

BOARD MINUTES FOR 10/23/03

OCTOBER 23, 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 FINCH, HALL, CORBIN, BROCK AND COPE PRESENT. ATTORNEY GERALD HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR PETER HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERING PRAYER. COMMISSIONER COPE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE BOARD MINUTES FOR AUGUST 5, 19 AND 28, 2003 MEETING.

UNDER CONSENT AGENDA ITEM D, CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED THE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTING BE DONATED TO TJ ROULHAC ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES CENTER, KATE SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND THE JACKSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD BE DONATED TO COUNTRY OAKS LEARNING CENTER. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER COPE STATING HE FELT SURE HE COULD GET COMPUTERS FOR COUNTRY OAKS LEARNING CENTER FROM THE STATE; CHAIRMAN CORBIN WITHDREW HIS REQUEST.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF ITEM F HAD BEEN APPROVED BY THE MSBU COMMITTEE; IT WAS AN INVOICE FROM WELLS FRM FOR GRASS FOR THE MSBU ROAD PROJECT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED IT WAS BUDGETED IN THE MSBU BUDGET; HOWEVER, IT WAS ABOVE THE \$5,000 LIMIT HE HAS AUTHORITY TO APPROVE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF QUOTES OR BIDS WAS RECEIVED FOR THE GRASS AND ADDRESSED THE RYE GRASS COULD HAVE BEEN PURCHASED FOR \$3.00 PER BAG CHEAPER. CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED THE ADMINISTRATOR CHECK WITH MSBU COORDINATOR, GLENN ZANETIC, TO SEE IF QUOTES WERE RECEIVED AND IF NOT, BE SURE TO GET QUOTES FOR PURCHASES OF THIS MAGNITUDE IN THE FUTURE.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE OF ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. RESOLUTION DECLARING NOVEMBER 2003 AS NATIONAL EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH
- B. WAIVER OF AG CENTER RENTAL FEES FOR ELDER CARE SERVICES AND COUNCIL ON AGING TO HOLD A SENIOR RESOURCE EXPO ON OCTOBER 25, 2003
- C. RESOLUTION REQUESTING RIGHT OF WAY TO BOAT RAMP ON NORTH SIDE OF GAP LAKE FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
- D. REQUEST FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO DONATE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT TO TJ ROULHAC ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES CENTER, KATE SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE JACKSON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
- E. FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES FY 2003-04 MEMBERSHIP DUES TOTALLING \$2,621.
- F. INVOICE FROM WELLS FRM FOR RYEGRASS AND BAHIA GRASS FOR THE MSBU ROAD PROJECT TOTALLING \$9,358.
- G. PREBLE-RISH, INC. INVOICE FOR MUD HILL LANDFILL TECHNICAL REPORT TOTALLING \$6,500
- H. SANGAREE OIL COMPANY INVOICE FOR \$7,977.54
- I. CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR PLANNING CONSULTANT RANDY PARKER

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON A PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGE FROM LOW MEDIUM TO HIGH MEDIUM DENSITY REQUESTED BY GEORGE BABER.

RANDY PARKER, PLANNING CONSULTANT, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED REQUEST:

- A. DUE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION MAKING NO RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGE, THE BOARD DENIED THE REQUEST AT THEIR SEPTEMBER 18TH BOARD MEETING.
- B. THERE WAS QUITE A BIT OF OPPOSITION FROM THE NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS AT THE SEPTEMBER 18TH MEETING.
- C. MR. BABER HAS GONE BACK TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS SHOWING AND EXPLAINING TO THEM WHAT HE PLANNED ON DOING AT THE MOBILE HOME PARK.
- D. BABER HAS AGREED TO PUT DEED RESTRICTIONS ON THE LAND TO LIMIT THE DENSITY TO JUST THE NUMBER OF UNITS HE WILL BE PROPOSING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT; IN ONE CASE IT IS 3.5 UNITS PER ACRE AND ANOTHER WAS 4 UNITS PER ACRE.
- E. NO ONE WAS AT THE LAST PLANNING COMMISSION VOICING ANY OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED CHANGE.
- F. BABER HAD LETTERS FROM PROPERTY OWNERS STATING DUE TO DEED RESTRICTIONS ON THE PROPERTY LIMITING THE NUMBER OF UNITS PER ACRE, THEY DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE CHANGE
- G. BABER HAD OTHER INFORMATION HE HAD PROVIDED TO THESE PROPERTY OWNERS ON OTHER PROJECTS HE HAS MANAGED
- H. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL CONTINGENT ON THE DEED RESTRICTIONS BEING APPLIED AND RECORDED AT THE COURTHOUSE PRIOR TO ANY DEVELOPMENT ORDER ISSUED FOR ADDITIONAL UNITS

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGE.

WENDY VARNUM ADDRESSED THE BOARD POINTING OUT SEVERAL ISSUES:

- A. ONLY FOUR OF FORTY INDIVIDUALS WHO SIGNED PETITION OPPOSING PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGE HAD CHANGED THEIR OPINION
- B. ISSUE IS NOT HOW NICE THE MOBILE HOME PARK IS GOING TO BE, WHO IS GOING TO LIVE THERE, ETC. BUT THE RESIDENTS DO NOT WANT THE DENSITY
- C. QUESTIONED HOW THE FOUR LANING OF HIGHWAY 77 WOULD AFFECT THE MOBILE HOME PARK
- D. RESIDENTS WANT TO KEEP IT RURAL AND RESIDENTIAL AND DON'T WANT THE CONGESTION
- E. REFERENCED FL-DOT LETTER STATING FUTURE WIDENING OF HIGHWAY 77 SHOULD BE ANTICIPATED; ACTUAL IMPACT AND FUTURE REQUIREMENTS ARE UNKNOWN
- F. REITERATED PROBLEMS WITH NOISE, TRAFFIC, GARBAGE, FIRE HAZARD, CRIME RATE, AND THE NATURE OF MOBILE HOME PARKS THEMSELVES
- G. REQUESTED THE BOARD DENY THE PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGE AND LEAVE THE PROPERTY AT LOW DENSITY; CONSIDER THE NAMES ON THE PETITION AND THE REASON THEY ARE NOT HERE IS PROBABLY DUE TO THEM BEING AT WORK

MR. BABBA ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIS LAND USE CHANGE REQUEST:

- A. SEVERAL OF NAMES ON THE PETITION OPPOSING THE LAND USE CHANGE SIGNED TWICE
- B. VARNUM HAS PROPERTY NORTH OF PROPERTY FOR MOBILE HOME PARK
- C. PREVIOUS CONCERN OF RESIDENTS WERE THERE WERE GOING TO BE TWO UNITS PER ACRE; THEY ARE NOT ASKING FOR THIS. THERE WILL BE 4.12 UNITS ON ONE PARCEL THAT FRONTS HIGHWAY 77 AND

2.96 UNITS PER ACRE ON THE PARCEL THAT IS ON BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD; THERE IS ONLY TWO ADDITIONAL UNITS GOING IN ON BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD.

ROBERT SANDS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGE:

- A. OWNS PROPERTY ADJOINING PROPERTY BABER WANTS REZONED
- B. BABER TOLD PLANNING COMMISSION HE WAS OKAY WITH REZONING BUT JUST DIDN'T WANT TO SIGN BABER'S FORM FOR APPROVAL; THIS WAS A LIE
- C. HE WAS OPPOSED TO THE REZONING FROM THE BEGINNING AND HIS POSITION IS THE SAME
- D. BABER CONTRADICTED HIMSELF BY TELLING THE PLANNING COMMISSION HIS REASON FOR OPPOSITION WAS RACIALLY MOTIVATED; SANDS STATED HE WAS NOT GOING TO JUSTIFY THAT LIE WITH A RESPONSE
- E. BABER TOLD THE PLANNING COMMISSION SANDS MISLED THE PEOPLE IN GREENHEAD ABOUT THE REZONING AND THE PEOPLE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT THE REZONING MEANT. HE STATED WHEN HE RECEIVED THE LETTER ON THE PROPOSED REZONING, HE ASKED THE PLANNING COMMISSION WHAT IT MEANT; THEY PROVIDED HIM WITH LETTERS EXPLAINING EXACTLY WHAT IT MEANT AND HE PUT THEM IN MAILBOXES OF ALL THE GREENHEAD RESIDENTS HE THOUGHT WAS PROPERTY OWNERS
- F. THE BOARD HAS SEEN THE LETTERS AND E-MAILS FROM RESIDENTS IN GREENHEAD OPPOSING THE REZONING; THEY ALSO HAVE SEEN THE PETITION WITH 50 SIGNATURES
- G. THE REZONING HAS ALREADY BEEN DENIED AND SHOULD HAVE BEEN OVER WITH; THE BOARD GAVE BABER A CHANCE TO COME TO GREENHEAD AND CONVINCE THE RESIDENTS OF HIS PLAN; HE MANAGED TO CONVINCE A FEW PEOPLE WHO REPRESENTS ONLY A FEW PROPERTIES; THIS STILL LEAVES APPROXIMATELY 40 PLUS RESIDENTS WHO OPPOSE THE REZONING
- H. HE REQUESTED THE BOARD DO THE RIGHT THING AND DENY BABER'S PLAN

CHAIRMAN CORBIN REFERENCED ALL THE BOARD HAVING A CHANCE TO GO AND LOOK AT THE PROPERTY BABER IS REQUESTING BE REZONED; HE DIDN'T BECAUSE HE FELT LIKE HE COULD ACT ON COMMISSIONER FINCH'S RECOMMENDATION. COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED, BASED ON THE FACT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION HAD REVIEWED IT AND BABER IS COMPLYING WITH ALL THE RULES HE HAS HAD TO WORK WITH, UNLESS THE BOARD CAN LEGALLY DENY THE REQUEST BECAUSE OF PUBLIC OPINION OPPOSING IT, HE DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH APPROVING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF THE PROPERTY WAS ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY, BABER EXPLAINED IT WAS ON THE EAST SIDE OF 77; ONE OF THE PROPERTIES IS HIGHWAY FRONTAGE AND THE OTHER IS OFF OF BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD APPROVED THE REZONING FOR THE MOBILE HOME PARK, WOULD THE STATE COME BACK AND BUY THIS FOR THE FOURLANING OF HIGHWAY 77, BABER EXPLAINED THE FL-DOT REPRESENTATIVE HE HAD TALKED TO INDICATED THEY WERE LOOKING AT THE WEST SIDE FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE FOURLANING.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONING WHAT KIND OF WEIGHT DOES THE PUBLIC OPINION HAVE IF BABER HAS COMPLIED WITH ALL THE RULES.

