BOARD MINUTES FOR 11/18/04

NOVEMBER 18, 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 COPE, FINCH, STRICKLAND, SAPP AND CORBIN PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK DIANNE CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF PEEL PROCLAIMED THE MEETING WITH VICE-CHAIRMAN COPE CALLING THE MEETING TO ORDER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERED PRAYER WITH COPE LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COPE TURNED THE SWEARING IN OF THE NEW COMMISSION- ERS OVER TO JUDGE COLBY PEEL. JUDGE PEEL PERFORMED THE SWEARING IN CEREMONIES FOR COMMISSIONER RONNIE B. FINCH, COMMISSIONER DONNIE STRICKLAND AND COMMISSIONER JERRY SAPP.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COPE THEN ASKED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD FOR FY 2004-2005. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND NOMINATED COMMISSIONER FINCH TO BE CHAIRMAN. COMMISSIONER CORBIN MOVED THE NOMINATIONS CEASE. THE BOARD UNANIMOULSY APPROVED FOR COMMISSIONER FINCH TO BE CHAIRMAN.

CHAIRMAN FINCH STATED HIS MISSION WAS TO WORK TOWARD THE BETTER- MENT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE THEN ASKED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR VICE- CHAIRMAN. COMMISSIONER SAPP NOMINATED COMMISSIONER COPE TO BE VICE-CHAIRMAN. COMMISSIONER CORBIN MOVED THE NOMINATIONS CEASE. THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED FOR COMMISSIONER COPE TO BE VICE- CHAIRMAN.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO CONTINUE WITH THE SAME LIST OF LIASONS UNTIL THE DECEMBER BOARD MEETING TO GIVE THE BOARD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE LIST TO SEE IF THEY MAY WANT TO VOLUNTEER FOR SOME OF THE APPOINTMENTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO PUT COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AS LIASON TO ROAD AND BRIDGE DUE TO HIM HAVING BEEN EMPLOYED THERE AND FAMILIAR WITH THE PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SERVING AS LIASON TO ROAD AND BRIDGE; HOWEVER, HE RECOMMENDED TREATING IT LIKE ALL THE OTHER LIASONS AND WAIT UNTIL THE DECEMBER MEETING TO TAKE ACTION.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND THE DEPARTMENT HEADS NORMALLY ARE TAKEN CARE OF AT THE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING, AS WELL AS THE DATE AND TIME FOR THE BOARD MEETINGS BEING SET.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SUGGESTED TAKING EACH OF THESE ISSUES ONE AT A TIME. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN FOR DISCUSSION TO RETAIN ATTORNEY HOLLEY FOR LEGAL SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERENCED THERE HAVING BEEN DISCUSSION ON ADVERTISING FOR ATTORNEY AND ENGINEERING SERVICES. HE STATED THAT ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS BEEN SATISFACTORY TO HIM BUT HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE NEW COMMISSIONERS WERE PREPARED TO ACT OR NOT; IF THEY ARE, HE IS PREPARED TO.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED IF THE BOARD COULD PUT THE LEGAL SERVICES OUT FOR BID; HE SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING AGAINST ATTORNEY HOLLEY.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THE BOARD COULD PUT AN RFP OUT FOR LEGAL SERVICES IF THIS IS WHAT THEY WANT. HE QUESTIONED IF THEY APPOINTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY TODAY, WOULD THIS MEAN HE WOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES FOR ONE YEAR.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD COULD DISMISS HIM AT ANY TIME.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE WITH LEGAL SERVICES THE WAY THEY ARE UNTIL THE BOARD GETS ESTABLISHED AND UNDERSTANDING MORE ON WHAT IS GOING ON; HE STATED THAT ATTORNEY HOLLEY DID HAVE WISDOM IN THIS AND HE WOULD RATHER NOT MAKE A DECISION TO RETAIN A NEW LEGAL LAWYER AND THEM JUST GETTING STARTED TODAY. HE REFERRED TO ATTORNEY HOLLY STATING HE COULD BE TERMINATED AT ANY BOARD MEETING AND FELT THE BOARD HAD ENOUGH ISSUES TO ADDRESS WITHOUT SEEKING LAWYER COUNSEL.

COMMISSIONER COPE AND CORBIN WITHDREW THEIR MOTION AND SECOND. CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THE BOARD WOULD CONTINUE WITH LEGAL SERVICES THE WAY THEY ARE AND MAKE A DECISION AT THE NEXT MEETING OR ANY MEETING IN THE FUTURE ON WHAT THEY MAY WANT TO DO.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN STATED ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS BEEN PLEASING TO HIM; HOWEVER, HE WOULD LIKE IN THE FUTURE FOR HIM TO SPEAK UP IF HE FEELS A BOARD MEMBER OR THE BOARD MAY BE SAYING SOMETHING OR TAKING ACTION THAT COULD BE A MISTAKE AND HAUNT THEM LATER ON.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID IF HE KNEW ABOUT IT, HE WOULD; HOWEVER, IF HE DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT ALL THAT IS GOING ON, HE CAN'T ADVISE THEM.

CHAIRMAN FINCH STATED THE BOARD WILL RETAIN ATTORNEY HOLLEY AT THIS TIME AND IF A DECISION IS MADE DIFFERENTLY, IT WILL BE TAKEN AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN FOR DISCUSSION TO RETAIN THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AS THEY ARE NOW.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE NEVER KNEW DEPARTMENT HEADS WERE RETAINED YEAR BY YEAR; HE THOUGHT THEY WERE ON CONTINUING SERVICES. HE SAID HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS EVER A CONDITION WHEN THEY TOOK A DEPARTMENT, THEY WOULD BE REHIRED OR NOT REHIRED IN THAT POSITION EACH YEAR. HE FELT THEY WERE ON A CONTINUING CONTRACT AND IT WAS IN BOARD POLICY, THEY COULD BE DISMISSED WITH CAUSE ANYTIME THE BOARD WANTED TO.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AGREED; HOWEVER, THIS IS SOMETHING THE BOARD HAS DONE THE PAST FEW YEARS. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF IT WAS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO REHIRE THEM EACH YEAR.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HE THOUGHT THE REASON THEY TOOK ACTION TO HIRE THEM EACH YEAR IS BECAUSE THE COUNTY DON'T HAVE CONTRACTS WITH THE EMPLOYEES OR HAVE ANYTHING IN WRITING SAYING THE DEPARTMENT HEADS WOULD CONTINUE ON A CONTINUING BASIS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED HIM THINKING THE EMPLOYEES SERVED LIKE EVERYONE ELSE, AT THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD AND IF THEY VIOLATED THE PERSONNEL POLICY, THEY COULD BE DISMISSED. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD COULD DO IT THIS WAY; THEY COULD LET THEM SERVE UNTIL THE BOARD DECIDES OTHERWISE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED IF THE BOARD TAKES ACTION TO RETAIN THE DEPARTMENT HEADS ALL THIS MEANS IS THEY WILL STAY IN THE POSITION THEY ARE IN UNTIL THE BOARD REASSIGNS THEM OR WHATEVER THEY WANT TO DO. HE FURTHER STATED THE BOARD HAS A RIGHT TO REASSIGN THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AT ANY TIME. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON SETTING THE MEETING DATE AND TIME. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED HIM HAVING HEARD FROM SOME PEOPLE WHO WOULD LIKE FOR THE TIME TO BE CHANGED DUE TO THEM WORKING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE TIME THE MEETING IS HELD NOW. HE SAID THE BOARD HAD HELD THEIR MEETINGS AT NIGHT BEFORE AND THERE WAS NO ONE WHO ATTENDED THEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID AGAIN THIS WAS AN ITEM THE BOARD COULD CHANGE AT ANY TIME. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD COULD CHANGE THE DATE AND TIME AS LONG AS THEY ADVERTISED IT AHEAD OF TIME TO LET THE PUBLIC BE AWARE OF THE CHANGE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO LEAVE THE DATE AND TIME OF THE MONTHLY COMMISSION MEETINGS THE SAME WHICH IS THE FOURTH THURSDAY AT 8:00 A.M.

ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS, COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED ITEM F BE PULLED, COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED ITEMS A, B, C & D BE PULLED AND COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED ITEM E BE PULLED.

CHAIRMAN FINCH REQUESTED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT EXPLAIN ITEM E, THE RENEWAL OF THE FEDERAL PROPERTY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. HERBERT ADVISED THE PROGRAM WAS A FEDERAL SURPLUS PROGRAM WHERE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CAN GET SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AT THE VARIOUS FEDERAL PROPERTY WAREHOUSE LOCATIONS; HOWEVER, THEY HAVE TO MAKE APPLICATION TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ITEM E.

ITEMS A, B, C & D PERTAINING TO WAIVER OF AG CENTER FEES WAS DISCUSSED. COMMISSIONER COPE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD KEEP IN MIND THEY WAIVER AG CENTER RENTAL FEES A LOT; IT COSTS A LOT TO OPERATE THE AG CENTER AND THEY NEED TO REMEMBER THIS AT BUDGET TIME. HE REFERRED TO THE TABLE AND CHAIRS GETTING A LOT OF WEAR AND TEAR AND THE UTILITY EXPENSES INCREASING, ETC.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN DISCUSSED THE ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING A WAIVER PAY HALF THE NORMAL RENTAL FEE TO ASSIST WITH THESE EXPENSES; HE FELT LIKE THEY WOULD AT LEAST BE WILLING TO PAY FOR THE UTILITY EXPENSE.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY CORBIN ON HOW HE FELT, JIM MORRIS, CHIPLEY CITY MANAGER, ADVISED THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THE CITY HAS EVER REQUESTED USE OF THE AG CENTER. COMMISSIONER COPE AND CORBIN AGREED THEY DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH WAIVING

THE FEES BUT THE AG CENTER NEEDS MORE MONIES TO OPERATE.

MORRIS REFERRED TO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY DOING THINGS FOR THE COUNTY WITHOUT A CHARGE AND THE COUNTY HAS DONE THINGS FOR THE CITY THEY DIDN'T CHARGE FOR; HE FELT THE CITY MAY BE DIFFERENT THAN THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS REQUESTING A WAIVER.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER COPE IF THE RENTAL FEES COLLECTED AT THE AG CENTER FUNDED ITS BUDGET, DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED IT DID NOT; THE GENERAL FUND SUPPORTED THE AG CENTER.

COMMISSIONER COPE REITERATED THE BOARD NEEDED TO REMEMBER AT BUDGET TIME, THE AG CENTER NEEDS ADDITIONAL MONIES TO ASSIST WITH THEIR EXPENSES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO APPROVE OF THE WAIVER REQUESTS FOR AG CENTER RENTAL FEES FOR THE CHIPLEY PEEWEE ASSOCIATION, CITY OF CHIPLEY, CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL BAND AND THE COUNCIL ON AGING AND A LETTER BE SENT EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR ANY DONATIONS TOWARD THE UTILITY BILLS AND WEAR AND TEAR ON THE TABLE AND CHAIRS. COM- MISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION AND INCLUDED DONATION REQUESTS WILL BEGIN THE FIRST OF NEXT YEAR.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SUGGESTED POSSIBLY PUTTING UP A DONATION BOX AT THE AG CENTER WHEN THE BOARD WAIVERS THE RENTAL FEES WITH A SIGN STATING THE FEES WERE WAIVERED; BUT, ANY DONATIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED TO GO TOWARD THE MAINTENANCE OF THE FACILITY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE WORST THING ON THE CHAIRS AND TABLES WAS THE COMMODITY DISTRIBUTIONS. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THE INMATE MEDICAL INSURANCE WAS UP OR DOWN THIS YEAR. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD THE PREMIUM WAS UP THIS YEAR; THE INSURANCE WAS TO COVER A CLAIM FOR A CATASTROPHIC ILLNESS THAT WAS OVER \$20,000. SHE REPORTED THE INSURANCE PREMIUM WAS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF INMATES HOUSED AT THE JAIL AND THE INMATE EXPENSE PAID DURING THE YEAR.

WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE AMOUNT OF INCREASE, DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED SHE THOUGHT THE PREMIUM WAS UP BY APPROXIMATELY \$7,000. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THE PREMIUM FOR 2004-2005 WAS \$24,638.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF AN INCREASE IN THE INSURANCE PREMIUM WAS BUDGETED. DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER COPE SAYING HE THOUGHT IT WAS BUDGETED THE SAME AS LAST YEAR.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF ANYONE ELSE HAD BEEN SENT A PROPOSAL ON THIS INSURANCE COVERAGE; IS THIS COMPANY THE ONLY ONE INVOLVED OR HAS OTHER COMPANIES BEEN INVOLVED IN THE BID PROCESS THIS YEAR.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAD ORIGINALLY REQUESTED THE BOARD PROVIDE THIS INSURANCE AS HUNT INSURANCE PROVIDES THEIR DEPARTMENT WITH OTHER COVERAGE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN INFORMED SAPP THE FIRST TIME THE COUNTY ADVERTISED, HUNTS WAS THE ONLY COMPANY THAT GAVE THE BOARD A PROPOSAL.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID SHE DIDN'T THINK THE BOARD EVER ADVERTISED; SOMEONE FROM HUNTS HAD ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND THE BOARD AGREED TO PURCHASE IT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD SHOULD GET WITH THE SHERIFF NEXT YEAR AND ADVERTISE IT AGAIN, DUE TO HAVING THE INSURANCE WITH HUNT FOR FOUR OR FIVE YEARS NOW.

COMMISSIONER SAPP CONSENTED IT SHOULD BE OFFERED FOR BID NEXT YEAR EVEN THOUGH IT MAY BE HIGHER; THIS WOULD GIVE OTHER PEOPLE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BID ON THE INSURANCE AND THE BOARD WOULD HAVE A JUSTIFIED PRICE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF INMATE MEDICAL EXCESS INSURANCE WITH HUNTS INSURANCE GROUP WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THE BOARD WOULD GET QUOTES NEXT YEAR FROM OTHER CARRIERS.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST. RANDY PARKER, PLANNING CONSULTANT FOR THE COUNTY, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO THE FIVE YEAR SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS. HE SAID THE BOARD SHOULD LOOK AT THE SCHEDULE ANNUALLY AND ADDRESS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO RECREATION, TRANSPORTATION, WATER, SEWER, PORTABLE WATER, SOLID WASTE, STORM WATER, ETC.; THERE ARE VERY FEW SEWAGE AND WATER PROJECTS ON THE LIST.

HE INFORMED THE BOARD THE LIST HAS BEEN REVIEWED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION AT LEAST A COUPLE OF TIMES AND RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD APPROVAL; THE RECREATION COMMITTEE HAS ALSO WORKED ON THE LIST AND CAME UP WITH THE RECREATIONAL PROJECTS.

HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE ORANGE HILL PARK AND THE CAMPBELL PARK ARE CURRENTLY ON THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST AND QUESTIONED IF THEY NEEDED TO STAY ON THE LIST OR BE REMOVED DUE TO THEM BEING CLOSE TO COMPLETION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THIS COULD BE TABLED UNTIL THE DECEMBER MEETING UNTIL COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND SAPP COULD GET FAMILIAR WITH IT.

PARKER SAID THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN TABLED SEVERAL TIMES THIS YEAR; THERE ARE GRANTS THE COUNTY IS LOOKING AT SUBMITTING THAT NEED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL POINTS.

STACY WEBB, GRANTS PERSON, UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING JUST SUBMITTED TWO APPLICATIONS FOR FRDAP GRANTS; HINSON CROSS ROADS PARK AND WILDER PARK. SHE ADVISED THAT PART OF THE GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS STATED THE NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN WOULD BE BROUGHT UP AT TODAY'S COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED PARKER IF THE BOARD APPROVED SOMETHING TODAY THEY MAY NOT LIKE AT A LATER DATE, COULD THEY RESCIND IT. PARKER ADVISED THEY COULD; ALL THE BOARD WOULD BE APPROVING TODAY WOULD BE TO TRANSMIT THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST TO THE STATE FOR REVIEW. HE POINTED OUT THE BOARD WAS NOT TAKING ACTION TO ADOPT THE LIST TODAY. HE REFERENCED SOME OF THE PROJECTS IN THE PLAN COULD BE MOVED BASED ON HOW THE FUNDING LOOKS AND WHAT THE COUNTY HAS MONIES TO DO.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO ACCEPT THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST TO SEND TO THE STATE FOR THEIR REVIEW DUE TO IT BEING AN EMERGENCY NATURE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED HIM HAVING LOOKED OVER THE LIST OF PARKS TO BE BUILT WITH GRANTS AND WAS AWARE THERE WAS A TIME ESSENCE INVOLVED; IF THE STATE DOESN'T HAVE THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN BY THE MIDDLE OF DECEMBER WITH THE PARKS LISTED, THEY WON'T GET ON THIS YEAR'S GRANT FUNDING AT ALL.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WAS DISAPPOINTED THIS WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AT THE LAST MINUTE; HE DOESN'T LIKE TO VOTE ON ANYTHING EVERYONE HAS NOT HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT.

PARKER STATED THE CAPITAL PROJECTS LIST HAS BEEN TABLED A COUPLE OF TIMES; COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IT WAS BROUGHT UP SIX MONTHS AGO AND IT HAS NOT BEEN BROUGHT UP SINCE. HE REQUESTED STACY WEBB BRING IT BEFORE THE BOARD EARLIER IN THE FUTURE. PARKER AGREED TO BRING THE ISSUES UP MORE FREQUENTLY THAT ARE TABLED.

CHAIRMAN FINCH ADDRESSED THE REASON THIS IS BEING PUSHED TODAY IS DUE TO THE BOARD HAVING JUST CLOSED OUT ORANGE HILL AND CAMPBELL PARK GRANTS; THEY HAVE A SHORT TIME TO SUBMIT THE WILDER PARK AND HINSON CROSS ROAD GRANTS TO GET THE EXTRA POINTS.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET FOR FY 2003/04. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING TAKEN ACTION AT THEIR OCTOBER BOARD MEETING TO ADVERTISE THE BUDGET; THERE WERE SEVERAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS INCLUDED WHICH SHE HAD PROVIDED A COPY OF AND SHE HAD AN EXPLANATION OF THE CHANGES INCLUDED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PACKET. SHE ADVISED THE BOARD'S ACTION WOULD BE TO ADOPT THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION FOR FY 2003-2004 WITH THE BUDGET NOW TOTALLING \$28,041,870.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO ADOPT THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION. CHAIRMAN FINCH QUESTIONED IF THERE WERE ANY QUESTIONS OR DISCUSSION FROM THE BOARD OR THE AUDIENCE; NO ONE RESPONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNDER AGENDAED AUDIENCE, ROBIN HOLLAND WAS NOT PRESENT TO ADDRESS COUNTY WIDE VOTING.

