIDED THE EM DIRECTOR.

TRAVIS MILLER WENT OVER THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FIRE STUDY MASTER PLAN ADDRESSING THE COUNTY HAD CONTRACTED WITH GSG TO DO THE MASTER PLAN AND MATRIX CONSULTING GROUP ASSISTED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PLAN.

MILLER SUMMARIZED THE ISSUES THE COUNTY COULD ADDRESS NOW WHICH WOULD NOT REQUIRE MUCH FUNDING AND COULD HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON IMPROVING THE ABILITY OF FIRE RESCUE SERVICES IN THE COUNTY:

1. DEVELOP AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT
2. DEVELOP DISPATCH PROTOCOLS THAT CONTAIN ADDITIONAL SPECIFICITY BEYOND CURRENT POLICIES
3. WORK WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS TO DEVELOP A CONSISTENT UNIT NUMBERING SYSTEM THAT ALLOWS EACH UNIT TO HAVE A UNIQUE NUMERICAL IDENTIFIER
4. IDENTIFY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES THAT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN INCREASING THEIR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE DELIVERY OF EMS
5. DEVELOPMENT OF A FORMAL WATER PLAN FOR FIRE FIGHTING PURPOSES
6. DEVELOP A CONSENSUS MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND TRAINING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS AND DEVELOP REQUIREMENTS FOR ANNUAL ON-GOING TRAINING FOR ALL FIRE FIGHTING VOLUNTEERS

FIVE YEAR GOALS ADDRESSED IN THE MASTER PLAN:

1. PROVIDE A MINIMUM ISO FIRE RATING OF 9 TO A TARGET OF NO LESS THAN 85% OF THE COUNTY'S HOMES AND COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES. THIS COULD BE DONE BY BUILDING FIVE LOW-COST STRUCTURES TO HOUSE SINGLE FIRE RESPONSE UNITS THAT MEET VERY LOW MINIMUM CRITERIA; PEOPLE MAY HAVE STRUCTURES THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO GIVE THE COUNTY YEAR ROUND ACCESS TO HOUSE A SINGLE FIRE RESPONSE UNIT
2. REQUIRE ALL NEW HIRES IN THE SYSTEM BE CROSS-TRAINED AS FIRE/EMS PROVIDERS; PROVIDE INCENTIVE PAY TO ANY CURRENT EMPLOYEE WHO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES THE TRAINING.
3. PLAN FOR A PROGRAM OF EXTENDING THE COVERAGE AREAS PROVIDED BY THE EMS DEPARTMENT; ADD A THIRD EMS UNIT AS SOON AS PRACTICAL

TEN TO TWENTY YEAR GOALS:

1. ADOPT A POLICY TO DO TWO THINGS:
 - A. HAVE A CAPACITY TO DELIVER AT LEAST 4,000 GALLONS OF WATER FROM EACH STATION
 - B. HAVE A MINIMUM OF 5,000 GALLONS GRAVITY FILL CAPACITY AT EACH FIRE STATION LOCATION
 2. DEVELOP AN APPARATUS PLAN THAT MEETS THE VARIOUS SERVICE LEVEL AND POLICY NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY
 3. CONSOLIDATION OF FIRE, RESCUE AND EMS OPERATIONS UNDER A SINGLE DEPARTMENT REPORTING TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
- CAMILLE ADDRESSED FUNDING OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY FOR FIRE

SERVICES:

1. IMPOSE A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
2. CREATE A MSTU
3. CREATE A SPECIAL DISTRICT
4. REDIRECT A PORTION OF THE SMALL COUNTY SURTAX
5. REDIRECT A PORTION OF THE ORIGINAL SIX CENTS GAS TAX

6. CONTINUE TO FUND FIRE SERVICES THROUGH GENERAL FUND SOURCES

SHE REQUESTED THE BOARD LOOK AT THE COSTS INCLUDED IN THE FIRE MASTER PLAN AND BEGIN LOOKING WHERE THEY MAY BE ABLE TO FIT IN SOME ADDITIONAL FUNDING.

HAGAN REQUESTED THE BOARD RETURN THE BOOKS THEY HAD BEEN PROVIDED LAST WEEK AND HE WILL PROVIDE THEM WITH THE DETAILED MASTER FIRE PLAN. HE ALSO REQUESTED THE BOARD NOT LET THE INFORMATION PROVIDED GO AWAY BUT UTILIZE IT; THE FIRE ASSOCIATION AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WOULD BE WILLING TO WORK WITH THE BOARD ON ANY DIRECTION THEY WANT TO GIVE; WHETHER IT IS IN WORKSHOPS, SPECIAL MEETINGS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER COPE RECOMMENDED MORE EMPHASIS NEEDED TO BE PUT ON DISPATCH.

HAGAN ADDRESSED THE FIRE ASSOCIATION HAVING RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE DISPATCH ISSUE BUT RECOMMENDED THE BOARD JUST LOOK AT THE FIRE ISSUES IN THE STUDY TODAY AS THE FIRE ASSOCIATION'S INTEREST IS FIRE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN APPOINTED COMMISSIONER COPE TO WORK WITH HAGAN ON THE DISPATCH PROBLEMS AND BRING BACK A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERENCED WALTON COUNTY ESTABLISHING FIRE DISTRICTS IN RURAL AREAS AND QUESTIONED IF PEOPLE IN DISTRICTS HAD TO AGREE TO BE TAXED; CAMILLE ADVISED THE FIRE CHIEFS WENT BEFORE THE WALTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND REQUESTED THE BOARD UNILATERALLY IMPOSE FIRE DISTRICTS. SHE ADDRESSED THEM IMPOSING FIRE DISTRICTS WITHOUT A REFERENDUM, STRAW BALLOT, ETC. IN PORTIONS OF THE RURAL AREAS IN THE COUNTY AT A REQUEST OF THE FIRE CHIEFS DUE TO THEM NOT BEING ABLE TO FUND THEIR FIRE SERVICE NEEDS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN APPOINTED COMMISSIONER BROCK TO WORK WITH CAMILLE ON A COUNTY WIDE MSBU IN RURAL PORTIONS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD THE COUNTY HAD ALREADY ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE A COUNTY WIDE MSBU FOR FIRE SERVICES; IT JUST NEEDS TO BE IMPLEMENTED.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER BROCK WORK WITH CAMILLE AND ROGER TO SEE IF THE MSBU TAXING DISTRICTS CAN BE DONE COUNTY WIDE, RURAL COUNTY WIDE, OR IN A PARTICULAR SECTION OF THE COUNTY THAT WANTS IT AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD.

