

BOARD MINUTES FOR 02/26/04

FEBRUARY 26, 2004

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

SHERIFF PEEL PROCLAIMED THE MEETING WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERING PRAYER. COMMISSIONER COPE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

CHAIRMAN HALL ADVISED EVERYONE OF THE ELEVATOR DEDICATION FOR JUDGE PERRY WELLS AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE AT 11:30 A.M.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 25, DECEMBER 18 AND DECEMBER 30, 2003 MEETINGS. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER INFORMED THE BOARD OF AN ERROR IN THE NOVEMBER 25, 2003 MINUTES ON PAGE 324; THE REFUND A PERSON WOULD RECEIVE AFTER SHOWING PROOF OF NEUTERING OR SPADING A CAT SHOULD BE \$20. COMMISSIONER COPE AND CORBIN AGREED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES WITH THIS CORRECTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY 26, 2004:

- A. WAIVER OF AG CENTER FEE FOR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
- B. AGREEMENT WITH WHITFIELD RECYCLING FOR THE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF WHITE GOODS AND MISCELLANEOUS METALS WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY BEING PAID 12% OF MARKET PRICE
- C. LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PITNEY BOWES FOR NEW POSTAGE MACHINE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AT \$255 MONTHLY FOR 60 MONTHS
- D. WAIVER OF AG CENTER FEES FOR WOMAN'S CLUB OF CHIPLEY FOR A SAFETY FAIR ON MAY 15, 2004
- E. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM PLAN

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS ON THE BABER LAND USE CHANGE IN GREENHEAD, HIGHWAY 77 AND BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD, SAID HEARING WAS HELD.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY PROVIDED A COPY OF A RESTRICTIVE COVENANT THE BABERS AGREED TO EXECUTE AND RECORD WHICH WOULD PROHIBIT ANY SUBSEQUENT LAND OWNERS FROM DEVIATING FROM THE DENSITY THAT WAS APPROVED IN MEDIATION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED HE HAD NEVER BEEN PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY OR PRESENTED THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT TO SIGN BUT AGREED TO DO SO.

MR. BABER INFORMED THE BOARD THAT MS. WENDY VARNUM INTENDS TO SIGN THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ALSO; SHE REPRESENTED THE OBJECTIVES GROUP ON THE MEDIATION COMMITTEE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY TOLD THE BOARD THEY WOULD NEED TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT CONDITIONED ON THE BABER'S SIGNING AND RECORDING THE AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT ON THE BABER PROPERTY CONTINGENT ON THE BABERS SIGNING AND RECORDING IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE LAND USE CHANGE PETITIONED BY GEORGE BABER WHICH IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS ON AN ORDINANCE ON HIGHWAY SAFETY MEMORIAL MARKERS ON COUNTY RIGHTS OF WAY, SAID HEARING WAS HELD.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE STATE DOT GUIDELINES ON MEMORIAL MARKERS AS REQUESTED BY TIM HAYES. PER A REQUEST FROM COMMISSIONER CORBIN, ATTORNEY HOLLEY READ THE ORDINANCE IN ITS ENTIRETY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK, IF THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION WITH THE AUDIENCE, TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE. CHAIRMAN HALL ASKED IF ANYONE HAD ANY COMMENTS PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE; NO ONE RESPONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNDER UNAGENDAED AUDIENCE, STACY WEBB, GRANTSPERSON, REPORTED ON SEVERAL ISSUES:

- A. GRANT APPLICATION THAT WAS SUBMITTED A YEAR AGO WITH FEMA FOR ADDITIONAL HURRICANE SHUTTERS FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING AND THE REMAINDER OF ROULHAC MIDDLE SCHOOL. THE COUNTY HAS BEEN AWARDED A GLOBAL MATCH FOR THE GRANT WHICH WILL CUT THE COUNTY'S MATCH IN HALF; THEIR MATCH WILL TOTAL \$19,646. WEBB REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FROM THE BOARD TO PURSUE THE GRANT FUNDING. COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE MATCHING REQUIREMENTS ON THE PREVIOUS SHUTTER GRANTS HAD BEEN WAIVED. HE REQUESTED WEBB CHECK TO SEE IF IT WAS A POSSIBILITY FOR THE MATCHING FUNDS TO BE WAIVED FOR THIS GRANT OR IF THE MATCHING FUNDS COULD COME OUT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO PURSUE THE HURRICANE SHUTTERS GRANT FOR THE COUNCIL ON AGING AND ROULHAC MIDDLE SCHOOL WITH WEBB FINDING THE MONEY FOR THE COUNTY MATCH. ROGER HAGAN, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THIS GRANT FUNDING SOURCE BEING DIFFERENT THAN PRIOR GRANTS FOR HURRICANE SHUTTERS; THE PRIOR FUNDING SOURCE DIDN'T REQUIRE A MATCH BUT THIS FUNDING SOURCE DOES. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE SCHOOL BOARD CONTRIBUTING TOWARD THE MATCH. WEBB INFORMED THE BOARD, SHOULD THE SCHOOL BOARD AGREE TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD THE MATCH, IT WOULD BE A SMALL PERCENTAGE BECAUSE THEY ARE ONLY GETTING SHUTTERS ON ONE BUILDING. COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHY HURRICANE SHUTTERS WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT ON NEW SCHOOLS; IF THE HURRICANE SHUTTERS IS A REQUIREMENT, WHY WERE THEY NOT INSTALLED WHEN THE SCHOOLS WERE CONSTRUCTED. HAGAN POINTED OUT THE SCHOOLS THE SHUTTERS ARE BEING PUT ON WERE STARTED PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE STORM SHUTTERS REQUIREMENT. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE COUNCIL ON AGING FACILITY BEING ONE OF THE FIRST SHELTERS OPENED DURING EMERGENCY OPERATIONS. HAGAN ADVISED THE COUNCIL ON AGING WAS A DESIGNATED SHELTER FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED WHAT COMMISSIONER COPE HAD SAID ABOUT THE COUNCIL ON AGING AND SAID IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE FIRST FACILITIES EQUIPPED WITH THE STORM SHUTTERS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AMENDED HIS MOTION TO PURSUE THE GRANT FUNDING FOR THE HURRICANE SHUTTERS WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD BEING REQUIRED TO FUND THEIR PORTION OF THE MATCH. WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE GRANT, WEBB ADVISED THE GRANT TOTALLED \$157,000. COMMISSIONER COPE

AGREED TO COMMISSIONER CORBIN'S AMENDED MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. SHIP REHAB HOME--AN ISSUE WITH A FAMILY NOT SATISFIED WITH THE WORK DONE ON THEIR HOME; QUOTE FROM ANOTHER CONTRACTOR TO REPAIR SOME ITEMS TOTALS \$8,800. WEBB ADVISED THE BOARD SHE WOULD NEED A MOTION TO PUT MORE MONIES INTO THE HOME AS SHE HAS ALREADY SPENT THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF SHIP FUNDS ALLOWED FOR A REHAB.
- WEBB EXPLAINED THE MAIN ISSUE WITH THE HOME WAS THE FLOOR; SHE POINTED OUT THE FLOOR ISSUE WAS DANGEROUS AND THE FIRST CONTRACTOR THOUGHT HE HAD FIXED THE PROBLEM BUT IT DIDN'T WORK. SHE GOT A QUOTE FROM ANOTHER CONTRACTOR TO DO THE NECESSARY REPAIRS.
- WHEN QUESTIONED ON WHAT THE \$8,800 WOULD INCLUDE; WEBB ADVISED IT INCLUDED VINYL SIDING, SQUARING UP OF A NEW ROOF, PUTTING A GUTTER SYSTEM ON IT WHERE IT HAS CAUSED A LOT OF PROBLEM AND REPAIR THE FLOOR.
- COMMISSIONER FINCH INFORMED THE BOARD IF THEY COULD GET ALL OF THE WORK DESCRIBED BY WEBB DONE FOR \$8,800, IT WOULD BE WORTH IT; HE SAID HE DIDN'T SEE \$10,000 WORTH OF IMPROVEMENTS DONE BY THE PRIOR CONTRACTOR.
- WEBB ADDRESSED THE CONTRACTOR WHO DID THE \$10,000 WORTH OF WORK IN THE BEGINNING DOES NOT WANT TO GO BACK TO THE HOME; THEREFORE, THEY HAD TO GET ANOTHER CONTRACTOR.
- COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO PROTECT THEIR \$10,000 ALREADY SPENT ON THE HOME AND OFFERED A MOTION TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND REPAIR THE HOME. COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- C. CDBG GRANT APPLICATION FOR 2004/2005--WEBB PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION ON NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS TO BE SERVED, TOTAL BENEFICIARIES, PERCENTAGE OF VERY LOW INCOME AND MILES TO BE PAVED ON QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD, GAINER ROAD AND CARR ROAD. SHE INFORMED COMMISSIONER HALL THERE WERE ONLY FOURTEEN HOUSEHOLDS ON HIS REQUEST FOR ST. MARYS ROAD AND DUE TO THE OTHER ROADS HAVING A GREATER PERCENTAGE, SHE DID NOT PROVIDE STATISTICS ON IT.
- SHE REQUESTED DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD ON WHICH ROAD TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING. SHE HAD RODE ON QUAIL HOLLOW WITH THE COUNTY ENGINEER AND REQUESTED HE GIVE HER AN ESTIMATE TO DO THIS ROAD; HE PROVIDED A VERBAL ESTIMATE OF \$758,000. WHEN QUESTIONED ON WHY THE ESTIMATE WAS SO HIGH, WEBB EXPLAINED THERE WAS A LOT OF EARTHWORK TO BE DONE.
- WEBB HAD ALSO BEEN INFORMED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER THAT 60' RIGHT OF WAY WOULD BE NEEDED; THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS 60' RIGHT OF WAY ON THE ROAD SO NO ACQUISITION WOULD BE INVOLVED.
- DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY DOING THE EARTHWORK ON THE PROJECT; IN ORDER FOR THE COUNTY EQUIPMENT AND COUNTY DIRT TO BE USED, THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE A LOG KEPT ON HOW MANY MILES THE DUMP TRUCK WENT TO GET THE DIRT, THE COST FOR A LOAD OF DIRT, ETC.
- DISCUSSION WAS THEN HELD ON THE COUNTY DOING THE EARTHWORK PRIOR TO RECEIVING THE GRANT.
- WEBB REQUESTED A \$300,000 COUNTY MATCH IN ORDER TO UPGRADE THE COUNTY'S STATUS TO OBTAIN THE CDBG GRANT; IF THE COUNTY DOES THE EARTHWORK AND PREPS THE ROAD PRIOR, MONIES COULD BE LEFT TO DO EITHER GAINER ROAD OR CARR ROAD. ACCORDING

TO THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY WEBB, THE NUMBERS SHOWED QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD WOULD STAND A BETTER CHANCE TO GET FUNDED.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY'S MATCH COULD INCLUDE INKIND SERVICES, WEBB ADVISED NO AS THERE HAD TO BE A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF CASH MATCH.

WEBB REFERENCED BILL COBB HAVING COME BEFORE THE BOARD SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AGREEING TO PAVE BUCKHORN CREEK TO THE COUNTY LINE; IF HE DID THIS, AND THE COUNTY PAVED THE OTHER SIDE OF THE ROAD, THE PEOPLE IN THAT AREA WOULD BE SET.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION TO PROCEED WITH THE FIRST CHOICE OF QUAIL HOLLOW FOR THE CDBG GRANT FUNDING. WEBB QUESTIONED IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE GAINER ROAD AND REFERENCED IF THE COUNTY DOES THE EARTHWORK, THEY MAY SAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO DO GAINER ROAD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SECONDED THE MOTION CONTINGENT ON COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDING GAINER ROAD IF FUNDING WAS AVAILABLE.