PARKER EXPLAINED THE RULE IS THE PROPERTY IS ZONED LOW DENSITY AND IT IS THE BOARD'S DECISION WHETHER TO CHANGE THE RULE BASED ON BABER'S PROPOSAL; ONE OF THE THINGS THE BOARD IS TO LOOK AT IS COMPATIBILITY WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND IT IS CLEARLY A DEVELOPMENT AREA, THERE ARE REASONS TO HAVE MORE PEOPLE LIVING THERE AND REFERENCED THE CHAMBER HAVING WRITTEN A LETTER ON THE NEED FOR MORE RENTAL HOUSING. HE FURTHER EXPLAINED THE NEED TO LISTEN TO WHAT THE NEIGHBORS SAY TO DETERMINE THE COMPATIBILITY OF THE REZONING AS IT CAN CONTROL PROPERTY VALUES.

PARKER ADDRESSED THE PARCEL ON BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD ONLY HAVING TWO ADDITIONAL UNITS; IT COULD JUST BE REZONED TO LOW MEDIUM DENSITY RATHER THAN HIGH MEDIUM DENSITY.

MR. BABER READDRESSED THE BOARD ON MR. SANDS HAVING BOUGHT HIS PROPERTY AFTER BABER HAD BOUGHT THE PROPERTY AND WAS AWARE THERE WAS A MOBILE HOME PARK THERE.

WENDY VARNUM ADDRESSED THE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 7TH PLANNING COMMISSION SHE WAS LOOKING AT WERE DIFFERENT THAN WHAT PARKER AND BABER WAS SAYING; AFTER REVIEWING BABER'S PLAN, VARNUM STATED IT WAS THE SAME LAYOUT AS SHE HAD. SHE REQUESTED IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO CONSIDER APPROVING THE REZONING REQUEST, TABLE THE MATTER UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING AND LET THEM GO BACK TO THE PEOPLE WHO WERE ATIMATELY OPPOSED TO IT, GIVE THEM A CHANCE TO READ UP ON IT, SIGN ANOTHER PETITION, AND COME TO THE MEETING TO VOICE THEIR OPPOSITION.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN INFORMED MS. VARNUM THE BOARD STILL HAD THE PETITION PRESENTED TO THEM LISTING THOSE RESIDENTS WHO WERE OPPOSED TO THE REZONING REQUEST.

VARNUM REFERENCED THE CHAMBER ADDRESSING THE NEED FOR RENTAL PROPERTY NORTH OF CHIPLEY DUE TO THE BAPTIST SCHOOL AND THE VO-TECH CENTER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO APPROVE OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND APPROVE THE LAND USE CHANGE. THE MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF A SECOND.

BABER AND HIS WIFE ADDRESSED THE BOARD'S ACTION NOT BEING FAIR AS THEY HAD GIVEN THEM AN INVITATION TO COME LOOK AT THE PROPERTY AND THE BOARD DID NOT COME. THEY ALSO POINTED OUT COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED APPROVAL AND THE BOARD DIDN'T SUPPORT HIM, MS. VARNUM LIVED IN BAY COUNTY AND WHEN MR. SANDS BOUGHT HIS PROPERTY, HE WAS AWARE THERE WAS A MOBILE HOME PARK THERE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN INFORMED THE BABER'S THEIR REQUEST FOR A LAND USE CHANGE WAS A DEAD ISSUE UNLESS SOMEONE WANTS TO TABLE IT.

THE BABER'S QUESTIONED CHAIRMAN CORBIN IF HE HADN'T SAID HE WOULD SUPPORT COMMISSIONER FINCH'S RECOMMENDATION AS THIS PROPERTY WAS IN HIS DISTRICT AND ASKED IF HE COULDN'T SECOND COMMISSIONER FINCH'S MOTION. CHAIRMAN CORBIN SAID HE COULD BUT IT WOULDN'T CHANGE ANYTHING.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED. COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHAT WOULD THE BABER'S BE ABLE TO BUILD WITH LOW DENSITY. PARKER EXPLAINED NOTHING MORE THAN WHAT IS THERE; HOWEVER, IN A LOW MEDIUM DENSITY AREA, THEY COULD PUT 3.5 UNITS PER ACRE ON THE BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD AND WOULD BE ABLE TO PUT THE TWO ADDITIONAL UNITS THEY ARE REQUESTING; ON HIGHWAY 77, THEY WOULD PROBABLY BE ABLE TO PUT FIVE ADDITIONAL UNITS RATHER THAN THE SEVEN THEY HAD WANTED. THE TOTAL UNITS WOULD BE TEN ON HIGHWAY 77 AND EIGHT ON BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED BABER MAKE A GOOD FAITH EFFORT AND START IMPROVING THE MOBILE HOME PARK THEY HAVE; BABER ADVISED THEY HAVE MADE IMPROVEMENTS SINCE THE DAY THEY PURCHASED IT. MR. BABER STATED HE DIDN'T FEEL LIKE MR. SANDS WAS GOING TO BE INFLUENCED ONE WAY OR THE OTHER; HOWEVER, THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO APPLY FOR A LOW MEDIUM DENSITY APPLICATION.

PARKER ADVISED IT WOULD NEED TO BE READVERTISED FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IF THE BABER'S WANTS TO APPLY FOR A LOW MEDIUM DENSITY LAND USE CHANGE. PARKER WANTED TO COMMENT THE PROPERTY WAS ZONED LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL WHEN THE PROPERTY WAS PURCHASED; BABER EXPLAINED THEY WERE GRANDFATHERED IN.

THE BABERS REQUESTED AN EXPLANATION AS TO WHY THE BOARD DIDN'T APPROVE THE LAND USE CHANGE AS THE ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS WERE OKAY WITH THEIR PLAN, THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE PLAN AND COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED APPROVAL.

PARKER ADVISED AS A BOARD, THEY SET AS JUDGE AND JURY TO MAKE A DECISION ON THE PROPOSED LAND USE CHANGES AND THEY NEED TO GATHER THE EVIDENCE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS; HOWEVER, HE WOULD NOT RECOMMEND THEY GO AND LOOK AT THE PROPERTIES WITH THE DEVELOPER AND BE UNDULY INFLUENCED BY EITHER PARTY.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY SINGLE MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2004A.

GORDON JERNIGAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE FINANCE AUTHORITY, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROGRAM HAVING TO BE RENEWED ANNUALLY AND THEY HAD A ONE YEAR AGREEMENT TO OPERATE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR THE 2003 YEAR. HOWEVER, DUE TO NEGATIVE ARBITRAGE, THE AUTHORITY WAS UNABLE TO HAVE A BOND ISSUE IN 2003; HOPEFULLY, THEY WILL HAVE A BOND ISSUE IN 2004. JERNIGAN ADVISED THE BOARD THERE WAS NO COST TO THE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM AND HE WAS HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ANYONE MAY HAVE DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE HAD ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE EXCAMBIA COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS; NO ONE RESPONDED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE FINANCE AUTHORITY HAD FINANCED HOMES FOR ANYONE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND REFERENCED HAVING WORKED WITH HIS SON OR DAUGHTER IN TRYING TO OBTAIN ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE FINANCE AUTHORITY; IT WAS A COMPLICATED PROCESS AND THEY DIDN'T GET MUCH ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE LOCAL BANK.

JERNIGAN REITERATED THEY DIDN'T FINANCE ANY HOMES IN 2003 DUE TO NO BONDS BEING ISSUED; THEY FOLLOW THE FHA/VA GUIDELINES AND EVERYONE HAS TO QUALIFY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SUGGESTED THERE BE A SMOOTHER PROCESS AND THE LOCAL BANKS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE ADVISED TO WORK WITH THE PEOPLE NEEDING ASSISTANCE WITH THE PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED STACY WEBB, GRANTS PERSON, HOW THE FINANCE AUTHORITY PROGRAM WORKED WITH THE SHIP PROGRAM. WEBB INFORMED THE BOARD IT WORKED WELL BECAUSE IT IS ANOTHER OPTION AND SHE IS DISAPPOINTED THAT THE LOCAL BANKS DON'T PARTICIPATE.

JERNIGAN ADVISED CAPITAL CITY BANK IS SUPPOSE TO BE WORKING WITH THE PROGRAM; COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THIS IS THE BANK HE HAD WENT TO AND THEY DIDN'T SEEM TO TRY AND SELL THE FINANCE AUTHORITY PROGRAM.

JERNIGAN ASSURED THE BOARD CAPITAL CITY BANK WAS DEFINITED WANTING THE PROGRAM TO WORK AS THEY NORMALLY BUY APPROXIMATELY \$4,000,000 WORTH OF ALLOCATIONS WHICH PUTS \$400,000 UP FOR THAT PRIVILEGE EVERY YEAR; THE LOCAL PERSON AT THE BANK MAY NOT HAVE HAD AN INTEREST BUT THEY WILL TRY TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THEIR OFFICE IN TALLAHASSEE TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO PARTICIPATE.

WEBB ADDRESSED A LOT OF THE LOCAL BANKS HANDS ARE TIED BECAUSE THEY ARE MANDATED BY RULES AND REGULATIONS FROM THE LARGER BRANCHES IN BIRMINGHAM.

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCAMBIA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY TO OPERATE WITHIN WASHINGTON COUNTY TO FINANCE QUALIFYING SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE LOANS; AUTHORIZING THE BOARD TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE FINANCE AUTHORITY AND TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND INSTRUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; APPROVING A FORM OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT; APPROVING THE ISSUANCE BY THE ESCAMBIA HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY OF NOT EXCEEDING \$150,000,000 SINGLE FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2004A (MULTI-COUNTY PROGRAM).