SALLEY COOEY WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, PENSACOLA OFFICE, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE LEGISLATION PASSED IN 2002 ON THE UNPAVED ROADS, HOUSE BILL 1285 AND THE BROWNSFIELD GRANT FUNDING.

COOEY REFERENCED HER COMING BEFORE THE BOARD LAST YEAR WITH INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE BROWNSFIELD GRANT AND SHE WENT OVER THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THAT INFORMATION.

- A. THE STATE ENACTED THE LEGISLATION FOR THE BROWNSFIELD FUNDING IN 1997.
- B. DEFINITION OF BROWNSFIELD WAS TO TAKE PROPERTIES THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL THAT ARE IDOLLED OR ABANDONED AND TRY TO RECYCLE THEM
- C. THE STATE LEGISLATURE DECIDED TO LEAVE IT UP TO THE INDIVIDUAL LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, COUNTIES AND CITIES, TO DETERMINE HOW THEY WOULD USE THE BROWNSFIELD; AN INDIVIDUAL COULD COME BEFORE THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ASK FOR THEIR PROPERTY TO BE A BROWNSFIELD OR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COULD DESIGNATE AN AREA THEY FELT HAD BROWNSFIELD POTENTIAL; POTENTIAL FOR REDEVELOPMENT
- D. THE STATE'S REAL INITIATIVE FROM AN ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL STANDPOINT; THE ENVIRONMENTAL STANDPOINT WAS FOR FL-DEP TO LOOK AT THE PROPERTY WITH THE POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND CLEAN UP NUMBERS WOULD BE BASED ON WHAT THE RE-USE OF THE PROPERTY WOULD BE. FROM AN ECONOMIC STANDPOINT, THE OFFICE OF TOURISM, TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OFFERED INSTEAD TAX INCENTIVE OR JOB BONUS PLANS.
- E. THE BROWNSFIELD CAN BE USED AS A TOOL FOR REDEVELOPMENT BUT

IS NOT AN ANSWER FOR EVERYTHING

COOEY REFERENCED LAST YEAR WHEN SHE CAME BEFORE THE BOARD ON THE BROWNSFIELD GRANT, THEY WERE LOOKING MORE AT THE MUDHILL LANDFILL AND WHAT COULD BE DONE WITH IT; AT THAT TIME, THE CONTAMINATION WAS DETERMINED TO BE TOO MUCH AND IT HAS NOW MOVED TO ANOTHER LEVEL. SHE ADDRESSED IF THERE IS A LOT OF PARTICIPATION, THE SOIL IS VERY MOBILE. SHE ALSO ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LOT OF IRON IN THE SOIL. SHE REFERENCED THERE BEING CHEMICAL REACTIONS GOING ON AT THE LANDFILL THAT IS REACHING INTO THE GROUND WATER THAT IS CAUSING SOME OF THE NATURAL IRON FORMATIONS TO FORM INTO POLLUTION; IT IS TRAPPED AND TRAVELLING INTO THE STREAMS.

SHE ADDRESSED THE RATTLESNAKE CREEK AND THE TESTING THAT WAS DONE TO TRY AND DETERMINE WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHER STREAMS THAT WERE IMPACTED; THERE IS QUITE A BIT OF IRON SITING THAT IS CAUSING THE DIVERSITY OF THE STREAMS BEING IMPACTED TRAVELLING DOWN TO THE FLOW OF THE STREAM.

COOEY ADVISED, AT THIS TIME, THE STATE DOESN'T HAVE ANY FUNDING THROUGH THE BROWNSFIELD PROGRAM; THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS SOME FUNDING AND THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ENDORSE SEVERAL COUNTIES APPLICATIONS TO EPA FOR FUNDING. THE FUNDING SHE HAD SPOKE ABOUT ASSISTING THE COUNTY WITH LAST YEAR THROUGH EPA WAS FPR ASSESS,EMTS AND NOT FOR CLEANUPS. SHE ADVISED THE BOARD SHE DIDN'T HAVE A SOURCE OF FUNDING SHE COULD RECOMMEND AT THIS TIME FOR THE LANDFILL BUT WOULD CONTINUE TO RESEARCH.

COOEY THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE UNPAVED ROAD LEGISLATION. THEY HAVE SEVERAL DIFFERENT AGENCIES TO COMBINE TO TRY AND FIND FUNDING FOR COUNTIES WHO DON'T HAVE FUNDING. SHE INTRODUCED MIKE RAINER WITH SCIENCE APPLICATION INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION AND CHRIS METCALF WITH U. S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE. METCALF HAD CONTRACTED WITH RAINER TO ASSIST THE INTERAGENCY GROUP WITH SOME OF THE STUDIES NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE ROADS, WHERE THE UNPAVED ROADS ARE CAUSING PROBLEMS TO STREAMS, AND ASSIST WITH FUNDING FOR COUNTIES WHO ARE WANTING TO PAVE THESE ROADS.

RAINER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE UNPAVED ROAD INTERAGENCY TEAM AND ADVISED THEM OF THEIR OBJECTIVE TO PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TEAM, DESCRIBE THEIR GOALS AND MISSIONS, GIVE A BRIEF REVIEW OF PROBLEMS AND ISSUES THEY ARE ADDRESSING, AND INTRODUCE THEM TO THE PHYSICAL APPROACH THEY ARE TAKING. THE BOARD WAS PROVIDED INFORMATION PERTAINING TO ALL OF THESE ISSUES WHICH RAINER ADDRESSED.

WHILE RAINER WAS SHOWING A FILM PRESENTATION, THE BOARD WAS ADDRESSING THE ROAD PROBLEMS BEING SHOWN WERE FAMILIAR TO WASHINGTON COUNTY; DITCHES AND GULLEYS WHERE EROSION HAS OCCURRED, SAND WASHING INTO THE RIVERS AND STREAMS, ETC.

COOEY RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GO TO THEIR LEGISLATORS TO MAKE THEM AWARE OF THEIR ROAD PROBLEMS AND PROVIDE THEM WITH INFORMATION TO SUPPORT THEIR OWN PERSONAL EFFORTS IN CORRECTING THE PROBLEMS.