CHAIRMAN FINCH RECESSED THE MEETING FOR A RECEPTION THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WAS PROVIDING FOR THE NEW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

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

LOU TRACY ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE WAS APPALLED AT THE PRESS RELEASE FROM THE NOVEMBER 12TH BOARD MEETING AND FELT LIKE THINGS THAT WERE DONE WERE INAPPROPRIATE DUE TO:

- A. THERE WAS NO NOTICE TO THE MEDIA
- B. NO COPIES OF THE CONTRACT REVIEWED FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; THE MOST IMPORTANT JOB PROBABLY IN THE COUNTY OTHER THAN THE COUNTY COMMISSION
- C. ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS WAS ABSENT FROM THE MEETING; HE DOESN'T KNOW IF COMMISSIONER CORBIN WAS AWARE THE CONTRACT FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR WOULD BE BROUGHT UP AT THAT MEETING.
- D. A RECOMMENDATION WAS MADE BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR THE BOARD TO TAKE TIME TO THINK ABOUT THE CONTRACT.

AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN, TRACY REQUESTED THE BOARD RESCIND THE ACTION OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD AND RECONSIDER ALL OF THE INGREDIENTS THAT GO INTO A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND MAKE SURE THIS IS WHAT IS RIGHT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. ALSO, HE REQUESTED THEY MAKE SURE IT IS WHAT THE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY WANTS; IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING FROM THE ARTICLE IN THE NEWSPAPER, THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE PRESENT AT THE MEETING WERE AGAINST WHAT THE BOARD HAD DONE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN STATED HE WAS ABSENT FROM THE MEETING BUT HE HAD HEARD RUMORS OF A POSSIBLE CONTRACT BEING PROPOSED; HE WAS NOT PRESENT DUE TO HIM BEING SICK.

TRACY SAID HE WAS TRYING TO GET ACROSS THE IMPORTANCE THAT EVERY COMMISSIONER SHOULD HAVE BEEN PRESENT AND SHOULD HAVE HAD PRE-CONTRACT TIME TO LOOK OVER THE CONTRACT BEFORE MAKING SUCH AN IMPORTANT DECISION FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN STATED HE HAD NOT SEEN THE CONTRACT. TRACY SAID, FROM THE NEWSPAPER ACCOUNT, NEITHER HAD THE OTHER BOARD MEMBERS SEEN THE CONTRACT UNTIL IT WAS READ BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY IN ITS ENTIRETY. HE SAID NORMALLY THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE INFORMATION AHEAD OF TIME SO IT CAN BE DISCUSSED WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT IS IN THE CONTRACT WHEN THEY COME TO THE COMMISSION MEETING.

TRACY SAID HE PERCEIVED IT AS A RUSH JUDGEMENT AND AGAIN SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AND THOUGHTS ABOUT RESCINDING THAT ACTION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WAS CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONTRACT. CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED THE NOVEMBER 12TH MEETING THAT WERE UPSET; WITH THE BOARD'S APPROVAL, HE WOULD ALLOW ANYONE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE SUBJECT. TRACY SAID HE THOUGHT THE PEOPLE'S CONCERN WAS THE BOARD DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO REVIEW THE CONTRACT TO MAKE SURE IT WAS BEST FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY; THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ADMINISTRATOR. HE SAID HE KNOWS HERBERT, HE IS A GOOD PERSON AND DOES A GOOD JOB; HOWEVER, HE THOUGHT THE STEPS WERE NOT TAKEN TO REVIEW THE CONTRACT AND MAKE SURE IT WAS BEST FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED THE BOARD IF ANYONE WANTED TO MAKE A MOTION CONCERNING MR. TRACY'S REQUEST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED THE ATTORNEY IF THE BOARD WAS LOCKED INTO A CONTRACT THAT COULDN'T BE BROKEN.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REITERATED HE HAD SAID AT THE LAST MEETING THE CONTRACT WAS SUBJECT TO LEGAL ACTION ON EITHER SIDE; IF THE BOARD MAKES A MOTION TO RESCIND IT AND IT PASSES, HE PRESUMES HERBERT WILL PROBABLY TAKE LEGAL ACTION.

HOLLEY SAID THE BETTER APPROACH, IF THE BOARD WANTS TO ADDRESS IT, IS TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE CONTRACT, GET WITH THE ADMINISTRATOR AND SEE IF HE IS AGREEABLE TO ANY CHANGES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE TALKED WITH HERBERT YESTERDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, ABOUT AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT; CORBIN SAID IF HE HAD BEEN PRESENT, HE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE SUGGESTED A ONE YEAR CONTRACT WITH A THREE MONTH SEVERANCE CLAUSE. HE SAID HE HAS HAD AN ESTIMATE OF 25 COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE TOLD HIM THEY SERVE THE COUNTY EVERYDAY WITHOUT A CONTRACT AND HAVE NO JOB SECURITY OTHER THAN THE PERSONNEL POLICY. HE POINTED OUT THE EMPLOYEES WERE UPSET ABOUT THE CONTRACT AND SAID THERE HAD NEVER BEEN A CONTRACT FOR AN ADMINISTRATOR BEFORE AND THOUGHT IT WAS OPENING UP A CAN OF WORMS; THEY WERE GOING TO COME AND ASK FOR THEM A CONTRACT.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THERE CERTAINLY WEREN'T ANY CONTRACTED EMPLOYEES TO DATE; HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH HERBERT HAVING A CONTRACT BUT FELT THE BOARD SHOULD HAVE HAD MUCH MORE TIME TO REVIEW IT. HE WOULD ALSO HAVE LIKED FOR ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO HAVE HAD TIME TO REVIEW IT AND SPEAK AS TO HOW THE CONTRACT WOULD OR WOULD NOT HAVE BENEFITTED THE COUNTY. HE SAID THE BOARD APPROVED THE CONTRACT BUT THE BOARD HAS THE OPTION TO RESCIND THAT ACTION TODAY OR DO AS THE ATTORNEY HAS SUGGESTED.

COMMISSIONER SAPP OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO FOLLOW THE ATTORNEY'S RECOMMENDATION. SAPP SAID HE FEELS THIS WOULD FAVOR THE COMMUNITY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND THE WORKING CONDITIONS OF THE BOARD; THIS ISSUE CAN BE WORKED OUT IN DECENCY AND HONOR, EVERYONE WOULD BE HAPPY AND THIS WOULD HAVE A MORE WORKING RELATIONSHIP TOGETHER THAT WOULD PLEASE EVERYONE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HOW HE FEELS. CORBIN SAID HE HAD WORKED WITH THE ADMINISTRATOR AND HAS NOTHING AGAINST HIM; IF HE HAS SOMETHING AGAINST HERBERT, HE GOES IN HIS OFFICE AND TELLS HIM. HE REFERRED TO HAVING TOLD HERBERT A NUMBER OF TIMES TO BE MORE OUTSPOKEN; IF HE MAKES A MISTAKE THE BOARD WOULD STAND BEHIND HIM. HE SAID HE DIDN'T LIKE THE IDEA OF A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT AND HE WENT TO TALK TO HERBERT ABOUT A ONE YEAR CONTRACT AND A THREE MONTH SEVERANCE CLAUSE. HE FELT HERBERT COULD SHOW THE TWO NEW COMMISSIONERS IN ONE YEAR THAT HE IS A GOOD ADMINISTRATOR.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND STATED HE FELT THE SAME WAY AS COM- MISSIONER CORBIN AND ADDRESSED THERE BEING PEOPLE WHO HAVE CALLED HIM TO SAY IF HERBERT GETS A CONTRACT, THEY WANT ONE TOO. STRICKLAND SAID HE DIDN'T FEEL IT WOULD BE RIGHT TO THE OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS OR OTHER EMPLOYEES TO GIVE A CONTRACT SINCE THERE HAS NEVER BEEN ONE IN ALL THESE YEARS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHO WOULD SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE AND THERE ONLY BEING ONE COMMISSIONER WHO COULD SERVE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T THINK A COMMITTEE WAS THE ANSWER TO IT AND CALLED FOR THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SUGGESTED NAMING THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND INCLUDE THEM IN THE MOTION TO TRY AND WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT WITH HERBERT; BY DOING THIS, SAPP SAID THEY WOULD NOT BE RESCINDING THE PREVIOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD. HE THEN RECOMMENDED ASKING FOR VOLUN- TEERS TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE. COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED HERBERT IF THERE WAS ANY ROOM FOR NEGOTIATIONS. HERBERT STATED HE LIKED THE IDEA OF A COMMITTEE TO TRY AND MEET AND WORK SOMETHING OUT; HOWEVER, HE DOESN'T KNOW IF HE IS READY TO AGREE FOR ANY CHANGES TODAY. HE REFERRED TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAVING SAID THERE WERE A LOT OF LEGAL QUESTIONS AND THERE IS A LOT TO DIGEST.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER COPE IF HE WOULD HAVE A PROBLEM WITH NEGOTIATING, HERBERT STATED "NO".

CHAIRMAN FINCH APPOINTED COMMISSIONER SAPP TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BOARD AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY. B. J. BRANNON, JERRY SASSER AND DORTHY BROOKS VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS INCLUDED. COM- MISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED THE COMMITTEE MEET AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED THE COMMITTEE HAVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS BACK TO THE BOARD BY THEIR DECEMBER MEETING.

DAVID CORBIN REPORTED TO THE BOARD ON THE COMMITTEE'S RECOM- MENDATIONS ON CHANGES THAT NEEDED TO BE MADE TO THE CURRENT ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE TO ADDRESS THE HANDLING OF LARGER ANIMALS.

HE PROVIDED A COPY OF THE CURRENT ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE TO THE BOARD AND NAMED THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS; DR. TODD ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER FINCH, KAREN RUSTIN, ELAINA PROVOST, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND HIMSELF.

HE REPORTED THE COMMITTEE HAD DETERMINED SECTION 6 OF THE CURRENT ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE PROVIDES MEANS TO HANDLE LARGE ANIMALS; IT STATES CONTROL OF LIVESTOCK SHALL BE PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 588. HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED THE NEED TO HAVE AN ADVERTISE- MENT ON THE HAULING AND HOUSING OF LARGER ANIMALS.

HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON MALCOLM GAINEY, A COUNTY EMPLOYEE, CUR- RENTLY HAULING AND HOUSING THE LARGER ANIMALS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED DAVID TELL THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS OF SOME INSTANCES THAT HAVE OCCURRED TO EXPLAIN WHY HE IS REQUESTING ACTION BE TAKEN. DAVID UPDATED THE BOARD ON RECEIVING CALLS ON LARGER ANIMALS IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS; THE LAST CALL WAS TO CATCH FIVE COWS ON HIGHWAY 79 AT 4:00 A.M. HE THEN REPORTED ON HORSES THEY HAD CAUGHT, KEPT THEM THE ALLOTED DAYS AND SOLD THEM AT THE ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY; A HOG AND GOAT WAS SOLD AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE ALSO.

DAVID REQUESTED DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD ON WHETHER TO ADVERTISE FOR A NEW HAULER AND HOUSER OR CONTINUE TO USE GAINEY; DO THEY NEED TO ADVERTISE FOR COWBOYS AND PUT THEM ON A ROTATION BASIS. HE ADVISED MOST OF THE COWBOYS CHARGE \$100 AND HE FEELS THIS IS A STANDARD FEE.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY CHAIRMAN FINCH IF GAINEY WAS STILL WILLING TO DO THE HAULING AND HOUSE THE LARGER ANIMALS, DAVID SAID GAINEY HAD EXPRESSED TO HIM HE WOULD BE WILLING TO CONTINUE IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE FOR HIM TO.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN STATED HE WAS SATISIFIED WITH THE WAY THE LARGER ANIMALS ARE BEING HANDLED NOW; THE ORDINANCE IS BEING FOLLOWED EXCEPT IT DOESN'T DESIGNATE WHO WILL PICK THEM UP.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED IF VETERINARIAN, DR. TODD ANDERSON, HAD A PLACE TO HOUSE THE LARGER ANIMALS. DAVID SAID HE DIDN'T THINK HE HAS A PLACE SUITABLE AT THIS TIME TO HOUSE LARGER ANIMALS; HOWEVER, THE COUNTY HAS A CONTRACT WITH HIM IF THEY WANT TO HOUSE DOGS THERE.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER SAPP ON THE COST FOR GAINEY TO HAUL AND HOUSE THE ANIMALS, DAVID ADVISED THE COWBOYS ARE PAID \$100 PER ANIMAL TO CAPTURE THEM; GAINEY IS PAID \$2 A LOADED MILE FOR HAULING THEM AND \$5.00 PER DAY PER ANIMAL TO HOUSE THEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERRED TO A PREVIOUS COMPLAINT ON THE COWBOYS PUTTING SOME DOGS ON THE COWS THEY WERE TRYING TO CAPTURE AND MESSED THEIR NOSE AND EARS UP. HE RECOMMENDED ANIMAL CONTROL TRY AND CONTACT THE PROPERTY OWNERS, IF THEY KNOW WHO IT IS, PRIOR TO CALLING COWBOYS TO COME AND CAPTURE THE ANIMALS. DAVID SAID THEY CURRENTLY TRY AND CONTACT THE PROPERTY OWNERS FIRST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO THE LARGER ANIMALS GOING INTO A SWAMP, ETC. SOMETIMES AND THE COWBOYS HAVE TO USE THE DOGS TO GET THEM OUT OF THERE.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY CHAIRMAN FINCH ON WHAT ACTION DAVID WAS REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD, DAVID SAID HE NEEDED ACTION ON WHETHER TO CONTINUE ON AS HE IS CURRENTLY DOING WITH THE LARGER ANIMALS OR DOES HE NEED TO ADVERTISE FOR COWBOYS AND HAULERS. CHAIRMAN FINCH ASKED IF THE BOARD WOULD ENTERTAIN THE IDEA OF CONTINUING WITH THE SAME PROCESS; IF THEY DECIDE AFTER REVIEWING THE SITUATION, THEY NEED TO ADVERTISE, DO SO AT A LATER DATE.

HUGH ROCHE UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIS CONCERN WITH THE LIABILITY THE COUNTY INCURRS WHEN THEY CAPTURE THESE ANIMALS. HE REFERRED TO THEM HAVING A COUNTY EMPLOYEE, WHO IS ALREADY WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, HAULING AND HOUSING THESE ANIMALS AND GETTING CALLS DURING THE NIGHT. HE ADDRESSED THE EMPLOYEE'S PERFORMANCE MAY BE HAMPERED AT HIS REGULAR COUNTY JOB THE NEXT DAY. HE ALSO REFERRED TO HOUSING THESE ANIMALS AT THIS EMPLOYEE'S PROPERTY; IF AN ANIMAL GETS LOOSE FROM HIS PROPERTY AND IT GETS HURT, ROCHE QUESTIONED WHO THE OWNER WOULD TURN TO AND IF THERE IS INSURANCE ON SUCH AN INCIDENT. HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE ASSURED THE COUNTY IS PROTECTED IF AN ANIMAL IS INJURED.

JAMES WHITE ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE NEED FOR THE COUNTY TO HAVE AN ANIMAL CONTROL OR LEASH LAW ORDINANCE LIKE OTHER COUNTIES; THIS WOULD ALLEVIATE THE LIABILITY FALLING BACK ON THE COUNTY.

DEWEY CULBRETH ADDRESSED THE BOARD QUESTIONING WHO WOULD BE LIABLE IF AN ANIMAL IS TAKEN TO A PRIVATE PASTURE AND THE COUNTY IS PAYING TO HOUSE THE ANIMALS \$5.00 A DAY WHICH IS A CONTRACT; WHO WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE IF THE ANIMAL ESCAPES AND CAUSES A DEATH. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO GIVE VERY SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO THIS ISSUE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE COUNTY AND THE PERSON HOUSING THE ANIMAL FOR THE COUNTY WOULD BE LIABLE. CULBRETH SAID THERE SHOULD BE INSURANCE COVERAGE EITHER FROM THE PERSON HOUSING THE ANIMALS OR FROM THE COUNTY TO COVER ANY LAWSUITS THAT MAY OCCUR FROM ESCAPED ANIMALS.

CHAIRMAN FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO RECONVENE THE COMMITTEE AND PUT COMMISSIONER COPE ON IT TO TRY AND RESOLVE THE ISSUES. DAVID SAID HE WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO GIVE HIM SOME DIRECTION TODAY AS HE IS FACING THESE SITUATIONS EVERYDAY; HE WANTS TO DO THE RIGHT THING FOR THE PUBLIC AND HE IS GOING TO DO HIS JOB TO THE BEST OF HIS ABILITY AND TRY AND PROTECT THE COUNTY.

DAVID ALSO ADDRESSED THE COUNTY WOULD BE LIABLE, DUE TO THEM HAVING CERTIFIED ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS AND A RECOGNIZED ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT, IF AN ANIMAL IS LOOSE, THE COUNTY TURNS THEIR HEAD AND SOMEONE GETS HURT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THIS WAS CORRECT; IF THE COUNTY HAS KNOWLEDGE OF THE ANIMAL BEING LOOSE AND DOESN'T RESPOND TO IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR ANIMAL CONTROL TO CONTINUE THE HANDLING OF LARGER ANIMALS AS THEY ARE CURRENTLY DOING FOR THIRTY DAYS; LET THE COMMITTEE WORK WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ON DRAFTING AN ORDINANCE TO COVER THE LIABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PERSON DOING THE HAULING AND HOUSING OF THE ANIMALS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID COMMISSIONER COPE WOULD BE ON THE COMMITTEE; HE WAS ORIGINALLY APPOINTED TO THE COMMITTEE BUT COMMISSIONER FINCH HAD FILLED IN DUE TO COPE BEING UABLE TO MEET.

DAVID THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CITY OF VERNON, EBRO, WAUSAU AND CARYVILLE WANTING HIM TO START CATCHING LARGER ANIMALS. HE SAID THE COUNTY PRESENTLY HAS AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR \$35 PER ANIMAL.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER BEING AT ITS MAXIMUM CAPACITY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE OTHER CITIES PARTICIPATING AS LONG AS THE COUNTY HAS FACILITIES TO HOUSE THEM. DUE TO THIS BEING A JOINT VENTURE WITH THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND THE COUNTY, HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE CITY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ADDING ON TO THE PRESENT FACILITY OR NOT. DAVID UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING PLANS FOR AN EXPANSION TO THE ANIMAL FACILITY; THERE HAS ALREADY BEEN ONE FUND RAISER TO ASSIST WITH THIS.