ED PELLETIER, COUNTRY OAKS, POINTED OUT THERE WERE A LOT OF FEEDER ROADS INTO QUAIL HOLLOW AND THERE IS ONLY ONE ROAD FOR PEOPLE TO GET OUT.

ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION WEBB HAD ON CARR ROAD, IT SHOWED THREE MILES OF PAVING. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HIS RECOLLECTION THE FIRST TIME THEY LOOKED AT SUBMITTING CARR ROAD FOR FUNDING, IT INCLUDED ONE MILE OF PAVING. AFTER DISCUSSION, WEBB AGREED SHE HAD WENT ALL THE WAY TO TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LINE ON CARR ROAD.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF THIS WOULD CUT DOWN ON THE NUMBERS FOR LOW INCOME, COMMISSIONER COPE SAID EVERYTHING IN THE AREA ON CARR ROAD WAS LOW INCOME.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED A LOT OF TIME BEING SPENT ON GAINER ROAD HAULING MATERIAL JUST TO LOSE IT AND IF IT CAN BE PAVED, IT WOULD BE VERY BENEFICIAL AS THERE ARE A LOT OF FAMILIES ON THAT ROAD, TOO.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON POSSIBLY LISTING ALL THREE ROADS IF CARR ROAD WAS CUT BACK TO ONE MILE OF PAVING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED SUBMITTING QUAIL HOLLOW AND A CERTAIN DISTANCE ON GAINER ROAD AND CARR ROAD TO QUALIFY THEM; ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE ON GAINER ROAD AND CARR ROAD WOULD HELP.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON COUNTY WORK FORCES DOING THE PREP WORK ON THE PROJECTS WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTING THE BOARD LOOK AT HIRING TWO EMPLOYEES AT ROAD AND BRIDGE TO CONCENTRATE ON THE PREP WORK. COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED USING EMPLOYEES THEY ALREADY HAVE.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REMINDED THE BOARD THEY HAD THEIR \$200,000 DISTRICT MONIES THEY COULD USE TOWARD FUNDING THE MATCH AND THE REMAINDER OF GAINER AND CARR ROADS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO FUND THE COUNTY MATCH.

COMMISSIONER COPE AGREED TO COMMIT TO THE COUNTY MATCH FROM HIS DISTRICT FUNDS FOR CARR ROAD; COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED TO COMMIT TO THE COUNTY MATCH FROM HIS DISTRICT FUNDS FOR GAINER ROAD. COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED WEBB TO CHECK ON WHAT HIS COUNTY MATCH WOULD BE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED HE AND COMMISSIONER COPE NEEDED TO DO SOMETHING ON THE ROAD CONDITIONS ON SOUTH

BOULEVARD AND REFERENCED THE NUMBER OF CLAIMS THAT HAD BEEN FILED DURING THE LAST WEEK.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ALSO REMINDED COMMISSIONER FINCH HE COULD GET READY TO PAY OUT SOME CLAIMS IF HE DIDN'T DO SOMETHING FROM PIONEER ROAD TO GILBERT MILL ROAD.

PELLETIER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON SOD NEEDING TO BE PLACED ON THE SHOULDERS OF THE ROAD ON THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY DUE TO THEM BEING WASHED OUT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED THIS COULD BE TAKEN CARE OF INHOUSE AND THE ROAD COULD BE WIDENED.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WAS ASKED TO RE-READ THE MOTION. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED COMMISSIONER BROCK IF HE WOULD LIKE TO AMEND HIS MOTION TO COMMIT TO DO WHATEVER THEY COULD ON ALL THREE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERENCED ALL THE ROAD BUILDING PROJECTS THEY HAVE GOING ON PRESENTLY AND WANTING TO ADD MORE AND MORE ROADS. HE QUESTIONED HOW THE COUNTY WAS GOING TO DO IT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED MOST OF THE ROAD PROJECTS REFERENCED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK WOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE TIME THE GRANT WAS FUNDED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK AMENDED HIS MOTION TO PROCEED WITH QUAIL HOLLOW AS FIRST CHOICE AND IF THERE IS ANY MONIES LEFT, GO A MILE WHERE EVER IT IS WORSE NEEDED.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WAS ASKED TO RE-READ THE AMENDED MOTION. WEBB ADVISED SHE WOULD NEED THE BOARD TO NAME THE ROAD TO APPLY TO THE EXTRA MILE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WEBB IF SHE COULDN'T LIST ALL THE ROADS AND THEN WHEN THE GRANT COMES THROUGH, APPLY THE FUNDING TO WHERE IT IS WORSE NEEDED.

WEBB SAID THE ONLY PROBLEM WITH THIS METHODOLOGY IS THE GRANT IS AWARDED BASED ON A POINTS SCALE SYSTEM; EACH ONE OF THE ROADS ARE ADDED ON THE APPLICATION AND IF ONE IS TAKEN AWAY, THE SCORE WILL GO DOWN. IF THE SCORE GOES DOWN TO PUT THE COUNTY OUT OF THE FUNDABLE RANGE, THEY WOULD HAVE TO PAY BACK WHAT HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH POINTED OUT THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAVING SAID THE \$758,000 DIDN'T INCLUDE ENGINEERING COST, ETC. AND THE GRANT AMOUNT PLUS THE COUNTY MATCH COULD ALL BE USED ON QUAIL HOLLOW.

CHAIRMAN HALL ADDRESSED THERE WAS A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO SUBMIT QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN SECONDING THE MOTION CONTINGENT ON ADDING GAINER ROAD IF FUNDING WAS AVAILABLE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN WITHDREW HIS SECOND AS COMMISSIONER BROCK WOULD NOT ACCEPT THE CONDITION OF HIS SECOND. COMMISSIONER COPE SECONDED THE MOTION TO ACCEPT QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD ONLY. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT FOR THE COUNTY MATCH FOR THE CDBG GRANT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD OBLIGATE SOME OF HIS DISTRICT MONIES TOWARD THE COUNTY MATCH BUT HE HAD OTHER COMMITMENTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED TO COMMISSIONER FINCH THE NEED TO CORRECT THE ROAD CONDITION FROM PIONEER ROAD TO GILBERT MILL ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO COMMIT \$300,000 COUNTY MATCH FOR THE CDBG ROAD GRANT. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE FUNDING OF THE \$300,000 WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREEING TO OBLIGATE AN EQUAL SHARE FROM HIS DISTRICT MONIES REFERENCING COMMITMENTS HE ALREADY HAS ON PROJECTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED ALL OF THE BOARD OBLIGATE ANY OF THEIR DISTRICT FUNDS THEY DON'T ALREADY HAVE COMMITTED ON PROJECTS.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THE BOARD COULD COMMIT TO THE \$300,000 AND POINTED OUT THE BUDGET COMMITTEE WAS WORKING ON THE FY 2004-2005 BUDGET AND IS NOT SURE IF MONIES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR A SALARY INCREASE FOR THE EMPLOYEES.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REMINDED THE BOARD THEY HAD INSTRUCTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO DRAW UP SOMETHING TO PURSUE A GAS TAX; IF THIS GETS ENFORCED, ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAD ADVISED IT COULD ONLY BE USED FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN POINTED OUT THE BOARD COULD COMMIT TO \$300,000 AND IF THEY CAN'T COME UP WITH THE MATCH, THEY COULD REJECT THE GRANT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THE GRANT WAS FOR \$750,000 AND THE GRANT PROJECT COST ONLY TOTALLED \$780,000 AND THE MATCH WAS NOT USED. WEBB ADVISED AN AMENDMENT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE TO THE GRANT POSSIBLY ADDING ANOTHER ROAD BECAUSE IF THE COUNTY COMMITS THE MONEY, THEY HAVE TO SPEND IT. IF THE MONEY IS NOT USED, IT WILL DROP THE COUNTY'S SCORE; HOWEVER, WEBB STATED THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THE COUNTY'S SCORE WOULD DROP AND STILL BE IN THE FUNDABLE RANGE AND EVERYTHING WOULD BE FINE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE COUNTY COULD KEEP UP WITH THE COST FOR ALL OF THE COUNTY'S INKIND SERVICES ON THE PROJECT TO ASSIST WITH THE COUNTY MATCH.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. GRANT FOR ENHANCEMENT OF 911 SERVICES-WEBB REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION; IF AWARDED, THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE WIRELESS 911 SYSTEM WOULD ALLOW LATITUDE AND LONGTITUDE TO COME UP WHEN A 911 CALL COMES IN. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A MATCH REQUIRED; WEBB ADVISED THERE WAS NO MATCH.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE OF WEBB'S REQUEST TO SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THIS WAS JUST FOR THE CALLS THAT GO IN TO 911; THEY CAN'T DETERMINE WHERE HE IS LOCATED JUST BY CALLING HIS NUMBER. WEBB REITERATED IT WAS JUST FOR CALLS COMING IN TO 911.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RORY CASSEDY, WASTE MANAGEMENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN UPDATED THE BOARD ON CASSEDY AND LYNN NECASE MEETING WITH HE AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ON THE BOARD'S REQUEST TO RENEW WASTE MANAGEMENT'S CONTRACT IF THEY WOULD AGREE TO DO AWAY WITH THE ANNUAL CPI INCREASE. DUE TO THE INCREASE IN GAS AND DIESEL PRICES, WASTE MANAGEMENT COULD NOT DELETE THE ANNUAL CPI INCREASES FROM THEIR CONTRACT; HOWEVER, THE ANNUAL INCREASE THIS YEAR WILL ONLY BE 1.9%, WON'T EXCEED 3% OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS AND THE HARDSHIP CASES HAVE BEEN INCREASED FROM 150 TO 250.

MR. CASSEDY ADDRESSED THE BOARD AGREEING WITH THE TERMS COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAD STATED AND REQUESTING THEY ALLOW WASTE MANAGEMENT TO CONTINUE SERVING WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO ENTER INTO ANOTHER FIVE YEAR LEASE WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT. CASSEDY ADVISED THE INCREASE WOULD RAISE THE RATE TO \$14.04. HE ALSO ADDRESSED HAVING SENT ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AN ADDENDUM TO CLEAN UP THE LANGUAGE OF THE CONTRACT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AMENDED HIS MOTION TO INCLUDE CONTINGENT ON REVIEW OF THE CONTRACT BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY. CASSEDY AGREED TO GET WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY ON THE CONTRACT CHANGES. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHAIRMAN HALL CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, IVEY SUNHOLM ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON LEISURE LAKE/CHAIN LAKE ROAD.

SUNHOLM SAID IT WAS DIFFICULT TO HEAR THE BOARD SAY THEY ARE GOING TO USE COUNTY FUNDS TO GET GRANT MONIES TO BUILD A ROAD DUE TO CHAIN LAKE NOT QUALIFYING FOR A GRANT. SHE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT GRADING DIDN'T DO ANY GOOD ON CHAIN LAKES ROAD.

SHE ADDRESSED THE ROAD CONDITIONS AND SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THE PEOPLE WOULD GET OUT IF THERE EVER WAS AN EMERGENCY OR IF EMERGENCY VEHICLES NEEDED TO COME IN, IT WOULD BE A DIFFICULT SITUATION FOR THEM.