RAINER REQUESTED THE BOARD'S PERMISSION TO GET WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS TO SEE WHAT INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ELECTRONICALLY, HIGHLIGHT THE PAVED ROADS ON THE URIT MAPS, VALIDATE THE INFORMATION THE URIT ALREADY HAS, ETC. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING PURCHASED PICTOMETRY SOFTWARE AND WOULD HAVE A LOT OF HELPFUL INFORMATION WITHIN THE NEXT MONTH.

COOEY ADVISED THE BOARD THEY WOULD HAVE ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION THE URIT IS GATHERING FOR THE 15 COUNTY STUDY AND COULD USE IT FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL COUNTY NEEDS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

- A. RENEWAL OF ANIMAL CONTROL INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS WITH WAUSAU AND VERNON—COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF RENEWAL OF BOTH AGREEMENTS.
- B. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATION OF HIGHWAY 279 EXTENDING FROM ST 79 TO US 90 IN HONOR OF THE HONORABLE

SAM MITCHELL-COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE RESOLUTION.

- C. AGREEMENT TO HIRE RICKY KENT AS TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE AS INMATE CREW SUPERVISOR FOR THE CEMETERY CLEAN-UP CREW. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY ON THE BRONSON LANDING ROAD FENCE; HOLLEY ADVISED THE SITUATION WITH THE FENCE HAS NOT CHANGED; IF THEY WANT A SUIT FILED, THEY NEED TO AUTHORIZE HIM TO DO SO. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO FILE SUIT TO HAVE THE FENCE REMOVED ON BRONSON LANDING ROAD.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISING IF THE BOARD WANTED TO HAVE SOMEONE TAKE THE FENCE DOWN AT BRONSON LANDING AND SEE IF ANYONE CHALLENGED IT, THE BOARD COULD THEN REACT TO THEIR CHALLENGE. COMMISSIONER HALL STATED TO LET THE SHERIFF GO AHEAD AND TAKE THE FENCE DOWN. NO FURTHER BOARD ACTION WAS TAKEN.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECESSED THE MEETING FOR A LUNCH BREAK UNTIL 1:00 P.M. PURSUANT TO A RECESS, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT READ THE BID RECEIVED ON THE SUNNY HILLS BRUSH TRUCK:

ELITE FIRE AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT \$63,229

HERBERT ADVISED THAT GLENN ZANETIC, MSBU COORDINATOR, HAD REVEIUED THE BID AND RECOMMENDED ACCEPTING IT. COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE MSBU COMMITTEE WAS RECOMMENDING THE BID AWARD. HERBERT ADVISED THE MSBU COMMITTEE HAD APPROVED AN AMENDED MSBU BUDGET WHICH INCLUDED THE BRUSH TRUCK.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION AND AWARD THE BID TO ELITE FIRE AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT. COMMISSIONER BROCK REITERATED HIS CONCERN THE MSBU COMMITTEE HAD MADE THE BOARD AWARE THEY WANTED TO KNOW WHAT PURCHASES WAS BEING MADE FROM MSBU FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED COMMISSIONER BROCK THAT HE AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR WAS AT THE MSBU COMMITTEE MEETING WHEN WHEN THE AMENDED BUDGET WAS PRESENTED WHICH INCLUDED THE BRUSH TRUCK AND THE COMMITTEE APPROVED IT. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED ON THE BIDS RECEIVED ON THE REMOVAL OF STRUCTURES ON THE OLD BEEF UNIT PROPERTY:

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| 1. AZTEC RECYCLERS, INC. | \$3,275 | BASE BID |
| ALTERNATE #1/SILO SLAB | \$1,200 | |
| ALTERNATE #2/MAIN BARN SLAB | \$2,250 | |
| 2. HENRY GRIMES TRUCKING | \$12,738 | ENTIRE PROJECT |
| 3. JIMMIE RAE CARTER | | FAILED TO ATTEND MANDATORY
PRE-BID CONFERENCE BUT
WOULD DO ENTIRE PROJECT
FOR MATERIALS |

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO REJECT ALL BIDS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON REBIDDING THE PROJECT. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS THERE WAS NO USE IN SPENDING A LOT OF MONEY ON THE REMOVAL PROJECT WHEN THEY COULD DO IT THEMSELVES.

STACY WEBB AND ROGER HAGAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE HURRICANE SHUTTER PROJECT FOR THE VERNON MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL. HAGAN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FIRST SHUTTER GRANT PROJECT PROBABLY NOT GOING TO PASS DUE TO THE STATE HAVING WITHDRAWN THEIR STATE MATCHING FUNDS; HOWEVER, THE ONE BEING

ACTED ON IS THE FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECT AND NO MATCH IS REQUIRED. THREE PROPOSALS WERE SUBMITTED: TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY, HURRICANE PROTECTION INDUSTRY AND AMERICAN SCREENING AND AWNING. WEBB AND HAGAN WERE RECOMMENDING AWARDING THE PROJECT TO TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY; IT WAS NOT THE LOWEST BID BUT THEY FELT IT WAS THE BEST BID. ALSO, THEIR BID CAME IN THAT LEFT MONIES THAT COULD BE SPENT ON A BUILDING ON THE ROULHAC CAMPUS.

HAGAN REPORTED THAT HE HAD TALKED WITH MR. GRIFFIN WHILE VISITING THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAS ADVISED THERE WERE EXTRA FUNDS AVAILABLE WHICH MIGHT DO THE REMAINDER OF THE ROULHAC CAMPUS WITH THIS LEAVING ONLY THE COUNCIL ON AGING PROJECT UNFUNDED THIS YEAR. IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE FUNDING, THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE A CONTRACT MODIFICATION AND IN SPEAKING WITH TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY ABOUT THE MODIFICATION, THE ONLY PROBLEM HE HAD WAS THE TIME FRAME.

HAGAN ADVISED THERE WOULD NEED TO BE ONE MODIFICATION TO THE CONTRACT WHICH WOULD INCREASE IT BY THE AMOUNT OF MONEY AVAILABLE FROM THE STATE AND AN EXTENSION OF TIME. WEBB AND HAGAN REQUESTED THE BOARD APPROVE THE VENDOR THEY ARE RECOMMENDING, TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY, AND APPROVE, PENDING THE FUNDING BEING IN PLACE AND DOCUMENTATION FROM THE CONTRACTOR HE CAN COMPLY WITH THE NEW DEADLINE, A CONTRACT MODIFICATION BE EXECUTED. THEY ALSO WERE REQUESTING THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AND MODIFICATION IF THE MONIES MATERIALIZES.

TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY WAS REQUESTING THEY BE ALLOWED TO GIVE A LETTER OF CREDIT IN LIEU OF A BOND; IN LIEU OF RETAINING 10%, LET THE PAY SCHEDULE BE 1/3 AT THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT, 1/3 WITHIN TWO WEEKS AFTER PROJECT BEGINS AND 1/3 WHEN PROJECT IS COMPLETED.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED WHY MR. FISH OF TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY WAS REQUESTING 1/3 OF THE FUNDING UPFRONT. FISH ADDRESSED THEM ORDERING MATERIALS FROM THREE DIFFERENT MANUFACTURERS AND PUTTING PEOPLE IN CHIPLEY HOTELS, HAVING A FULL TIME PAYROLL AND WORKING POSSIBLY FROM MONDAY THRU SATURDAY TRYING TO DO WORK AT THE MOST CONVENIENT TIME.

JIM FLETCHER WITH TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY ALSO ADDRESSED THE MATERIALS WERE CUSTOM BUILT FOR THE SHUTTER PROJECT.

FISH ADDRESSED THE BOND WOULD COST HIM \$10,000 TO \$12,000; HOWEVER, IF HE COULD CASH IN HIS CD'S AT THE BANK AND ISSUE THE BOARD AN IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT, IT WOULD BE A LOT EASIER TO GET THE MONEY FROM THE LETTER OF CREDIT THAN FROM THE BONDING INSURANCE COMPANY.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN VOICED HIM BEING LEARY OF GIVING FISH UPFRONT MONIES BEFORE THEY DO ANY WORK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED THE REASON WHY TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY WAS RECOMMENDED TO BE AWARDED THE BID RATHER THAN THE LOW BIDDER.

WEBB ADVISED THERE WERE THREE BIDS SUBMITTED AND THERE WAS A SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TAYLOR'S BID AND THE OTHER TWO BIDS; HOWEVER, THEY RESEARCHED THE REFERENCES AND THE OTHER TWO WERE NOT AS REPUTABLE AS TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY. ALSO, RESEARCH ON THE MATERIALS TAYLOR WAS GOING TO USE WAS A MUCH BETTER QUALITY OF MATERIAL.

HAGAN REFERENCED THE CONTRACTOR WHO WAS AWARDED THE BID FOR THE PRIOR SHUTTER PROJECTS WAS LOW BIDDER; HE IS NOW OUT OF BUSINESS AND UNDER INDICTMENT. AS FAR AS LOW BID VERSUS BETTER BID, HE AND WEBB TRIED TO GET THE BETTER BID.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO PROCEED WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF HAGAN AND WEBB. CHAIRMAN CORBIN REITERATED HIM BEING OPPOSED TO GIVING TAYLOR BUILDING SUPPLY MONIES UPFRONT. HAGAN INFORMED CORBIN TO GO AHEAD AND VOICE HIS CONCERNS BECAUSE HIS JOB WAS NOT WORTH THE \$212,000 THE COUNTY WOULD LOSE IF FISH WALKED AWAY. CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED HAGAN IF HE UNDERSTOOD IF FISH WALKED AWAY WITH THE MONEY, HE WOULD BE FIRED AND HE WOULD MAKE THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH CORBIN OPPOSED.

WEBB ADVISED THE BOARD THE SHUTTER GRANT IS A REIMBURSABLE GRANT WHICH MEANS THE COUNTY HAS TO PAY ALL UPFRONT COSTS AND GET REIMBURSED WHEN THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED.

HAGAN THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE LEASE FOR THE COPIER AT THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE WAS UP; HE HAD OBTAINED THREE PROPOSALS:

1. XEROX \$190.17 MONTHLY
2. SHARP \$230.00 MONTHLY
3. PANASONIC \$176.00 MONTHLY

HE ADVISED EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAD THE OPORTUNITY TO UPGRADE THEIR COPIER, INCREASE THEIR VOLUME OF COPIES AT A LOWER PRICE THAN THEIR CURRENT LEASE PAYMENT OF \$200.12 PER MONTH AND GET A BETTER QUALITY OF COPIES. HE RECOMMENDED APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A LEASE FOR A COPIER WITH PANASONIC FOR \$176 PER MONTH WHICH HAS A PRINTER AND FAX CAPABILITY; THE EMPA MONIES WOULD BE USED TO PAY THE LEASE PURCHASE. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF HAGAN'S RECOMMENDATION.

MS. RETA WILSON AND HER HUSBAND, PHILLIP WALSH, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON WILSON MEADOWS SUBDIVISION IN CARYVILLE. SHE UPDATED THE BOARD ON HER DEVELOPMENT OF THE SUBDIVISION, IT HAVING BEEN APPROVED, ROADS WERE COMPLETED IN 1998 BUT STILL HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED AND HER PAYING TAXES FOR FOUR YEARS.

SHE ADDRESSED HER HAVING RECEIVED A LETTER FROM LYNDA WALLER AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISING HER NOT TO SELL ANY MORE LOTS, WAS ADVISED NOT TO PUT IN A SEPTIC TANK, HAS BROUGHT ROADS INTO GOOD CONDITION IN THE PAST BUT THEY WERE NOT INSPECTED, MADE NUMEROUS PHONE CALLS TO LYNDA WALLER, ROBERT HARCUS AND COMMISSIONER HALL; THEY DIDN'T RETURN HER CALLS. IN DECEMBER OF 2001, DIRT WAS BOUGHT FROM MIDDLEBROOKS, THE ROADS WERE GRADED AND SHE HAD A VIDEO SHOWING THE ROADS WERE IN GOOD CONDITION.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADVISED HE HAD WENT AND LOOKED OVER THE ROADS IN THE SUBDIVISION AND HAD GOTTEN THE COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, TO GO AND LOOK AT THE ROADS. HE ALSO ADDRESSED HIM NOT BEING ABLE TO RECOMMEND ACCEPTING THE ROADS UNTIL THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAS ADVISED THEY ARE UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS; HE HAS NOT HEARD THEY WERE BROUGHT UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS SINCE HE HAS BEEN ON THE BOARD.