JIM MORRIS, CHIPLEY CITY MANAGER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CITY HELPING ALL THEY CAN; HOWEVER, ANIMAL CONTROL IS GETTING OVER- WHELMING TO THE COUNTY. HE RECOMMENDED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, THE COUNTY AND ALL THE OTHER CITIES IN THE COUNTY STEP UP TO THE PLATE AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO BE IN THE ANIMAL CONTROL BUSINESS. IF IT IS DONE ON A POPULATION BASIS, MORRIS SAID THE PERCENTAGES OF COST FOR EACH CITY WOULD BE:

1.	VERNON	4.8%
2.	CHIPLEY	21.65%

2	WAUSAU	2.5%
3.	WAUSAU	2.00

4. EBRO 1.7%

5. CARYVILLE WOULD GO BACK TO THE COUNTY

6. COUNTY

MORRIS ADVISED IF THE COUNTY DON'T DO WHAT IS RIGHT, THEY WILL BE LOOKING AT LAWSUITS ON ANIMAL CONTROL. HE RECOMMENDED THE COUNTY LOOK AT ADOPTING A COUNTY WIDE ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE AND ADD THE LARGER ANIMALS TO IT. HE ALSO RECOMMENDED MAKING THE OWNERS OF THE ANIMALS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COST, AS THE COUNTY AND CITY SHOULDN'T BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE EXPENSE.

65%

HE FELT THE COUNTY SHOULD TAKE FULL CONTROL OF ANIMAL CONTROL WITH THE CITIES GETTING INVOLVED ON A PRO RATED BASIS; A YEARLY BUDGET NEEDS TO BE WORKED OUT AND INCLUDE EVERYTHING NEEDED TO RUN A DECENT FACILITY.

CHAIRMAN FINCH QUESTIONED HOW THE COUNTY COULD ACCOMPLISH FORCING THE CITIES TO BE INVOLVED. MORRIS QUESTIONED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THE COUNTY COULD PASS AN ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE AND FORCE THE CITIES TO PARTICIPATE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE BOARD COULD ENCOURAGE THE CITIES TO PARTICIPATE BUT IT WOULD BE UNLIKELY THEY COULD FORCE THEM TO BE INCLUDED; THEY COULD DENY THEM SERVICE IF THEY DON'T PARTICIPATE.

MORRIS SAID THE BOARD COULD ENCOURAGE THE CITIES BY OFFERING THEM TO PARTICIPATE OR ADVISE THEY WILL NOT RECEIVE ANY SERVICES; IF THE COUNTY DOES HAVE TO PROVIDE SERVICES, SET THE FEE HIGH ENOUGH TO COVER THE COUNTY'S EXPENSE.

MORRIS REQUESTED JIM LASSITER, CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, SERVE ON THE ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE ON THIS ISSUE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO KEEP THE SAME ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE AND ADD JIM LASSITER.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD DIDN'T NEED TO INSTRUCT THE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE. CHAIRMAN FINCH ADVISED THE COMMITTEE WOULD WORK WITH THE ATTORNEY TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE TO PRESENT TO THE BOARD AT THEIR DECEMBER BOARD MEETING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE ORDINANCE IN PLACE IS OKAY; IT JUST NEEDS TO BE DECIDED ON HOW TO IMPLEMENT IT. MORRIS SAID THE FIRST THING NEEDED WAS TO WORK OUT A GOOD BUDGET ON ANIMAL CONTROL TO INCLUDE EVERYTHING NEEDED SUCH AS INSURANCE, BUILDING, ETC.

LYNDA WALLER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON A SOFTWARE PROGRAM FOR TRACKING DEVELOPMENT PERMITS, PLAN REVEIWS AND BUILDING PERMITS. SHE FIRST REMINDED THE BOARD OF THE FL-DEP WORKSHOP AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE COUNTY ANNEX ON THE DESIGNATION OF HOLMES CREEK AS AN OUTSTANDING WATERWAY OF FLORIDA.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHAT THIS DESIGNATION WOULD ENTAIL. WALLER ADVISED IT WOULD ONLY BE DIRECTED TO THE FL-DEP PERMITTING ACTIVITES: FISHING, BOATING, CAMPING; THE COUNTY ORDINANCE SETBACKS WOULD NOT BE AFFECTED BY THE DESIGNATION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WOULD IT PUT ANY MORE RESTRICTIONS ON THE COUNTY THAN THEY CURRENTLY HAVE. WALLER SAID IT WOULD NOT PUT ANY RESTRICTIONS ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINANCES AS SHE UNDERSTANDS IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IT APPEARED TO HIM THE DESIGNATION OF THE CREEK WOULD SET A HIGHER STANDARD OF GUIDELINES ON ANY ACTIVITY AROUND THE CREEK AREA; IT WOULD INVOLVE MORE COST IF ANYONE WANTED TO BUILD IN THE VACINITY OF THE CREEK BUT IT MIGHT GIVE THE COUNTY MORE GRANT MONIES IF THEY FIX AREAS AROUND THE CREEK. HE ENCOURAGED EVERYONE TO ATTEND THE MEETING TO LISTEN WHAT IS SAID BY FL-DEP REPRESENTATIVES AND HELP THE BOARD MAKE A GOOD JUDGEMENT DECISION FOR EVERYONE CONCERNED.

WALLER THEN ADDRESSED THE GROWTH IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE PROBLEMS THEY ARE BEGINNING TO RUN INTO WITH TRACKING OF THE DEVELOPMENT PERMITS, PLAN REVIEWS, BUILDING PERMITS, ETC. SHE UPDATED THE BOARD ON A SOFTWARE PROGRAM THAT COULD BE INTEGRATED BETWEEN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, PLANNING, CODE ENFORCEMENT AND POSSIBLY OTHER OPERATIONS SUCH AS ENGINEERING, DRAINAGE, ETC. SHE HAS DISCUSSED THIS WITH THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT, MALCOLM GAINEY, AND HE HAS SAID IT WAS COMPLETELY COMPATIBLE WITH THE CURRENT SYSTEM.

WALLER THEN ADVISED THE SOFTWARE WOULD PAY FOR ITSELF AND REFERENCED THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, FROM OCTOBER 2003 THRU SEPTEMBER 2004, SPENT \$1,160 FOR FORMS. SHE SAID THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$3,000 WHICH WOULD PROVIDE THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT THE ABILITY TO PRE-NUMBER THE FORMS THEMSELVES.

WALLER REFERRED TO THE PLANNING CONSULTANT, RANDY PARKER, HAVING SAID THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE ABLE TO TRACK WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT IS OCCURRING IN THE AGRICULTURAL AREAS.

WALLER REMINDED THE BOARD THE COUNTY HAS A WEB SITE AND THE CAPABILITY OF DOING ONE STOP PERMITTING FOR THEIR OFFICE; THEY DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO CONTROL WHAT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT DOES. SHE REFERENCED THE ONLY SHORTCOMING IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT IS THE PAYMENT METHOD; THEY ARE NOT SET UP TO ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS.

CORBIN SAID HE COULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF GETTING A ONE STOP PERMITTING PROCESS. WALLER ADVISED THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS THE ONLY PERMIT NOT BEING TAKEN CARE OF AT THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AT THIS TIME.

CORBIN REFERENCED AN INCIDENT WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL HAD TO PROVIDE A COPY OF HIS DEED BEFORE HE COULD GET A PERMIT TO PUT A WELL ON HIS PROPERTY. WALLER ADVISED, IT HAS ONLY BEEN WITHIN THE LAST YEAR OR SO, THEY HAVE ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S RECORDS WHERE THEY CAN PULL UP A PERSON'S PROPERTY; SHE CONSTANTLY REMINDS THE LADIES IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO PULL UP A PERSONS PROPERTY RECORDS. SHE SAID SHE APPROVES LAND USE APPLICATIONS DAILY WITHOUT DEEDS. HOWEVER, ON NEW PROPERTY THAT IS PURCHASED, HAS NOT BEEN RECORDED ANYWHERE AND THERE IS A QUESTION ABOUT ACCESS, WALLER SAID IT WOULD BE FOOLISH NOT TO LOOK AT THE DEED TO SEE IF A PERSON HAS LEGAL ACCESS TO THEIR PROPERTY. WALLER SAID THEY WERE CONSTANTLY WORKING ON UPDATING THEIR SYSTEMS AND SAID THEY HAD THE MONIES TO PURCHASE THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM THEY ARE REQUESTING. DUE TO THE OLD SPRINGS GRANT AND THE SCHOOL SITING GRANT COMING IN UNDER COST; WALLER SAID THESE MONIES CAN BE EARMARKED FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE SOFTWARE.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SUGGESTED WALLER CHECK WITH THE BIGGER COUNTIES ON THE TRACKING SYSTEM THEY HAVE, AS THE COUNTY WOULDN'T WANT TO PURCHASE SOMETHING THAT WOULD NEED TO BE UPGRADED SHORTLY.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HAVING THE TRACKING SYSTEM AND ONE STOP PERMITTING WOULD BE GOOD; IT WOULD BE GOOD TO BE ABLE TO PAY FOR WHAT YOU NEED AT ONE TIME AND UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY ARE PAYING FOR. HE ALSO ADDRESSED THERE STILL BEING A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE OR ARE NOT INTERESTED IN HAVING COMPUTERS; IT NEEDS TO BE UNDERSTOOD IF THEY DON'T, THE COUNTY WILL STILL READILY ASSIST THEM.

FINCH ALSO ADDRESSED THE NEED TO MAKE THE ONE STOP PERMITTING AS CUSTOMER FRIENDLY AS POSSIBLE; HE WANTS IT TO BE DONE PROPERLY, BY THE LAW AND WITH A CHEERY ATTITUDE. HE SAID THERE HAD BEEN SOME REAL ANGRY PEOPLE AND THE PERMITTING PROCESS NEEDS TO BE CUSTOMER FRIENDLY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ADVERTISING THE SOFTWARE. WALLER SAID THEY WOULD BE DEALING WITH COMPANIES ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES IF THEY DID SO AND THEY BASICALLY WOULD SEND THE COUNTY A CARE PACKAGE.

PARKER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON USING THE SCHOOL SITING GRANT FUNDING TO PURCHASE THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM AS THE PROJECT CAME IN UNDER FUNDING. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE COUNTY BEING REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A REPORT ONCE A YEAR TELLING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD WHERE ALL THE PERMITS HAVE BEEN ISSUED GEOGRAPHICALLY AND WHERE ALL THE SUBDIVISIONS HAVE BEEN PERMITTED SO THEY CAN USE IT FOR PLANNING SCHOOL SITES. HOWEVER, THIS CAN'T BE DONE WITHOUT A LOT OF RESEARCH AT THE PRESENT TIME. PARKER SAID THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM BEING REQUESTED WOULD MAKE IT A LOT EASIER; HE FEELS IT WOULD DO EVERYTHING THE COUNTY WOULD NEED AND MORE AND WAS BUILT FOR COUNTIES THAT WERE JUST GETTING INTO TRACKING. HE RECOMMENDED NOT GETTING INTO SOMETHING THAT LARGER CITIES SUCH AS MIAMI OR TALLAHASSEE WOULD USE; BY DOING THIS, THE COUNTY WOULD BE GETTING INVOLVED IN A LOT OF EDUCATION IN LEARNING THE SOFTWARE. HE SAID, DUE TO THEM HAVING THE FUNDING FOR THE SOFTWARE THEY ARE REQUESTING AND THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT AGREES IT WILL BE COMPATIBLE TO THE CURRENT SYSTEM, HIS OPINION WOULD BE TO PURCHASE IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO PURCHASE THE TRACKING SOFTWARE PROGRAM.

HUGH ROCHE ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE SOFTWARE PROGRAM ASSISTING THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT; HOWEVER, THE PROBLEM HE HAS IS ENTERING THIS INFORMATION INTO THE DATABASE WON'T MEAN ANYTHING TO HIM UNLESS HE CAN ENTER WHAT HAS OCCURRED OVER THE LAST THREE TO FIVE YEARS AS A STARTING POINT. HE SAID HE WAS INTERESTED IN KNOWING WHAT IT WILL COST THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO ENTER THIS INFORMATION INTO THE NEW PROGRAM AND CAN IT BE GENERATED INTO THE PROGRAM. HE POINTED OUT HE DOESN'T WANT TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL WORK LOAD TO HIS STAFF.

GAINEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SOFTWARE BEING BASED ON PARADOX, WHICH IS THE SAME DATA BASE SYSTEM CURRENTLY USED; THEY WILL BE ABLE TO IMPORT ALL THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT FIELDS CURRENTLY USED INTO THE NEW SOFTWARE. AS FAR AS ANYTHING CUSTOMIZED, THE SOFTWARE IS ALLOWABLE TO SET FIELDS FOR WHATEVER PURPOSE THEY MAY NEED.

CHAIRMAN FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT WOULD BE ABLE TO ASSIST ROCHE IN DOWNLOADING THE INFORMATION. GAINEY ADVISED WHEN THEY GET THE SOFTWARE, THEY WILL TAKE A CURRENT ISSUE OF THEIR DATA BASE AND IMPORT IT INTO THE BLACKBEAR SOFTWARE.

ROCHE SAID HE WOULDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM IF OTHER PERSONNEL CAN ACCOMPLISH DOWNLOADING HIS INFORMATION INTO THE NEW SOFTWARE PROGRAM, HE WOULD STILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE DATA HE HAS ON LINE NOW AND HAVE IT IN THE NEW SYSTEM WITHOUT INCURRING ADDITIONAL PAYROLL EXPENSE IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

GAINEY ADDRESSED HIM HAVING GONE TO WALTON COUNTY TO LOOK AT THEIR GASB IMPLEMENTATION SOFTWARE; IT COST THEM APPROXIMATELY \$100,000. HE SAID IF THE COUNTY WAS LOOKING AT SOMETHING THAT WILL IMPLEMENT EVERYTHING, IT WOULD BE A MUCH GREATER COST. HOWEVER, GAINEY SAID EVEN THOUGH THE BLACKBEAR SOFTWARE WOULD NOT INCORPORATE EVERYTHING, IT WOULD GET THE COUNTY'S TRACKING SYSTEM IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THE MOTION CARRIED.

CECELIA WELD, GASB TECHNICIAN, UPDATED THE BOARD ON CREATING AN INVENTORY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM THAT WILL MEET THE GASB REQUIREMENTS. SHE STATED, IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET REPORTING, THERE WERE THREE CRITERIA TO BE MET:

1. THE COUNTY MUST HAVE AN UP TO DATE INVENTORY OF THE ELIGIBLE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS. SHE REQUESTED THE COUNTY ADOPT THE STATE STANDARD FOR ASSET REPORTING WHICH IS \$1,000 ACCORDING TO FLORIDA STATUTE 274.060, SUBSECTION 1. SHE SUGGESTED, DUE TO THERE BEING A LOT OF ITEMS WHICH COST LESS THAN \$1,000 THE COUNTY MAY WANT ACCOUNTED FOR, THEY ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TO SET THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL THRESHHOLDS FOR ANY ITEMS IN THEIR OFFICE UNDER \$1,000.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD ALREADY HAD AN INVENTORY STICKER ON ALL ITEMS. WELD ADVISED THE LAST POLICY ADOPTED WAS IN APRIL OF 2004 FOR A THRESHHOLD OF \$750 TO BE REPORTED. CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HE WOULD HOPE EVERY DEPARTMENT HEAD WOULD ALREADY HAVE A LIST OF INVENTORY OF EVERYTHING THEY HAVE IN THEIR DEPARTMENT WHETHER IT IS MANDATED BY GASB OR NOT.

WELD ADVISED CURRENTLY THOSE RECORDS ARE GOOD IN SOME DEPARTMENTS AND IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS, THEY NEED IMPROVEMENTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED WITH CHAIRMAN FINCH THERE ARE A LOT OF ITEMS UNDER \$1,000 THAT NEED TO BE IN AN INVENTORY SOMEWHERE. DUE TO HER HAVING SO MUCH INVOLVED WITH GASB REPORTING REQUIREMENTS WHICH HAVE TO BE DONE IN TWO YEARS, WELD SAID SHE WAS REQUESTING THE THRESHOLD FOR GASB BE CHANGED TO THE STATE REQUIREMENT OF \$1,000 AND ITEMS UNDER THIS AMOUNT, THE DEPARTMENTS CHOOSE OR THE BOARD CHOOSE A THRESHOLD AMOUNT AND KEEP AN INVENTORY OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE REQUEST BUT WOULD LIKE FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR TO NOTIFY THE DEPART- MENT HEADS, THE BOARD EXPECTS THEM TO HAVE AN INVENTORY OF ALL ITEMS BELOW \$1,000. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED AND SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO GO IN ANY OFFICE AND REQUEST TO SEE A LIST OF ALL THE EQUIPMENT THEY OWN AND ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR.

WELD ADDRESSED GASB'S THRESHOLD FOR CAPITAL ASSETS START AT \$5,000 AND THE STATE'S THRESHOLD STARTS AT \$1,000. SHE ALSO REQUESTED THE INVENTORY DATE BE CHANGED TO SEPTEMBER 30TH SO IT WOULD COINCIDE WITH THE COUNTY'S FISCAL YEAR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE WELD'S REQUEST FOR A THRESHHOLD OF \$1,000 FOR GASB REQUIREMENTS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET INVENTORY AND THE ADMINISTRATOR SEND A LETTER TO EACH DEPARTMENT HEAD STATING THEY WILL NEED AN INVENTORY AVAILABLE AT ALL TIMES ON EVERY ITEM OVER \$50 OR EVEN \$25.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SUGGESTED A SPECIFIC DOLLAR AMOUNT BE DETERMINED AS THE BOARD DON'T WANT TO PUT TOO MUCH OF A BURDEN ON THE EMPLOYEES; HE FELT \$100 WOULD BE SUFFICIENT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AMENDED HIS MOTION TO CHANGE THE DOLLAR AMOUNT TO ITEMS COSTING \$100 OR MORE. COMMISSIONER COPE SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

WELD THEN ADDRESSED THE SECOND CRITERIA FOR GASB FOR INFRASTRUCTURE REPORTING USING THE MODIFIED APPROACH; THE COUNTY MUST PERFORM ASSESSMENTS FOR THE ELIGIBLE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS FOR REPORTING AND MUST USE A MEASUREMENT SCALE. SHE STATED THIS HAS TO BE DONE INITIALLY AND EVERY THREE YEARS THEREAFTER.