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR SOMEONE TO GO SEE ONE OF THE LOCAL BANKS TO GET THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM SO THE RESIDENTS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY WHO ARE INTERESTED WOULD HAVE SOMEWHERE LOCAL TO GO. CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED JERNIGAN SPEAK TO ROY CARTER OF CAPITAL CITY BANK ABOUT THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY PROGRAM. JERNIGAN AGREED TO GO AND VISIT WITH CAPITAL CITY BANK AS THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO BE ALREADY PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM.

JERNIGAN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR PROGRAM OFFERING MORTGAGES AT 1% BELOW THE MARKET RATE AND THEY HAVE DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE CONNECTED WITH THE THE MORTGAGE; IF A PERSON EARNS LESS THAN 80% OF THE AREA'S MEDIUM INCOME, THEY CAN GET UP TO \$2,500 ON A SOFT SECOND MORTGAGE WHICH CAN ASSIST THEM WITH THEIR DOWN PAYMENT AND CLOSING COST AND THE MORTGAGE DOESN'T ACCRUE ANY INTEREST DURING THE LIFE OF THE FIRST MORTGAGE NOR DOES IT REQUIRE ANY PAYMENT DURING THE LIFE OF

THE FIRST MORTGAGE. HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE PROGRAM OFFERING ANOTHER METHOD IF A PERSON INCREASES THEIR INTEREST RATE SOME, THEY CAN RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL 4% CASH DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON A PARK AND RECREATION ORDINANCE. LYNDA WALLER, CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE HISTORY OF THE ORDINANCE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE HAD ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE PARK AND RECREATION ORDINANCE.

DAVID CORBIN, PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON MOST OF THE QUESTIONS HE HAS BEEN ASKED PERTAINS TO THE ORDINANCE NOT ALLOWING CAMPING.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE HAD NOT OBSERVED ANY PROBLEMS WITH PEOPLE CAMPING AT THE BOAT RAMPS ALONG THE RIVER; MOST OF THEM HAVE SELF CONTAINED UNITS.

DAVID ADDRESSED PROBLEMS WITH PERSONS CAMPING UNDER THE BUILDINGS AT THE PARKS AND HE DOESN'T FEEL THAT IS RIGHT; HOWEVER, HE IS IN FAVOR OF ALLOWING CAMPING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED HIM NOT KNOWING HOW THE BOARD COULD JUST BLANKET NO CAMPING COUNTY WIDE; HOWEVER, THERE ARE PLACES WHERE CAMPINGV SHOULDN'T BE ALLOWED BECAUSE OF SPACE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN AND COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED POSSIBLY PUTTING UP SIGNS AT THE PARKS ON WHAT THE RESTRICTIONS ARE.

MS. WALLER SUGGESTED CHANGING THE ORDINANCE TO READ "CAMPING RULES WOULD BE ESTABLISHED BY POLICY OF THE BOARD", AND LIST IN THE POLICY THE PARKS WHERE CAMPING WOULD BE PROHIBITED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NEED FOR ENFORCEMENT AT THE PARKS; THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT KEEPS SAYING THEY NEED AN ORDINANCE IN PLACE BEFORE THEY CAN DO ANYTHING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD IF THEY WANTED TO REDO THE ORDINANCE AS WALLER HAS SUGGESTED, THEY COULD GO AHEAD AND APPROVE IT, HE WOULD REDO THE ORDINANCE AND THEY COULD SIGN IT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON "NO SWIMMING" BEING INCLUDED IN THE PRO-POSED ORDINANCE. IN LOOKING AT OTHER COUNTIES PARK AND RECREATION ORDINANCES, WALLER EXPLAINED ALMOST ALWAYS THERE WAS SOME QUALIFICA-TION SUCH AS NO SWIMMING, SWIMMING IN PROTECTED AREAS ONLY, ETC.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR ANY BOARD MEMBER WHO HAS ANY INPUT THEY WOULD LIKE INCLUDED IN THE ORDINANCE, PUT IT IN WRITING WITHIN ONE WEEK AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY WILL REDRAFT IT FOR THE BOARD TO REVIEW.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON A JUNK CAR ORDINANCE. LYNDA WALLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADVISING IT WOULD TAKE CODE ENFORCEMENT OUT OF NEIGHBORHOOD DISPUTES AND WOULD ALSO PRO-TECT THE PROPERTY OWNERS SO THEY WILL STILL BE ABLE TO TINKER WITH THEIR CARS. WALLER STATED THE ORDINANCE WOULD ALLOW THE PROPERTY OWNER TO HAVE TWO PARTIALLY DISMANTLED OR INOPERABLE VEHICLES ON THEIR PROPERTY AND FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY DAYS, A THIRD INOPERABLE VEHICLE.

WALLER EXPLAINED THE PROPERTY OWNER WOULD NOT HAVE TO HIDE THE TWO DISMANTLED VEHICLES FROM THE PUBLIC VIEW; HOWEVER, IT DOES ALLOW THEM TO HAVE MORE DISMANTLED VEHICLES ON THEIR PROPERTY IF THEY ARE WILLING TO PUT UP A PRIVACY FENCE SO THE NEIGHBORS CAN'T SEE IT OR IT CAN'T BE SEEN FROM THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE INTENT OF THE ORDINANCE IS GOOD BUT THE TIMING MAY NOT BE RIGHT; HE FEELS IT WILL BE A TOUCHY SITUATION WHEN THE BOARD STARTS MESSING WITH SOMEONES JUNK.

WALLER EXPLAINED SHE WAS ALREADY INVOLVED WITH ISSUES WITH JUNK UNDER THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; THIS WILL LESSEN THE PROBLEM SHE IS ALREADY HAVING. SHE ALSO POINTED OUT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD IS WANTING AN ORDINANCE IN PLACE THAT WOULD BE MORE LIBERAL THAN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE.

COMMISSIONER HALL THEN QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A TIME FRAME FOR THE PROPERTY OWNERS TO HAVE THE TWO INOPERABLE VEHICLES REPAIRED, REMOVED OR PUT BEHIND A FENCE; WALLER ADVISED THERE WAS NOT A TIME LIMIT.

JIM ACKERMAN, CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD MEMBER, ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THE TIMING WAS RIGHT; THERE IS DEVELOPMENT, PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES WANTING TO MOVE IN TO THE COUNTY AND QUESTIONED THE BOARD IF THEY THOUGHT A BUSINESS WOULD WANT TO COME IN TO A POTENTIAL INDUSTRIAL PARK THAT IS WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE OF JUNK SITES.

HE REFERENCED ALL KIND OF JUNK VEHICLES BEING LOCATED BEHIND THE VIP BLEACHERS AT THE BALLOON FESTIVAL; HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE PROBLEM WITH MOSQUITOES WHEN THERE IS A COLLECTION OF JUNK ON PROPERTY AND QUESTIONED WHY WOULDN'T THE BOARD WANT TO CLEAN IT UP. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD APPROVE THE ORDINANCE AND ASKED THE BOARD TO LOOK AT WHAT THE CITY OF CHIPLEY HAS DONE WITH CODE ENFORCEMENT.

JIM LASSITER, CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, WAS ASKED TO ADDRESS THE CITY OF CHIPLEY'S CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE; HE ADVISED THEIR ORDINANCE BASICALLY SAYS OUT OF LINE OF SITE. ALSO, IF PEOPLE HAVE A CAR THEY ARE HAVING TO WORK ON, THEY ALLOW THEM TO USE A REGULATION CAR COVER AND THEY HAVE 30 DAYS TO REPAIR THE VEHICLE; IF IT IS NOT REPAIRED AT THIS TIME, THEY HAVE TO MOVE IT OUT OF LINE OF SITE. THEY USUALLY DO EVERYTHING ACCORDING TO STATE LAW AS FAR AS THE DEFINITION OF WHAT A DERELICT VEHICLE IS; IF UNTAGGED, THEY BECOME DERELICT.

COMMISSIONER HALL SAID HE WOULD FEEL BETTER ABOUT THE ORDINANCE IF IT INCLUDED THE VEHICLES TO BE OUT OF SITE; DISCUSSION WAS HELD.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION TO APPROVE OF THE JUNK CAR ORDINANCE WITH AN AMENDMENT MADE TO HAVE ALL JUNK CARS OUT OF SITE. AFTER DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER COPE SAID TO LEAVE THE ORDINANCE AS IS. COMMISSIONER HALL SECONDED THE MOTION.

ED PELLETIER ASKED IF BOATS WERE INCLUDED IN THE ORDINANCE; WALLER ADVISED THE ORDINANCE PERTAINED TO AUTOMOBILES. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE. WALLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE COMING FROM SUGGESTIONS MADE BY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD TO GO WITH A CITATION METHOD TO SUPPLEMENT THE POLICY ALREADY IN AFFECT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY READ SECTION D ON PAGE 2 OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE CITATION METHOD.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED IF WALLER KNEW WHAT SHE WAS ASKING FOR SHOULD THE ORDINANCE BE ADOPTED; HE WAS REFERENCING THE SITUATIONS SHE WOULD BE CONFRONTED WITH WHEN MESSING WITH SOMEONES PROPERTY RIGHTS. WALLER STATED THE ORDINANCE WAS COMING FROM THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD AND NOT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE; ALL SHE WOULD BE ASKING WOULD BE SUPPORT FROM THE BOARD.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD.

JIM ACKERMAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD POINTING OUT:

- A. HE THOUGHT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAD WRITTEN A LETTER TO THE BOARD ASKING FOR MORE STRICTER FORCE WITH CODE ENFORCEMENT
- B. HE HAD SENT A LETTER TO TED EVERETT, BUT WAS NOT SURE IF HE HAD RESPONDED, ON THE IMPORTANCE OF TOURIST DEVELOPMENT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AND BY ISSUING CITATIONS, IT WOULD BE IN CONCERT WITH WHAT THE CITY OF CHIPLEY HAS DONE; IF IT HAS WORKED PROFITABLE FOR THE CITY, THE BOARD SHOULD LOOK AT THIS AS WHAT SHOULD BE DONE IN THE COUNTY. THIS IS JUST ANOTHER AVENUE OF CLEANING UP THE COUNTY
- C. IF JOBS ARE IMPORTANT TO THE COUNTY, THEY NEED TO ADDRESS CODE ENFORCEMENT FOR THE FUTURE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO ADOPT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH VOICED HIS OPINION THE BOARD NEEDED TO HOLD OFF ON THE ORDINANCE; IT NEEDS TO BE REFINED SOMEWHAT RATHER THAN TO JUST START WRITING TICKETS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADDRESSED IT WAS GETTING WHERE NO ONE HAD ANY PROPERTY RIGHTS; PEOPLE HAVE A RIGHT TO LIVE IN THE CITY IF THEY WANT TO BUT THERE IS COUNTRY PEOPLE.