THE COUNTY ENGINEER REPORTED ON WILSON MEADOWS SUBDIVISION:

1. IN 1999 WAS THE FIRST TIME HE WAS ASKED TO REVIEW THE PROJECT AND PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT ON THE CONDITIONS OF THE ROAD; HIS UNDERSTANDING AT THE TIME WAS THE BOARD WAS GOING TO LET THE ROADS GO UNDER THE GRADED ROAD STANDARDS.
2. DAVID H. MELVIN HAD DONE A SITE REVIEW AT ONE TIME; PLANS WERE DONE BY CHARLES DUNN.
3. HE HAD DONE A SITE REVIEW: ISSUES WERE DRAINAGE EASEMENTS WERE MISSING, NO HEADWALLS OR MITERED ENDS ON ANY OF THE PIPES IN THE SUBDIVISION, WILL WILSON TRAIL HAS WASHOUTS ON BOTH SIDES AND BASICALLY TAKES A 4-WHEEL DRIVE TO GET THROUGH, THERE WERE ISSUES WITH THE DITCHES AND THERE WERE NO STOP SIGNS. BASICALLY THE SAME ISSUES HE HAD IN HIS REPORT OF JULY 1999 WAS THERE TWO WEEKS AGO WHEN HE WENT AND LOOKED AT THE SUBDIVISION.
4. HE HAD MAILED THE BOARD A REPORT AND PUT PICTURES SHOWING THE SAME SCENARIOS AS BEFORE; STILL NO STOP SIGNS, MITERED ENDS OR HEADWALLS, PROBLEMS WITH WIDTH OF THE ROAD, DITCHES ON WILL WILSON TRAIL NEED TO BE STABILIZED, ROADWAYS NEED TO BE REGRADED THROUGH THAT SECTION AND COUNTY STANDARDS CALL FOR A 30' ROADWAY.

WALSH ADDRESSED THE ROAD HAVING SET THERE FOR 15 MONTHS BEFORE ANYONE CAME TO LOOK AT IT AND THAT IS WHY IT LOOKS LIKE IT DOES; HE REFERENCED A VIDEO THEY HAD OF THE ROADS THAT SHOWED THEY WERE IN GOOD CONDITION. THEY WANTED TO COME

BEFORE THE BOARD SO WHEN THEY GET THE ROADS IN GOOD CONDITION, SOMEONE WILL COME AND LOOK AT THEM.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECOMMENDING THE BOARD GIVE THE COUNTY ENGINEER AND MS. WILSON GUIDANCE ON WHAT THEY WANT DONE TO BRING THE ROADS UP TO STANDARDS AND THE BOARD LIVE UP TO WHAT THEY PROMISE TO DO. KNAUER AGREED TO GIVE WILSON A COPY OF HIS REPORT ADVISING OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO BRING THE ROADS UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECOMMENDED WILSON TAKE THE REPORT, DO WHAT THE ENGINEER IS REQUESTING BE DONE TO BRING THE ROADS UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS, ENGINEER WILL THEN GO LOOK AT THE ROADS AGAIN AND IF THEY ARE UP TO STANDARDS, WILSON WILL MAINTAIN THE ROADS FOR ONE YEAR, AFTER THAT DATE THE ENGINEER WILL LOOK AT THE ROADS AGAIN AND IF THEY ARE STILL UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS, THE COUNTY ENGINEER WILL COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND RECOMMEND THEY ACCEPT THE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, LYNDA WALLER, IF ALL THE LOTS IN THE WILSON MEADOWS SUBDIVISION WERE LEGAL FOR A SEPTIC TANK; WALLER ADVISED THEY WERE NOT. KNAUER ADDRESSED THE HRS REQUIRES A PERSON TO OWN 1/2 ACRE IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR A SEPTIC TANK; WILSON OWNS ALL THE LOTS AND THEY ARE OVER 1/2 ACRE. THEREFORE, SHE MAY HAVE TO HAVE MOUNTED SEPTIC SYSTEMS.

WALLER EXPLAINED SHE ALWAYS TOLD EVERYONE PRIOR TO PURCHASING PROPERTY, TO CHECK WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT PERTAINING TO THEIR ELIGIBILITY FOR A SEPTIC TANK.

WILSON QUESTIONED IF SHE COULD BEGIN SELLING LOTS. THE BOARD ADVISED SHE COULD BEGIN SELLING LOTS AFTER THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAS LOOKED AT THE ROADS AND RECOMMENDED TO THE BOARD THEY ACCEPT THEM FOR ONE YEAR MAINTENANCE; HOWEVER, SHE WILL HAVE TO POST A SECURITY BOND TO COVER THE COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ROAD.

GLEN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE FUNDING FOR THE BRUSH TRUCK; CAPITAL CITY HAD PROVIDED A LOAN LAST YEAR FOR A TANKER AT 4.27% VARIABLE INTEREST RATE AND HAS AGREED TO COMBINE THE FUNDING FOR THE BRUSH TRUCK AND LOWER THE INTEREST RATE TO 2.95%. HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE BORROWING OF AN ADDITIONAL \$20,000 FOR A BREATHING APPARATUS AND RADIOS; BOARD FINANCE WOULD DEDUCT THIS FROM THE COUNTY'S BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT TO COVER THAT PURCHASE. HE ADVISED THE MSBU COMMITTEE HAD APPROVED THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THESE PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE FUNDING SOURCE FROM CAPITAL CITY BANK FOR THE BRUSH TRUCK WITH IT TO BE PAID FROM MSBU FUNDING AND THE BORROWING OF \$20,000 FOR A BREATHING APPARATUS AND RADIOS TO BE PAID BY SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT COUNTY BUDGET ALLOCATION.