SHE WAS REQUESTING NOT ONLY THE LAST HALF OF CHAIN LAKES ROAD TO BE PAVED BUT ALSO FOR THE FIRST HALF TO BE REDONE. SHE STATED SHE DIDN'T SEE A REASON FOR THE RESIDENTS TO BE SUBJECTED TO A THIRD WORLD TYPE ROAD AS THIS IS NOT A THIRD WORLD TYPE COUNTRY.

SHE QUESTIONED WHEN THE COUNTY WAS GOING TO START ON CHAIN LAKES ROAD AND REQUESTED A SPECIFIC DATE SO SHE COULD TELL THE RESIDENTS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED SUNHOLM'S STATEMENT ON THE COUNTY AGREEING TO FUND COUNTY MONIES TO GET GRANT FUNDING; HE POINTED OUT HE HAD SAID HE WOULD COMMIT FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY MATCH BUT HE HAD COMMITMENTS HE HAD TO DO FIRST WITH ONE OF THESE BEING CHAIN LAKES ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED THE COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND ASKED HIM IF THE PERMITS HAD NOT JUST BEEN RECEIVED TO ALLOW CLEARING TO BE DONE ON THE CURVE ON CHAIN LAKES ROAD. HE INFORMED MS. SUNHOLM THERE WAS ISSUES THAT HAD TO BE TAKEN CARE OF OTHER THAN PAVING.

KNAUER ADVISED THE DEP DREDGE AND FILL PERMITS WERE RECEIVED ABOUT A MONTH AGO BUT THEY HAD BEEN WAITING ON THE ARMY CORP OF ENGINEER PERMIT WHICH CAME IN ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH.

COMMISSIONER FINCH INFORMED SUNHOLM THEY WERE READY TO START WORK ON THE ROAD BUT COULDN'T GIVE HER AN EXACT DATE; HE REITERATED HE CHOSE TO DO CHAIN LAKE ROAD AND HAS COMMITTED TO DO IT.

FINCH EXPLAINED CHAIN LAKE ROAD WAS IN COMMISSIONER BROCK'S DISTRICT BUT HE IS GOING TO PROVIDE THE FUNDING AND WORK WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK.

COMMISSIONER FINCH EXPLAINED HE HAD THE EQUIPMENT FOR TWO WEEKS, IT GOES AWAY FOR THREE WEEKS AND THEN HE GETS IT BACK FOR TWO MORE WEEKS; ALL THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE TO ABIDE WITHIN THESE PERIMETERS. MS. SUNHOLM WAS ALSO ADVISED WHEN COMMISSIONER FINCH HAD THE EQUIPMENT IN HIS DISTRICT, HE HAD TO TAKE CARE OF OTHER ROAD ISSUES ALSO.

MS. SUNHOLM QUESTIONED WHAT THE CHANCES WERE TO GETTING THE FIRST HALF OF CHAIN LAKE ROAD RECOATED AT THE SAME TIME THE LAST HALF IS PAVED. COMMISSIONER FINCH TOLD SUNHOLM HE HAD PRESENTED THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION WITH A QUOTE FROM C. W. ROBERTS TO PUT DOWN A LEVELING COAT ON THE FIRST PART OF THE ROAD.

MS. SUNHOLM STATED THEY HAD THEIR OWN INTERIOR ROADS TO MAINTAIN AND THEY COULD NOT AFFORD TO PUT UP \$19,000 FOR A LEVELING COAT ON A COUNTY ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE COULD NOT AFFORD TO PAVE THE FRONT HALF AND THE LAST HALF OF THE ROAD TOO.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN TOLD SUNHOLM THERE WAS A LOT OF COUNTIES DOING SPLIT WORK WHERE THE PROPERTY OWNER AND THE COUNTIES ARE PAYING HALF THE COST.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED WITH SUNHOLM ON THE CONDITIONS OF THE ROAD BUT POINTED OUT THERE WERE A LOT MORE ROADS IN THE COUNTY IN JUST AS BAD OF SHAPE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK INFORMED SUNHOLM HE WAS BROKE. HE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT CHAIN LAKE WAS STILL IN COMMISSIONER FINCH'S MAINTENANCE DISTRICT BUT NOT IN HIS VOTING DISTRICT; EACH DISTRICT HAS ABOUT 300 MILES OF DIRT ROADS TO MAINTAIN. HE AGREED TO DO WHATEVER HE COULD TO HELP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED TO CONTACT COMMISSIONER BROCK WHEN THEY GET READY TO PAVE CHAIN LAKE ROAD TO SEE IF HE HAS ANY MONIES TO PAVE THE FIRST PART OF THE ROAD.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, ROGER HAGAN, INTRODUCED JIM HELMS, AREA I COORDINATOR FOR THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, BOB GOREE, WARNING COORDINATION METEROLOGIST WITH NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AND BEN NELSON, STATE METEROLOGIST WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.

HAGAN INFORMED THE BOARD OF APPROXIMATELY \$50,000 WHICH WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR SECURITY PURPOSES, PLANNING ISSUES, ENHANCEMENT ISSUES, ETC., FOR EOC DURING THE NEXT BUDGET YEAR.

MR. HELMS REPORTED WASHINGTON COUNTY WAS INVOLVED, ALONG WITH OTHER COUNTIES, WITH A FINISHED PRODUCT "UNDER STORM READINESS". HE INFORMED THE BOARD THAT WASHINGTON COUNTY WAS BEING AWARDED A CERTIFICATION FOR BEING A STORM READY COUNTY.

MR. GOREE PRESENTED THE BOARD OFFICIAL RECOGNITION FOR BEING A STORM READY COUNTY. THROUGH THE HARDWORK OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF AND THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE AND THE COUNTY THROUGH, HE STATED THEY WERE ABLE TO RECOGNIZE WASHINGTON COUNTY AS A STORM READY COUNTY. MR. GOREE INFORMED THE BOARD BEING A STORM READY COUNTY WAS ABOUT COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS TO RESPOND TO SEVERE WEATHER, KNOW IT IS COMING, COMMUNICATE AND UNDERSTAND SEVERE WEATHER WARNINGS. HE GAVE A CERTIFICATION TO THE BOARD RECOGNIZING WASHINGTON COUNTY AS A STORM READY COUNTY; THE PRESENTATION WAS MADE TO CHAIRMAN HALL AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR ROGER HAGAN.

HAGAN INTRODUCED LYNN WHITE AND CONNIE GILMAN OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF; THEY WENT THROUGH THE STORM SPOTTER TRAINING ALSO. HE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION TO THEM FOR MAKING THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM WORK. HAGAN ALSO ADDRESSED JERRY BROCK, 9-1-1 DIRECTOR, BEING PART OF THE PROGRAM BUT HE WAS OUT OF TOWN.

KIRK STULL WITH HDR ENGINEERING, ROSEMARY WOODS WITH PBS&J AND KATHY RICH OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION WERE PRESENT TO ADDRESS THE STATE ROAD 77 STUDY.

STULL ANNOUNCED THEY WERE READY TO HOLD A LARGE PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 9TH AT THE CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM. HE MADE A PRESENTATION TO UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE PROGRESS OF THE PDE STUDY:

- A. STATE ROAD 77 STUDY WAS FOR STATE ROAD 77 FOR THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF WASHINGTON COUNTY; TWO INCORPORATED CITIES ARE INCLUDED: CHIPLEY AND WAUSAU; I-10 AND RURAL STRETCHES IN BETWEEN.
- B. PDE STUDY IS ALL THE HOMEWORK THAT PRECEDES THE DESIGN OF A PROJECT; THEY LOOK AT TRAFFIC PROJECTIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS, DRAW THINGS UP ON AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY SO THE PUBLIC AND PROPERTY OWNERS CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT.
STULL ADVISED AT THE PRESENT TIME NOTHING BEYOND THE PDE STUDY IS FUNDED.
- C. THE STUDY GOES THROUGH 2030, SHOWS THE TRAFFIC WILL MORE THAN DOUBLE; THIS EQUALLY JUSTIFIES THE FOUR-LANING OF HIGHWAY 77
- D. FL-DOT WENT AN EXTRA MILE ON THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT WITH THE HIGHWAY 77 STUDY TO MAKE SURE THE COMMUNITY WAS INVOLVED IN THE PREPARATION OF ALL THE ALTERNATIVES THAT WILL BE CARRIED FORWARD. IN THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS, THEY KICKED OFF PRESENTATIONS AT THE OUTSET SO EVERYONE KNEW THEY WERE UNDERWAY; THEY FORMED CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEES, MANY OF WHICH WERE NOMINATED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; THEY MET WITH THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE THREE TIMES
- E. THE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 9TH IS THE ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC MEETING; THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ENTIRE CORRIDOR WILL COME LATER ON THIS YEAR
- F. STULL REFERENCED THE HANDOUT FOR THE PUBLIC MEETING ON MARCH 9TH; FIGURES 1 AND 2 SHOWS THE ALTERNATIVES FOR THE AREAS BETWEEN THE CITIES AND REFERENCED THE LOCATION OF THE GAS MAIN IS SOMETHING THEY ARE GOING

TO HAVE TO LOOK AT. HE THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING A LOT MORE THOUGHT AND CREATIVITY GIVEN; THE CITIZENS AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CAME UP WITH THE ALTERNATIVES, HDR WENT BACK AND DREW THEIR ALTERNATIVES UP ON AERIALS, DID SOME COST ESTIMATIONS AND THEIR IMPACTS, CAME BACK TO THE CITIZENS AGAIN AND ALLOWED THEM TO SHORTEN THEIR LIST OF ALTERNATIVES.

ROSEMARY WOODS THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE WORKSHOPS HELD IN CHIPLEY AND WAUSAU; THE CITIZENS CAME UP WITH ALTERNATIVES FOR THEM AND GAVE THEM IDEAS OF WHAT THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SEEING DONE:

- A. THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN WAUSAU CAME UP WITH SIX ALTERNATIVES; THE COMMITTEE WAS ASKED TO VOTE ON WHICH ALTERNATIVES THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE CARRIED FORWARD:
1. WESTERN BYPASS ON WESTERN SIDE OF EXISTING STATE ROAD 77
 2. ALTERNATIVE 2 IS AN EASTERN BYPASS
 3. ALTERNATIVE 4 IS A ONE WAY PAIR USING EXISTING STATE ROAD 77 AND JEFFERSON STREET
 4. ALTERNATIVE 6 IS WIDENING THE EXISTING STATE ROAD 77

WOODS STATED THE PRESENTATION SHE WAS MAKING WAS THE INFORMATION THAT WOULD BE PRESENTED AT THE MARCH 9TH PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO SEE WHAT THE PEOPLE ACTUALLY WANT TO SEE CARRIED FORWARD. SHE THEN WENT OVER THE ALTERNATIVE EVALUATION MATRIX INFORMATION FOR WAUSAU.