DUE TO GASB 34 STATING THIS WILL REQUIRE PROFESSIONAL JUDGEMENT, WELD RECOMMENDED THE COUNTY ENGINEER SET THE SCALE AND DO THE MEASUREMENTS; SHE STATED SHE WAS NOT QUALIFIED TO DO THIS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD OUGHT TO DO THIS WITH THEIR OWN PERSONNEL; THE COUNTY ENGINEER WAS NOT GOING TO PUT HIS STAMP OR REPUTATION ON ANYTHING THAT IS NOT STATE APPROVED.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED COULDN'T THIS INFORMATION BE OBTAINED FROM PUBLIC WORKS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED THEY COULD GET THE COST FOR MAINTENANCE, ETC. ON THE ROAD BUT NOT THE INITIAL COST OF THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS GOING TO BE A MEASURABLE SCALE ON A DIRT ROAD. WELD SAID SHE WAS ONLY SPEAKING OF PAVED ROADS; DIRT ROADS WOULD NOT BE REPORTABLE ACCORDING TO GASB.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD MIGHT NEED TO LOOK AT HAVING AN ENGINEER DO THIS MEASUREMENT SCALE; HE HAD THOUGHT IT WAS PERTAIN- ING TO EVERY PIG TRAIL, ETC.

COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED WELD MAY GET THIS INFORMATION FROM FL-DOT ON THEIR ROADWAY CHARACTERISTICS INVENTORY. COMMISSIONER FINCH ITERATED FL-DOT HAD A CD OF ALL THE ROADS IN THE COUNTY; THE CONDITIONS, ETC. HE RECOMMENDED SHE CONTACT REX WINDHAM OF FL-DOT TO ASSIST HER WITH THIS INFORMATION.

WELD THEN ADDRESSED GASB REQUIRING THE COUNTY ESTIMATE EACH YEAR THE AMOUNT NEEDED TO MAINTAIN THE ELIGIBLE INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS; SHE SAID SHE THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE FINDABLE BY USING THE BUDGET, BUDGET EXPENSES AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WELD WHEN SHE IS GOING AROUND TO THE DEPARTMENTS ON THE THINGS SHE IS INVENTORYING, HOW WAS SHE BEING RECEIVED. WELD STATED, FOR THE MOST PART, SHE IS GETTING A LOT OF POSITIVE RESPONSE; HOWEVER, THERE ARE OTHERS THAT ARE VERY BUSY AND HAVE A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON.

CHAIRMAN FINCH REQUESTED, AND THE BOARD CONSENTED, FOR ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT TO SEND OUT A LETTER TO ALL THE DEPARTMENTS ON THE JOB CECELIA HAS TO DO AND ASK THEM TO WORK WITH HER IN AS REASONABLE TIME AS POSSIBLE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR AN INVENTORY OF ALL THE COUNTY GRADED ROADS IN EACH COMMISSIONER'S DISTRICT TO BE FILED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE; THEY NEED TO BE IDENTIFIED ON A MAP AND FILED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE, AS THIS AFFECTS THE COUNTY'S ABILITY TO DEFEND LAWSUITS TRYING TO CLOSE THESE ROADS UP. HE SAID IF THE COUNTY HAS AN IDENTIFIED MAP SHOWING ALL THE COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN EACH DISTRICT, IF SOMEONE CHALLENGES IT BEING A COUNTY ROAD AND THE MAP IS FILED IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE, IT WOULD PUT THE BURDEN OF PROOF ON THE ONE CHALLENGING IT.

WELD STATED SHE HAD A LIST OF THESE ROADS NOW SHE HAS BEEN WORK- ING WITH JERRY BROCK, 911 OFFICE, ON; SHE WILL MAKE HOLLEY'S REQUEST A TOP PRIORITY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTED SHE GIVE EACH COMMISSIONER A LIST OF THE COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS IN THEIR DISTRICT FOR THEM TO REVIEW AND DETERMINE IF THERE ARE ANY ROADS MISSING. HE REITERATED AFTER THE ROADS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED, THEY NEED TO BE PUT ON A COUNTY MAP AND FILED IN THE CLERK'S COFFICE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH RECOMMENDED TO WELD SHE USE THE PICTOMETRY PROGRAM; HE ALSO UPDATED THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS ON THE PICTOMETRY SOFTWARE BEING VERY HELPFUL WITH ROAD ISSUES.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, CONGRATULATED AND WELCOMED COM- MISSIONER SAPP AND COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND. HE ALSO SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO RIDE WITH SAPP AND STRICKLAND TO UPDATE THEM ON ISSUES IN THEIR DISTRICTS.

HE BEGAN WITH HIS ENGINEERING REPORT:

1. HE UPDATED THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS ON THE WAY THE BOARD HAS BEEN HANDLING THEIR SURVEYING; THEY HAVE TWO LOCAL SURVEYING FIRMS THEY HAVE BEEN GETTING PROPOSALS FROM; SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS AND SYFRETT SURVEYORS. THE PROPOSALS ARE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD FOR THEM TO MAKE A DECISION ON WHO THEY WANT TO DO WHAT AND THEY ARE AWARDED BASED ON THIS. KNAUER THEN ADDRESSED SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYING PUTTING TOGETHER A PROPOSAL FOR THE FALLING WATERS ROAD DRAINAGE PROJECT AND FEELS THE COST WILL BE LESS THAN \$1500. HE QUESTIONED IF HE NEEDED TO GET PROPOSALS FROM BOTH FIRMS, IF THIS IS THE WAY THE BOARD IS STILL HANDLING THE SURVEYING AND HAVE THERE BEEN ANY OTHER DECISIONS MADE BY THE BOARD TO CHANGE THIS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON SOME PROJECTS HAVING TO BE PULLED FROM SYFRETT SURVEYING DUE TO THEM BEING SO BUSY AND NOT DOING THE SURVEYING IN A TIMELY MANNER. COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO CONTINUE GETTING PROPOSALS FROM BOTH FIRMS, THEY PUT A TIME LIMIT ON WHEN THE BIDS ARE SUBMITTED AND HOW LONG THEY WILL HAVE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY. KNAUER SAID IT HAD BEEN DISCUSSED TO MAKE SURE SEALED BIDS ARE RECEIVED ON THE SURVEYING PROPOSALS RATHER THAN HAVING THEM FAXED; FAXING BIDS GIVES AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE TROUBLE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED THE BOARD ALLOW SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS DO THE FALLING WATERS DRAINAGE PROJECT DUE TO ITS EMERGENCY NATURE AND THE COMMITMENT THE BOARD HAS MADE TO THE TWO LANDOWNERS. DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON THE NEED TO ESTABLISH A TIME FRAME WHEN THE SURVEYS ARE TO BE COMPLETED; KNAUER AGREED TO HAVE THE SURVEYING PROPOSALS ON THE FALLING WATERS PROJECT TURNED IN BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND.

KNAUER BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE DRAINAGE PROBLEM ON FALLING WATERS ROAD. HE STATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF FALLING WATERS ROADWAY THAT WAS PAVED A FEW YEARS AGO, THERE IS A LARGE FIELD TO THE WEST THAT DRAINS UNDER THE ROAD TO THE EAST; NEW HOMES ARE BEING BUILT AND ARE GETTING FLOODING. KNAUER STATED THEY ARE TRYING TO DO A PLAN THAT WILL WORK LONG TERM WHICH INCLUDES A NEW OUTFALL DITCH. COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED, WITH THIS BEING A PAVED ROAD, WAS THERE PROBLEMS WITH PREVIOUS ENGINEERING. KNAUER ADVISED THERE WAS NO ENGINEERING ON THAT SECTION OF THE ROADWAY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO HAVE ENGINEERING ON EVERYTHING INSTEAD OF LETTING A COMMISSIONER MAKE A DECISION ON WHETHER HE WANTS ANY ENGINEERING OR NOT. HE MADE REFERENCES TO PROBLEMS THEY HAVE RUN INTO WITH CREEK ROAD AND OTHER ROAD PROJECTS. HE SUGGESTED THE BOARD NEEDS TO MAKE THE DECISION WHETHER TO USE AN ENGINEER OR NOT. KNAUER STATED WHEN THE BOARD HAS A PROJECT WHERE THEY WANT TO BUILD A ROAD, ETC., HE PRESENTS A PROPOSAL TO DO THE PROJECT AND IF THE BOARD AWARDS IT, HE DOES THE PROJECT FOR THEM. HE STATED THERE WAS NO AUTOMATIC PAYMENT THE BOARD MAKES TO HIM TO DO ANYTHING. COMMISSIONER COPE AGREED THE BOARD NEEDED TO APPROVE OF ANY PROJECTS DONE; IF THE BOARD TURNS IT OVER TO THE ENGINEER, THEN ALLOW THE ENGINEER TO HANDLE IT UNTIL ITS COMPLETION. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD ADDRESSED SEVERAL TIMES THE NEED TO GET A LIST OF PRIORITY PROJECTS; HE REFERRED TO THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE BEEN BRINGING IN PROJECTS THEY WANT TO PAVE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD HAD AGREED, SINCE THEY RECEIVED FEMA FUNDING AND DIVIDED IT AMONG THE COMMISSIONERS, THEY COULD DO THE PROJECTS THEY WANTED TO DO IN THEIR DISTRICTS. HOWEVER, CORBIN SAID THE BOARD DIDN'T RELINQUISH THEIR RIGHT TO REQUEST AN ENGINEER LAY OUT, INSPECT THE THE PROJECT AND DO IT. COMMISSIONER SAPP SUGGESTED AFTER KNAUER GETS THROUGH WITH HIS REPORT, THE BOARD DISCUSS THIS FURTHER AND LOOK AT PUT-TING RESTRICTIONS ON THEMSELVES CONCERNING HAPHAZARD PROGRAMS THEY GET INVOLVED WITH. HE FELT THE BOARD COULD COME UP WITH SOME PRELIMINARY PLANS TODAY AND, AFTER DISCUSSING IT MORE, GET SOME LONG TERM PLANS WHICH WOULD LIMIT THEM ON WHAT THEY CAN DO SO IT WOULD MEET ALL THE DISCRETIONARY NEEDS OF ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS AND KEEP EVERYONE IN COMPLIANCE. KNAUER SAID HE HAD ALWAYS WORKED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BOARD AND WOULD BE GLAD TO WORK WITH THEM IN ANY WAY. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE BOARD CAN'T HOLD UP EQUIP-MENT WHILE THEY ARE WAITING ON GRADES TO BE SET; IF THEY TURN THE PROJECTS OVER TO ENGINEERING, THEY WILL HAVE TO MAKE SURE THERE IS ENGINEERING GOING ON AT ALL TIMES. COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED HE WAS NOT SAYING THESE PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN KNAUER'S FAULT; HE HAS NOT HAD GUIDANCE OR DIRECTION AT TIMES. KNAUER STATED NORMALLY ENGINEERS ARE NOT THE ONES SETTING THE GRADES ON ALL THE PROJECTS; NORMALLY THE CONTRACTOR HAS A LAYOUT PERSON WHO SETS THE GRADES ON THE PROJECTS WHO CAN READ A SET OF PLANS THAT IS PRODUCED BY AN ENGINEER.

HE REFERENCED SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT OCCUR ON PROJECTS WHERE THE BOARD HAS A SET OF PLANS; THEY DON'T HAVE ANYONE WHO CAN FOLLOW THE PLANS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE REASON FOR THIS OCCURRING WAS DUE TO LACK OF FUNDING; IF THE COUNTY HAD PLENTY OF MONIES, THEY WOULD HAVE A FULL TIME ENGINEER OR ENGINEER TECHNICIAN WORKING. HE STATED THE EMPLOYEES DO THE BEST THEY CAN AND IF THE COUNTY TURNS PROJECTS OVER TO ENGINEERING, KNAUER WOULD HAVE TO FURNISH A TECHNICIAN TO BE AT THE PROJECT WHEN THEY ARE WORKING ON IT. KNAUER STATED HE MAKES THIS EFFORT AND DOES IT A LOT OF TIMES TO TRY AND HELP THE COUNTY. HE GAVE AN EXAMPLE ON CREEK ROAD; COMMIS-SIONER HALL HAD WANTED KNAUER TO LAY OUT THE FIRST LITTLE SECTION OF ROADWAY THAT HAD A SET OF PLANS TO IT. WHEN THEY WENT TO THE PROJECT AND LAID OUT THE FIRST SECTION OF ROADWAY THAT HAD THE PLANS TO IT; ALL THE STAKES GOT KNOCKED OVER THE VERY NEXT MORNING. HE THEN GETS AN EMERGENCY PHONE CALL SAYING NOTHING WAS LAID OUT ON CREEK ROAD AND QUESTIONED WHAT WERE THEY SUPPOSE TO DO. KNAUER ADVISED THEM HE HAD LAID IT OUT THE DAY BEFORE. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THIS BEING THE PROBLEM THE BOARD HAS HAD IN THE PAST; THEY WORK IN ONE LOCATION A WEEK OR TWO AND THEN WORK SOMEWHERE ELSE AND IT IS ABOUT FIVE WEEKS BEFORE THEY COME BACK TO THAT DISTRICT TO WORK ON THE PROJECT AGAIN. HE STATED THIS IS THE REASON THEY FORGET WHAT THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO BE DOING ON A PROJECT AND HAVE TO START ALL OVER. HE REFERRED TO HIM HAVING BROUGHT IT UP PREVIOUSLY TO FORM A CREW THAT BUILDS ROADS IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO BE IN THE ROAD BUILDING BUSINESS; HAVE PRIORITY LIST, STAY ON A JOB UNTIL IT IS COMPLETED AND THEN MOVE TO THE NEXT PRIORITY. DUE TO THE COUNTY HAVING BEEN IN THE ROAD BUILDING BUSINESS FOR SO LONG, THEIR ROAD MAINTENANCE HAS GONE LACKING. KNAUER STATED THE COUNTY HAD A TREMENDOUS POOL OF TALENT WITH THEIR EMPLOYEES. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE COUNTY NOT HAVING ENOUGH PERSONNEL BUT THEY WERE GOING TO GET CAUGHT ONE DAY BY NOT HAVING ENOUGH FLAGMEN ON PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED A CONSTRUCTION CREW WAS NEEDED; HOWEVER, AT THE PRESENT TIME THERE IS ONLY ONE PERSON FOR EACH PIECE OF EQUIPMENT NOW TO DO THE COUNTY MAINTENANCE OF ROADS. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED THE BOARD CERTAINLY NEEDS TO LOOK AT ESTABLISHING A CREW IF THEY ARE GOING TO CONTINUE BUILDING ROADS; IF THEY ARE GOING TO BACK OFF OF BUILDING ROADS, THEY NEED TO KNOW THINGS ARE MOVING FORWARD ON THE PROJECT. KNAUER ADDRESSED THE BOARD PAYING MORE PER MILE TO CONTRACT OUT A PROJECT THAN IF THEY WERE TO DO THE PROJECT THEMSELVES. HE SUGGESTED THE BOARD HAVE A SLIGHTLY HIGHER COST BY FORMING THE ROAD CONSTRUCTION TEAM; IT WOULD STILL BE CHEAPER THAN CONTRACTING OUT THE PROJECT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE PROBLEM IS THERE IS NO FUNDING; HE DIDN'T SEE AN ANSWER AS THERE WAS NO WAY TO CONTRACT OUT A PROJECT TO BE GRADED, PAVED, ETC. KNAUER STATED THE ONLY TIME THE BOARD HAS BEEN ABLE TO DO THIS IS WHEN THEY WERE AWARDED GRANT FUNDING. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO JACKSON COUNTY HAVING PUT A ONE CENT CONSTRUCTION TAX ON A REFERENDUM FOR NEW ROAD

CONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING; THIS MAY BE SOMETHING FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER QUESTIONED, FOR CLARIFICATION, IF IT WAS THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS FOR KNAUER TO GET PROPOSALS FROM BOTH SURVEYING FIRMS ON THE FALLING WATERS DRAINAGE PROJECT AND PUT A TIME FRAME ON WHEN THEY WERE TO BE SUBMITTED AND WHEN THE WORK WAS TO BE COMPLETED. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED THE BOARD MAKE AN EXCEPTION WITH THE FALLING WATERS PROJECT AND ALLOW SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS TO DO THE PROJECT; HE ADDRESSED IT BEING DRY NOW AND HE COULD GO AHEAD AND DO IT WITH THE EQUIPMENT HE HAS NOW. HE SAID THIS WOULD BE CONTINGENT ON KNAUER BEING SATISFIED WITH THE QUOTE; IF HE IS NOT, THEY WOULDN'T DO IT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE BOARD HAD DECIDED TO JUST USE SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYING DUE TO HAVING SO MUCH PROBLEMS WITH SYFRETT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THIS HAD BEEN BROUGHT UP AT A BOARD MEETING BUT THE MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF A SECOND. COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED, IN THIS CASE, ALLOW KNAUER TO GET A VERBAL OUOTE AND AWARD THE FALLING WATERS PROJECT TO WHOMEVER CAN DO IT THE QUICKEST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION-ER SAPP TO ALLOW THE COUNTY ENGINEER THE LATITUDE TO GO AHEAD AND GET THE SURVEYOR, APPROVE THE SURVEYING PRICE SINCE IT WON'T EXCEED \$1,500 AND INSTRUCT THE SURVEYOR TO PROCEED WITH SURVEYING IT OUT SO THEY CAN GET ON THE RIGHT PLACE WITH THE FALLING WATERS PROJECT. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHERE THE MONIES FOR THE SURVEYING WOULD COME FROM. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER STATED SHE ASSUMED IT WOULD COME FROM THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LINE ITEM UNLESS THE BOARD INSTRUCTED HER OTHERWISE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 2. ROCHE ROAD-KNAUER ADVISED THEY HAD A FIELD TRIP LINED UP

- WITH FL-DEP REPRESENTATIVE, DAN MOCHA, NEXT THURSDAY TO LOOK AT THE PROJECT. HE WAS REMINDED NEXT THURSDAY WAS THANKSGIVING. HE CONTINUED UPDATING THE BOARD ON THIS BEING A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD; AT THE BOTTOM OF TWO VERTICAL CURVES ON THE ROAD, THERE IS THREE PONDS AND PROPERTY UPSTREAM OF THE ROADWAY THAT DRAINS ACROSS THE ROADWAY ENDED UP PUTTING CLAY INTO FULMAR'S POND. HE SAID THERE WAS A LOT OF FINGER POINTING AS TO WHO WAS AT FAULT. GARY FULMAR AND BETTY MOORE, HOMEOWNERS, CALLED FL-DEP TO COME AND TAKE A LOOK AT IT; DEP PUT TOGETHER A RECOMMEND-ATION SAYING IT APPEARED THE COUNTY WAS CREATING A VIOLATION BY HAVING THE CLAY PUT INTO THE POND AND THREATENED TO WRITE A CONSENT ORDER TO THE COUNTY UNLESS THE ISSUE WAS ADDRESSED. HE BROUGHT IT BEFORE THE BOARD TO GET A SURVEY COMPLETED OF THE AREA WHERE THE WASHOUT WAS OCCURRING AND 300' TO 400' DOWN THE ROAD ON EACH SIDE. THEY HAD PUT TOGETHER TWO OPTIONS FOR PLANS THEY THOUGHT WOULD SOLVE THE SITUATION:
 - A. POND INSIDE THE LANDOWNERS PROPERTY THAT WOULD COLLECT ALL THE WATER WITH A TYPE C INLET AND STEP DOWN TWICE BEFORE IT GOT TO THE POND; THERE WAS AN OVERFLOW STRUCTURE THAT WENT THROUGH A PIPE, DROPPED DOWN TO ANOTHER TYPE C INLET AND WENT TO THE POND. THIS OPTION WAS THE CHEAPER OF THE TWO.