ZANETIC PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION PERTAINING TO ENCLOSING THE REAR FIRE BUILDING AT SUNNY HILLS TO HOUSE THE BRUSH TRUCK AND THE WORK CREW EQUIPMENT AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$7,000. HE ADDRESSED AN ATTACHMENT HE HAD WRITTEN TO THE SUNNY HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WHERE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IS REQUESTING APPROVAL TO MAKE THE CHANGES TO USE OF UNIT 4 "D":

1. ENCLOSE EXISTING STORAGE BUILDING TO ACCOMODATE 1 FIRE APPARATUS AND THE MSBU'S EQUIPMENT ACCORDING TO THE DRAWINGS DATED 3/27/03
2. USE THE CENTER PORTION OF PROPERTY AS A DISPOSAL AREA FOR DEBRIS GENERATED BY THE RESURFACING PROJECT INSIDE SUNNY HILLS. THIS AREA WILL BE LEVELED AND SEEDED WHEN PROJECT IS COMPLETE.
3. USE THE NORTH END OF THE PROPERTY AS A STAGING AND INVENTORY STORAGE AREA FOR THE RESURFACING AND DRAINAGE PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THESE CHANGES AND REQUEST THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT APPROVE OF THE CHANGES BEING MADE.

DAVID CORBIN, PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON ORANGE HILL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT SPONSORING AN URBAN FISHING DAY ON MAY

17TH AT BLUE POND. DON WALTERS, REPRESENTING OHS&WCD, HAD REQUESTED THE POND BE CLOSED AND FEEDERS BE PUT OUT AGAIN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO CLOSE THE POND FOR TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO MAY 17TH FOR URBAN FISHING DAY. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THERE BEING A LOT OF COMPLAINTS IF THE POND IS CLOSED. WALTERS RECOMMENDED CLOSING THE POND FOR AT LEAST THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO MAY 17TH. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED TO AMEND HIS MOTION FOR THE POND TO BE CLOSED THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO THE MAY 17TH. COMMISSIONER COPE SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED. DON WALTERS AGREED TO FEED THE FISH HIMSELF THE THREE WEEKS IT IS CLOSED PRIOR TO THE MAY 17TH URBAN FISHING DAY.

WALTERS REQUESTED THE BOARD WRITE A LETTER TO THE FL-DOT TO LOWER THE LEVEL OF BLUE POND BY 1.5' AND ASK THEM TO PROVIDE SOME ALTERNATIVE DRAINAGE FOR ALL THE RUNOFF THAT GOES INTO THE LAKE; THERE IS NO WAY FOR THE WATER TO DRAIN OUT UNLESS FL-DOT OPENS UP THE WELL THEY DRILLED. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED TO TALK WITH EDWARD PRESCOTT OF FL-DOT ON THIS ISSUE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ALSO APPOINTED COMMISSIONER FINCH TO WORK WITH THE PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR ON THE WORDING OF THE SIGNS FOR THE CLOSING OF BLUE POND FOR URBAN FISHING DAY.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

- A. CAMPBELL PARK FRDAP GRANT FOR \$150,000-NEED A TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY IN ORDER FOR HIM TO DO A GRADING PLAN SO HE COULD GET A STORMWATER PERMIT FROM FL-DEP. BEFORE ANYTHING CAN BE DONE ON THE SITE, HE WILL HAVE TO HAVE A TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY. SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS PROVIDED TWO PROPOSALS; IF THEY SURVEYED ALL OF THE TREES ON SITE-\$1,751.96 PLUS \$1,029.10; WITHOUT TREES-\$1,751.96. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF SURVEY PROPOSAL FROM SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS FOR TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY WITHOUT TREES.
2. APRIL 5, 2003, AT 9:00 A.M. EVERYONE OWNING PROPERTY ON ONE MILE OF CREEK ROAD TO BE PAVED WILL BE SENT CERTIFIED MAIL ADVISING OF MEETING ON THAT DAY REGARDING RIGHT OF WAY NEEDED.
3. APRIL 5, 2003, AT 11:30 A.M. PROPERTY OWNERS ON CHAIN ROAD WILL BE SENT CERTIFIED MAIL ADVISING OF MEETING TO BE HELD ON THAT DATE TO DISCUSS RIGHT OF WAY NEEDED. THERE ARE MAJOR DRAINAGE ISSUES ON THIS ROAD.
4. CDBG PROJECTS-IN BIDDING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, IT WAS NOTED 270 DAYS WOULD BE ALLOWED IF SAME CONTRACTOR GOT ALL CONTRACTS; OTHERWISE, IT WOULD BE NEGOTIATED WITH THE CONTRACTOR. THERE WERE TWO LOW BIDDERS; HEAVY EARTH EQUIPMENT WAS GIVEN SIX MONTHS TO DO JOINER ROAD AND ANDERSON COLUMBIA WAS GIVEN 200 DAYS TO DO HOLMES VALLEY ROAD. AWARDS AND AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT; WHEN THEY ARE RECEIVED, THE NOTICE TO PROCEED WILL BE ISSUED TO THE CONTRACTORS.

GREG OWENS WITH BELL SOUTH IS PERSON KNAUER HAD BEEN COORDINATING WITH ON UTILITIES FOR THESE PROJECTS; HE IS NO LONGER WITH COMPANY. THEY NOW HAVE AN INTERIM ENGINEER FROM PENSACOLA WHO HAS NEVER SEEN THE PLANS FOR THE PROJECTS, ETC. HE HAD REQUESTED KNAUER FAX HIM A COPY OF A MAP SHOWING WHERE THE LOCATION OF THE ROADS ARE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED BELL SOUTH HAD BEEN WORKING ON JOINER ROAD FOR THE LAST TWO WEEKS.

KNAUER HAD SHOWED RUSTY THARPE, BELL SOUTH REPRESENTATIVE IN PANAMA CITY, HOLMES VALLEY ROAD, JOINER AND RATTLEBOX ROADS AND EXPLAINED THERE WERE DROP LINES THAT HAD TO BE

MOVED RIGHT OF WAY. THEY ARE CURRENTLY HANDLING THE DROP LINES OUT OF THE PANAMA CITY OFFICE AND THARPE ADVISED THEY WOULD BE GOING OVERHEAD WITH PHONE LINES ON HOLMES VALLEY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK RECOMMENDED KNAUER GET WITH BENNY BELL FROM BELL SOUTH IN PANAMA CITY AND CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECOMMENDED HE CONTACT JOHN ROBERTS WITH UTILITY ISSUES.