WOODS UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING THREE MEETINGS IN CHIPLEY ALSO AND A FACILITATED WORKSHOP AND ASKED THE PEOPLE TO COME UP WITH WHAT THEY THOUGHT THE BEST IDEA WAS TO MOVE TRAFFIC THROUGH THE AREA; THEY CAME UP WITH SIX ALTERNATIVES AS WELL WITH THREE BEING THROWN OUT BY THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE THREE ALTERNATIVES THEY FELT LIKE NEEDED TO BE CARRIED FORWARD TO THE PUBLIC MEETING:

1. ALTERNATIVE 1 WHICH IS A ONE WAY PAIR USING THE EXISTING STATE ROAD 77 NORTHBOUND AND USING SEVENTH STREET UNTIL IT COMES UP AND DEAD ENDS AND GOES ON A NEW ALIGNMENT BACK INTO HIGHWAY 77.
2. ALTERNATIVE 2 IS A ONE WAY PAIR USING EXISTING STATE ROAD 77, USES 7TH STREET, SHIFTS OVER TO 8TH STREET AND COMES BACK IN NORTH OF CHIPLEY
3. ALTERNATIVE 5 IS CONSIDERED A TRUCK ROUTE THAT COMES IN FROM HIGHWAY 77 BETWEEN WALMART AND PIZZA HUT, CONTINUES ON NEW ALIGNMENT THE WHOLE WAY AND GOES KIND OF PARALLEL TO PEACH STREET, CROSSES OVER 90 IN THE RAILROAD TRACK ON A BRIDGE. THERE WOULD BE A RAMP THAT WOULD COME OFF TO BE ABLE TO GET TO 90 BUT IT WOULD ACTUALLY BRIDGE OVER THE RAILROAD, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE BETTER EMERGENCY SERVICES IN THE AREA IF THE TRAIN WERE BLOCKING THE ROADWAY DOWNTOWN. IT THEN COMES BACK IN AND CONTINUES ON A NEW ALIGNMENT THROUGH THE PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL PARK AND COMES BACK IN NORTH ON 77

WOOD DIDN'T GO THROUGH ALL THE NUMBERS ON THE EVALUATION MATRIX FOR THESE ALTERNATIVES BUT THEY LOOKED AT THE SAME ISSUES THEY DID IN WAUSAU AS FAR AS THE IMPACT, WETLANDS, COST, ETC.

WOOD THEN INFORMED THE BOARD ALL THIS INFORMATION WOULD BE PRESENTED AT THE MARCH 9TH PUBLIC HEARING, PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO ASK QUESTIONS, THEY WOULD TAKE THIS INFORMATION INTO CONSIDERATION AS TO WHAT PEOPLE ARE IN FAVOR OR OPPOSED TO, DOCUMENT IT AND REFINE THE ALTERNATIVES IF NEEDED AND PRESENT THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE THE INFORMATION FROM THE PUBLIC MEETING AND ASK THEIR INPUT.

STULL READDRESSSED THE BOARD STATING THEY WANT THE BEST ALTERNATIVE AND NOT NECESSARILY THE CHEAPEST; THEY WANT IT TO COME OUT IN THE END WITH WHAT THE BEST PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE IS. HE THEN OPENED IT UP FOR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED STULL THERE WERE LANDOWNERS UPSET WHEN THEY LEARNED THE WESTERN ROUTE IN WAUSAU MIGHT BE THE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE; MOST PEOPLE HE HAD TALKED TO WAS IN FAVOR OF THE FOUR LANING GOING THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF WAUSAU AND WIDEN THE EXISTING SR 77. HE AGREED HIGHWAY 77 DEFINITELY NEEDED FOUR LANING AND THEY NEEDED TO DO WHATEVER POSSIBLE TO PUSH IT FORWARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE ALTERNATES IN CHIPLEY AND QUESTIONED THE IMPACT ON DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES. WOODS SAID IF EXISTING HIGHWAY 77 IS USED, THERE WOULD BE NO RIGHT OF WAY REQUIREMENTS THROUGH DOWNTOWN BECAUSE THERE IS JUST TWO LANES SOUTHBOUND; IT WOULD BE ONE WAY TRAFFIC FROM NORTH OF PLUM STREET TO HARREL STREET. HOWEVER, WOODS ADDRESSED THERE WOULD BE CONNECTOR ROADS. SHE ALSO POINTED OUT ALTERNATIVE 6 WOULD LEAVE HIGHWAY 77 AS IS AND DOWNTOWN CHIPLEY WOULD STAY THE SAME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK THEN REFERENCED THE RIGHT OF WAY COST FIGURES BEING ABOUT THE SAME EVEN WITH THE TRUCK ROUTE. WOOD EXPLAINED IN USING THE TRUCK ROUTE, THEY ARE LOOKING AT BUYING THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR A FOUR LANE FACILITY. THE DRAWINGS ONLY SHOWS THE BUILDING OF A TWO LANE; HOWEVER, IF THEY GO AHEAD AND PURCHASE THE RIGHT OF WAY NOW AND THE NEED COMES FOR A FOUR LANE FACILITY, THEY WOULD ALREADY HAVE THE RIGHT OF WAY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE BYPASSES IN WAUSAU WOULD BE A FOUR LANE OR A TWO LANE; STULL ADVISED THEY WOULD BE FOUR LANES; ALTERNATIVE FIVE, ACCORDING TO WOODS, WOULD ONLY SHOW THE NEED TO BUILD A TWO LANE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE COUNTY'S SOD FARM BEING INCLUDED WITH ALTERNATIVE FIVE IN CHIPLEY.

COMMISSIONER HALL QUESTIONED WITH ALTERNATIVE FIVE BEING JUST A TWO LANE, IF IT WOULD HAVE A BOTTLENECKING AFFECT; WOODS ADVISED IT WOULD NOT. SHE ALSO POINTED OUT AFTER THE MARCH 9TH MEETING, THEY WOULD GO BACK AND REFINE THE DRAWINGS AND GET A LOT MORE DETAIL ABOUT THE INTERSECTIONS AND IF THERE IS A SIGNAL NEEDED, ETC.

GLEN ZANETIC, MSBU COORDINATOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD WITH HIS REPORT:

1. PURCHASE OF ANOTHER MSBU VEHICLE--THE MSBU COMMITTEE MET AND APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF ANOTHER MSBU VEHICLE; SO FAR THEY HAVE PURCHASED A 3/4 TON TRUCK THE COUNTY GAVE THEM AND ADVISED THE SHERIFF HAS THE EXPLORER FOR THE CRIMEWATCH, A ONE TON TRUCK AND ARE LOOKING AT PURCHASING ANOTHER ONE TON TRUCK. HE EXPLAINED WITH THE PURCHASE OF THE ADDITIONAL ONE TON TRUCK, RATHER THAN FINANCING FOR FIVE YEARS, THEY WOULD FINANCE FOR SEVEN YEARS WHICH WOULD RAISE THEIR FINANCING COST BY APPROXIMATELY \$2,000 PER YEAR. HE ADVISED THE MSBU COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF THE TRUCK AND THE FINANCING AND HE WAS ASKING THE BOARD'S APPROVAL.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED ZANETIC IF HE THOUGHT MSBU HAD THE CAPABLE SOURCES TO PAY THE FINANCING. ZANETIC ADVISED THE NEXT TWO YEARS WITH MSBU WOULD BE THEIR TOUGHEST YEARS; THE NOTES CONTINUE TO COME DOWN OVER TIME AND IN TWO YEARS THE ASSESSMENTS WILL INCREASE. IF NOTHING CHANGES AS FAR AS ADDING ANY MORE ROADS, ETC., THEIR INCREASE WILL BE IN THEIR REVENUES AND THEY WILL ACTUALLY BE DECREASING THEIR COMMITMENTS. HE STATED THEY WERE CAPABLE OF HANDLING THE FINANCING CURRENTLY DUE TO THE BOARD'S SUPPORT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED HIS CONCERN WITH MSBU OVERLOADING THEMSELVES. ZANETIC ADVISED HE UNDERSTOOD THE CONCERN AND THE BOARD HAD A LOT ROUGHER JOB THAN HE DOES.

WHEN THEY HAVE EMERGENCIES, ETC., THEY HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEMS; HOWEVER, THEIR ASSESSMENTS IS BASICALLY A VALUE THAT IS ADDED ON TO ANYTHING MSBU DOES AND THEY DON'T WORRY ABOUT EMERGENCIES OR WHAT MIGHT COME IN THE FUTURE. THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO TAKE THE MSBU MONIES AND INVEST OR MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROPERTY AND ADD VALUE TO IT. WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE DIFFERENCE IN THE FIVE YEAR AND SEVEN YEAR FINANCING, ZANETIC STATED THE FIVE YEAR ANNUAL PAYMENT WOULD BE \$11,750; WITH THE SEVEN YEAR FINANCING, THE ANNUAL PAYMENT WOULD BE \$13,852.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT QUESTIONED ZANETIC ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT ALREADY OBLIGATED FOR DEBT SERVICE FOR MSBU; ZANETIC ADVISED THE TOTAL AMOUNT BUDGETED FOR EQUIPMENT WAS \$29,000 AND THIS WILL CHANGE TO \$31,000 NEXT YEAR; THEY ALSO HAVE A 2.5 MILLION LOAN WHICH WILL RUN BETWEEN \$210,000 AND \$214,000. HE ALSO POINTED OUT MSBU BRINGS IN \$300,000 AND THE BOARD ADDS TO THAT; THEIR DIRECT EXPENSES TOWARD NOTES WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$240,000 NEXT YEAR WHICH WILL LEAVE THEM \$60,000.

ZANETIC EXPLAINED HE WANTED TO TAKE THE \$11,750 THAT WAS BUDGETED FOR THIS YEAR AND GET SOME EQUIPMENT FOR THE TRUCKS AND PUT \$6,000 OF IT TOWARD OVERTIME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF MSBU'S REQUEST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED ZANETIC WATCH THE MSBU BUDGET AND NOT OVERLOAD IT.

2. PAYMENT TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$429,172.48—COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO PAY INVOICE FROM C. W. ROBERTS FROM MSBU MONIES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED ZANETIC ON THE OPEN HOUSE ON BOAT LAKE; ZANETIC ADVISED IT WOULD BE HELD ON MAY 8TH.

TED EVERITT, TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, ADDRESSED THE BOARD SHOWING THEM A DRAWING ON THE FUTURE BALLOON FESTIVAL SITE WHICH THE SCHOOL BOARD HAS APPROVED AT THE OLD CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL. EVERITT HAD SPOKEN WITH DALLAS CARTER, ROAD AND BRIDGE SUPERVISOR, AND ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY THE COUNTY COULD TAKE SOME OF THEIR USED CULVERTS AND PUT THEM AT THE NEEDED LOCATIONS AT THE BALLOON FESTIVAL SITE.

EVERITT ADVISED THE AGREEMENT HE HAS WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD IS IF EVERYTHING GOES OKAY THIS YEAR WITH THE BALLOON FESTIVAL AT THIS SITE, THEY WOULD CONSIDER LETTING TDC USE THE PROPERTY AGAIN NEXT YEAR.

EVERITT WAS REQUESTING THE CULVERTS, WHEN PUT IN, BE LEFT THERE FOR THREE TO FOUR WEEKS; THIS WOULD GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO GO BACK TO THE SCHOOL BOARD TO SEE WHAT THEIR POSITION WAS ON ALLOWING TDC TO CONTINUE TO USE THE SITE FOR THE BALLOON FESTIVAL. IF THEY AGREE FOR TDC TO USE IT AGAIN, HE WOULD REQUEST THE CULVERTS REMAIN ON THE SITE.

EVERITT WAS REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR DALLAS CARTER TO STOCKPILE USED CULVERTS FOR THE TDC BALLOON FESTIVAL SITE. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF EVERITT'S REQUEST.

EVERITT UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION IN TALLAHASSEE AND JOINTLY THEY, ALONG WITH HARD LABOR CREEK RIDERS, ARE DOING A MOTORCROSS HARE SCRAMBLE ON HIS PROPERTY. HOWEVER, LARKIN ROAD WILL NEED TO BE CLOSED FOR THIS EVENT; THE ONLY RESIDENT ON THE ROAD HAS VERBALLY AGREED TO ALLOW THE ROAD BE CLOSED. EVERITT AGREED TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH AN AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE LLOYDS.