B. CLASS II ALABAMA FL-DOT RIPRAP FLUME GOING ALL THE WAY DOWN TO THE POND AFTER THE WATER POPPED OUT OF A SWALE THE COUNTY WAS GOING TO BUILD.

BOTH OF THESE PLANS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO FL-DEP; HE SAID HE WAS TRYING TO AVOID A CONSENT ORDER FROM FL-DEP TO THE COUNTY THAT POSSIBLY WOULD FINE THEM AND PUT DIFFERENT TYPES OF SPECIAL CONDITIONS ON WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO.

- 3. RECYCLING CENTER POND-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EXISTING STORM WATER FACILITY AT THE RECYCLING CENTER THAT IS TAKING UP VALUABLE SPACE; THE EMPLOYEES WOULD LIKE TO USE THIS SPACE FOR SORTING AND STOCKPILING, ETC. WHEN THE PLANS WERE DONE SEVERAL YEARS AGO BY DAVID MELVIN, THERE WERE NO PERMITS APPLIED FOR WHEN THE ORIGINAL POND WAS BUILT. HE HAS APPLIED FOR THE PERMITS ON THE PROJECT SO AT SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE THE COUNTY CAN BUILD A NEW STORM WATER FACILITY AND HAVE MORE SPACE AT THE FACILITY.
- 4. JOYNER ROAD-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON JOYNER ROAD AND RATTLEBOX ROAD HAVING BEEN BUILT WITH A CDBG GRANT; THERE WAS A NATURAL DITCH THAN RAN NORTH OF JOYNER ROAD IN AN EAST/WEST DIRECTION THAT CARRIED A TREMENDOUS VOLUME OF WATER. SOME OF THE RESIDENTS THAT LIVE UPSTREAM FROM THE MAIN CHANNEL CROSSING IS HAVING FLOODING PROBLEMS. AFTER INVESTIGATING, IT WAS DETERMINED THE OLD DITCH THAT RAN BEHIND ALL THESE RESIDENTS HOMES HAD GROWN UP OVER THE YEARS; WHAT USE TO BE A CHEST OR NECK HIGH DITCH WAS NOW A KNEE HIGH DITCH. KNAUER ADVISED THERE WAS A 10' TO 12' WIDE DITCH THAT TIED INTO A DITCH THAT WAS ABOUT 2'WIDE; AT THAT POINT, WATER WAS DISCHARGING COMING ACROSS THE PROPERTIES, RUNNING TO THE SOUTH AND GOING ALONG THE EDGE OF THE ROADWAY CAUSING QUIET A BIT OF FLOODING. HE HAS MET WITH THE LANDOWNERS, HAVE GOTTEN RIGHT OF ENTRY FORMS, SURVEYED THE DITCH, SET GRADES ON THE DITCH AND THE COUNTY IS COMING ALONG GOOD WITH FINISHING THE DITCH.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED ROAD AND BRIDGE WOULD FINISH THE DITCH THIS WEEK IF THE BOARD WILL AGREE TO PAY TWO COUNTY EMPLOYEES OVERTIME; HE HAS AN EXCAVATOR HE CAN USE FREE IF THE BOARD AGREES FOR EMPLOYEES TO BE PAID OVERTIME. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION-ER SAPP AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE PAYING OVERTIME TO TIM JOYNER AND EARL HENDRIX TO WORK ON JOYNER ROAD DITCH PROJECT THIS WEEKEND.

- 5. ORANGE HILL ROAD BRIDGE OVER HARD LABOR CREEK-MURPHREE BRIDGE COMPANY WAS COMING ALONG STRONG ON THE REPAIRS TO THE BRIDGE. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD INFORMATION THE CONTRACTOR WAS SUPPOSE TO FINISH UP THIS AFTERNOON. KNAUER UPDATED THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS ON THE WEIGHT LIMIT ON THE BRIDGE HAVING BEEN DROPPED DOWN TREMENDOUSLY BY FL-DOT DUE TO THERE BEING THREE PILINGS THAT WERE ROTTED OUT. AN RFQ WAS PUT OUT FOR CONTRACTORS TO BID ON THE REPAIR OF THE BRIDGE AND CERTIFYING IT WOULD MEET THE PRE-CONDITION LOAD RATINGS.
- 6. FALLING WATERS STATE PARK MULTI-USE PATH DESIGN-KNAUER UPDATED THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS ON THE COUNTY HAVING RECEIVED AN ENHANCEMENT GRANT FROM THE FL-DOT FOR A MULTI-USE PATH THAT GOES FROM WHERE MCDONALDS IS ON BRICKYARD ROAD HEADED EAST TO FALLING WATERS ROAD, FROM FALLING WATERS ROAD TO STATE PARK ROAD AND BACK TO HIGHWAY

77. HE ADVISED ALL OF THE SURVEYING HAS BEEN COMPLETED, THEY ARE ABOUT 15% TO 20% ON THE DESIGN PLANS AND REQUESTED THE BOARD APPROVE, WHEN HE GETS TO 30%, SCHEDULING A PUBLIC MEETING ON THE PROJECT TO START GETTING INPUT ON CONCERNS WITH IT. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THERE WERE ALREADY CONCERNS WITH THE PROJECT AND SAID IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR KNAUER TO LOOK AT WHAT HE HAS ON THE DESIGN AS SOON AS HE COULD. KNAUER SAID HE WAS PUTTING TOGETHER A GENERAL ALIGNMENT SO WHEN IT IS PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC, THEY WILL HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT TO EXPECT AND NOT JUST HAVE THE SURVEY TO REVIEW. KNAUER ADVISED HE AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAD CON-TACTED FRED HAM WITH THE STATE ON TYING THE BIKE PATH INTO THE FALLING WATERS STATE PARK; HAM WOULD LIKE TO DO THIS ALSO BUT NO FUNDING IS AVAILABLE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THE PROJECT CAME IN BELOW THE GRANT AMOUNT, COULD THE GRANT FUNDING BE USED TO TIE INTO THE STATE PARK. KNAUER SAID THAT COULD BE A POSSIBILITY AS ALL FL-DOT WAS INTERESTED IN WAS TO MAKE IT WITHIN THE PERIMETERS SUBMITTED FOR THE GRANT; IF IT CAN BE EXTENDED WITHIN THE GRANT AMOUNT, THEY PROBABLY WILL ALLOW IT IF IT CAME WITHIN BUDGET. HE STATED THE GRANT WAS FOR \$768,000 WITH THE BIG COST ISSUE BEING THE I-10 OVERPASS TO MAKE IT SAFE FOR THE RESIDENTS. KNAUER SAID IT WOULD BE A TEAM EFFORT TO COME UP WITH A SOLUTION TO THE OVERPASS BRIDGE. 7. OLD BONIFAY AND CARR ROAD-KNAUER UPDATED THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS ON THE OLD BONIFAY HIGHWAY; ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO THE MSBU DID A PROJECT IN SUNNY HILLS WHICH INCLUDED RESURFACING OF APPROXIMATELY 20 MILES OF ROADWAY. WHEN THEY WERE PREPARING TO DO IT, THEY SAW A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO GET A GOOD PRICE FOR ASPHALT IF THEY BID OUT A CONTRACT PRICE FOR THE COUNTY FOR A YEAR. THE ASPHALT FOR THE MSBU PROJECT WAS BID AT \$39 A TON; THE COUNTY GOT A CONTRACT PRICE OF \$42 A TON FOR A YEAR AND THE BOARD HAS SINCE TAKEN ACTION TO APPROVE OF A CHANGE ORDER TO RENEW C. W. ROBERT'S CONTRACT OF \$42 A TON FOR ANOTHER YEAR. THIS CONTRACT IS IN FORCE UNTIL SOMETIME IN APRIL OF 2005. KNAUER CONTINUED BY SAYING WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING IS A BOARD MEMBER HAS A ROAD THEY WANT PAVED; THE CONTRACTOR, AS WELL AS THE COUNTY, MEASURES IT OUT TO FIGURE OUT HOW MANY TONS IT WILL TAKE TO PAVE THE ROAD. ROBERTS THEN SUBMITS A PROPOSAL AND THE PROPOSAL IS APPROVED BY THE BOARD. KNAUER ADVISED THE BOARD GEORGE ROBERTS, OWNER OF C. W. ROBERTS, CALLED HIM ON THE 17TH STATING HE DIDN'T MIND MAKING JUST A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY; HOWEVER, HE CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MONEY EVERYTIME HE SENDS ASPHALT TO THE COUNTY. ROBERTS SUGGESTED EVERYTHING THAT WAS UNDER CONTRACT ON A WORKORDER, THEY WOULD HONOR THE \$42 PER TON PRICE FOR ASPHALT WITH MOBILIZATION FEE; ANY ADDITIONAL WORK THE COUNTY WAS WANTING TO DO WOULD BE \$52.50 PER TON WITH THE SAME \$2500 MOBILIZATION FEE. KNAUER SAID HE WAS BRINGING THIS ISSUE TO THE BOARD'S

ATTENTION AS ROBERTS HAS SAID HE COULDN'T AFFORD TO DO THE WORK FOR \$42 A TON ANYMORE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WOULDN'T ROBERTS CONTRACT STILL GOOD; KNAUER ADVISED IT WAS AND PERHAPS ATTORNEY HOLLEY WOULD NEED TO DISCUSS THE CONTRACT ISSUES WITH ROBERTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED KNAUER ON WHAT BROUGHT ON ROBERTS WANTING TO INCREASE HIS ASPHALT PRICE. KNAUER SAID IT WAS DUE TO LITTLE PROJECTS WHERE A SMALL AMOUNT OF ASPHALT WAS NEEDED. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED KNAUER IF ALL OF THESE LITTLE PROJECTS HAD BEEN COMING BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL. KNAUER STATED THEY HAD BEEN UP TO THIS POINT WITH COMMISSION-ER CORBIN THEN QUESTIONING IF THE PAVING ON PARISH STEELE ROAD WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD. KNAUER STATED HE WAS GOING TO GO OVER THE PARISH STEELE PROJECT LATER IN HIS REPORT; HOWEVER, PART OF PARISH STEELE ROAD PAVING WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND THE DRIVEWAYS ON CREEK ROAD WERE APPROVED. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTED THE COUNTY ENGINEER GET HIM A COPY OF THE C. W. ROBERTS CONTRACT. KNAUER SAID C. W. ROBERTS HAD SENT HIM A PROPOSAL TO DO CARR ROAD AND THE OLD BONIFAY ROAD FOR \$52.50 A TON; IF A COUNTY PROJECT IS NOT ALREADY ON THE LIST, C. W. ROBERTS IS NOT GOING TO HONOR THE CONTRACT PRICE OF \$42 PER TON. COMMISSIONER COPE POINTED OUT THAT OLD BONIFAY ROAD HAD BEEN IN THE MAKING FOR OVER TWO YEARS AND DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT WASN'T ON THE LIST. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED AND SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY BOTH THE CARR ROAD AND OLD BONIFAY ROAD WEREN'T ON THE LIST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED THE PRICES FOR ASPHALT ON THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY AS C. W. ROBERTS HAD GIVEN THEM A OUOTE FOR \$42 A TON. KNAUER SAID HE HAD A LIST OF THE PROJECTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY ON THE LIST THAT C. W. ROBERTS WILL DO AT THE CONTRACT PRICE OF \$42 A TON. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY ROBERTS WANTED TO MAKE A CHANGE IN THE PRICE MID-STREAM. COMMISSION-ER COPE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD ROBERTS NEEDED TO MAKE A PROFIT AN DIESEL FUEL PRICES HAVE GONE UP TO \$2.00 A GALLON. KNAUER SAID ROBERTS HAD MENTIONED TO HIM THERE WAS NO ACCELERATOR PUT IN THE CONTRACT TO MAKE UP FOR THE PRICE OF ASPHALT GOING UP SO HIGH. ROBERTS ALSO POINTED OUT THE CONTRACT WAS NOT DONE BY FL-DOT STANDARDS; IF IT HAD BEEN, THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN AN ACCELERATOR PUT IN THE CONTRACT AND THE COUNTY WOULD BE PAYING MORE NOW. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED KNAUER READ THE LIST OF PROJECTS THAT C. W. ROBERTS HAS AGREED TO DO FOR \$42 A TON. COMMISSIONER COPE THEN QUESTIONED KNAUER IF ALL THE BAD AREAS IN CREEK ROAD WERE COMPLETED; KNAUER SAID THERE WERE FOUR PATCHES OVERLAYED. WHEN COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF ALL THE BAD AREAS HAD BEEN DONE, KNAUER SAID IF ALL THE BAD AREAS HAD BEEN REPAIRED, CREEK ROAD WOULD HAVE HAD TO BE RESURFACED. HOWEVER, ALL THE BAD, BAD, BAD AREAS HAVE BEEN PATCHED. COMMISSIONER CORBIN DISAGREED WITH KNAUER SAYING IT WOULD NEED RESURFACING; HOWEVER, THERE IS A NUMBER OF PLACES, WHEN HE RODE OVER IT, THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN FIXED THAT WERE NOT FIXED INSTEAD OF THE PAVING GOING ON PARISH STEELE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD HAD APPROVED \$25,000 ON CREEK ROAD AS FAR AS IT WOULD GO. KNAUER SAID HE HAD ALL THIS INFORMATION HE WOULD BE GOING OVER IN DETAIL.

KNAUER THEN READ THE LIST OF ROADS C. W. ROBERTS HAS AGREED TO DO AT THE \$42 PER TON ASPHALT PRICE:

- 1. HOLMES VALLEY ROAD PROJECT-COMPLETED
- 2. WASHINGTON COUNTY AG CENTER-COMPLETED
- 3. NORTHWEST FLORIDA HOSPITAL-THIS WAS TAKEN OFF OF COUNTY'S PROPOSAL AND WRITTEN ON SEPARATE PROPOSAL TO THE COUNTY; \$42 CONTRACT PRICE STILL APPLIED.
- 4. ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY-3800 TONS
- 5. COUNTY ROAD 273/SOUTH BLVD
- 6. COLEMAN AVENUE
- 7. CREEK ROAD
- 8. CRYSTAL LAKE

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY LEISURE LAKES WAS NOT ON THE LIST; ROBERTS HAD GIVEN HIM A PROPOSAL ON DOING THIS PROJECT AT THE SAME TIME HE DID CRYSTAL LAKE. KNAUER SAID IN THE PAST, IT HAD NOT MADE A DIFFERENCE WHERE A PROJECT WAS ON A LIST OR NOT; NOW, THE LIST WAS ALL ROBERTS WAS WANTING TO HONOR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THERE WAS MORE THAN 3700 TONS OF ASPHALT IN THAT SECTION FROM PIONEER ROAD SOUTH AND THAT SECTION FROM BRICKYARD ROAD TO HIGHWAY 77. KNAUER STATED THERE WAS 5,802 TONS.

KNAUER REITERATED IN THE PAST IT HAD MADE NO DIFFERENCE; THE ONLY THING THAT MATTERED WAS HOW MUCH MONEY THE COMMIS-SIONER HAD TO ALLOCATE TO THAT PROJECT FOR ASPHALT. HE SAID THIS IS WHERE ALL THE QUANTITIES WAS DETERMINED AND WHERE THE PROJECTS ON THE LIST WERE APPROVED AT A BOARD MEETING AND EVERYONE WAS TIED DOWN AND THE PROJECTS WERE DONE.