ACKERMAN ADDRESSED HIM PICKING UP TRASH DAILY; EVERYONE IS COUNTRY PEOPLE AS THIS IS THEIR COUNTRY AND THEY HAVE A RIGHT TO PROTECT IT; THEY ARE ASKING THE BOARD TO GIVE THEM THIS RIGHT.

JIM LASSITER READDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CITATION SYSTEM WORKING STRICTLY WITH THE STATE LAW; IT TAKES THE RESPONSIBILITY AWAY FROM THE BOARD AND THE COURT SYSTEM DEALS WITH THE VIOLATORS. LASSITER EXPLAINED THE CITY ONLY CITES PROPERTY OWNERS; THEY SEND NOTIFICATION OF THE VIOLATION BY CERTIFIED MAIL; IF THE OWNER CAN'T BE GOTTEN UP WITH, THEY POST THE PROPERTY; NOT LESS THAN THREE OR MORE THAN 30 DAYS IS GIVEN FOR THE PROPERTY TO BE CLEANED UP; IF THEY DO NOT CONTACT THE CITY OR CORRECT THE VIOLATION, THE CITATION SYSTEM IS IMPLEMENTED; THEY HAVE FOURTEEN DAYS TO CONTEST THE FINE OR PAY IT; IF THEY DO NOT, IT IS TURNED OVER TO THE COURT SYSTEM AND THE COURT NOTIFIES THEM OF THE COURT DATE; IT IS THEN HANDLED THE SAME WAY AS A TRAFFIC TICKET FROM THAT POINT ON.

JIM MORRIS, CITY MANAGER, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CITATION ISSUE ADVISING THE CITY HAD 95% VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE AND ISSUE VERY FEW CITATIONS. HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF WORKING WITH THE PEOPLE AND NOT AGAINST THEM AND IT WAS WORKING WELL FOR THE CITY. HE INFORMED THE BOARD THEY WOULD PROBABLY RECEIVE LESS CALLS THAN WHAT THEY DO NOW IF THEY ENFORCE THE CITATION METHOD.

MORRIS ALSO ADDRESSED JIM ACKERMAN HAVING SENT THE CITY OF CHIPLEY A LETTER ASKING FOR THEIR SUPPORT WITH THE CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE; ALL FIVE OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS SIGNED THE LETTER. THEY ARE INTERESTED IN SEEING THE AVENUES INTO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE CITY CLEANED UP.

COMMISSIONER HALL CALLED FOR THE QUESTION.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED HOW THE POLICY IN PLACE WAS WORKING. WALLER SAID IF THE BOARD WAS TOTALLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM, IT WOULD WORK BETTER; SHE REFERENCED WHEN SHE DID GO AND LOOK AT PROPERTY, SHE WOULD ALWAYS GET CALLS WANTING TO KNOW WHO REPORTED THE PROPERTY, ETC. SHE SAID SHE NEEDS MORE SUPPORT FROM THE BOARD AND THE STAFF.

PARKER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROCESS IN PLACE NOW PROVIDES MORE SEVERE PENALTIES AND QUESTIONED IF THESE FEES COULD BE IMPLEMENTED ALONG WITH THE FEES IN THE ORDINANCE. WALLER SAID SHE THOUGHT THE ORDINANCE WOULD BE SUPPLEMENTARY TO THE POLICY ALREADY IN AFFECT.

MORRIS EXPLAINED ONCE THE CITATION IS ISSUED AND THE PERSON CONTESTS IT IN COURT, THE JUDGE THEN SETS THE FINE.

TED EVERITT ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUE WAS ON THE AGENDA FOR THE TDC MEETING NEXT TUESDAY; PERSONALLY HE HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED CODE ENFORCEMENT. AS A PROPERTY OWNER, HE DOES NOT LIKE TO SEE A LOT OF RESTRICTIONS ON THE PROPERTY OWNER; HOWEVER, FROM THE STANDPOINT OF TDC, NO ONE LIKES TO SEE JUNK EVERYWHERE. HE SUGGESTED IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO TRY AND INCREASE AWARENESS ON THIS ISSUE, THEY WILL HAVE TO TAKE A STAND AND FEELS THE ORDINANCE WILL HELP.

WALLER EXPLAINED SHE DID NOT GO OUT AND SOLICIT THE CODE ENFORCEMENT JOB; THE BOARD DECIDED SHE WAS JUST THE PERSON FOR IT THOUGH AND THAT IS HOW SHE BECAME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED PEOPLE CALLING HIM CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE BEING REQUIRED TO DO AND DON'T FEEL THEY ARE GETTING TREATED THE WAY THEY SHOULD AND LEAVE THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE VERY UPSET; HE STATED HE WAS NOT SAYING THAT WAS THE TRUTH.



WALLER EXPLAINED SHE DID NOT HAVE A USER FRIENDLY JOB AND THE BOARD PROBABLY HAS GOT CALLS ON HER; HOWEVER, SHE DOES NOT TREAT THE PEOPLE RUDELY AND TRIES TO WORK WITH THEM AND MAKE SUGGESTIONS ON WHAT THEY CAN DO. SHE ADDRESSED HER HARDLY EVER GOING INTO DISTRICT V ANYMORE BECAUSE COMMISSIONER FINCH HAS ADDRESSED THESE ISSUES WITH HER BEFORE; COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED THE CALLS WERE NOT FROM PEOPLE JUST IN DISTRICT V.

WALLER REQUESTED COMMISSIONER FINCH PROVIDE HER WITH MORE SPECIFICS ABOUT THE PEOPLE SAYING SHE HAS TREATED THEM RUDELY; SHE WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO THEM AND MAKE IT RIGHT AS SHE HAS NOT ASKED FOR ANYTHING FROM ANY VIOLATORS THAT HAS BEEN UNREASONABLE.

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

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADVISED WALLER SHE WAS DOING A GOOD JOB, HE APPRECIATED IT AND HE WOULD ASSIST HER IN ANY WAY HE COULD.

WALLER ADDRESSED WHEN THE COMMISSIONER OR ANYONE ELSE DOESN'T SUPPORT HER, THEY ARE PUTTING HER SAFETY IN JEOPARDY; SHE REITERATED ALL SHE WANTED WAS THE BOARD'S SUPPORT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED HE WOULD BE COOPERATIVE WITH WALLER AS LONG AS PEOPLE ARE TREATED WITH RESPECT; THEY ARE TAXPAYERS AND ARE REQUIRED RESPECT; WHETHER THEY ARE RIGHT OR WRONG, WE ARE REQUIRED AS A PUBLIC SERVICE TO TREAT THEM WITH RESPECT. HE DID STATE HE DIDN'T EXPECT WALLER TO TAKE ANY ABUSE FROM ANYONE ON THE PHONE OR PERSONALLY; HE WOULD HANG THE PHONE UP OR WALK OUT OF THE ROOM BUT HE WOULDN'T VERBALLY DEBATE AN ISSUE AND BE ABUSIVE TO SOMEONE.

WALLER INFORMED COMMISSIONER FINCH IF HE WAS ACCUSING HER OF BEING ABUSIVE, HE SHOULD PUT IT IN WRITING AND GIVE IT TO HER SUPERVISOR.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE BREAK.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, STEVE CHRISTOPHER WITH PETER BROWN CONSTRUCTION, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE COURTHOUSE PROJECT:

- A. THE PROJECT IS AT 95% COMPLETION
- B. ALL NEW AIR CONDITIONING UNITS ARE UP AND RUNNING EXCEPT TWO AND THEY SHOULD BE TURNED ON THIS WEEK
- C. LITTLE BIT OF SLOW DOWN WITH PROJECT DUE TO COURT
- D. THEY HAVE TURNED IN ONE TIME EXTENSION TO COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; A NO COST CHANGE ORDER TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR TIME LOST DUE TO COURT
- E. ON NOVEMBER 6, THEY WILL DO A PETER BROWN WALK THROUGH ON THEIR PUNCH LIST AND GET IT TO THE ARCHITECT
- F. RECOMMENDED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND CLERK LINDA COOK PRIORITIZE THE PROJECTS THE COURTHOUSE COMMITTEE IS WANTING TO GET DONE WITH CONTINGENCY FUNDS; ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED CLERK COOK HAD HER LIST READY BUT IS WAITING TO FIND OUT EXACTLY HOW MUCH MONIES ARE GOING TO BE AVAILABLE
- G. ON THE WATERPROOFING INSTALLED WHEN THE ELEVATOR WAS PUT IN WAS OKAY EXCEPT FOR A PIPE GOING THROUGH THE WALL HAVING ABOUT 3.5 FEET UNDER GROUND HAVING A BIG HOLE IN IT; THEY TOOK CARE OF THAT AND RESLOPED AND REGRADED AREA TO LESSEN THE POTENTIAL OF THE WATER PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE CAULKING USED AROUND THE PIPE SHOULD LAST A LONG TIME; CHRISTOPHER SAID IT WAS ONE OF THE BEST PRODUCTS ON THE MARKET AND HE THOUGHT IT HAD A FIVE YEAR WARRANTY AND NORMALLY THEY CAN GET TWICE THE USE OUT OF IT.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE RETENTION AT THE LIBRARY WAS COMPLETED. CHRISTOPHER SAID THE RETENTION WAS THROUGH AND THEY HAVE CALLED FOR IT TO BE RESODDED.