5. BRICKYARD SIDEWALK PROJECT-THE JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED AND RETURNED TO COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. KNAUER HAD MET WITH DEAN MITCHELL ON MARCH 28 TO GO OVER PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR PROJECT; DEAN IS NOT ENGINEER OF RECORD AND NOW DEAN IS WORRIED ABOUT HOW DAVID MELVIN, ENGINEER OF RECORD, IS TO GET PAID IF THE PLANS HAVE TO BE COORDINATED WITH HIM. KNAUER HAS COPIES OF THE PLANS AND SPECS READY AS WELL AS THE ADVERTISEMENT; HOWEVER, HE IS NOT GOING TO PUT IT OUT FOR BID UNTIL THE BID SCHEDULE IS APPROVED.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THE STATUS ON THE SIDEWALK PROJECT FOR THE OLD BONIFAY ROAD. KNAUER ADVISED HE HAD CONTACTED BARBARA LEE AND LEFT HER A MESSAGE BUT HAS NOT HEARD ANYTHING YET.

6. BROWNSFIELD-HE HAD SPOKEN TO SALLY COOEY ON THE TREE STANDS ON MUDHILL LANDFILL PROPERTY; SHE THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA, ESPECIALLY IF THEY COULD FIND A WAY TO LEASE THE STANDS. IF SO, THEY COULD PROVE THERE IS AN ECONOMIC BENEFIT TO THE PROPERTY.
7. KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING CLEANED ALL THE WELLS AT THE MUDHILL LANDFILL, SWABBED THEM AND BALED THEM. HE IS GOING TO HAVE THEM RETESTED AND HOPES TO GET BETTER TEST RESULTS SINCE THE WELLS HAVE BEEN CLEANED. HE HAS ALSO REQUESTED AN EXTENSION FROM FL-DEP.
8. LOW WATER CROSSINGS-KNAUER HAD PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED THE BOARD A SET OF ABOUT 40 BRIDGES THAT WOULD BE GOOD CANDIDATES FOR LOW WATER CROSSINGS AND A SET OF BRIDGES THAT COULD NOT USE LOW WATER CROSSINGS. HE ADDRESSED FUNDING MAY BE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE GRADED ROAD INTERAGENCY TEAM PROGRAM; IF THEY ARE ABLE TO GET FUNDING, THEY MAY WANT TO PAVE THE LOW WATER CROSSINGS AND LEAVE THE REST DIRT UNTIL THEY GET ENOUGH MONEY TO DO THEM. HE ADDRESSED LOW WATER CROSSINGS BEING A COST EFFECTIVE WAY TO REDUCE THE TURBIDITY IN THE STREAMS AND LOSING DIRT.
9. SCRAP AND SCOP PROGRAM-ISSUE ON SCOP WITH MANHOLES; SCOP IS 75-25 MATCH AND ALL FL-DOT SCOP FUNDS HAVE BEEN EXPIRED BUT NOT COUNTY MATCH. HE TRIED TO GET LOCAL CONTRACTORS TO GIVE HIM A PRICE ON THE MANHOLES BUT THE ONLY ONE TO GIVE HIM A PRICE WAS PORTER CONSTRUCTION FOR \$1,200 EACH. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE KNAUER TO HAVE PORTER CONSTRUCTION PUT IN FOUR MANHOLES.

10. ANDERSON COLUMBIA-SHOULDERS ON HIGHWAY 284 AND DITCHES

ON HIGHWAY 279 WERE SUPPOSE TO BE FIXED; MADE A COMMITMENT NOT TO PAY ANDERSON THEIR CONTINGENCY UNTIL THE ROAD PROBLEMS ARE CORRECTED. COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED ASPHALT ON THE EDGE OF HIGHWAY 279 IS ALREADY BREAKING UP. KNAUER AGREED TO GET WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK AND COMMISSIONER HALL TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE SATISFIED WITH PROJECTS PRIOR TO APPROVING OF ANDERSON GETTING THEIR CONTINGENCY MONIES.

11. DANIELS LAKE-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DANIELS LAKE PROJECT; CURRENTLY WORKING ON BALLFIELD, HE WILL THEN