EVERITT AGREED TO ALSO PUT IN WRITING, WHEN THE MOTORCROSS RACE IS OVER, THE COUNTY CAN COME INSPECT THE ROAD AND THE TRAIL RIDERS ASSOCIATION AND HARD

LABOR CREEK RIDERS WILL PAY, AT THEIR COST, TO DO WHATEVER IS NEEDED TO MAKE THE ROAD RIGHT.

HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON A COUPLE OF CULVERTS THAT WOULD BE NEEDED WHICH THEY WOULD BUY AT THEIR EXPENSE ALONG WITH THE DIRT TO GO OVER THE CULVERTS TO CROSS LARKIN ROAD; MR. LLOYD HAS AGREED TO STAY BEHIND THEIR LOCKED GATE FOR THE DURATION OF THE EVENT.

HE WAS REQUESTING APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD TO CLOSE LARKIN ROAD ON APRIL 17TH AND 18TH.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED CONCERNS WITH EMERGENCY VEHICLES GETTING IN AND OUT OF THE PROPERTY IF THEY NEEDED TO. EVERITT EXPLAINED THEY WOULD HAVE THEIR TRACTORS ON STANDBY AT THE SITE IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY AND THEY WOULD BE PUTTING ONE FOOT OF DIRT OVER THE ROCKS ON LARKIN ROAD.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED EVERITT MAKE THE FILL WHERE VEHICLES CAN CROSS THE ROAD; EVERITT REITERATED HE WOULD BE PUTTING ONE FOOT OF FILL OVER THE ROAD AND IF THERE IS ANY EMERGENCY, HE WILL HAVE A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION TO GET HELP AS WELL AS EQUIPMENT ON THE SITE.

EVERITT AGREED FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE DALLAS COME AND LOOK AT THE ROAD A FEW DAYS PRIOR TO THE EVENT TO MAKE SURE IT IS ALRIGHT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY THE LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THEY WOULD HAVE NO LIABILITY IF THE PROPERTY WAS PROPERLY POSTED AND THEY ADDED THE COUNTY ON THEIR INSURANCE AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF TEMPORARILY CLOSING LARKIN ROAD FOR THE MOTORCROSS RACE WITH WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM MR. LLOYD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK NOTED THE OUTSTANDING JOB EVERITT AND CECELIA DAVIS DID AT LEGISLATION DAY IN REPRESENTING WASHINGTON COUNTY.

EVERITT REFERENCED THE MORE PEOPLE AND POLITICIANS KNOW ABOUT WASHINGTON COUNTY, THE MORE GRANTS THE COUNTY WILL RECEIVE AND THE MORE THEY KNOW US, THE MORE MONEY THE COUNTY WILL GET; THERE IS A LOT OF OPPORTUNITY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, REPORTED ON SEVERAL ISSUES:

1. ORANGE HILL PARK-ORIGINAL APPLICATION SUBMITTED WAS OFF BY ABOUT 1.36 ACRES THEY DIDN'T HAVE CLEAR TITLE TO; THEY HAD TO REARRANGE THE SITE PLAN. THEY CHANGED THE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FIELD TO A SOCCER/FOOTBALL FIELD AND DELETED THE SHUFFLEBOARD. CECELIA DAVIS REITERATED WHAT KNAUER HAD SAID AND ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE NEW SITE PLAN FOR ORANGE HILL PARK. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE NEW SITE PLAN.
2. NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT- APPLICATION WAS TURNED IN TO THE FL-DEP BY NFWFMD FOR A 2,155 ACRE MITIGATION BANK. IN OCTOBER 2002 NFWFMD PURCHASED 2,155 ACRES TO TRY AND REDUCE THE IMPACT TO THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE RIVER WATER SHED; PINE LOG CREEK FLOWS INTO THE SANDHILLS AREA BEFORE IT HEADS SOUTH TO THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE RIVER AND THEY ARE TRYING TO PREVENT DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE AREA SINCE IT IS A RECHARGE BASIN. THEY WANTED TO TRY AND PROTECT IT BEFORE THE PANAMA CITY AREA HEADS NORTH. HE PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH INFORMATION ON THE MITIGATION AREA, MOSTLY TO THE WEST OF HWY 279, AND WENT OVER THE OBJECTIVES OF THE MITIGATION BANK. THE PERMITS, IF APPROVED, WOULD ALLOW NFWFMD TO MANAGE THESE LANDS. NFWFMD HAS AGREED TO ALLOW SOME HUNTING AND FISHING IN THESE AREAS AS LONG AS IT DOESN'T CONFLICT WITH THE GOALS IN THE MITIGATION BANK. KNAUER ADDRESSED HE FELT LIKE IT WAS POSSIBLE NFWFMD WAS

GOING TO TRY AND FIND A WAY FOR FL-DOT TO HELP PAY FOR THE LAND MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE LAND MITIGATION ADVISING THAT FL-DOT PAYS \$80,000 PER ACRE TO MITIGATE WETLANDS AND QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY THE COUNTY COULD GET INVOLVED AND GET SOME OF THIS FUNDING.

KNAUER ADVISED HE WANTED TO BRING THIS ISSUE TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON; IF THEY HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT THE PROJECT, THEY COULD HAVE THE ADMINISTRATOR CONTACT GEORGE FISHER OR BILL CLECKLEY OF NWFWM.

3. CHANGE ORDER TO C.W. ROBERTS CONTRACT-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CHANGE ORDER TO EXTEND THEIR CONTRACT ON THEIR PRICE FOR ASPHALT TO APRIL 1, 2005 AT \$42 PER TON WITH A MOBILIZATION CHARGE OF \$2,500 PER PROJECT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO APPROVE OF EXTENDING C. W. ROBERTS CONTRACT. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE \$2,500 MOBILIZATION CHARGE; KNAUER INFORMED THE BOARD ROBERTS ASKED THAT THEY TRY TO CONCENTRATE SEVERAL PROJECTS TOGETHER SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO MOBILIZE TO DO A SMALL PROJECT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED MR. REGISTER WITH C. W. ROBERTS SAYING HE WOULD ONLY CHARGE ONE MOBILIZATION CHARGE FOR THE AG CENTER, SOUTH BOULEVARD AND COLEMAN AVENUE PROJECT IF THEY WERE READY TO BE DONE AT ONE TIME. DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON THE WORDING OF THE CHANGE ORDER ON MOBILIZATION DUE TO THE \$2,500 PER PROJECT CHARGE. KNAUER READ THE LANGUAGE PERTAINING TO MOBILIZATION; HE FELT LIKE, IF THE BOARD GOT SEVERAL PROJECTS TOGETHER, C. W. ROBERTS WOULD WORK WITH THEM ON THIS CHARGE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. COLEMAN AVENUE-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING THE PLANS FOR THE PROJECT; HOWEVER, THERE WERE SOME ISSUES:
 - A. FOUR MANHOLES TO BE RAISED OR LOWERED
 - B. 48" OAK TREE IN PROPOSED PAVEMENT
 - C. POWER POLES TO BE RELOCATED
 - D. 4" WATER LINE UNDER PAVEMENT-CHIPLEY HAS AGREED TO RELOCATE THE WATER LINE.
 - E. MANHOLES WILL HAVE TO BE COORDINATED WITH THE FILL BEING BROUGHT IN

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON USING THE FILL ON THE OLD BALLOON FESTIVAL SITE ON THE COLEMAN AVENUE PROJECT TO CUT DOWN ON HAULING DISTANCE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COUNTY EQUIPMENT AND LABOR COMING IN AND PREPPING THE AG CENTER PROJECT, COLEMAN AVENUE PROJECT, SOUTH BOULEVARD AND THE RETENTION POND ON THE JOHNSON PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO DELAY MOVING COUNTY EQUIPMENT AND CREWS FROM DISTRICT TO DISTRICT UNTIL THE AG CENTER AND COLEMAN AVENUE PROJECTS ARE PREPARED FOR PAVING. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH KNAUER RECOMMENDING THE BOARD WAIT UNTIL THE CITY OF CHIPLEY GETS THE WATER LINE RELOCATED. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED ISSUES THAT HE WOULD NEED TO TAKE CARE OF THE FOLLOWING WEEK BUT AGREED TO WORK WITH THE BOARD IN ANYWAY HE COULD.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED TO AMEND HIS MOTION TO DELAY MOVING FROM DISTRICT TO DISTRICT TO DO THE AG CENTER PROJECT AND COLEMAN AVENUE PROJECT WHEN THE CITY OF CHIPLEY GETS THE

WATER LINE RELOCATED. COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED THE MOTION.

KNAUER RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM CHIPLEY CITY MANAGER, JIM MORRIS, AGREEING IF THE BOARD GAVE HIM A SCHEDULE ON GETTING THE WATER LINE ON COLEMAN AVENUE RELOCATED, HE WOULD MEET IT.

THE BOARD COMMITTED TO DOING THE JOHNSON RETENTION POND IN MARCH DUE TO THE GRANT DEADLINE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE SOUTH BOULEVARD PROJECT; KNAUER ADVISED FOR RESURFACING, IT WOULD NEED TO BE CLIPPED AND RINGS ON THE MANHOLES WOULD NEED TO BE RAISED. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. QUOTES FROM C. W. ROBERTS-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON QUOTES FOR:

- A. COLEMAN AVENUE- \$7,770 WITH \$2,500 MOBILIZATION
- B. AG CENTER-\$39,524
- C. NWFH RESURFACING-\$113,304; FUNDED BY HOSPITAL
- D. ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY-\$96,862 RESURFACE & LEVEL FROM PIONEER ROAD TO THE END OF THE COUNTY CDBG; THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE WIDENING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED TAKING THE MOBILIZATION FEE FOR THESE PROJECTS OUT OF THE AG CENTER GRANT. HE ALSO AGREED TO DO THE WIDENING ON ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY WITH HIS DISTRICT MONIES IF THE BOARD WOULD ALLOW HIM TO DO SO. HE ADVISED THAT COMMISSIONER FINCH HAD AGREED TO FUND UP TO \$50,000 IF NEEDED ON THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY PROJECT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED TO DO EVERYTHING EXCEPT THE ASPHALT, STRIPING AND PRIMING ON THE WIDENING STRIP. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE QUOTE FROM C. W. ROBERTS ON THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREEING TO DO THE WIDENING AND PAYING FOR PROJECT OUT OF HIS DISTRICT MONIES WITH HELP UP TO \$50,000 FROM COMMISSIONER FINCH IF NEEDED.

6. KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ESTIMATE ON SOUTH BOULEVARD FROM C. W. ROBERTS OF \$85,000; ROBERTS HAS PROVIDED A QUOTE OF ABOUT \$25,000 WORTH OF ASPHALT MORE THAN WHAT HE HAD ESTIMATED AND ON THE EAST SIDE ABOUT \$15,000 MORE ASPHALT THAN HE ESTIMATED. KNAUER INFORMED THE BOARD IF THEY SIGNED THE CONTRACT ON THE PROJECT, THEY WOULD BE GIVING ROBERTS THE AUTHORITY TO COME IN WITH THAT AMOUNT OF ASPHALT WHETHER HE FELT LIKE THAT AMOUNT WAS NEEDED OR NOT.