COMMISSIONER COPE ALSO QUESTIONED THE PROBLEM WITH THE TURN LANES AT THE LIBRARY. CHRISTOPHER SAID HE HAD MET WITH JIM MORRIS ON THIS ISSUE AND HE IS

SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH CHARLEY LOCKE OF DOT ON CORRECTING THE PROBLEM; THEY HOPE TO WORK OUT SOMETHING ON THE COST. CHRISTOPHER ADDRESSED THE DOT HAVING CHANGED THE TURN LANES AFTER THEY PERMITTED THE NEW LIBRARY AND THE PROJECT WAS 80% COMPLETE; HE FELT DOT WAS THE CULPRIT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD HE AND CLERK COOK HAD DISCUSSED HAVING AN OPEN HOUSE AND A PUBLIC DEDICATION CEREMONEY FOR THE ELEVATOR AFTER THE COURTHOUSE RENOVATIONS ARE COMPLETE. HE ASKED CHRISTOPHER IF HE COULD PROVIDE AN ESTIMATED DATE THE COURTHOUSE PROJECT WOULD BE COMPLETE; CHRISTOPHER RECOMMENDED ANY TIME AFTER THE 10TH OF NOVEMBER WOULD BE SATISFACTORY.

TED EVERETT, TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ON A ONE PERCENT BED TAX INCREASE; THIS TAX IS NOT COLLECTED FROM ANY OF THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY UNLESS THEY STAY IN A LOCAL HOTEL, AN RV PARK, LODGING FACILITY, ETC.

HE EXPLAINED THE TDC IS PRESENTLY WORKING WITH \$36,000 PER YEAR WHICH IS NOT MUCH; HOWEVER, THEY HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A LOT WITH THE MONEY THEY HAVE RAISED. DUE TO THESE ACCOMPLISHMENTS, THEY ARE REQUESTING AN INCREASE OF 1% WHICH WILL GENERATE AN ADDITIONAL \$18,000 PER YEAR AND WANT THE BOARD AND THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY THEY ARE JUDICIAL WITH THEIR MONIES AND TRY TO MAKE SURE ALL OF THEIR MONEY BRINGS BACK MONIES INTO WASHINGTON COUNTY.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED IF ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE HAD ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE REQUEST OF THE TDC FOR AN ADDITIONAL 1% INCREASE TO THE BED TAX; NO ONE RESPONDED.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED IF THE INCREASE WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE BY AMENDING THE ORDINANCE; TED SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE BOARD COULD ENACT THE 1% INCREASE WITHOUT IT BEING PUT BEFORE THE VOTERS IN FORM OF A REFERENDUM; HE SUGGESTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY RESEARCH TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS DONE LEGAL.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE TDC CONTRIBUTES TO SEVERAL EVENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND IS IN FAVOR OF THE ADDITIONAL 1% INCREASE.

EVERITT REFERENCED THE VERNON TRACTOR PULL EVENT AND HOW MUCH THE TDC CONTRIBUTED TO THIS CAUSE; HE SAID THE ADDITIONAL REVENUE HOPEFULLY WOULD BE USED TO INCREASE THE TDC'S ABILITY TO ADVERTISE THE EVENTS GOING ON IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE TDC'S REQUEST TO INCREASE THE BED TAX FROM 2% TO 3%.

STACY WEBB, GRANTS PERSON, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON ANOTHER SHIP FORECLOSURE THAT IS SCHEDULED TO BE SOLD ON NOVEMBER 7TH ON THE STEPS AT THE COURTHOUSE; THE SHIP PROGRAM WILL BE ABLE TO RECAPTURE \$10,000 AND WILL ONLY LOSE \$4,300. SHE REQUESTED THE BOARD ALLOW THE HOUSE TO BE SOLD FOR A LESSER AMOUNT SO THE SHIP CAN WALK AWAY WITH SOME MONIES TO GO BACK INTO THEIR PROGRAM AS OPPOSED TO NONE. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF WEBB'S REQUEST.

WEBB INFORMED THE BOARD THE SHIP COMMITTEE IS EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF TAKING SOME TYPE OF LEGAL ACTION TO TRY AND RECOUP THE SHIP MONIES ON FORECLOSURES.

WEBB THEN ADDRESSED SHIP SUBORDINATIONS AND EXPLAINED TO THE BOARD WHAT THIS WAS; WHEN SOMEONE PARTICIPATES IN THE SHIP PROGRAM, THEY ARE REQUIRED TO STAY IN THE HOUSE FOR TEN YEARS; TO ENSURE THEY DON'T SELL THE HOUSE, MOVE AND THE COUNTY LOSES THE MONEY, THE COUNTY TAKES OUT A SECOND MORTGAGE; THE SECOND MORTGAGE ALWAYS HAS TO BE IN THE SECOND POSITION. WHEN PEOPLE REFINANCE DUE TO LOWER INTEREST RATES, THEIR FINANCING COMPANY PAYS OFF THE FIRST MORTGAGE AND THIS PUTS THE COUNTY IN FIRST POSITION; A SUBORDINATION SIMPLY PUTS THE COUNTY BACK IN SECOND POSITION.

WEBB REFERENCED THE BOARD HAVING PREVIOUSLY TAKEN ACTION TO REVERSE A DECISION ON ALLOWING CASH OUT WHEN PEOPLE REFINANCE THEIR HOUSE BASED ON THE EQUITY IN THEIR HOUSE; THERE ARE MORTGAGE COMPANIES THAT WILL FINANCE UP TO 125% OF THE VALUE OF THE HOME WHICH IS SETTING PEOPLE UP TO FAIL. THE SHIP COMMITTEE IS RECOMMENDING IF A SHIP RECIPIENT IS GOING TO REFINANCE, THE ONLY WAY THE

BOARD WILL ALLOW THEM TO SUBORDINATE IS IF THE NEW MORTGAGE DOESN'T EXCEED 90% OF THE APPRAISED VALUE OF THE HOME; IF IT DOES, THEY WILL REQUIRE THE RECIPIENT TO PAY IT BACK TOWARD THE SHIP LOAN.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS SOME TYPE OF DEBT RATIO WITH THE SHIP PROGRAM. WEBB ADVISED THE FINANCING INSTITUTIONS DO A DEBT RATIO; HOWEVER, THE LANGUAGE IN PLACE NOW JUST STATES THE SHIP PROGRAM'S FINAL APPROVAL IS BASED ON THE BANK OR LENDING INSTITUTION APPROVING THE SHIP APPLICANT'S MORTGAGE AND THIS NEEDS TO BE CHANGED. SHE HAD CONTACTED TALLAHASSEE AND THEY RECOMMENDED THE HOUSE PAYMENT NOT EXCEED 30% OF THEIR MONTHLY INCOME; HOWEVER, IF THE BANK APPROVES THEM FOR A HIGHER AMOUNT, THERE IS PRESENTLY NOTHING THAT CAN BE DONE.

WEBB THEN REQUESTED THE BOARD APPROVE THE SHIP COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION ON SUBORDINATIONS. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF WEBB'S REQUEST.

WEBB UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING BEEN APPROACHED BY THE MERIDIAN GROUP FROM TALLAHASSEE, WHO SPECIALIZES IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, REQUESTING SHE LOOK AT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE COUNTY; THEY WOULD COME IN, TALK TO THE BOARD ABOUT POSSIBILITIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND IF THE BOARD DESIRED, THEY WOULD SUBMIT AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY. SHOULD THE COUNTY BE AWARDED THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT, THERE WOULD BE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES TO PAY FOR THEIR FEES; THERE WOULD ALSO BE FUNDS COMING IN TO THE COUNTY FOR HER SERVICES AS A CONTACT PERSON ON THE PROJECT. SHE ASKED IF THE BOARD WOULD ENTERTAIN THE THOUGHT OF ALLOWING HER TO DISCUSS WITH THE MERIDIAN GROUP THE POSSIBILITIES FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE WEBB TO MEET WITH THE MERIDIAN GROUP.

WEBB UPDATED THE BOARD ON COMMISSIONER HALL'S PREVIOUS REQUEST FOR HER TO PURSUE A PIONEER SETTLEMENT GRANT AND HER, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, LIBRARIAN LINDA NORTON AND COMMISSIONER RONNIE FINCH WENT TO THE ONE IN BLOUNTSTOWN; SHE RECOMMENDED EVERYONE VISIT THIS SITE.

WEBB INFORMED THE BOARD FALLING WATERS PARK HAS JUST ACQUIRED 16 ACRES OF LAND; SHE WROTE A LETTER OF INTENT TO THE PARK TO SUBMIT TO THE STATE TO SEE IF THE COUNTY COULD ACQUIRE SOME OF THE LAND AT THE SITE OF THE PARK TO INCORPORATE THE PARK AND THE PIONEER SETTLEMENT.

WEBB ADVISED SHE HAD SPOKEN TO MAYOR MACDONALD FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, LINDA NORTON, LIBRARIAN, DOROTHY ODOM, PRESIDENT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND THE LEGISLATORS TO REQUEST A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF HER EFFORTS TO APPLY FOR A HISTORICAL PRESERVATION GRANT FOR THIS PROJECT. WEBB REQUESTED A SUPPORTING LETTER FROM THE BOARD TO INCLUDE WITH HER APPLICATION FOR THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION GRANT. COMMISSIONER HALL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF WEBB'S REQUEST. THE BOARD REQUESTED SHE ASK FOR A SUPPORTING LETTER FROM THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL ALSO.

GLENN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON SEVERAL ISSUES:

- A. DUE TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE BOARD NEEDS TO MAKE A REQUEST FOR A NEW SEPTIC TANK, MAKE THE DRIVEWAYS OUT WIDER, REPLACE THE FRONT DRIVEWAY AND ENLARGE THE PARKING AREA. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ZANETIC'S REQUEST.
- B. ZANETIC ADVISED THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO REQUEST FROM THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION APPROVAL TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS AT BOAT LAKE; THE ROAD INTO AND THE PARKING AREA AT BOAT LAKE. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ZANETIC'S REQUEST.
- C. ZANETIC REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE CLOSING OF INDEPENDENCE DRIVE ANYTIME FROM NOVEMBER 1ST TO THE END OF YEAR, WHENEVER THEY GET READY TO START BUILDING THE

ROAD UP. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ZANETIC'S REQUEST.