KNAUER SAID THE OLD BONIFAY ROAD PROJECT AND CARR ROAD WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$96,000 ACCORDING TO THE PROPOSAL HE HAD RECEIVED FROM C. W. ROBERTS. HE PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH COPIES OF WHAT C. W. ROBERTS HAD GIVEN HIM. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THERE WAS SUPPOSE TO BE ONLY ONE MOBILIZATION CHARGE FOR COLEMAN AVENUE AND THE AG CENTER; THE COUNTY GOT BILLED FOR TWO. KNAUER SAID IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE BOARD CALLS THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO PAY. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID C. W. ROBERTS AGREED TO ONLY CHARGE ONE MOBILIZA-TION FEE FOR THE AG CENTER AND COLEMAN AVENUE IF BOTH PROJECTS WERE READY TO BE DONE AT THE SAME TIME; BOTH PROJECTS WERE READY BUT THEY WERE NOT PAVED AT THE SAME TIME. KNAUER AGREED THERE HAD BEEN A LOT OF MOBILIZATION FEES; SOME BECAUSE OF THE CONTRACTOR AND SOME BECAUSE OF THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF C. W. ROBERTS WOULD COME BACK AND SAY HE WAS MAKING TOO MUCH MONEY IF FUEL PRICES DROPPED, ETC. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED HOW MUCH MONEY HE HAD IN HIS DISTRICT MONIES. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED HE HAD \$216,106.86 ACCORDING TO THE PRINTOUT; HOWEVER, SHE ADVISED SHE DIDN'T KNOW IF THERE WERE ANY OUTSTANDING INVOICES. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER INFORM ALL

THE COMMISSIONERS OF THEIR DISTRICT MONIES: DISTRICT I \$63,438.41 (NO BILLS PAID OUT FROM LAST WEEK ON CREEK ROAD AND PARISH STEEL ROAD) KNAUER ADVISED THERE WAS 553' ADDED ON TO CREEK ROAD; KNAUER REITERATED HE WAS GOING TO ADDRESS CREEK ROAD IN ITS ENTIRETY SHORTLY. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER BEGAN REPORTING ON DISTRICT MONIES AGAIN: DISTRICT III \$31,590 (MONIES DONATED BY BROCK HAVE NOT BEEN DEDUCTED) DISTRICT IV \$171,755.28 DISTRICT V \$126,052.54 KNAUER ADVISED C. W. ROBERTS WANTS SOMETHING IN WRITING PRIOR TO DOING ANY WORK ON OLD BONIFAY AND CARR ROADS. CHAIRMAN FINCH CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS. PURSUANT TO A RECESS, CHAIRMAN FINCH CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER AND ASKED THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO CONTINUE WITH HIS REPORT. KNAUER GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE CREEK ROAD PROJECT: A. A SET OF PLANS AND A PROPOSAL WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD FOR .9 MILE WHICH WAS THE ORIGINAL SCOPE OF THE PROJECT. THE .9 MILE TURNED INTO 3 MILES; NO PLANS WERE DONE Β. ON ANY OF THE PROJECTS BEYOND THE .9 MILE. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE PLANS WERE USED ON THE .9 MILE; KNAUER ADVISED THEY WERE NOT. C. .5 OR .6 MILE ON PARISH STEELE ROAD WAS INCLUDED IN THE ORIGINAL QUANTITIES THAT WERE SUBMITTED BY C.W. ROBERTS FOR APPROVAL BY THE BOARD. (3,060 OR 3,080 TONS WAS WHAT THE ORIGINAL BID WAS FOR ON THE PROJECT) D. THE MAIN LINES WERE DONE ON CREEK ROAD; THEY WERE PREPARED BY THE COUNTY AND C. W. ROBERTS WENT OUT AND PAVED IT. E. THE MAIN LINES ON PARISH STEELE ROAD WERE PREPARED BY THE COUNTY, PAVED BY C. W. ROBERTS, EVERYTHING STOPPED, THE CONTRACTOR DEMOBILIZED AND WENT TO ANOTHER LOCATION. THE REASON THE CONTRACTOR WENT TO ANOTHER LOCATION WAS DUE TO IT NOT BEING INCLUDED IN HIS CONTRACT TO PAVE 67 TO 69 DRIVE WAYS BACK TO WHERE THE RIGHT OF WAY LINE WOULD BE. F. C. W. ROBERTS CAME BACK TO THE BOARD AND ASKED FOR \$65 A TON TO DO ALL THE DRIVEWAYS BECAUSE THEY WERE ALL HANDWORK. WHEN ROBERTS DID THIS, HE HAD HIS INSPECTOR, CHRIS SMITH, GO AND MEASURE THE DRIVEWAYS THAT WERE GOING TO GET PAVED AND PROVIDE HIM WITH A QUANTITY ON THE SQUARE YARDS OF DRIVEWAY. KNAUER SAID HE THEN TOOK THE \$65 PER TON ROBERTS HAD PROPOSED, APPLIED IT TO THE DRIVEWAYS TO BE PAVED AND HAD ROBERTS SUBMIT A PROPOSAL AT \$65 A TON FOR THOSE DRIVEWAYS. G. KNAUER SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF THE EXACT DOLLAR AMOUNT BUT THOUGHT IT WAS AROUND \$40,000 MORE THAT WAS ADDED TO THE ORIGINAL PROJECT AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD. WHEN THE DRIVE-WAYS GOT PAVED, THEY WERE LACKING APPROXIMATELY 4 OR 5 DRIVEWAYS AND LACKING RESURFACING THE BAD SPOTS ON CREEK ROAD. THESE WERE THE TWO THINGS LEFT TO COMPLETE THE

PROJECT AND TO FINISH EVERYTHING OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE QUANTITIES THAT WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THE 3,000 TONS KNAUER HAD REFERRED TO AS BEING APPROVED FOR THE ONE MILE OF CREEK ROADWAY;

DID THE 3,000 TONS INCLUDE THE 3 MILES TOO. KNAUER ADVISED IT DID NOT. KNAUER REITERATED THE PLANS HE DID FIRST WAS FOR ONE MILE; THE ORIGINAL QUOTE FROM C. W. ROBERTS WAS FOR 3 MILES AND THE ASPHALT QUOTE APPROVED BY THE BOARD WAS FOR 3 MILES ON CREEK ROAD EVEN THOUGH THE PLANS DIDN'T GO THAT FAR AND EVEN THOUGH THEY DIDN'T BUILD WHAT WAS ON THE PLANS ANYWAY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IT SEEMED LIKE COMMISSIONER HALL HAD COME BACK BEFORE THE BOARD AND SAID HE COULDN'T AFFORD THE ENGINEERING ON THE PROJECT AND ROBERT HARCUS AND HALL DONE THE ENGINEERING. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID ALL THE RIGHT OF WAY ON CREEK ROAD HE IS AWARE THE COUNTY HAS IS JUST FROM DITCH BANK TO DITCH BANK. HE QUESTIONED KNAUER IF THIS WAS CORRECT; KNAUER STATED HE HAD GIVEN UP ON TRYING TO FIGURE IT OUT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THAT IS WHY HE WAS QUESTIONING IF THE COUNTY COULD LEGALLY PAVE THE DRIVEWAYS BACK 20'. COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER HALL HAVING SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH DRIVEWAY DONATED; THAT WAS THE SWAP OFF OF GETTING THE 800' ACROSS THE PASTURE. HOWEVER, IF YOU LOOK AT THE ROAD, IT IS EXACTLY IN THE SAME PLACE IT WAS WHEN IT WAS AN UNPAVED ROAD. KNAUER SAID HE WAS NOT INVOLVED WITH ANY OF THE RIGHT OF WAY NEGOTIATIONS.

KNAUER THEN WENT OVER HIS TIME LINE:

- 1. 07-21-04 FIRST DAY PAVED ON CREEK ROAD; CREEK ROAD MAIN LINE-2,309' AT 241.92 TONS ASPHALT
- 2. 07-22-04 CREEK ROAD MAIN LINE-16,651LF/10'WIDTH/1768.4 TONS ASPHALT
- 3. 07-23-04 CREEK ROAD MAIN LINE-14,059LF/10'WIDTH AT 1553 TONS ASPHALT
- 4. 07-24-04 PARISH STEELE-3168LF/10'WIDTH/868.05 TONS ASPHALT
- 5. THERE WAS A BREAK BETWEEN THE TIME THE CONTRACTOR FINISHED PARISH STEELE AND THEY STARTED ON DRIVEWAYS; THE CONTRACTOR HAD WANTED TO GET \$65 A TON FOR DRIVEWAYS AND BY THE TIME IT WAS MEASURED, GOT A QUOTE AND BROUGHT IT BEFORE THE BOARD AND THEY CAME BACK TO START ON THE NEXT PAVING DATE WAS 10-11-04
- 6. 10-11-04/MOBILIZED, CREW SHOWS UP, RAINS AND CANCELLED FOR DAY; NO ASPHALT PUT DOWN THAT DAY. COMMISSIONER FINC QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A NEW MOBILIZATION CHARGE ON THE SECOND ROUND OF PAVING; KNAUER ADVISED THERE WAS NOT.
- 7. 10-12-04/DRIVEWAYS AND COUNTY ROAD TURNOUTS/1336.6SQUARE YARDS/153 TONS/17 DRIVEWAYS TOTAL
- 8. 10-13-04/27 DRIVEWAYS/211 TONS
- 9. 10-14-04/23 DRIVEWAYS AND AN ADDITIONAL 535' EXTENSION ON CREEK ROAD; 20'WIDE/410.98 TONS (THIS AMOUNT WAS STILL WITHIN THE AMOUNT APPROVED BY THE BOARD QUANTITY WISE) COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A GOOD BASE PUT UNDER THE EXTENSION; KNAUER ADVISED WHEN THEY WERE DONE THERE WAS A GOOD BASE UNDER IT BECAUSE ASPHALT WAS USED FOR THE BASE. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED HOW THICK WAS THE ASPHALT

THAT WAS PUT ON THE EXTENSION. KNAUER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW BECAUSE IT WAS NOT CORED; HOWEVER, THERE WAS 23 TURNOUTS AND 535'EXTENSION AT 20' WIDE AT 410.98 TONS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT KNAUER MEANT WHEN HE SAID THE ROAD EXTENSION HAD A GOOD BASE UNDER IT. KNAUER ADVISED THE ROAD WAS NOT PREPARED THE THE WAY HE WOULD HAVE DONE IT IF IT HAD BEEN HIS PROJECT. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID IF ENOUGH ASPHALT WAS PUT DOWN, THE ROAD EXTENSION WILL PROBABLY HOLD UP. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS IS WHAT HE IS QUESTIONING; WHAT THICKNESS OF ASPHALT WAS PUT DOWN. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THERE WAS ABOUT 4" TO 5". KNAUER SAID IT COULD VERY EASILY BE CORED TO DETERMINE THE THICKNESS.

- 10. AFTER 10-14-04, THE PROJECT WAS LOOKING GOOD AS THERE WAS ONLY FIVE DRIVEWAYS LEFT TO DO AND THE OVERLAY ON CREEK ROAD WHERE THE PATCHES WAS TO BE DONE.
- 11. 11-11-04/PRIVATE DRIVE WAS PAVED/NO TICKETS WERE COLLECTED ON THIS PROJECT NOR WAS CHARGED TO THE COUNTY. HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE PROJECT WAS PAID FOR BY THE LANDOWNER. WHEN QUESTIONED WHO THE LANDOWNER WAS, KNAUER SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING IT WAS COMMISSIONER HALL'S SON, CHAD HALL. COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED HOW COULD THE BOARD BE ASSURED THIS ASPHALT WAS NOT FIGURED IN WITH THE COUNTY TICKETS. KNAUER STATED THEY ONLY PAY FOR TICKETS COLLECTED; THIS IS WHY HE HAS SOMEONE THERE SO THERE IS NO CONFUSION AS TO WHAT GOES DOWN WHERE AND WHO IT BELONGS TO. KNAUER SAID ALL HE COULD TELL THE BOARD WAS NONE OF THE LOADS THAT WENT TO THE DRIVEWAY HAVE TICKETS THAT ARE INCLUDED HE HAS AND THE TICKETS HE HAS IS WHAT THE COUNTY PAYS
- FOR.
 12. 11-15-04/HE WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THERE WERE FOUR DRIVEWAYS LEFT TO FINISH AND THEY WERE GOING TO OVER-LAY PATCHES ON CREEK ROAD; APPARENTLY, THE CONTRACTOR WAS INSTRUCTED TO EXTEND PARISH STEELE ROAD AN ADDITIONAL 4,000 TO 5,000'. COMMISSIONER FINCH STATED IT WAS .9 OF A MILE.
 COMMISSIONER CORBIN UPDATED THE BOARD ON COMMISSIONER HALL HAVING COME TO HIS HOME ON 11-17-04 AND APOLOGIZED DUE TO THERE HAVING BEEN SOME CONFUSION BETWEEN HIM AND

THE CONTRACTOR. HE HAD TOLD THE CONTRACTOR TO DO ALL THE PATCHWORK ON CREEK ROAD; ANY ASPHALT LEFT WAS TO BE PUT ON THE END OF PARISH STEELE ROAD. HALL HAD SAID IT HAD BEEN A MISTAKE AND HE HAD NOT MEANT FOR THEM TO PAVE PARISH STEELE ROAD FIRST.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED KNAUER IF HE HAD AN INSPECT-OR ON THE JOB; KNAUER SAID HE DID BUT HIS DUTIES WERE PRETTY WELL RESTRICTED. HE WAS TO CHECK TEMPERATURES OF THE ASPHALT, COLLECT TICKETS AND MEASURE SQUARE YARDS AFTER IT WAS PUT DOWN SO THEY COULD ESTABLISH A SPREAD RATE. CHRIS SMITH, HIS INSPECTOR, WAS ON THE JOB EVERYDAY THERE WAS ASPHALT PUT DOWN OR A CREW WORKING. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF CHRIS HAD CALLED KNAUER AND REPORTED THE BASE WAS NOT CORRECT. KNAUER SAID

CHRIS HAD CALLED HIM MOST OF THE WAY THROUGH THE DAY AND SAID IT WAS A BAD SITUATION; KNAUER SAID HE HAD BEEN IN MEETINGS ALL DAY THAT DAY. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED KNAUER IF THE CONTRACTOR WAS TOLD BY FORMER COMMISSIONER HALL TO PUT ASPHALT DOWN ON PARISH STEELE ROAD; KNAUER SAID THIS WAS HIS UNDER-STANDING OF THE SITUATION. HOWEVER, HE WAS NOT THERE. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF COMMISSIONER HALL WAS THERE AT THE TIME THE ASPHALT WAS BEING PUT DOWN ON

STEELE ROAD; KNAUER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW AS HE DIDN'T ASK. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IF THE CONTRACTOR WAS TO DO THE EXISTING CREEK ROAD, WHY DID THEY START ON PARISH STEELE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED COMMISSIONER HALL HAVING TOLD HIM THE CONTRACTOR HAD MISUNDERSTOOD; HALL SAID HIS INTENTION WAS TO PAVE THE BAD AREAS ON CREEK ROAD AND IF THERE WAS ANY ASPHALT LEFT, PUT IT ON PARISH STEELE ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT MADE IT COME TO A TERMINATION POINT ON PARISH STEELE ROAD AND ALL OF A SUDDEN STOP AND GO TO CREEK ROAD; IT APPEARED TO HIM, THERE WAS A CERTAIN INTERSECTION THE CONTRACTOR STOPPED ON AND LOOKED LIKE IT WAS A DESTINATION POINT TO STOP AT THAT INTERSECTION HE ASKED COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND IF HE KNEW THE NAME OF THE OTHER ROAD AT THE INTERSECTION; STRICKLAND SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS PARISH STEELE AND DAVIS ROAD INTERSECTION. 13. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT APPEARED TO BE APPROXIMATELY .9 MILE FROM WHERE THE CONTRACTOR HAD STOPPED BEFORE. HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IF IT WAS AN ACCIDENT THEY STARTED ON PARISH STEELE, WHY DID THEY GO TO A CERTAIN INTERSECTION AND STOP AND THEN START ON CREEK ROAD. KNAUER SAID HE COULDN'T ANSWER THIS; HOWEVER, HE COULD SAY WHEN HE DOES A SET OF PLANS AND A DESIGN FOR A PROJECT, AND IT IS BID OUT, HE KNOWS EXACTLY WHAT IS GOING ON. IF THERE IS GOING TO BE AN OVERRUN ON THE PROJECT, KNAUER SAID IT IS EASY TO NOTIFY SOMEONE AND SAY THERE IS GOING TO BE A PROBLEM. HE SAID THIS WAS NOT THE SITUATION ON THIS PROJECT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HAD GOTTEN A CALL ON MONDAY OR TUESDAY MORNING, SAYING THE CONTRACTOR WAS PAVING PARISH STEELE ROAD. DUE TO HIM NOT KNOWING ANYTHING ABOUT IT, HE SAID HE WOULD CALL DALLAS CARTER, ROAD SUPERINTENDENT, AND HAVE HIM CHECK IT. DALLAS WENT AND LOOKED AND REPORTED BACK TO HIM THE ROAD WAS BEING PAVED AND ONE SPREADER WAS PULLED THROUGH IT; THERE WAS A SPREADER AND A ROLLER BOGGED DOWN AND IT LOOKED TO HIM LIKE THE DITCHES WERE PULLED, BRUSHED DOWN, DRESSED UP THE ROADWAY AND THE CONTRACTOR STARTED PAVING ON THE LOOSE MATERIAL IN THE ROAD. CORBIN SAID HE THEN WENT DOWN THERE AND THIS IS WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE TO HIM. HE SAID PRIOR COMMISSIONER BROCK WAS THERE SITTING ON THE BACK OF HIS TRUCK WITH MR. SONNY COOK; HE KNOWS THAT BROCK HAD CALLED COMMISSIONER HALL AND TOLD HIM THAT HE WAS DOWN THERE. THIS IS WHY HALL CALLED HIM AND WANTED TO COME TO HIS HOUSE AND TALK TO HIM AND THAT IS WHAT HE DID. WHEN ASKED WHAT BROCK WAS DOING SETTING ON THE BACK OF A COUNTY TRUCK ON TUESDAY, CORBIN RESPONDED BROCK WAS SITTING ON THE BACK OF HIS OWN TRUCK WITH SONNY COOK; SONNY HAD TOLD CORBIN HE WANTED TO SEE IF HE COULD FIND COMMISSIONER HALL TO SEE IF HE COULD GET ABOUT 250' PAVED. BASED ON THE TONNAGE, COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED KNAUER ON THE COST OF THE ASPHALT THAT WAS PUT DOWN ON PARISH STEELE ROAD ON 11-14 OR 11-15/2004. HE ALSO QUESTIONED IF THE ASPHALT WAS AT \$52 OR \$42; KNAUER ADVISED IT WAS PROBABLY AT \$42 PER TON SINCE IT WAS ON A MAIN LINE. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS WAS NOT PART OF THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL FROM C. W. ROBERTS. KNAUER SAID THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL WAS \$42 A TON FOR CREEK ROAD WHERE THEY WERE GOING

TO OVERLAY THE BAD AREAS AND \$65 FOR THE DRIVEWAYS BECAUSE OF THE HANDWORK. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS INCIDENT DIDN'T MEET EITHER ONE OF THOSE CRITERIA; IT IS NOT DRIVEWAYS OR CREEK ROAD BUT NEW CONSTRUCTION ON AN EXTENSION OF PARISH STEELE ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED KNAUER WHAT THE COST OF THE ASPHALT ON THE .9 OF A MILE ON PARISH STEELE ROAD WAS. KNAUER SAID IT WOULD BE IN THE RANGE OF 700 TONS AT \$42.00 A TON; HOWEVER HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHECK THE TONNAGE. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE COST WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$30,000. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING FROM THE NOVEMBER 12, 2004 MEETING, FROM LOOKING AT THE MINUTES CLERK COOK TOOK, THE \$25,000 COMMISSIONER BROCK HAD CONTRIBUTED TO COMMISSIONER HALL WAS TO GO TOWARD CREEK ROAD PATCHES. HE QUESTIONED WHAT TONNAGE WAS USED ON THE PATCHING; KNAUER SAID IT LOOKED LIKE 118.31 TONS OF ASPHALT WAS USED TOWARD THE PATCHING. COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED THIS WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$5,028. KNAUER SAID THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO ADD THE ASPHALT USED FOR FOUR TO FIVE DRIVEWAYS. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED COMMISSIONER HALL HAVING SPENT \$30,000 ON A ROAD THE BOARD DIDN'T AUTHORIZE AND \$5,000 ON A ROAD THEY DID AUTHORIZE. HE SAID THIS WAS A HUGE MISTAKE. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE HAD A PROBLEM WITH THIS AND FELT LIKE FORMER COMMISSIONER HALL SHOULD BE MADE TO PAY FOR IT; HE DOESN'T FEEL THE COUNTY SHOULD BE STUCK WITH THE BILL, ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY DON'T HAVE THE MONEY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY WHERE THE BOARD STOOD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IF A SITTING COUNTY COMMISSIONER AUTHORIZED THE WORK TO BE DONE, THE COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE TO THE CONTRACTOR AND THE FORMER COMMISSIONER IS LIABLE TO THE COUNTY. HOLLEY ALSO STATED IF THE COMMISSIONER HAD THE APPARENT AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE IT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE A HARD TIME NOT PAYING THE CONTRACTOR FOR THE WORK. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IF THE COMMISSIONER'S TERM ENDED AT MIDNIGHT ON NOVEMBER 8TH, WAS THE WORK AUTHORIZED ON NOVEMBER 7TH OR 8TH. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED HE DIDN'T KNOW BUT THE CONTRACTOR DIDN'T KNOW THE COMMISSIONER'S TERM EXPIRED. COMMISSIONER FINCH OUESTIONED IF THERE WAS SOMETHING SIGNED BY HALL REPRESENTING THE COUNTY AUTHORIZING THE CONTRACTOR TO DO THE WORK OR WAS IT JUST A VERBAL AUTHORIZATION TO PAVE PARISH STEELE ROAD. HE QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A WORK ORDER SIGNED BY ANYONE. KNAUER ADVISED HE HADN'T SEEN ONE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THIS WAS ALSO AN ISSUE; WHETHER THE CONTRACTOR DID WHAT HALL TOLD HIM TO DO OR NOT, HE DOESN'T KNOW. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHAT THE BOARD OWED THE CONTRACTOR TO FINISH IT ALL UP. KNAUER SAID HE WOULD NEED A COPY OF THE OCTOBER INVOICE. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE INVOICE THAT WAS BROUGHT UP BY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ON NOVEMBER 12TH WAS FOR \$63,158.67.