KNAUER RECOMMENDED THE BOARD APPROVE THE PROJECT BASED ON THE FINAL QUANTITIES BEING THE FINAL PRICE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO ACCEPT C. W. ROBERTS DOING THE SOUTH BOULEVARD PROJECT BASED ON THE COUNTY ENGINEER'S ENGINEERING AND THE QUANTITIES HE FEELS IS NEEDED NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT QUOTED. COMMISSIONER BROCK SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

CHAIRMAN HALL CALLED FOR A BREAK UNTIL 1:00 P.M. TO GO TO THE COURTHOUSE TO THE ELEVATOR DEDICATION TO PERRY WELLS.

PURSUANT TO THE RECESS, THE COUNTY ENGINEER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE SODDING OPERATION AT THE OLD BEEF UNIT PROPERTY; HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH DAVID CORBIN, PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, ABOUT SPRAYING THE FIELD WITH HERBICIDES, PESTICIDES, ECT. TO GET THE FIELD SHAPED UP. CORBIN ADDRESSED REPLANTING SOME

OF THE MATERIALS THAT HAD ALREADY BEEN CUT AND THAT THE BOARD HAD TALKED ABOUT PUTTING OUT CENTIPEDE; KNAUER RECOMMENDED PUTTING BERMUDA OUT, TOO.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE BRICKYARD ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT AND THE NEED TO GET AN INMATE CREW ON THE PROJECT FOR ABOUT A WEEK TO SOD THE SLOPE AS IT IS IN TERRIBLE SHAPE NOW; IF NOT ADDRESSED SOON, THE SIDEWALK WILL BE LOST.

KNAUER ADDRESSED GETTING A PRICE FROM GUETTNER & GUETTNER ON REMOVING ONE OF THE STOP BARS THAT WAS LOCATED AT THE WESTERN ENTRANCE TO THE SCHOOL; THE CONTRACTOR PAINTED THE OLD STOP BAR WHERE THE OLD STOP BAR USE TO BE AND THEN PAINTED A NEW STOP BAR; NOTHING WAS IN THE CONTRACT TO REMOVE STRIPING. HE HAS ASKED GUETTNER FOR A QUOTE TO REMOVE THE STOP BAR THAT IS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY.

KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE OUTER EDGE OF A 30' SECTION THAT DROPPED OFF WHEN THE SIDEWALK WAS POURED; IT IS BEING TORN OUT AND FIXED AND A BUNCH OF CRACKS ARE BEING REPLACED, ETC. KNAUER ADDRESSED THE CLEAN UP AFTER THE PROJECT WAS COMPLETED WAS ANOTHER ISSUE THAT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THE CONTRACTOR.

DAVID CORBIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD QUESTIONING WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE DONE ABOUT THE SOD FIELD AT THE OLD BEEF UNIT AND REPORTED THAT COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAD PAID FOR FIVE ACRES TO BE FERTILIZED AND HERBICIDED. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THIS WAS A COUNTY FUNCTION AND SHOULD COME OUT OF ROAD AND BRIDGE FUNDS RATHER THAN DISTRICT FUNDS. AFTER DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE COMMISSIONER COPE TO WORK WITH DAVID AND WHATEVER THEY THINK NEEDS TO BE DONE, THE BOARD SUPPORT IT.

DAVID CORBIN ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THREE INMATE CREWS TO WORK ON THE BRICKYARD ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT SODDING; THEY WOULD CUT IN THE MORNING TIME AND AS SOON AS THE BUS RUNS IN THE AFTERNOON, THEY WOULD DO THE SODDING.

KNAUER REPORTED HE HAD GOTTEN A QUOTE TO HYDROSEED BUT IT WAS VERY EXPENSIVE DUE TO IT BEING SUCH A SMALL PROJECT. HE ADDRESSED THE NEED TO SOD EVERYTHING ON THE BANKS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON OTHER DISTRICTS HAVING REQUESTED SOD BUT HADN'T GOTTN IT YET.

THE BOARD AGREED FOR CORBIN TO DO WHATEVER NECESSARY TO GET THE JOB DONE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED A PROBLEM WITH SATISFYING THE JOINERS AND THE GILBERTS ON JOINER ROAD; HE QUESTIONED KNAUER IF HE KNEW WHAT ENFINGER MIGHT HAVE PROMISED THEM. CORBIN THEN REITERATED WHAT HE HAD SAID IN PREVIOUS MEETINGS ON WHAT THE GILBERTS AND JOINERS WERE REQUESTING:

- A. WHERE THE FIVE PIPES ARE LOCATED, THEY WANT A FENCE ACROSS IT, BUY SOME 18' POLES AND CARRY THEM ALL THE WAY TO THE TOP SO JOINER CAN BUILD A TRAP TO SWING OPEN WHEN THE WATER IS THROUGH
- B. WHEN THE FOXWORTHS FENCE WAS PUT IN ACROSS ROAD FROM JOINERS AND GILBERTS, 6'X6' ON THE END AND 4'X4' EVER 7'; GILBERT IS WANTING 6'X6' AND 8'X8'.

KNAUER ADVISED HE DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING BLOCKING THE CULVERTS THAT WERE PUT IN; DEBRIS WILL GET IN THEM.

CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE THE MONEY TO DO WHAT THEY ARE WANTING DONE; IT WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN OUT OF ROAD AND BRIDGE MONIES.

DAVID CORBIN PROVIDED A QUOTE ON WHAT GILBERT AND JOINER WERE REQUESTING:

- \$410.86 TO BUILD WHAT BOARD VOTED TO DO PREVIOUSLY
- \$812.00 TO BUILD WHAT GILBERT IS REQUESTING FOR FENCE
- \$262.50 EXTRA FOR POLES TO BE PUT BETWEEN PIPES

THE JOINERS AND GILBERTS ARE ALSO WANTING A GATE. DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH IT BEING ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAS ALREADY PAID THE JOINERS AND GILBERTS FOR THEIR PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BOARD DO WHAT THE JOINERS AND GILBERTS ARE REQUESTING; HOWEVER, HE WANTS ALL THE EXTRA EXPENSE TAKEN OUT OF ROAD AND BRIDGE FUNDS IF IT GETS DONE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR MS. GILBERT TO TAKE THE SAME FENCING AS ACROSS THE ROAD OR NOTHING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. LAND USE CHANGE FOR A BARROW PIT APPROVED BY THE BOARD AT THE LAST MEETING; PART OF THE AGREEMENT ON THE LAND USE CHANGE WAS TO REQUIRE THEY PAY \$.05 A YARD FOR ALL MATERIALS EXCAVATED. THE PETITIONER FILED A SUIT AND TRIED TO SERVE IT ON HIM YESTERDAY; HE REQUESTED THEY WAIT UNTIL TODAY. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD RESCIND THE \$.05 A YARD. BASED ON ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S RECOMMENDATION, COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO RESCIND THE \$.05 A YARD.
2. PRESENTED REQUESTED DISTRIBUTION SHEET ON HOSPITAL LOAN:
 - A. #6; \$53,142-ACCORDING TO LEASE AGREEMENT, THE BOARD IS REQUIRED TO TAKE CARE OF ALL LEGAL ISSUES THAT OCCURRED PRIOR TO THE CLOSING; THIS COST IS FOR LEGAL FEES STILL OWED TO AKKTONS SUIT FOR ATTORNEY'S FEE
 - B. #5; \$6,600 IS ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR THE HOSPITAL'S ATTORNEY ON LAST LAWSUIT FILED
 - C. #4, \$7,365 IS ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR SUIT FILED BY JIM KENT
 - D. #3, \$68,236.25 IS FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO COMMISSIOENR HALL FOR DISTRICT MONEY
 - E. #2, \$26,525 IS FOR CLOSING COSTS OF LOAN
 - F. #1, \$2,903,878 IS LOAN AMOUNT
 - G. THERE IS STILL \$150,000 TO BE HELD BY COUNTY FOR ANY OTHER MATTERS OF PENDING LITIGATIONS

HE REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE DEPUTY CLERK CARTER TO TRANSFER THESE MONIES; COMMISSIONER HALL'S MONEY NEEDS TO BE TRANSFERRED TO HIS ACCOUNT; #2 TO BE TRANSFERRED TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S TRUST ACCOUNT AND THE REMAINDER TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF ALL THE \$26,525 WAS ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S FEES; HOLLEY ADVISED ONLY ABOUT HALF OF IF WAS HIS FEES AND HALF IS FOR TITLE INSURANCE. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF ATTORNEY HOLLEY WOULD RECEIVE ANY OF THE OTHER ATTORNEY FEES HE LISTED ON THE REQUESTED DISTRIBUTION; ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HE DID NOT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THE LICENSE HAD BEEN TRANSFERRED; ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE LICENSE HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED EFFECTIVE MONDAY, MARCH 1ST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THE HOSPITAL BOARD WOULD HAVE TO DO ANYTHING ELSE; ATTORNEY HOLLEY REFERENCED ONLY SIGNING PAPERS AND AT THE LAST MEETING, IT WAS AUTHORIZED FOR THE APPROPRIATE PEOPLE TO SIGN THE CLOSING DOCUMENTS. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHEN THESE MONIES ARE TRANSFERRED, WHO WOULD THEY BE TRANSFERRED TO; ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE MONIES WOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL. THE HOSPITAL WOULD SIGN A PROMISSORY NOTE AGREEING TO PAY THE LOAN AMOUNT BACK AS THE LEASE AGREEMENT PROVIDED; IMMEDIATELY AFTER IT IS TRANSFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL, THEY WILL SIGN A NOTE AND THERE WILL BE AN ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT SIGNED BY SCHLENKER'S CORPORATION AGREEING TO ASSUME THIS LOAN AS WELL AS THE OTHER LOANS. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF SCHLENKER GOES OUT OF BUSINESS WOULD SCHLENKER BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LOANS;

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED SCHLENKER IS RESPONSIBLE TO THE BOARD BUT THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE TO THE LIENHOLDER. HOLLEY ADVISED THE ONLY WAY TO UNDO THIS IS IF THE LIENHOLDER WOULD AGREE TO RELEASE THE COUNTY AND HE DOESN'T FEEL LIKE THEY WILL DO THAT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE PROMISSORY NOTE WOULD HAVE THE PRIORITIZED SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES ATTACHED TO IT AS AN EXHIBIT AND SCHLENKER WILL HAVE TO ACCOUNT FOR THE EXPENDITURES ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO THE BOARD AND IF HE FAILS TO SPEND IT THE WAY IT IS AUTHORIZED, THAT WOULD BE A DEFAULT OF THE NOTE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THERE WAS LANGUAGE IN THE LEASE SHOULD SCHLENKER SUBLEASE THE HOSPITAL, THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO APPROVE IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY READ THE REASONS THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE DEFAULT OF THE PROMISSORY NOTE:

- A. FAILURE OF THE MAKER TO TIMELY PAY ANY INSTALLMENT REQUIRED HEREIN WITHIN 15 DAYS OF THE DUE DATE
- B. FAILURE TO EXPEND THE LOAN AMOUNT OR ANY PART OF IT, FOR USES OR PURPOSES IDENTIFIED IN THE PRIORITIZED LIST OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT EXCEPT THAT AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 TO BE USED FOR PHYSICIAN RECRUITMENT AND TO SUBMIT TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY FLORIDA A WRITTEN REPORT SHOWING HOW THE LOAN MONIES ARE BEING EXPENDED; SAID REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED ON A QUARTERLY BASIS UNTIL THE LOAN MONIES ARE EXPENDED
- C. FAILURE TO TIMELY PAY ANY INTEREST ABOVE 4% BECOMING DUE AND PAYABLE ON THE SERIES 2003 VARIABLE RATE DEMAND SALES TAX REVENUE BONDS AS REQUIRED. SCHLENKER AGREED TO PAY THE INTEREST ABOVE 4% ON THE 3.2 MILLION BORROWED. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE \$3.2 MILLION BEING USED FOR SOMETHING OTHER THAN WHAT WAS APPROVED AND REFERENCED ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATING THERE WERE STILL OTHER ATTORNEY FEES TO BE PAID. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED MONIES FOR OTHER ATTORNEY FEES WAS GOING TO BE HELD BACK OUT OF THE \$3.2 MILLION BY THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A CLAUSE IN THE HOSPITAL LEASE WHERE THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO APPROVE FOR SCHLENKER TO SUBLEASE THE HOSPITAL. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HE WAS NOT SURE IF THIS WAS INCLUDED IN THE LEASE BUT THE FINAL VERSION PROVIDED TO THE BOARD IS WHAT IS IN IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REITERATED HE NEEDED A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE DEPUTY CLERK CARTER TO TRANSFER \$68,236.25 TO COMMISSIONER HALL'S DISTRICT MONIES, \$26,525 TO THOMAS G. HOLLEY TRUST ACCOUNT AND THE REMAINDER OF THE REQUESTED DISTRIBUTION TO NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. HE ADVISED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER HE WOULD COME BY HER OFFICE THE FIRST THING ON FEBRUARY 27TH TO PICK UP THE CHECKS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE OF ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S RECOMMENDATION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED HE WAS IN FAVOR OF PAYING COMMISSIONER HALL HIS MONEY BACK BUT SINCE THE MONEY TO THE HOSPITAL IS INCLUDED IN THE MOTION, HE IS NOT GOING TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED WHAT COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED AGREEING COMMISSIONER HALL SHOULD GET HIS MONIES BACK; HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ACTION IN TWO MOTIONS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THEY COULD MAKE TWO SEPARATE MOTIONS IF THEY WANTED TO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK AND COPE AGREED TO AMEND THEIR MOTION TO TRANSFER \$26,525 TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S TRUST ACCOUNT AND REIMBURSE COMMISSIONER HALL HIS \$68,236.25 DISTRICT MONIES. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S RECOMMENDATION TO TRANSFER THE REMAINDER OF THE DISTRIBUTION LIST FUNDING TO NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. (\$2,970,985.09) COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND FINCH OPPOSED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. RECOMMENDED EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY BE HELD ON APRIL 8TH AT 12 NOON. ALL OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS ARE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE BUT TAX COLLECTOR ADVISED SHE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO CLOSE DOWN THAT AFTERNOON. EVENTS PLANNED INCLUDE THOMPSON CATERPILLAR WILL PROVIDE THE FOOD, A SOFTBALL GAME BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WILL BE HELD WITH SUSAN LAWSON AND STACY WEBB COORDINATING THIS EVENT, HORSESHOES WILL BE COORDINATED BY EDDIE RILEY AND ROBERT PETTIS, VOLLEYBALL WILL BE COORDINATED BY MALCOLM GAINNEY AND ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE COORDINATED BY DAVID CORBIN. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THE APPRECIATION DAY COULD START AT 2:00 P.M. RATHER THAN AT 12 NOON BUT AGREED TO APPROVE OF WHATEVER THE BOARD DECIDED. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT'S RECOMMENDATION FOR EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY STARTING AT 12:00 NOON ON APRIL 8TH.
2. COMMISSIONER BROCK HAD REQUESTED HE BRING UP PUTTING THE MONIES BACK IN THE PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET TO EXPAND THE OFFICE SPACE WITH BUILDING MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT DOING THE WORK. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK STATING ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE WAS BADLY NEEDED AT PUBLIC WORKS. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE FOR DISCUSSION TO APPROVE OF COMMISSIONER BROCK'S REQUEST TO PUT MONIES BACK IN THE PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET TO EXPAND THEIR OFFICE SPACE. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON \$20,000 HAVE BEEN REQUESTED IN THE BUDGET FOR THE EXPANSION OF OFFICE SPACE BUT WAS TAKEN OUT DUE TO BUDGET CUTS. COMMISSIONER BROCK RECOMMENDED TAKING THE MONIES OUT OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTINGENCY. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REMINDED THE BOARD OF THEIR BUDGET SITUATION. THE MOTION CARRIED.
3. INFORMATION ITEM ON COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM MEETING. PROJECTS CURRENTLY FUNDED BY CTST AND IN PROGRESS INCLUDE ROAD STRIPING MACHINE, SPEED LIMIT MACHINE, SIDEWALK AND OLD BONIFAY. CTST IS REQUESTING THE BOARD SUBMIT A NEW LIST OF PROJECTS AND HERBERT RECOMMENDED THE BOARD MEMBERS GET WITH HIM ON ANY PROJECT THEY MAY WANT TO SUBMIT AND HE WILL ASSIST THEM WITH FILLING OUT THE NECESSARY FORMS. CTST IS ALSO LOOKING AT HAVING A RIBBON CUTTING ON THE SIDEWALK ON BRICKYARD ROAD THE FIRST WEEK IN APRIL.
4. BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO TRANSFER \$1,563 FROM OPERATING SUPPLIES TO \$500 TO RENTALS AND LEASES, \$400 TO PRINTING AND BINDING AND \$663 TO OFFICE SUPPLIES. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENT.
5. RECOMMENDED CHANGING DATE ON COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS FOR MAY DUE TO THE HURRICANE CONFERENCE AND JUNE DUE

TO THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES CONFERENCE;
RECOMMENDATION FOR MEETING DATES ARE MAY 20TH AND JUNE
17TH. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY
COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ADMINISTRATOR
HERBERT'S RECOMMENDATION.

6. JOEL PATE SUBMITTED HIS RESIGNATION TO THE PARK AND
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE; DAVID CORBIN RECOMMENDED
THE APPOINTMENT OF KAREN RUSTIN TO REPLACE PATE. COM-
MISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF DAVID'S RECOMMENDATION.
7. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BUDGET
COMMITTEE MEETINGS THAT HAD BEEN HELD. THE FIRST MEETING
THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED HOW THEY WERE GOING TO PROCEED
WITH THE BUDGET PROCESS; THEY DECIDED TO ASK EACH COUNTY
DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT A PRELIMINARY BUDGET WITH MACHINERY
AND EQUIPMENT LISTED SEPARATELY TO BE TURNED IN BY FEBRUARY
26TH. THE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW THE BUDGETS WITH THE
DEPARTMENT HEADS ON MARCH 3RD ONE AT A TIME GOING OVER EACH
LINE ITEM.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS MET WITH THE BUDGET COMMITTEE
AT THEIR SECOND MEETING; THEY ARE GOING TO TRY AND SUBMIT
A BUDGET EARLY NEXT MONTH. THEIR TOP PRIORITIES AND
CONCERNS WERE:

- A. GIVING COUNTY EMPLOYEES RAISES
- B. SHERIFF ADDRESSED CONCERN WITH HAVING TO COMPETE WITH
OTHER COUNTIES AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES IN
WASHINGTON COUNTY DUE TO EMPLOYEE SALARIES
- C. IF SALARIES CAN'T BE BROUGHT UP TO COMPETE WITH OTHER
AGENCIES THIS YEAR, MAKE A COMMITMENT TO BRING THEM
UP WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS TO BE MORE COMPETITIVE
- D. DISCUSSION HELD ON HOW HEALTH INSURANCE HAS GONE UP EACH
YEAR AND ASKED IT BE BROUGHT UP TO SEE IF IT COULD BE
BID OUT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD BEING
TOLD LAST YEAR THEY COULD GO DIRECTLY TO BCBS IN
TALLAHASSEE AND SAVE \$75,000 TO \$100,000 PER YEAR AND
CUT OUT THE COUNTY AGENT. NO ONE REMEMBERED THIS
BEING SAID. COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED HERBERT
CHECK WITH JAMES SPIVEY IN TALLAHASSEE ABOUT GOING
THROUGH HIM TO SEE WHAT SAVINGS THERE WOULD BE.
HERBERT ADDRESSED THE RISK INVOLVED WHEN PUTTING THINGS
OUT FOR BID THAT THE PRICES MAY BE HIGHER.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE FINAL PAYMENT TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR
\$71,000; THE FIRST BILL HE GOT REGARDING THE FINAL PAYMENT SHOWED \$69,000 AND
QUESTIONED KNAUER ON THE DIFFERENCE. KNAUER ADDRESSED THIS COULD HAVE BEEN THAT
THE FIRST BILL DIDN'T INCLUDE ALL THE DRIVEWAYS ON IT.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER MADE HER REPORT:

- A. VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR JANUARY 2004
TOTALLING \$2,506,270.35. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED
A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO
APPROVE OF PAYING THE VOUCHERS.
2. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT DOMESTIC SECURITY AND DRUG ERADICATION
GRANT TOTALLING \$3,400; PAT SASSER OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
SENT CERTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE ON GRANT TO BE SIGNED
BY THE CHAIRMAN AND REQUESTED A LETTER BE WRITTEN STATING
COMMISSIONER HALL WAS THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. COM-
MISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE CHAIRMAN SIGNING THE

CERTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIS MEETING WITH STEVE PADGETT, OWNER OF THE FALLING WATERS GOLF COURSE, AND JIM MORRIS, CHIPLEY CITY MANAGER; THEY DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF THE CITY AND COUNTY JOINTLY PURCHASING THE GOLF COURSE FROM PADGETT AND FINANCING OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED BASED ON THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE GOLF COURSE, IT WOULD BASICALLY PAY FOR ITSELF.

JIM MORRIS ADDRESSED THE POSSIBILITY OF ALLOCATING FUNDING OVER A TEN YEAR PERIOD; DURING THIS PERIOD, IT WOULD GIVE THE COUNTY AND CITY TIME TO WORK ON GETTING GRANTS TO HELP PAY TOWARD THE BALANCE OF THE LOAN. DUE TO IT BEING BUILT IN 1929, THE CITY AND COUNTY WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT PRESERVED. HE ADVISED THE BOARD THE CITY COUNCIL IS INTERESTED IN PURSUING THE GOLF COURSE WITH THE COUNTY IF POSSIBLE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE PURCHASE WOULD HAVE TO BE THROUGH A LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO APPOINT PADGETT, MORRIS, FINCH AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO WORK TOGETHER AND BRING BACK A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD ON WHAT COULD BE DONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WAS INTERESTED IN KNOWING IF THIS IS SOMETHING THE BOARD IS WANTING TO DO. COMMISSIONER CORBIN POINTED OUT THE BOARD, AT THIS TIME, DOESN'T KNOW HOW MUCH THEY WOULD HAVE TO COMMIT PROVIDING THERE IS NO GRANTS AND PADGETT WILL WANT TO KNOW WHAT HIS LEASE PAYMENT WILL BE.

STEVE PADGETT ADVISED THE BOARD THE GOLF COURSE BRINGS IN REVENUES TO OFFSET ANY EXPENSE. THE COUNTY WILL BE ABLE TO USE INMATES TO TAKE CARE OF THE MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITY; THE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO CREATE A GREENSKEEPER SUPERINTENDENT PROGRAM; THERE WOULD BE A LOT OF COMMUNITY PROGRAMS THAT WOULD USE THE FACILITY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED TO DO WHAT COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAD RECOMMENDED AND LOOK AT THE REVENUE COMING IN FROM THE GOLF COURSE AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE OBLIGATED TO PURCHASE IT.