- D. ZANETIC UPDATED THE BOARD ON BEING ON SCHEDULE WITH THE MSBU ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT AND BEING UNDERBUDGET. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE HOURS ZANETIC PUTS IN WITH THE MSBU PROJECTS; THE COUNTY WORKFORCE HAS BEEN COMPLIMENTARY OF ZANETIC'S DIRECTION AND THE WAY HE HAS WORKED WITH THEM. HE THEN ADVISED DUE TO THERE BEING SOME PEOPLE UNEASY DUE TO THEM NOT KNOWING WHAT IS GOING ON, THERE WAS GOING TO HAVE TO BE A BETTER TYPE OF CHECK UP LIST. HE STATED THERE NEEDED TO BE SOME TYPE OF SIGN OFF BY THE COMMITTEE ON ITEMS THAT COME UP BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL AND SOME TYPE OF FORM NEEDS TO BE DEVELOPED. CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECOMMENDED COMMISSIONER FINCH, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND ZANETIC WORK ON DEVELOPING A PROCEDURE.
- E. ZANETIC REQUESTED THE BOARD APPROVE OF ADVERTISING FOR ANOTHER PICKUP AND A ONE TON DUALY FLAT BED TRUCK; SEND THESE TWO VEHICLES OUT FOR BID TO GET A COMPARISON ON PRICES. THE COMMITTEE HAD LOOKED AT GETTING A VEHICLE FOR CRIMEWATCH WHICH IS SECURITY FOR SUNNY HILLS; WHAT THEY ARE WANTING TO DO IS FIND THE MONEY FOR TWO PICKUPS, ONE THE COUNTY HAS ALREADY BOUGHT FOR THEM AND THEY WILL JUST PAY THE COUNTY BACK, AND GIVE ONE TO CRIMEWATCH SO THERE WOULD BE NO COST TO THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERENCED THIS IS THE SORT OF THING HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THERE IS SOME SIGN OFF ON. ZANETIC ADVISED IT WAS APPROVED AT THE LAST MSBU MEETING BY A 7-0 VOTE TO ADVERTISE FOR ANOTHER PICKUP AND A ONE TON DUALY FLAT BED TRUCK FOR COMPARISON OF PRICES. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE OF ZANETIC'S REQUEST. WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER HALL IF THIS WAS INCLUDED IN THEIR MSBU BUDGET, ZANETIC ADVISED IT WAS. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED ZANETIC IF QUOTES WERE RECEIVED ON THE RYE GRASS FOR THE MSBU RESURFACING PROJECT; ZANETIC ADVISED ROGER NORRIS HANDLED THIS AND FRM HAD THE LOWEST BID. COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BIDS WITH ZANETIC AGREEING TO PROVIDE THEM. CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADVISED ZANETIC BIDS OR QUOTES WOULD NEED TO BE RECEIVED FOR ANY LARGE ITEMS SUCH AS THIS.

COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, ADDRESSED THE BOARD WITH HIS REPORT:

- A. SUNNY HILLS RESURFACING-THE PROJECT IS ON SCHEDULE AND UNDER BUDGET; HE HAS BEEN IMPRESSED WITH WORK CREWS ON THE PROJECT UNDER DALLAS CARTER'S SUPERVISION.
- B. BOAT LAKE POND-FL-DEP WILL HAVE TO DETERMINE IF BOAT LAKE IS AN OUTSTANDNG FLORIDA WATER BODY TO SEE HOW THE PROJECT SHOULD BE PERMITTED; BOARD FINANCE WILL BE PROVIDING A CHECK FOR \$100 FROM THE MSBU FUNDS TO FL-DEP; HE WILL GET ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO SIGN THE APPLICATION TO FL-DEP TO GET THE BOAT LAKE STORMWATER UNDER PROGRESS.
- C. HOLMES VALLEY-ADJUSTMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO THE PLANS ON THE EXTENSION OF HOLMES VALLEY TO MAKE IT MORE ECONOMICAL; THEY HAVE LOWERED THE ROAD IN A LOT OF PLACES AND THERE IS GOING TO BE EXCESS DIRT TO BE HAULED OFF BUT WILL WORK OUT BETTER FOR THE COUNTY. HE ADVISED A PAN WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL ON A PROJECT LIKE THIS. CHAIRMAN CORBIN

MENTIONED IF WOULD PROBABLY BE MORE ECONOMICAL TO RENT A PAN RATHER THAN PURCHASE IT.

D. JOINER ROAD-PROJECT COMING ALONG GOOD; HOPEFULLY WILL BE READY TO LINE UP FOR ASPHALT BY THE END OF NEXT WEEK. DALLAS HAS BEEN WORKING ON TRYING TO GET THE BASE IN ORDER ON THE FIRST SECTION OF THE ROAD.

E. BRICKYARD ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT-THERE HAVE BEEN SOME ISSUES WITH MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC; AN ISSUE WITH A DAYCARE WHERE PEOPLE COULDN'T GET IN AND OUT WHILE WORK WAS BEING DONE; CONTRACTOR COORDINATED WITH THE DAYCARE OWNER BUT APPARENTLY NOTICES DIDN'T GET TO ALL THE PARENTS AND THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR RECEIVED LOTS OF CALLS; THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN CORRECTED. THERE ARE SOME AREAS WHERE A FEW SECTIONS OF SIDEWALK WILL HAVE TO BE REMOVED AND REPLACED. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE DUST PROBLEM HAD BEEN BAD WITH KNAUER REITERATING MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC HAD BEEN A PROBLEM.

KNAUER REMINDED THE BOARD THEY WERE IN CHARGE OF SODDING FOR THE PROJECT BUT PRESENTLY THE PROJECT IS NOT READY FOR THE SOD; HE WILL GET THE SODDING LINED UP WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT. THE CONTRACTOR HAS APPROXIMATELY 19 RAINY DAYS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED AN INDIVIDUAL BEING BLOCKED FROM HIS PROPERTY DUE TO A CURB THAT WAS PUT IN AND QUESTIONED THE LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY.

KNAUER EXPLAINED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE HIM ACCESS THE CURB WOULD HAVE TO BE LAID BACK, CUT OUT, LAID BACK AND DROPPED DOWN TO A DROP CURB; THE SIDEWALK WOULD HAVE TO BE DROPPED DOWN AND HANDICAP ACCESS WOULD HAVE TO BE BUILT ON BOTH SIDES AND A CHANGE ORDER PROVIDED TO THE CONTRACTOR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED IN THE FUTURE SHOULD SOMEONE COME IN AND WANT TO SEPARATE THE PROPERTY, THEY WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CUT THE CURB OUT AND PUT A DRIVEWAY PIPE IN IF NEEDED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THERE ONLY BEING ONE PROPERTY OWNER THAT DON'T HAVE ACCESS. KNAUER ADVISED EVERY PLACE WHERE THERE WAS AN EXISTING DRIVEWAY STILL HAS AN ACCESS.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR KNAUER TO GET WITH W. I. COATNEY ON THE ACCESS TO HIS PROPERTY.

F. GILBERT PIT-KNAUER HAS LOOKED AT PIT WITH DALLAS CARTER AND THE NATURAL DRAINAGE POND FOR THE BASIN IS THE REASON THE POND IS UP; THE POND THERE IS A REFLECTION OF THE SEASON HIGH GROUNDWATER TABLE SO BUILDING ANOTHER POND WOULD ACCOMPLISH NOTHING.

HIS SUGGESTION WOULD BE TO DESIGN A BLEED DOWN STRUCTURE SO THE WATER COULD SLOWLY BE DISCHARGED DOWN THE STREAM WHERE ITS NATURAL DRAINAGE PATH IS AND ONLY CONTROL A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF WATER; IF THE BOARD DOESN'T DO THIS AND THERE IS THREE BIG STORMS IN A ROW, THEY WILL RUN OUT OF CAPACITY AND THE DAM IS GOING TO FAIL.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH CHAIRMAN COBIN ADVISING A SERGEANT WITH THE FHP HAS ALREADY SAID HE WOULD BE LOOKING AT THE COUNTY SHOULD THE DAM FLOOD.

KNAUER ADDRESSED IF THERE WAS A LAYER OF FINE SAND BELOW THE CLAY AT THE GILBERT PIT THEY COULD BREAK THROUGH, THIS WOULD MAKE A TREMENDOUS DIFFERENCE BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THAT EXISTS.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE NORTH PART OF THE PIT NEEDS TO BE ABANDONED AND PINES NEED TO BE STARTED FOR EROSION CONTROL PURPOSES.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON CORRECTING THE PROBLEM AT THE PIT

WITH THE BOARD AGREEING FOR KNAUER TO PROVIDE THE PLAN IN WRITING TO DALLAS AT PUBLIC WORKS AND GET A COST ESTIMATE. KNAUER SAID THE BEST WAY TO START SOMETHING WOULD BE TO GET SURVEYING INFORMATION ON WHAT THEY HAVE; THE BOUNDARIES ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHERE THE PROPERTY LINES ARE. COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED THEY KNOW WHERE THE BOUNDARIES ARE WITH KNAUER AGREEING TO DO WHAT HE COULD.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BIDS ON COLEMAN AVENUE SURVEY:

SYFRETT SURVEYING	\$2,485
SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYING	\$2,865.26

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF IT HADN'T BEEN DECIDED THE LOW BID ON THE SURVEYS SHOULD BE ACCEPTED AND SHOULDN'T HAVE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD EACH TIME.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED THE NEED FOR A SURVEY ON COLEMAN AVENUE AND WAS NOT AWARE ONE WAS BEING DONE; HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS THE BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY TO SURVEY THE PROPERTY BUT THE CITY OF CHIPLEY'S.

KNAUER ADDRESSED THE SURVEY WAS NEEDED DUE TO THERE BEING UNDER- GROUND UTILITIES THEY WOULD LIKE TO WORK AROUND SO THEY WOULDN'T HAVE TO LOCATE ALL THE UTILITIES AND THE NEED TO KNOW WHERE THE ACTUAL RIGHT OF WAY IS.