KNAUER REITERATED HE DIDN'T HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION IN FRONT OF HIM TO ADVISE THEM OF THE TOTAL COST REMAINING TO THE CONTRACTOR.

KNAUER SAID ALL THE WORK HAD BEEN DONE; HOWEVER, COMMISSIONER

CORBIN HAS ADDRESSED THERE WERE MORE BAD AREAS ON CREEK ROAD THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN PATCHED. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THERE WERE A NUMBER OF BAD PLACES THAT STILL NEED TO BE DONE; HE FELT THE \$25,000 WOULD HAVE TAKEN CARE OF ALL OF THEM. COMMISSIONER COPE OUESTIONED IF THE CONTRACTOR HAD PULLED OUT. KNAUER SAID THEY HAD PULLED OUT WITH THEIR LAST WORDS BEING FOR KNAUER TO GET SOMETHING IN WRITING ON THE OLD BONIFAY AND CARR ROAD PROJECTS AND THEY WOULD COME BACK AS OUICKLY AS THEY CAN. KNAUER SAID IT WAS A TOUGH SITUATION FOR HIM AND HIS COMPANY TO BE IN; THE PROBLEM WAS HAVING AN INSPECTOR ON THE PROJECT BUT NO PLANS TO GO BY AND QUESTIONED WHAT COULD THE INSPECTOR POSSIBLY TELL THE CONTRACTOR EXCEPT THE ASPHALT IS TOO COLD. CHERYL, WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWSREPORTER, QUESTIONED KNAUER, IN HIS PROFESSIONAL OPINION, HOW WAS PARISH STEELE ROAD BUILT AND HOW LONG WILL IT LAST. KNAUER SAID IT WOULD DEPEND ON A LOT OF THINGS; IS IT GOING TO BE SODDED, LEAVE THE ROAD AS IT IS; ARE THERE LOGGING TRUCKS GOING TO BE USING THE ROAD, ETC. COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND; HE DIDN'T THINK THE COUNTY SHOULD BRUSH THE MATTER OFF AND JUST PAY THE BILL. EVEN THOUGH HE UNDERSTANDS THE COUNTY HAS AN OBLIGATION IF IT WAS AUTHORIZED BY SOMEONE REPRESENTING THE COMMISSION, COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE BOARD OUGHT TO HAVE LEGAL RECOURSE TO RECOOP THEIR MONIES. HE REQUESTED THE BOARD CONSIDER THIS MATTER. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HAD ALWAYS THOUGHT, SINCE HE HAS BEEN SITTING ON THE BOARD, IF HE AUTHORIZED SOMETHING THAT WAS NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD, HE COULD POSSIBLY BE MADE TO PAY FOR IT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID NO ONE KNEW ANYTHING ABOUT THE NEW PAVING ON PARISH STEELE ROAD; IT WAS NOT BROUGHT UP TO DO THIS. HE REITERATED IT APPEARED THE CONTRACTOR WENT TO A CERTAIN INTERSECTION AND STOPPED PAVING; IT IS NOT LIKE SOMEONE WENT OUT AND STOPPED THE CONTRACTOR AND TOLD THEM THEY MADE A MISTAKE. IT APPEARED THE CONTRACTOR HAD A CERTAIN DESTINATION TO GO TO AND THEN WENT TO CREEK ROAD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THE CONTRACTOR SPRAYED BEFORE THEY PUT DOWN THE ASPHALT; KNAUER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW BUT COULD FIND OUT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WAS ON THE SITE WHEN THEY HAD ONE LANE PATCHED AND ONE LANE TO FINISH; THERE WAS NO TACK ON THE OTHER LANE. KNAUER SAID IT WAS NOT TACK; IT WAS PRIME COAT ON THE SAND/CLAY. CORBIN SAID THERE WAS NO SAND CLAY; IT WAS JUST SAND AND THERE WAS NO TACK ON IT. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN THERE WAS NO TACK PUT ON THE ROAD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN THEN REFERRED TO ONE OF THE PERSONS CALLING HIM ABOUT THE PAVING OF PARISH STEELE ROAD HAVING SAID HALL WAS ON BACK OF A VERNON FIRE TRUCK WETTING DOWN THE ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED THIS DIDN'T SOUND LIKE A MISTAKE TO HIM; IT SOUNDS LIKE AN INTENTION TO PAVE SOMETHING. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED KNAUER GET THE EXACT TONNAGE OF ASPHALT ON THE CREEK ROAD/PARISH STEELE ROAD PROJECT. COM-MISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD KNOWS THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY THE CONTRACTOR AND THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO SEEK ACTION

AFTER THAT; IF THE CONTRACTOR DOESN'T GET PAID, HE WILL NOT CONTINUE TO DO ANYTHING FOR THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED IF KNAUER'S ASSISTANT HAD GOTTEN TICKETS ON PARISH STEELE AND EVERYTHING THAT HAD WENT DOWN ON TUESDAY. KNAUER SAID HE HAD TICKETS OF EVERY LOAD THAT WENT DOWN ON THE CREEK ROAD/PARISH STEELE PROJECT EXCEPT FOR THE PRIVATE DRIVEWAY. CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR SOMETHING TO BE IN THE MINUTES THE BOARD TOOK CERTAIN ACTION TO RECOGNIZE IF THEY PAY THE BILL, WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO, PAY IT AND FORGET IT OR PAY IT AND TAKE LEGAL RECOURSE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD HAD 30 DAYS FROM THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT UNTIL THEY ARE BILLED AND THEN THE BOARD CAN PAY FOR IT. HE QUESTIONED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER IF THIS WAS CORRECT. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID THE BOARD COULD HOLD A BILL OR WHATEVER THEY WANT TO; HOWEVER, BOARD FINANCE DOESN'T HAVE AN INVOICE ON THIS PROJECT YET. SHE ALSO POINTED OUT IF THERE IS A CONTRACT ON A PROJECT THE BOARD HAS APPROVED, IT CAN BE PROCESSED. HOWEVER, IN AN INCIDENT SUCH AS THE PARISH STEELE PROJECT, THE BOARD HADN'T APPROVED, BOARD FINANCE WOULDN'T DO ANYTHING UNTIL THE BOARD DIRECTED THEM. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULDN'T WANT A BILL TO COME IN AND IT BE PAID AS USUAL WITHOUT A RED FLAG GOING UP. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID WHEN THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12TH ARE PREPARED, TO SEE WHAT THEY SAY ON THE \$25,000 COMMISSIONER BROCK AGREED TO GIVE COMMISSIONER HALL AND WHAT HALL HAD SAID HE WOULD BE USING THE FUNDING FOR. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED, ACCORDING TO THE NOTES OF THE MEETING, THE \$25,000 WAS TO BE USED TOWARD THE REPAIR OF CREEK ROAD. COMMISSIONE FINCH SAID THE NEW PATCHWORK ON CREEK ROAD WAS APPROXIMATELY \$5,000; DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED KNAUER HAVING SAID THERE WERE SOME TURNOUTS THAT NEEDED TO BE ADDED TO THIS. SHE SUGGGESTED WAITING UNTIL KNAUER CAN PROVIDE THE EXACT COST PRIOR TO PAYING THE BILL. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS NOT TO DO ANYTHING UNTIL THE EXACT FIGURES ON WHAT WAS SPENT WHERE ON THE CREEK ROAD/ PARISH STEELE PROJECT. COMMISSIONER FINCH ALSO REQUESTED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER PROVIDE THE BOARD A COPY OF THE LAST MINUTES ON WHAT WAS SUPPOSE TO HAPPEN ON THESE PROJECTS WITH KNAUER ADVISING WHAT DID HAPPEN. KNAUER SAID IF HE HAD BEEN AT THE MEETING ON THE 12TH, HE WOULD HAVE A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT WAS AGREED TO. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SUGGESTED, BEFORE THIS ISSUE GETS COLD, THAT COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND, DUE TO IT BEING IN HIS DISTRICT, GET A LIST OF ANY WITNESSES THAT SAW WHAT HAD HAPPENED AS FAR AS JOHN HALL RIDING ON THE BACK OF THE VERNON FIRETRUCK WETTING DOWN THE ROAD. HE SAID THE BOARD WOULD NEED THIS INFORMATION IF THEY ARE CONTEMPLATING FILING A LAWSUIT. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED THE SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC ON CREEK ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED THE CONTRACTOR HAD TOLD HIM THEY WERE GOING TO GO BACK AND RESURFACE SOME OF THE WORST AREAS. HE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND THE ROAD COULD CAUSE DAMAGE TO A VEHICLE. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD BE MORE WORRIED ABOUT THERE BEING NO SHOULDERS ON THE ROAD AND GETTING TO CLOSE TO THE

EDGE OF THE ASPHALT CAUSING AN ACCIDENT.

KNAUER THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING TALKED WITH C. W. ROBERTS ON GETTING THE MOBILIZATION FEE ELIMINATED ON COLEMAN AVENUE. GEORGE ROBERTS HAS ADVISED HE WAS GOING TO APPLY THE MOBILIZATION FEE TO COLEMAN AVENUE AND THE AG CENTER DUE TO BOTH PROJECTS NOT BEING READY FOR ASPHALT AT THE SAME TIME.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED FOR BOARD APPROVAL TO SPEND UP TO THE \$96,000 PROPOSED BY C. W. ROBERTS FOR THE OLD BONIFAY AND CARR ROAD PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO AUTHORIZE COPE TO DO THE PAVING. COM- MISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THERE WERE ENGINEERING PLANS AND WILL THEY BE DONE ACCORDING TO THE PLANS.

KNAUER ADVISED THERE WERE ENGINEERING PLANS ON THE PROJECTS AND IT FOLLOWS CLOSE TO THE PLANS; THERE WERE TWO PLACES WHERE THE ROADWAY ALIGNMENT WAS SHIFTED SLIGHTLY. THE SUPER-ELEVATION BEFORE GETTING TO THE BRIDGE WAS LAID OUT BY HIM AND BUILT IN ACCORDANCE TO HIS PLAN. HE SAID HE DIDN'T FEEL LIKE THERE WERE ANY CLEAR ZONE ISSUES WITH OBJECTS THAT ARE GOING TO END UP CLOSE TO THE EDGE OF THE PAVEMENT. KNAUER AGREED, IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE, TO DO A SURVEY ON IT TO MAKE SURE THE SUPER-ELEVATION MATCHES THE SPEED LIMIT THEY ARE PROPOSING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THEY CAN SET THE SPEED LIMIT AFTER THE PROJECT IS FINISHED LIKE THEY HAVE DONE IN THE PAST. KNAUER SAID THE BOARD ALMOST NEEDS AN AS-BUILT SURVEY OF THE PROJECT ONCE IT IS BUILT TO DETERMINE IF IT MATCHES THE PLANS EXACTLY; OTHERWISE, THEY CAN GO BACK TO THE CENTER OF THE SUPER ELEVATION AND MEASURE THE DROP FROM ONE SIDE TO THE OTHER TO MAKE SURE IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE SPEED LIMIT THEY WILL BE POSTING.

SAPP SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GET AWAY FROM PREVIOUS PROBLEMS THAT HAVE HAPPENED IN THE PAST FOLLOWING THEM IN THE FUTURE. HE WANTS TO MAKE SURE WHEN THEY COMMIT TO DOING A ROAD PROJECT, THEY ALSO MAKE SURE THE ROAD MEETS ALL THE STANDARD CONDITIONS SO THERE WILL NOT BE A LEGAL RAMNIFICATION DOWN THE ROAD. HE ALSO SAID THE ENGINEER NEEDS TO MAKE SURE HE CAN ENDORSE IT AS BEING BUILT ACCORDING TO SPECIFICATIONS AND HE STAYS WITHIN THE CONTRACT BOUNDS.

KNAUER AGREED TO PUT TOGETHER A SUMMARY ON THE ROAD PROJECTS AND GIVE IT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON HIS OPINION OF THE CONDITION OF THE ROAD WITH REGARD TO THE ORIGINAL DESIGNED PLANS; ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT CAN THEN GIVE THIS INFORMATION TO THE BOARD. HE SAID HE HAD NOT SURVEYED ANYTHING SINCE THE ROAD WAS BUILT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE ROAD WAS ABOVE AVERAGE OF WHAT IS NORMALLY DONE BY INHOUSE LABOR. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR COMMISSIONER SAPP TO GO LOOK AT THE ROAD; THERE ARE TWO SHARP CURVES ON IT. HE SAID THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAD LAID IT OUT AND HE FEELS GOOD ABOUT THE ROAD.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE OF COMMISSIONER COPE PAVING THE CARR AND OLD BONIFAY ROADS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ASKED KNAUER IF THERE WAS ANY ROOM FOR COMPRO- MISING ON THE BILL FOR THE PARISH STEELE ROAD PROJECT DUE TO THE CONTRACTOR LAYING ASPHALT ON A ROAD THEY KNEW WAS NOT FIT TO LAY IT ON. KNAUER SAID IF THERE WAS GOING TO BE ANY LEGAL ACTION DONE, HE DOES NOT WANT TO BE IN A POSITION TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE CONTRACTOR. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WAS JUST WANTING KNAUER TO TELL HIM IF THERE WOULD BE ANY ROOM TO DO ANY NEGOTIATING.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING NO BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE RECYCLING CENTER TRUCK. JAMES PETERSON, RECYCLING CENTER, HAS TALKED WITH KAUFMAN INTERNATIONAL TRUCKING IN DOTHAN, ALABAMA AND FEELS THEY HAVE THE TRUCK HE IS LOOKING FOR. HE IS REQUESTING APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD TO NEGOTIATE WITH KAUFMAN.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF FL-DOT BIDS DIDN'T HAVE A TRUCK THE RECYCLING CENTER COULD USE. HERBERT STATED THEY HAD SOME THAT ARE CLOSE TO WHAT WAS NEEDED BUT DID NOT MEET THE SPECIFICATIONS ADVERTISED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE COUNTY COULD GET A LOT BETTER PRICE THROUGH A STATE BID THAN THEY CAN BY NEGOTIATING WITH KAUFMAN. CHAIR- MAN FINCH

RECOMMENDED TO INSTRUCT PETERSON TO WORK HIS SPECS FOR A TRUCK AROUND WHAT DOT HAS AVAILABLE. THE BOARD CONSENTED TO FINCH'S RECOMMENDATION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON A REQUEST FROM LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA TO ADOPT AN AGREEMENT THEY HAD PREPARED TO ALLOW THEM TO RECEIVE THE FEES COLLECTED FOR LEGAL AID SERVICES PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 2004-5. ATTORNY HOLLEY ADDRESSED FINANCE HAVING DISCUSSED THE AGREEMENT WITH HIM AND SUGGESTED LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION EACH QUARTER ON WHAT SERVICES THEY HAVE PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY. HOLLEY RECOMMENDED THERE BE A CONTRACT PROVISION ADDED THEY WILL PROVIDE A QUARTERLY REPORT ON THE SERVICES THEY HAVE PROVIDED FOR PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE AGENCY WANTING MONIES RECEIVED FROM JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2004 ALSO. SHE ADVISED THE ORDINANCE STIPULATED ANY MONIES NOT SPENT AT THE END OF EACH YEAR IN ALL FOUR CATEGORIES WOULD REVERT BACK TO CATEGORY ONE WHICH IS COURTHOUSE INNOVATIONS. SHE SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO GIVE HER DIRECTION ON THIS AS THERE IS A REPORT THAT WAS DUE OCTOBER 31ST ON THE FUNDING COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THE ORDINANCE.

MARY DEKLE UPDATED THE BOARD ON ARTICLE V REQUIRING THE COUNTIES SUPPORT THEIR LEGAL AID PROGRAM; LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA HAS BEEN PROVIDING THESE SERVICES FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR OVER 20 YEARS. SHE REFERENCED THE ARTICLE V PROVISION HAVING GONE INTO AFFECT AS OF JULY 1, 2004 AND SINCE THAT TIME THEY HAVE PROVIDED 191 HOURS OF LEGAL AID SERVICES; THIS IS APPROXIMATELY \$15,000 WORTH OF SERVICES.

SHE SAID THE ORIGINAL REQUEST THEY DID IN MAY ASKED FOR A COST PER POVERTY LEVEL, THE COST FOR PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OR UTILIZE THE REVENUES FROM THE ORDINANCE THE BOARD HAD ADOPTED.

SHE ALSO EXPLAINED SHE HAD HEARD FROM THE STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE; THEY ADVISED THEY WOULD BE GATHERING INFORMATION FROM EACH COUNTY ON WHAT THEY HAD GIVEN THEIR LEGAL AID PROGRAM AS WELL AS WHAT ARRANGEMENTS LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA HAS WORKED OUT WITH THE COUNTIES.

SHE AGREED TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH ANY INFORMATION THEY MAY REQUEST ON THE NUMBER OF HOURS, THE CLIENTS THEY SERVE, ETC. TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. SHE REQUESTED, IF THE BOARD SAW AREAS OF CONCERN, TO FORWARD THIS INFORMATION TO THEM.