MORRIS ADDRESSED HE HAD LOOKED AT THE REVENUES THE GOLF COURSE HAD BROUGHT IN; IT IS ON A DOWNHILL SIDE RIGHT NOW, BUT IF IT WAS BUILT UP, IT WOULD CREATE MORE DOLLARS THAN IT IS BRINGING IN NOW AND PROBABLY WITHIN A TEN YEAR PERIOD, IT WILL COME CLOSE TO PAYING FOR ITSELF.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE OWNER WOULD BE WILLING TO FINANCE; MORRIS SAID HE WOULDN'T HAVE A CHOICE AND HE WAS SURE A MUTUAL AGREEMENT COULD BE WORKED OUT.

PADGETT SAID HE WOULD DO WHATEVER POSSIBLE TO KEEP THE PROPERTY A GOLF COURSE.

JIM MORRIS UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CITY PLANNING FOR A NEW TREATMENT PLANT AND THE ONLY PROPERTY THEY CAN FIND IS IN SUNNY HILLS; THE CITY WOULD NEED AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY PERTAINING TO THE COUNTY RIGHT OF WAYS IF THEY START RUNNING LINES. MORRIS SAID HE WOULD GET IT DRAWN UP FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN, AND, IF NECESSARY, BRING IT BACK BEFORE THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN PROVIDING A COUNTY WIDE WATER SYSTEM, ASSUMING THEY COULD GET A GRANT AND IT COULD BE PROVEN IT WOULD PAY FOR ITSELF.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WOULD BE INTERESTED IF IT WOULD PAY FOR ITSELF AND GRANT FUNDING WERE AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THIS WOULD ASSIST WITH FUTURE GROWTH AND IT WOULD BE A WAY TO GENERATE FUNDS.

COUNTY ENGINEER, KNAUER, ADVISED THE BOARD THEY MAY QUALIFY FOR A RURAL DEVELOPMENT LOAN BUT DUE TO THE COMMUNITIES BEING SO SPREAD OUT, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE DIFFICULT TO PROVE THE FEASIBILITY OF A COUNTY WIDE WATER SYSTEM. HE RECOMMENDED CONCENTRATING ON THE AREAS WITH HIGHER DENSITY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN MADE A MOTION TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER FINCH, JIM MORRIS, COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER AND HAROLD REGISTER TO WORK ON THIS. HAROLD REGISTER DECLINED ACCEPTING THE APPOINTMENT.

COMMISSIONER HALL APPOINTED COMMISSIONER FINCH, JIM MORRIS, CLIFF KNAUER AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO BRING INFORMATION BACK TO THE BOARD ON THE POSSIBILITY OF A COUNTY WIDE WATER SYSTEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REPORTED ON URBAN FISHING DAY BEING MAY 15TH IF THE BOARD WILL APPROVE THAT DATE; WALMART AND SOIL CONSERVA- TION WILL BE PROVIDING THE MONEY FOR PRIZES. HE REQUESTED BLUE LAKE BE CLOSED FOR URBAN FISHING DAY THE LAST WEEK IN APRIL THRU MAY 14TH.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO APPROVE OF CLOSING BLUE LAKE THE LAST WEEK IN APRIL THRU THE 15TH OF MAY FOR THE URBAN FISHING DAY AND TO HOLD THE URBAN FISHING DAY ON MAY 15TH. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE COUNTY SPONSOR THE EVENT LIKE THEY DID THE FIRST YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH POINTED OUT THIS WOULD PUT A LOT OF HARD WORK ON DAVID CORBIN AND CECILIA DAVIS. HE ASKED IF THE BOARD COULD JUST APPROVE OF URBAN FISHING DAY BEING HELD ON MAY 15TH AND WORRY ABOUT THE FUNDING LATER. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HAD ALREADY MADE THAT MOTION. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER RE-READ THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR. COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED IT AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED HOW COMMISSIONER BROCK HAD THE AUTHORITY TO PUT ROCK ON BILL WORLEY ROAD AS IT IS PRIVATE ROAD; HE REFERENCED HE WAS REPEATEDLY TOLD COUNTY EQUIPMENT COULDN'T GO IN CRYSTAL VILLAGE BECAUSE IT WAS PRIVATE PROPERTY UNTIL RECENTLY ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THEY COULD GO IN THERE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK STATED IT WAS DUE TO THE SCHOOL BUS NEEDING TO GET IN THERE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED HIS QUESTION AS TO THE AUTHORITY HE HAD TO DO IT; COMMISSIONER BROCK RESPONDED IT WAS THE SAME REASON THE COUNTY WENT IN TO LEISURE LAKES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE BOARD APPROVED PUTTING CLAY ON LEISURE LAKES; HE THEN RE-ASKED COMMISSIONER BROCK HOW HE HAD AUTHORITY WITHOUT GETTING BOARD APPROVAL TO GO ON BILL WORLEY ROAD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK RESPONDED THE SCHOOL BOARD HAD WRITTEN A LETTER REQUESTING ASSISTANCE WITH THE ROAD AND INFORMED COMMISSIONER FINCH TO CONTACT THE PARENTS OF THE KIDS RIDING THE BUS IF HE HAS A PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK HE DIDN'T HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DO IT; HE REQUESTED COMMISSIONER BROCK SHOW HIM WHERE A COMMISSIONER HAS THE RIGHT TO GET ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT GETTING BOARD APPROVAL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED THE BOARD NOT ALLOWING HIM TO WORK ON ROADS IN CRYSTAL VILLAGE UNTIL ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID, BASED ON THE FACT THAT WAS AN OLD COUNTY DEDICATION, THEY COULD DO THE WORK IN CRYSTAL VILLAGE IF THEY WANTED TO; HOWEVER, BILL WORLEY ROAD IS NOT A COUNTY DEDICATION, IT IS PRIVATE PROPERTY AND IT IS NOT RIGHT AS THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE ON A COUNTY ROAD WHO IS NEEDING ROCK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK STATED HE FELT THERE WAS JUSTIFICATION DUE TO THE KIDS. COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED COMMISSIONER BROCK SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY PUBLIC WORK EMPLOYEES IF THEY COULD BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO WORK WITH THEM ON KIDS DAY DUE TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS BRINGING THEIR KIDS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN STATED HE DIDN'T FEEL LIKE IT WOULD BE SAFE TO HAVE THE KIDS AROUND THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT INFORMED THE BOARD IN THE PAST THE INSURANCE AGENT HAS RECOMMENDED THE BOARD NOT ALLOW THIS DUE TO THE HEAVY EQUIPMENT.

CHAIRMAN HALL ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY HALF FOR PAVING A MILE ON RIVER LAKE ROAD AS AN INDIVIDUAL HAS SAID HE WOULD BE WILLING

TO PAY FOR HALF OF THE ASPHALT. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED TO OBLIGATE ANY FUNDING HE MAY HAVE LEFT WHEN HE COMPLETES HIS CURRENT OBLIGATIONS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING RECEIVED A LOT OF CALLS FROM JOHN CARTER AND HIS WIFE WANTING THE COUNTY TO GRADE THE ROAD THAT HAS BEEN IN DISPUTE BETWEEN THEM AND THE BLOUNTS. THE BOARD HAD TAKEN ACTION PREVIOUSLY TO GO AHEAD AND MAINTAIN THE ROAD AS THEY HAD BEEN DOING IN THE PAST; THE BLOUNTS THEN CAME BEFORE THE BOARD REQUESTING THE BOARD NOT MAINTAIN THE ROAD AND IT WAS THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS NOT TO PUT ANY MORE EQUIPMENT IN THERE UNTIL THE BLOUNTS WENT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND APPLIED TO HAVE THE ROAD CLOSED. HERBERT SAID THE BLOUNTS HAVE NOT DONE THIS AS OF YET.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE ROAD NEEDED GRADING BUT THE CARTERS CAN STILL GET IN AND OUT; THE ROAD IS CROWNED ENOUGH SO THE WATER CAN RUN OFF. HE STATED THE PROBLEM IS HOWARD BLOUNT SAYS THE ROAD IS HIS PROPERTY AND JOHN CARTER DOESN'T HAVE AN EASEMENT TO IT; THE CITY OF WAUSAU SAYS IT IS NOT A STREET.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED UNLESS THE COUNTY CAN PROVE THEY INITIALLY CONSTRUCTED THE ROAD, THEY DON'T HAVE A RIGHT TO BE ON IT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE ROAD BEING IN THE CITY LIMITS; IT WAS ALSO POINTED OUT THE CITY IS SAYING IT IS A DRIVEWAY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE COUNTY HAS GRADED THE ROAD IN THE PAST BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THEY INITIALLY CONSTRUCTED IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED HOW LONG HAD THE COUNTY BEEN MAINTAINING IT AND QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF IT HAD BEEN A PEACEFUL ROAD FOR 20 YEARS, CAN'T THE PROPERTY OWNER HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE CITIZENS COULD FILE AN ACTION IF THEY COULD PROVE IT IS A PUBLIC ROAD WHICH REQUIRES 20 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS ADVERSE USE BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC. HE REITERATED HE DIDN'T SEE ANY USE IN THE COUNTY MAINTAINING ROADS IN THE CITY LIMITS.

CHERYL, REPORTER FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, UPDATED THE BOARD ON CARTER, AT THE WAUSAU COUNCIL MEETING, ADDRESSED THERE WERE TWO ROADS HE WAS LOOKING AT THAT WERE ON THE CITY PLAT THAT HAD NEVER BEEN OPENED; HE WAS GOING TO BUILD A ROAD TO GET ACCESS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF THE BOARD WANTS TO HELP THE CITY OPEN THOSE ROADS AND THAT IS WHAT BOTH PARTIES WANT DONE, HE DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM; THIS IS THE ONLY LEGAL WAY TO DO IT IF BOTH PARTIES ARE AT A STANDOFF.

COUNTY ENGINEER, CLIFF KNAUER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO C. W. ROBERTS INVOICES WAS DUE TO THEIR ORIGINAL QUOTE BEING FOR 1600 TONS OF ASPHALT AND THEY ACTUALLY USED 1645 TONS.

MARLENE BLOUNT ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE JOHN CARTER ROAD ISSUE; 95% OF THE ROAD IS ON THEIR PROPERTY AND JOHN CARTER DOESN'T HAVE AN EASEMENT. SHE POINTED OUT THEY HAVE NOT STOPPED JOHN CARTER FROM GOING IN AND OUT OF THE ROAD, THE COUNTY DIDN'T CONSTRUCT THE ROAD AND THEIR ATTORNEY HAS ADVISED THEM IT IS UP TO WHOMEVER CARTER ACQUIRED THE PROPERTY FROM TO PROVIDE HIM WITH AN ACCESS.

SHE REQUESTED THE COUNTY KEEP THE GRADERS OFF OF THE ROAD. SHE ADDRESSED 6TH STREET COULD BE OPENED FOR CARTER TO HAVE AN ACCESS BUT CARTER DIDN'T WANT TO OPEN THIS ROAD; HE WANTED TO USE OTHER ACCESS THAT ADJOINED THEIR WEST TO EAST PROPERTY LINE AND BUILD A ROAD.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD IF THEY CAN'T PROVE THEY CONSTRUCTED THE ROAD AND MAINTAINED IT FOR FOUR YEARS, THEY HAVE NO BUSINESS ON IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED TO SEE WHAT OPTIONS WERE AVAILABLE AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN. ATTEST:_____

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

END OF MINUTES FOR 02/26/04