KNAUER ALSO ADDRESSED HIM AGREEING TO DO THE DESIGN FOR THE PROJECT FREE IF HE HAD A SURVEY; IF THERE IS NOT A SURVEY, THERE IS NOTHING HE CAN DO.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN SAID HE COULD NOT VOTE TO APPROVE OF PAYING FOR THE SURVEY; THE BOARD ONLY AGREED TO PAVE THE STREET. HE SUGGESTED JUST USING THE CENTER LINE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN ON PAYING FOR THE SURVEY AS HE COULD NOT AFFORD TO GIVE ANY MORE MONIES.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED THE BOARD PROMISED TO DO COLEMAN AVENUE AND THEY NEED TO FULFIL THEIR PROMISE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON TAKING THE MONIES OUT OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE LOW BID ON THE SURVEY FROM SYFRETT SURVEYING. COMMISSIONER HALL AND CORBIN OPPOSED. CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED WHERE THE MONIES WOULD COME FROM WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH STATING HE INTENDED FOR HIS MOTION TO SAY THE MONEY FOR THE SURVEY WOULD COME FROM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER COPE AGREED TO PROVIDE THE PIPES AND DIRT FOR THE COLEMAN AVENUE PROJECT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON FUTURE BIDS RECEIVED FROM THE TWO SURVEYING COMPANIES; THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO AUTOMATICALLY GO WITH THE LOW BID AND THERE WAS NO NEED IN IT COMING BEFORE THE BOARD EACH TIME.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT INFORMED THE BOARD THAT SYFRETT SURVEYING WAS THE LOW BID ON THE GILBERT PIT AND SOUTHEASTERN WAS THE LOW BID ON JOHNSON POND.

G. LEISURE LAKES-STILL WORKING ON LEISURE LAKES ROAD PERMITTING; DOING REALIGNMENT REQUIRES DEP AND ARMY CORP OF ENGINEER PERMITS; THEY NEED TO GET PERMITS AND THERE IS ONE MORE LANDOWNER THEY HAVE TO NEGOTIATE WITH

COMMISSIONER HALL REQUESTED AN UPDATE FROM KNAUER ON THE DITCH BEHIND DORCH CIRCLE; KNAUER ADVISED FL-DEP HAS IT ON THEIR WEBSITE AND HE HAS APPLIED FOR A GRANT FOR THE WETLAND RESTORATION PROGRAM.

CHRIS BURNHAM ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HAVING DONE RESEARCH AFTER COMING BEFORE THE BOARD AT THEIR LAST MEETING ON THE ROAD CONDITIONS IN CRYSTAL VILLAGE; HE ADVISED HE HAD FOUND WHERE THE ORIGINAL PLAT OF CRYSTAL VILLAGE WAS RECORDED ON THE 22ND DAY OF NOVEMBER 1926. BURNHAM ADDRESSED THERE WERE SOME ROADS THAT HAVE BEEN ADDED SINCE THAT TIME THAT ARE NOT ON THE MAP AND THERE ARE A LOT OF THE ROADS THERE THAT ARE ON THE RECORDED PLAT.

BURNHAM QUESTIONED WHAT GREEN ROAD SIGNS MEAN; CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADVISED GREEN STOOD FOR PUBLIC ROADS. BURNHAM INFORMED THE BOARD THE PLAT WAS ACCEPTED AND APPROVED DECEMBER OF 1926.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY BY THE BOARD ACCEPTING THE PLAT, DID IT PUT THE LIABILITY ON THE BOARD TO BUILD THE ROADS; ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IT DID NOT AND STATED HE DIDN'T THINK THE ROADS ARE IN THE SAME PLACE THEY WERE.

BURNHAM ADDRESSED HAVING TALKED TO COMMISSIONER FINCH AND HE HAD SAID THE PLAT IS USED ON SOME THINGS AND THE BOARD GOES BY IT ON SOME THINGS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS ISSUE HAS COME BEFORE THE BOARD TIME AND TIME AGAIN; HE WISHES THE BOARD COULD SAY THEY HAVE SOME KIND OF OBLIGATION ON THE RIGHT OF WAYS AND GIVE THE PEOPLE SOME TYPE OF RELIEF. HE ALSO REFERENCED THAT HE FELT BURNHAM COULD MAKE A CASE ON THIS ROAD.

BURNHAM STATED HE COULD SHOW THE BOARD CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD, TRISHA TRAIL, PANTHER TRAIL, HIS PROPERTY, ON THE PLAT; HE REFERENCED THE KEY WAS IT STATED ON THE RECORDED PLAT IT WAS DEDICATED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES AND THE BOARD ACCEPTED AND APPROVED THE PLAT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED, LEGALLY, IF THE ROADS ARE IN THE SAME PLACE AS THE PLATTED ROADS, THE BOARD HAS THE RIGHT TO MAINTAIN THE SAME WIDTH OF ROAD AS LOCATED ON THE PLAT; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT LEGALLY REQUIRED TO DO SO. NORMALLY, THE BOARD REQUIRES THE DEVELOPER TO BRING THE ROADS UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS.

BURNHAM SAID IF THE BOARD WOULD COME IN AND MAINTAIN THEM, IT WOULD MAKE PROPERTY VALUES GO UP AND BRING MORE MONEY IN FOR TAXES.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED WHAT THE BOARD WAS GOING TO DO WHEN SOMEONE ELSE COME IN AND FILES A PLAT AND THEY MAKE THEM BUILD THE ROADS UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS BEFORE THEY WILL BEGIN MAINTAINING THEM, YET THE BOARD IS GOING TO JUST START MAINTAINING THESE ROADS IN CRYSTAL VILLAGE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE PLATTED LOTS WERE GRANDFATHERED IN.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE SCHOOL BUS AND GARBAGE TRUCK HAVE A ROUTE IN CRYSTAL VILLAGE; BURNHAM ADVISED THEY DID.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ALLOW DISTRICT FIVE START AND DO A MAIN ROAD THAT COMPLIES WITH THE CRYSTAL VILLAGE PLAT AND MAKE IT WORKABLE FOR THE AMBULANCE, SCHOOL BUS, MAIL, ETC. COMMISSIONER FINCH MADE IT PLAIN, HE WAS NOT GOING TO START ON ANY SIDE ROADS; HE WAS JUST GOING TO GET THE MAIN ROAD WORKABLE.

JOHN CARTER ADDRESSED THE BOARD. CHAIRMAN CORBIN UPDATED THEM ON CARTER HAVING MET WITH THE CITY OF WAUSAU, WAUSAU HAS WRITTEN THE BOARD A LETTER AND TALKED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED HE DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH GRADING THE ROAD FOR CARTER; HOWEVER, LEGALLY HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE BOARD CAN DO DUE TO THE CITY REFUSING TO CALL IT A CITY STREET. HE ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY WHAT THE BOARD COULD LEGALLY DO.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED HOW LONG THE COUNTY HAD BEEN MAINTAINING THE ROAD; CARTER ADVISED THE COUNTY HAD BEEN GRADING IT FOR ABOUT 25 YEARS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED WHO CONSTRUCTED THE ROAD; CARTER AGAIN ADVISED THE COUNTY DID.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED THE BOARD THE ONLY PROBLEM THEY WOULD RUN INTO WOULD BE MR. BLOUNT AND FELT LIKE HE AND CARTER SHOULD TALK WITH HIM SOME MORE AND TRY TO WORK SOMETHING OUT AS HE IS GOING TO GET UPSET IF THE COUNTY GOES IN AND GRADES THE ROAD.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ASKED IF THE ROAD WAS IN THE SAME SPOT OR HAD IT BEEN MOVED; COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT WAS RIGHT WHERE IT HAS BEEN AND TOLD THE BOARD MR. BLOUNT HAD PUT UP SOME POSTS.

CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD THE ROAD IS 8' TO 10' WIDE SINCE THE POSTS HAVE BEEN PUT UP; HIS CAR SCRUBS, THE GARBAGE TRUCK, SCHOOL BUS AND THE AMBULANCE OCCASIONALLY GOES IN TO PICK UP HIS DAUGHTER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID BLOUNT WAS NOT TRYING TO CLOSE OFF THE ROAD BUT WAS PUTTING UP POST AND WAS SAYING HE WOULD LET THEM CONTINUE TO USE 12' FROM THE DITCHES.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE RULE WAS WHAT HAS BEEN BEING MAINTAINED OVER THE YEARS; CARTER ADVISED 25' HAD BEEN BEING MAINTAINED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED MR. BLOUNT WAS JUST AS ATIMATE FOR THE BOARD NOT TO GRADE THE ROAD AS CARTER IS WANTING THEM TO GRADE THE ROAD.

WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE LAST TIME THE COUNTY HAD GRADED THE ROAD, COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID WITHIN THE LAST MONTH.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN SAID HE WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO MAINTAIN THE ROAD THE SAME AS IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN MAINTAINED; IF NECESSARY, THE BOARD CAN INSTRUCT THE ATTORNEY TO WRITE MR. BLOUNT AND ASK HIM TO RELOCATE HIS FENCE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED HE WANTED THE BOARD TO UNDERSTAND THE ROAD WAS INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF WAUSAU; IT IS NOT OWNED BY THE COUNTY AND WOULD NOT BE A COUNTY ROAD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID IT HAD BEEN MAINTAINED BY THE COUNTY; IT WOULD HAVE TO BE A COUNTY ROAD.