START WORKING ON PARKING LOT, BUILDINGS ARE ALL DONE.
COMMISSIONER BROCK REPORTED THE PERMITS FOR THE WELL ARE
BEING APPLIED FOR.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED KNAUER UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE CLEARING ON THE
WEST END OF JOINER ROAD. KNAUER REPORTED ON THE CLEARING AND HAD TOLD CHAIRMAN
CORBIN THE BOARD WOULD NOT NEED TO MAKE ANOTHER MOTION TO PAY J. T. HARREL AND
CLINT RUSS BECAUSE THEY HAD ALREADY APPROVED THE CONTRACT; HE WILL WRITE A
LETTER WHEN THE WORK IS COMPLETED FOR HARREL AND RUSS TO BE PAID.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, PETER HERBERT, BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. A LETTER FROM TOMMY MCDONALD RECOMMENDING THE APPOINTMENT
OF CINDY THOMPSON TO THE CHIPOLA REGIONAL WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT BOARD. CHAIRMAN CORBIN HAD RECEIVED A LETTER
FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD RECOMMENDING THE
APPOINTMENT OF WENDY CORBIN. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS
FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTACT BOTH APPOINTEES
TO SEE IF THEY WILL ACCEPT THE POSITION AND MAKE AN
APPOINTMENT AT TUESDAY'S RECESSED MEETING.
2. BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING--TRANSFERRING
\$355 FROM REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE TO TRAVEL AND PER DIEM,
OTHER CURRENT CHARGES, OPERATING SUPPLIES; TRANSFER \$200
FROM POSTAGE TO MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLICATIONS. COMMISSIONER
HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND
CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS.
3. CODE ENFORCEMENT WORKSHOP--LYNDA WALLER HAD SET UP A WORKSHOP
WITH THE GUEST SPEAKER BEING SCOTT HAIR; PRESIDENT OF THE
PANHANDLE ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT, BAY COUNTY CODE
ENFORCEMENT; TOPIC OF WORKSHOP IS CODE ENFORCEMENT BASIS.
4. NORTHWEST FLORIDA LEGISLATIVE DAY--APRIL 23RD IN TALLAHASSEE;
THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND PARK AND RECREATION
DEPARTMENT WILL BE TAKING CARE OF DISPLAYS FOR WASHINGTON
COUNTY.
5. EASEMENTS ON FALLING WATERS ROAD--ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAD GOTTEN
LETTERS FROM SOME PROPERTY OWNERS ON FALLING WATERS ROAD
ABOUT WATER RUNNING OFF THE ROAD ONTO THEIR PROPERTY.
COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE PROPERTY BEING AFFECTED IS
ON THE OLD CHURCH ROAD SOUTH OF FALLING WATERS; PROPERTY
OWNER IS WANTING CROSS DRAIN STOPPED UP AND WATER ROUTED
EAST ACROSS FALLING WATERS ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH
RECOMMENDED CLIFF ADVISE ATTORNEY HOLLEY OF RESPONSE
TO PROPERTY OWNER'S COMPLAINT AND HOLLEY WRITE OWNER A
LETTER ADVISING OF RESPONSE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED MR. FUSSEL AND OTHER PROPERTY OWNER ON TALLY
FINCH ROAD WILLING TO DONATE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO COUNTY IN ORDER FOR ROAD TO BE
WIDENED BUT SURVEY NEEDS TO BE DONE. HE AGREED TO REPORT BACK ON THIS ISSUE AT
TUESDAY'S MEETING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORTED ON HE AND COMMISSIONER COPE GOING TO
LEGISLATIVE DAY IN TALLAHASSEE AND IF THEY SHIFT ALL THE FUNDS FROM THE COUNTIES
THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT, WASHINGTON COUNTY WILL LOSE 1.4 MILLION DOLLARS IN
FUNDING FOR PROJECTS THE STATE HAS BEEN FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER COPE REMINDED THE BOARD THE RELAY FOR LIFE WAS MARCH 28TH AT
THE OLD CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL; THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING EVENT IS
APRIL 3RD AT 10:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONER HALL REPORTED A PROBLEM WITH WATER RUNNING OFF OF A COUNTY
ROAD ACROSS GARY HEWETT'S PROPERTY; HEWETT IS WILLING TO GIVE THE COUNTY A
TEMPORARY EASEMENT BUT HALL IS REQUESTING THE BOARD'S APPROVAL. COMMISSIONER
COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF
HALL CORRECTING THE PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER HALL ADDRESSED HE WOULD LIKE NICE PLAQUES PUT UP ON EACH END OF HIGHWAY 279 RECOGNIZING IT AS THE SAM MITCHELL HIGHWAY. CHAIRMAN CORBIN SUGGESTED COMMISSIONER HALL WORK WITH THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND THEY SELECT THE PLAQUES.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REPORTED ON VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2003 TOTTALLING \$1,318,487.22. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE VOUCHERS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORT ON BRETT BARENGER'S REQUEST TO USE SHEFFIELD PARK FOR BALL PRACTICE DUE TO OVERCROWDING AT PALS PARK. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED HIM AND THE PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, DAVID CORBIN, DECIDING UNTIL THERE ARE RULES ESTABLISHED, THE USE OF THE PARK WILL BE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORT ON THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT ALLOWING BUSINESSES TO ADVERTISE ON THE COUNTY WEBB SITE. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT WOULD NOT BE PURSUING ADVERTISING ON THE COUNTY WEBB SITE AT THE PRESENT TIME.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORT ON THE TWO LOTS IN SUNNY HILLS THAT WERE DONATED TO THE COUNTY; A RECOMMENDATION WHETHER THE COUNTY SHOULD SELL THEM OR IF THEY MAY HAVE A USE FOR THEM. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED HE HAD NOT WORKED ON THIS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORT ON CLARIFICATION OF THE STATE'S REQUIREMENT FOR FUNDING OF FEDERAL DISASTERS. COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED ROGER HAGAN, EM DIRECTOR, HAVING ADVISED DIRT ROADS WERE NO LONGER QUALIFIED FOR FUNDING UNDER FEMA DISASTERS; HOWEVER, HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER ADVISING THERE HAD BEEN NO CHANGES TO FEMA FUNDING FOR UNPAVED ROADS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORTED ON SEVERAL COUNTIES WORKING ON TRYING TO GET THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF DAMAGES FOR ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDING LOWERED DUE TO THE LARGE AMOUNT OF RAINFALL INCURRED.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED THE CEMETERY WORK CREW BEGIN THE FIRST SATURDAY IN APRIL DUE TO HIM HAVING ALREADY RECEIVED SEVERAL REQUESTS FOR CEMETERIES TO BE CLEANED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THAT AMNESTY DAY AT THE RECYCLING CENTER WAS BEING HELD THE FIRST SATURDAY IN APRIL.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON MOWING OF COUNTY RIGHT OF WAYS; THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO HAVE ONE PAID EMPLOYEE AND AN INMATE CREW ON EACH SIDE DOING THE MOWING; THEY REQUESTED COMMISSIONER BROCK GET THE MOWING STARTED.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADDRESSED COMPLAINTS WITH THE SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS ASKING THE EMPLOYEES TO DO SOMETHING AND THE EMPLOYEES SAYING THEY WEREN'T GOING TO DO IT. CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO FOLLOW THROUGH TO FIND OUT THE EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE REFUSED TO DO WHAT THE SUPERVISOR HAS ASKED THEM TO DO AND SEE IF THEY WERE WRITTEN UP.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERING A MOTION TO TRY FOR SIX MONTHS TO PUT ROBERT HARCUS AS GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. COMMISSIONER COPE AND FINCH ADVISED THEY WOULD BE OPPOSED TO THIS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF THE BOARD FELT A WORKSHOP WAS NEEDED TO GIVE SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS ON WHAT TO DO IF AN EMPLOYEE REFUSES TO DO WHAT THEY ARE ASKED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR GOING TO PUBLIC WORKS AND ADVISING THE EMPLOYEES WHAT WILL HAPPEN SHOULD THEY REFUSE TO DO SOMETHING THEIR SUPERVISORS ASK THEM TO DO.

ED PELLETIER ADDRESSED THE BOARD RECOMMENDING THEY GIVE THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR THE AUTHORITY TO GO TO PUBLIC WORKS AND HANDLE THE ISSUE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS TO BE PRESENT ON APRIL 1ST IN WORKSHOP FORM FOR THE BOARD TO GIVE THEM DIRECTION ON WHAT TO DO SHOULD AN EMPLOYEE REFUSE TO DO WHAT THEY INSTRUCT THEM TO. IF THIS DOESN'T WORK, THEY WILL TRY ANOTHER APPROACH.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL 8:00 A.M. ON APRIL 1, 2003.

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END OF MINUTES FOR 03/27/03