CARTER ADDRESSED THE CITY OF WAUSAU HAVING SAID IF THE COUNTY HAD BEEN MAINTAINING IT FOR THAT MANY YEARS, IT WAS A COUNTY MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED IF THE CITY OF WAUSAU DIDN'T WANT THE COUNTY TO MAINTAIN THE ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED THE CITY DIDN'T SAY THEY DIDN'T WANT THE COUNTY TO MAINTAIN IT; THEY JUST DON'T WANT IT CLASSIFIED AS A CITY ROAD AND IT WOULD BE UP TO THE COUNTY IF THEY WANTED TO CONTINUE MAINTAINING IT.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED THE COUNTY MAINTAINING THE ROAD FOR THE CITY OF WAUSAU BECAUSE THEY GIVE GAS TAX TO THE COUNTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED IF THE COUNTY WAS MAINTAINING IT FOR THE CITY, IT WOULD BE A CITY ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED THE CITY IS CLASSIFYING IT AS A DRIVEWAY; IT IS 700' LONG.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE MAINTAINING THE ROAD AS THEY HAVE BEEN DOING IN THE PAST.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S REPORT:

- A. DREW LEGAL DESCRIPTION AS BEST HE COULD ON REDISTRICTING AND ASKED THE BOARD TO REVIEW FOR ANY DISCREPANCIES, LET HIM KNOW AND HE WILL BRING A RESOLUTION BACK TO THE BOARD FOR THEM TO ADOPT ON REDISTRICTING AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.
- B. HE HAS PROPOSED ORDINANCE ON TOWER REGULATIONS; HE WILL REVIEW AND ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WANTED TO PROCEED WITH ADVERTISING A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO ADVERTISE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING.
- C. NORTHERN TRUST IS GOING FORWARD WITH THE LAWSUIT ON FIVE ROADS IN COMMISSIONER BROCK'S DISTRICT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT NEEDING TO GET THE PLAQUE UP FOR THE ELEVATOR DEDICATION CEREMONY FOR PERRY WELLS. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD HAD ANY SUGGESTIONS ON THE WORDING FOR THE PLAQUE. CHAIRMAN CORBIN REQUESTED IF COMMISSIONER FINCH HAD ANY SUGGESTIONS ON THE WORDING TO WORK WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO GET THREE TREES AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARY CUT DOWN; THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO APPROVE OF COPE'S REQUEST.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADVISED THE FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH HAS A HOUSE THEY ARE GOING TO BURN AND ARE REQUESTING THE BOARD TO ASSIST WITH REMOVING THE RUBBLE AFTER IT IS BURNED. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO APPROVE OF THE CHURCH'S REQUEST.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED WHERE THE BOARD STOOD ON OBTAINING A PIT. COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERENCED THE STATE HAVING 40 ACRES WHICH WOULD BE GOOD BARROW PIT MATERIAL.



COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED MR. GILBERT HAVING MENTIONED THE COUNTY PURCHASING PROPERTY FROM HIM FOR A PIT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED LEAVING AN ESCAVATOR AT GILBERT PIT AS HE WAS TOLD THERE WAS AN AVERAGE OF 22' OF DIRT IN THE PIT; CORBIN ADVISED THE BOARD WAS PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT PURCHASING AN ESCAVATOR NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERENCED THE TWO LADY INMATES FROM THE WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL WERE DOING A REAL GOOD JOB ON CLEANING AT THE COUNTY ANNEX AND WAS SAVING THE COUNTY MONIES ON THEIR JANITORIAL CONTRACT.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADDRESSED AN INMATE WHO HAD BEEN WORKING WITH PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR FOR 2.5 YEARS WAS GETTING OUT IN NOVEMBER. HE REQUESTED THE BOARD GIVE THE INMATE SOMETHING TO SHOW THEIR GRATITUDE AS HE WAS A GOOD WORKER, HONEST, ETC. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR EACH BOARD MEMBER TO GIVE A CONTRIBUTION OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKETS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD RECEIVING BIDS UNTIL 4:00 P.M. ON THE 24TH OF OCTOBER ON THE HOSPITAL AND QUESTIONED WHAT THE BOARD WANTED TO DO ON OPENING THE BIDS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY RECOMMENDED THE BOARD AND PRESS BE GIVEN A COPY OF THE BIDS RECEIVED AT 4:00 P.M. ON THE 24TH. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO AGREE WITH HOLLEY'S RECOMMENDATION AND RECESS THIS MEETING UNTIL 9:30 A.M. ON OCTOBER 27, 2003.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE HUMANE SOCIETY HAVING PULLED OUT THEIR ANIMAL CONTROL OPERATIONS FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY SHELTER; THEY ARE LOOKING FOR ANOTHER PLACE IN THE COUNTY TO LOCATE.

HERBERT REPORTED THAT HE, KAREN RUSTIN, JIM MORRIS AND COM- MISSIONER COPE HAD MET WITH NAN THOMPSON OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY TO DISCUSS COMMITTING TO ENLARGING THE CURRENT ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY; THE CITY WAS WILLING TO COMMIT TO ADD A SECOND BUILDING WHICH COULD BE USED FOR QUARANTINE AND INSULATIONS.

THE HUMANE SOCIETY IS HAVING A BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY AND WOULD BE CONTACTING ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ON OCTOBER 27TH TO ADVISE OF THEIR DECISION WHETHER TO ACCEPT THE CITY AND COUNTY'S COMMITMENT IF THEY CAME BACK AND OPERATED AT THE CHIPLEY ANIMAL SHELTER.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN POINTED OUT THE NEED TO OBTAIN SOME KIND OF PROOF PEOPLE ARE WASHINGTON COUNTY RESIDENTS THAT ARE BRING ANIMALS TO THE SHELTER; ALSO, HE ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THE ORDINANCE TO BE AMENDED TO TAKE CARE OF VISCIOUS ANIMALS, NOT NUISANCE ANIMALS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE PROBLEM OF PEOPLE DUMPING ANIMALS OFF AT THE ANIMAL SHELTER.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED THE AMOUNT OF MONEY PUT INTO THE ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM BY THE COUNTY; ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BUDGET TRANSFERRED TO THE SHERIFF WAS APPROXIMATELY \$35,000.

GENE HALEY OF THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BUD- GET INCLUDING SALARIES, BENEFITS, UNIFORMS, TIPPING FEES, GAS, ETC.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN INFORMED THE BOARD DR. TODD ANDERSON HAD CONTACTED HIM SAYING HE WOULD BE WILLING TO TAKE CARE OF ALL THE NUISANCE ANIMALS.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED HOW MANY ANIMALS DID THE SHELTER TAKE IN EVERY YEAR. HALEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING 1200 ANIMALS THAT HAVE BEEN PICKED UP FROM JANUARY 1ST TO THE MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER; APPROXIMATELY 120 PER MONTH; 70 FROM COUNTY, 38 FROM CITY AND 12 UNKNOWN.

JIM MORRIS, CITY MANAGER, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE NEED FOR THE OTHER CITIES IN THE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM; THE COUNTY AND CITY NEEDS TO WORK THE ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM OUT AND GET THE HUMANE SOCIETY BACK WORKING IN THE ANIMAL SHELTER. THE CONCERNS HE HAD WITH THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED; HE HAS SUPERVISION AND IS A LOT MORE PRESENTABLE TO THE CITIZENS.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN AFFIDAVIT PREPARED WHERE THE PERSON WILL HAVE TO SIGN SAYING THEY ARE A RESIDENT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. MR. HALEY HAD SPOKEN WITH THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER AND HE ADVISED THERE WERE NOT A WHOLE LOT, IF ANY, ANIMALS COMING FROM OUT OF COUNTY RESIDENTS.

MORRIS ADDRESSED IF THE HUMANE SOCIETY WOULD TAKE THE SHELTER BACK AND RUN IT, THERE WOULD PROBABLY BE SOME STRICT RULES AND GUIDELINES FOR THEM TO FOLLOW AND MAKING SURE ONLY WASHINGTON COUNTY ANIMALS ARE TAKEN WOULD BE ONE OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE RECOMMENDED THE COUNTY AND CITY TRY TO MAKE THE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SHELTER IF THE HUMANE SOCIETY WOULD STAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERENCED WHEN THE ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM BEGAN, THE BOARD WAS ADVISED THE ANIMALS TAKEN IN WOULD GO DOWN; HOWEVER, HE UNDERSTANDS THE NUMBER IS INCREASING. HE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN ON THE NEED TO PUT MORE TEETH INTO THE ORDINANCE AND ADDRESS VICIOUS ANIMALS RATHER THAN NUISANCE ANIMALS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED OTHER COUNTIES HAVING PROBLEMS AND WHAT WOULD THE BOARD DO IF THE HUMANE SOCIETY WERE TO COME BACK NOW AND A YEAR OR SO DOWN THE ROAD, THEY PULLED OUT AGAIN. COMMISSIONER COPE FELT IF THE CITY AND COUNTY WOULD WORK WITH THE HUMANE SOCIETY, IT WOULD WORK OUT; HE DID NOTE THAT THE PROBLEM WITH ANIMALS WAS GOING TO CONTINUE TO GROW AS MORE PEOPLE ARE MOVING IN AND BRINGING IN MORE ANIMALS.

MR. HALEY ADVISED THE PURPOSE OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY WAS TO HUMANELY ADOPT OUT ANIMALS; THEY ARE HAVING A LOT OF ANIMALS BEING BROUGHT IN AND FEW ADOPTIONS AND UNLESS MORE SPACE IS PROVIDED FOR MORE ANIMALS, THE PROBLEM WILL NOT BE RESOLVED.

MORRIS ADVISED THE HUMANE SOCIETY WAS TOLD AS LONG AS THE SHELTER IS FULL, THEY WILL HAVE TO PUT THE ANIMALS DOWN AFTER FIVE DAYS; IF IT IS NOT FULL, THEY CAN KEEP THE ANIMALS AS LONG AS THEY LIKE AND TRY TO ADOPT THEM OUT.

BILLY CLARK ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS HE HAS TAKEN ANIMALS TO THE SHELTER AND ON BOTH OCCASIONS, THEY WERE NOT HIS ANIMALS. HE WAS QUESTIONING WOULD HE CONTINUE TO BE ALLOWED TO TAKE THESE ANIMALS TO THE SHELTER. CHAIRMAN CORBIN ADVISED HIM IF THEY WERE VICIOUS ANIMALS, TO CALL THE DOG CATCHER AND HE WOULD COME GET THEM; IF THEY WERE JUST NUISANCE ANIMALS, CALL THE OWNER; IF HE CAN'T LOCATE THE OWNER, DO WHATEVER HIS CONSCIOUS TELLS HIM.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO STAY WITH THE LEASE WITH THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND DO THE RENOVATIONS TO THE ANIMAL SHELTER NEEDED FOR THE HUMANE SOCIETY TO STAY.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE EMPA GRANT AGREEMENT FOR FY 2003-2004 TOTALLING \$102,959.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER READ THE MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT INTO THE MINUTES FILED BY COMMISSIONER RONNIE FINCH REGARDING ACTION TAKEN AT THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2003 BOARD MEETING APPROVING A LAND USE CHANGE PETITIONED BY HIM AND HIS WIFE.

CHAIRMAN CORBIN RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2003 AT 9:30 A.M. ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 10/23/03