DEKLE SAID THE AGREEMENT CALLED FOR QUARTERLY PAYMENTS BECAUSE THIS WOULD BE MUCH EASIER FOR SO MANY OF THE COUNTIES; HOWEVER, THE COUNTY CAN PAY MONTHLY IF THEY WISH. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID THE QUARTERLY PAYMENTS WOULD BE SATISFACTORY WITH BOARD FINANCE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING CLOSED OUT THE CALENDAR YEAR ON OCTOBER 1ST AND THE AGENCY IS ASKING FOR MONIES PRIOR TO THIS. DEKLE ADVISED THEY HAD ASKED FOR THESE FUNDS A LONG TIME AGO AND WHEN THE ORDINANCE WAS PASSED THEY WERE TOLD TO JUST SEND AN INVOICE WHICH THEY DID.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED HER HAVING ADVISED DEKLE TO SUBMIT AN INVOICE AND LATER CALLED AN APOLOGIZED TO DEKLE SAYING AN AGREEMENT WAS PROBABLY NEEDED OR BOARD ACTION WAS NEEDED TO GIVE THE FUNDING TO THE AGENCY. DEKLE SAID SHE UNDERSTOOD AND THIS WAS OKAY.

DEKLE AGREED ALL OF THE ARTICLE V PROVISIONS ARE NEW TO EVERYONE AND EVERYONE HAS TO WORK TOGETHER. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED DEKLE IF THE BOARD COULD BEGIN SUBMITTING THE FUNDING AS OF OCTOBER 1ST RATHER THAN MAKING IT RETROACTIVE BACK TO JULY 1, 2004 DUE TO THE COUNTY BOOKS HAVING ALREADY BEEN CLOSED OUT. DEKLE AGREED THIS WOULD BE OKAY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THERE WAS A YEAR'S PERIOD THE BOARD WAS NOT LEGALLY REQUIRED TO DO ANYTHING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO START PAYING LEGAL AID OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA QUARTERLY WITH OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2004 BEING THE FIRST QUARTER. DEKLE ASKED IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE FOR SOMEONE FROM LEGAL AID TO REPORT TO THE BOARD QUARTERLY OR JUST SUBMIT A REPORT AT THE END OF EACH QUARTER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REQUESTED DEKLE REDRAFT THE AGREEMENT, PUT THE INFORMATION ON STARTING OCTOBER 1, 2004, ADD THE LANGUAGE ABOUT REPORTING TO THE BOARD ON WHAT SERVICES THEY HAVE PROVIDED AND SEND THIS BACK WITH THE FIRST REPORT.

CHAIRMAN FINCH QUESTIONED IF COMMISSIONER CORBIN'S MOTION WOULD BE BASED ON DEKLE REDRAFTING THE AGREEMENT AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEING SATISFIED WITH IT, THE COUNTY WOULD PAY THEM QUARTERLY BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST QUARTER OF OCTOBER 1, 2004.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED THIS WAS HIS MOTION AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON HE AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAVING

MET WITH CURTIS WILLIAMS ABOUT A TOWER SITE THEY HAVE ON HIS PROPERTY SOUTH OF BONNET POND ROAD. HE STATED THE LEASE AGREEMENT WAS INITIALLY WITH INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY WITH MR. DALE DAUGHERTY; WILLIAMS BOUGHT THE LAND, INHERITED THE LEASE AGREEMENT AND IT HAS A 90 DAY CANCELLATION PERIOD IN IT. WILLIAMS HAS ELECTED TO CANCEL THE LEASE; HOWEVER, HE IS WILLING TO NEGOTIATE FOR THE COUNTY TO LEAVE THE TOWER THERE FOR A RENTAL FEE. WILLIAMS REQUESTED THE BOARD ALLOW COMMISSIONER SAPP GO AND MEET WITH HIM TO NEGOTIATE THE RENTAL FEE ON THE TOWER. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE COMMISSIONER SAPP TO MEET WITH CURTIS WILLIAMS ON THE TOWER NEGOTIATIONS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEM HAVING BEEN SERVED WITH ANOTHER LAWSUIT BY NORTHERN TRUST ABOUT MORE ROADS; HE SAID COMMISSIONER SAPP WOULD NEED TO LOOK AT ALL THESE ROADS AND GIVE HIM INPUT ON WHETHER THE COUNTY CAN PROVE THE COUNTY CONSTRUCTED THE ROADS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY AGREED TO GET COMMISSIONER SAPP A COPY OF THE ROADS INVOLVED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED HOW THE BOARD RESOLVED THE LAST LAWSUIT WITH NORTHERN TRUST. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IT HASN'T BEEN RESOLVED; THE COUNTY HAS AN OFFER TO RESOLVE IT BUT THEY HAVE NOT ACCEPTED THE OFFER YET.

HOLLEY THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE LAST NORTHERN TRUST LAWSUIT HAVING INCLUDED THE HOLMES VALLEY ROAD, ROCKY ROAD, BELL COMMUNITY ROAD, JAMES POTTER ROAD AND HENRY LANE DRIVE. NORTHERN TRUST HAS AGREED IF THE BOARD WILL CLOSE ROCKY ROAD, WHICH SERVES NO ONE, AND CLOSE A PART OF WHERE BELL COMMUNITY ROAD GOES TO A CHURCH AND PAST IT, CHARLIE BROWN ROAD BE CLOSED; THEY WANT THE NORTH LANE OF HENRY LANE ROAD CLOSED AND HELP WITH PICKING UP GARBAGE ON ROCKY LANDING ROAD; THEY WOULD THEN AGREE THE REST OF THE ROADS ARE COUNTY ROADS.

HOLLEY EXPLAINED THE REASON NORTHERN TRUST IS FILING THESE SUITS IS DUE TO THE LAW CHANGING EFFECTIVE JULY 14, 2003 WHERE THE COUNTIES NO LONGER HAVE TO PROVE CONSTRUCTION; THEY ONLY HAVE TO PROVE EIGHT YEARS OF MAINTENANCE. HOWEVER, IT GAVE EVERY PROPERTY OWNER A YEAR'S OPPORTUNITY TO CHALLENGE THIS; NORTHERN TRUST FILED BOTH THESE LAWSUITS ON JULY 13, 2004 WHICH MEANS THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO PROVE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE ROADS. HE SAID THE MAIN PROBLEM WAS DUE TO THESE ROADS BEING BUILT IN THE 1930'S AND 1940'S AND THERE BEING VERY FEW PEOPLE LIVING THAT KNOW WHO CONSTRUCTED THEM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED WHICH OF THESE ROADS WERE PAVED. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE JAMES POTTER ROAD; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT CONTESTING THAT PART OF THE ROAD.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON PAUL PARKER, WASHING- TON HOLMES VO-TECH CENTER, HAVING CONTACTED HIM ABOUT THE 10 YEAR LEASE THEY HAVE WITH THE COUNTY ON THE FIRING RANGE AT MUDHILL. THE VO-TECH IS APPLYING FOR A GRANT TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FIRING RANGE AND NEEDS A LONGER TERM LEASE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ASKED FOR APPROVAL FOR THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO SIGN THE EXTENDED LEASE AGREEMENT ONCE HE HAS IT PREPARED; IT WOULD BE EXTENDED 20 TO 30 YEARS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED HOLMES COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAVING USED THE FIRING RANGE FOR YEARS. LIABILITY ISSUES WERE DISCUSSED. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THIS WOULD RESTRICT THE COUNTY'S USAGE OF THE FIRING RANGE; ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE ONLY THING BEING CHANGED ON THE LEASE WAS THE TERM.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO APPROVE A 20 YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH WASHINGTON HOLMES VO-TECH CENTER ON THE FIRING RANGE AT MUD HILL. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY PUT SOMETHING IN THE LEASE ABUT HOLDING WASHINGTON COUNTY HARMLESS. THE MOTION CARRIED.

STACY WEBB UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAS BEEN AWARDED FOR A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMPONENTS CONSISTING OF:

- 1. TRAINING
- 2. EOC ENHANCEMENT
- 3. HANDS ON EXERCISE
- 4. PLANNING

SHE ADDRESSED THEY HAD ADVERTISED FOR PROPOSALS AND RECEIVED TWO; AFTER OPENING THE BIDS AND REVIEWING THEM, SHE AND LYNN WHITE, EOC SECRETARY, WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD THE PROJECT TO ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT INCORPORATED FROM PENSACOLA.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT THEY WOULD BE DOING. WEBB ADVISED LARRY MCDONALD, WHO SUBMITTED THE PROPOSAL, WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND ASKED HIM TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

MCDONALD SAID HE WOULD BE PROVIDING THE TRAINING, PLANNING AND EXERCISE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT; ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THE SERVICES WILL BE NATIONAL INSTANT MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS TRAINING WHICH ALL GOVERNMENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ADOPT. THEY WILL ALSO BE REVIEWING THE COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND THE CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS PLAN FOR THE COUNTY. MCDONALD SAID THEY WOULD CONCLUDE WITH A TABLE TOP EXERCISE WHICH IS TERRORISM BASED AND DUE BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2005.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHO WOULD BE RECEIVING THE TRAINING. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID IT WOULD INCLUDE FIRST RESPONDERS TO HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS. MCDONALD SAID IT WOULD MAINLY BE THE PRIMARY COUNTY INDIVIDUALS, THE ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF; BUT, THE COMMISSIONERS COULD PROBABLY BE WORKED INTO THE TRAINING AS WELL DUE TO IT BEING IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO KNOW AND BE FAMILIAR WITH THE NIMS.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AWARD THE PROJECT TO ECOLOGY AND ENVIRON- MENTAL INCORPORATED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WEBB IF SHE WAS SURE THE FIRM MET ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS TO DO THE TRAINING. WEBB REPLIED SHE WAS SURE; THERE IS ONLY A HANDFUL OF CORPORATIONS TO DO THE TRAINING REQUIRED FOR THE HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAMS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE JUST DIDN'T WANT THE COUNTY TO HAVE TO GIVE THE FUNDING BACK DUE TO THE FIRM NOT BEING QUALIFIED TO DO THE TRAINING.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

- 1. REQUEST FROM RANDALL TRUETT, EMS DIRECTOR, FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION APPROVING THEM TO APPLY FOR A GRANT TO IMPROVE THEIR AMBULANCE SERVICES. THE RESOLUTION WAS READ IN ITS ENTIRETY. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO SIGN IT.
- 2. DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES-A LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES ADVISING THEY ARE DOWNSIZING AND ARE MOVING THEIR PERSONNEL TO A BUILDING IN BONIFAY. THEY WILL HAVE COMPLETELY VACATED THE OFFICE SPACE THEY ARE CURRENTLY LEASING FROM THE COUNTY ON SOUTH BOULEVARD BY FEBRUARY 1, 2005. THEY ARE NOTIFYING THEY

WILL BE CANCELLING THEIR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY. HERBERT RECOMMENDED HAVING LLOYD BRUNER, BUILDING MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT, CHECK THE BUILDING TO SEE WHAT KIND OF REPAIRS MAY NEED TO BE DONE AND THEN ADVERTISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR ANOTHER TENANT DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF REVENUE THE COUNTY WILL BE LOSING. CHERYL, WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS REPORTER, ADDRESSED THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT MAY BE INTERESTED IN LEASING THIS FACILITY.

3. SOUTHERN LINC RADIOS-HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING MADE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RADIO INVENTORY. HE HAD DISCUSSED A REQUEST FROM ROGER HAGAN, EOC DIRECTOR, AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING ON PROBLEMS THEY HAD RUN INTO ON MAINTAINING AND KEEPING TRACK OF THE RADIOS. HAGAN IS REQUESTING THE BOARD ALLOW EACH DEPARTMENT TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING ITS OWN INVENTORY OF THE RADIOES. IT WAS TABLED AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING; HERBERT SAID HE HAD THOUGHT IT WAS SOMETHING THE GASE 34 POSITION COULD DO BUT NOW FEELS SHE HAS HER HANDS FULL. HERBERT SAID IF THE BOARD WOULD APPROVE WHEN HE SENDS OUT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENTS ABOUT COOPERATING WITH CECELIA ON HER INVENTORY REQUESTS, HE WOULD INCLUDE SOMETHING ABOUT EACH DEPARTMENT INVENTORYING THEIR OWN RADIOS.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HE WOULD STILL LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER CHANGING FROM SOUTHERN LINC TO NEXTELL. COM-MISSIONER CORBIN SAID NEXTELL HAS NOT GOTTEN UP THE TOWERS THEY HAD PROPOSED TO GET UP.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THIS IS WHAT THE HOLDUP IS; NEXTELL HAS ALREADY AGREED TO PROVIDE TEST RADIOS FOR THE COMMISSIONERS TO TEST ONCE THE TOWERS GO UP. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE RADIOS GET SWAPPED AROUND AND IT BEING DIFFICULT FOR EOC TO TRACK; HE ALSO AGREED IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR EACH DEPARTMENT TO KEEP UP WITH THEIR RADIOS. THE BOARD CONSENTED FOR THE RADIOS TO BE INCLUDED IN THEIR PREVIOUS ACTION FOR EACH DEPARTMENT TO BE RESPONSI-BLE FOR THEIR OWN INVENTORY FOR ALL ITEMS COSTING \$100 OR LESS.

4. GIFT CERTIFICATES-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE BOARD, IN THE PAST, HAVING GIVEN ALL THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES A GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GIVE EMPLOYEES A \$20 GIFT CERTIFICATE FROM THE PIGGLY WIGGLY. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE GIFT CERTIFICATES WERE PURCHASED FROM PIGGLY WIGGLY LAST YEAR. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE GIFT CERTIFICATES WERE ROTATED EACH YEAR BETWEEN THE PIGGLY WIGGLY AND WAL-MARTS; THEY WERE PURCHASED AT WAL-MARTS LAST YEAR. DUE TO COMMISSIONER FINCH STILL QUESTIONING THEM BEING PURCHASED FROM THE PIGGLY WIGGLY LAST YEAR, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE BOARD COULD TAKE ACTION TO PURCHASE THE

HERBERT SAID THE BOARD COULD TAKE ACTION TO PORCHASE THE GIFT CERTIFICATES FROM WHOMEVER THEY WERE NOT PURCHASED FROM LAST YEAR. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS IS WHAT HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE DONE; THE EMPLOYEES COULD PURCHASE ITEMS OTHER THAN FOOD AT WALMARTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD USE TO PURCHASE A HAM OR TURKEY FOR THE EMPLOYEES BUT THEN STARTED GIVING THE GIFT CERTIFICATES SO THEY COULD PURCHASE WHAT THEY WANTED. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAPP AND CARRIED TO GIVE A \$20 GIFT CERTIFICATE FROM PIGGLY WIGGLY TO EACH COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR CHRISTMAS.

- 5. CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD OF A REQUEST FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO HAVE THEIR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON PROVIDED BY THOMPSON TRACTOR COMPANY ON DECEMBER 9TH AT THE ORANGE HILL COMMUNITY CENTER AND HAVE THEIR OWN CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ON DECEMBER 16TH AT THE ORANGE HILL COMMUNITY CENTER. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUEST FOR THE CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON DATES. COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED ESTABLISHING A TIME FOR THE LUNCHEONS. THE BOARD AGREED TO HOLD THEM AT 12:00 NOON.
- 6. BUDGET AMENDMENTS-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON BUDGET AMENDMENTS EDDIE RILEY, PUBLIC WORKS SHOP, WAS REQUESTING THE BOARD APPROVE: \$1,404 TRANSFERRED FROM MSBU COUNTY MATCH TO REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PARTS; THEY USE THE GRADER BLADES ON MSBU PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION-ER COPE TO APPROVE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENT. CHAIRMAN FINCH ASKED GLEN ZANETIC, MSBU COORDINATOR, IF HE WAS AWARE OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS; ZANETIC ADVISED HE WAS. THE MOTION CARRIED.
- 7. ROLL UP DOORS AT PUBLIC WORKS-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE DOORS HAD BEEN REPLACED AND EDDIE RILEY WANTED TO GET APPROVAL TO SURPLUS AND SEND TO AUCTION THE OLD ROLL UP DOORS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF RILEY'S REQUEST.
- 8. INDIGO KEY PRESENTATION-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE PRESENTATION INDIGO KEY HAD MADE AT THE OCTOBER BOARD MEETING ON THEIR VENDOR PROGRAM. A TENTATIVE DATE OF NOVEMBER 30 HAS BEEN SET UP FOR ONE OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES TO COME AND DO A DEMONSTRATION ON HOW THEIR VENDOR PROGRAM WORKS AND HOW IT WOULD BENEFIT WASHINGTON COUNTY. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO HAVE THE DEMONSTRATION SCHEDULED AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR; SOMETIME AROUND THE JANUARY BOARD MEETING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING RECEIVED THE BINDER FROM DELTONA ON THE \$312,000 BID FOR THE SUNNY HILLS PROPERTIES AND BIDS ARE BEING ADVERTISED NOW ON THE UNIMPROVED LOTS IN SUNNY HILLS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER BEGAN WITH HER REPORT:

- 1. THE BOARD NEEDED TO TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE OF THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS BOND FOR BOBBY HADDOCK, SHERIFF, AND ONCE THEY ARE RECEIVED, THE BLANKET BONDS FOR COMMISSIONER STRICK-LAND AND SAPP.
- 2. VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR OCTOBER 2004 TOTALLING \$1,648,613.49. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE PAYING THE VOUCHERS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF AN INVOICE FROM THOMPSON ON A BUCKET REPAIR FOR AN EXCAVATOR AT PUBLIC WORKS HAD BEEN BROUGHT UP. AFTER BEING ADVISED IT HAD NOT BEEN APPROVED, COMMISSIONER CORBIN EXPLAINED TO COMMISSIONER SAPP ON EDDIE RILEY, SHOP FOREMAN, HAVING BROUGHT IN A QUOTE FROM THOMPSON TO REPAIR BOTH BUCKETS ON THE EXCAVATORS DUE TO THEM BEING COMPLETELY WORN OUT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE INVOICE TOTALLING \$3,092.51. WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE COST BEING HIGH, COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IT WAS PROBABLY IN LINE WITH THE

COST; OTHER COMPANIES COULD REPAIR THEM BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THERE WOULD BE MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THE PRICE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAPP AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE REPAIR OF THE TWO BUCKETS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THE BOARD TO TRY AND ABSTAIN FROM PROBLEMS THAT WILL CAUSE THEM PROBLEMS DOWN THE ROAD; THIS COULD BE DONE BY THE BOARD WORKING TOGETHER AND MAKING GOOD JUDGEMENT DECISIONS UPFRONT, SETTING UP GOOD POLICY TO PROTECT EACH OTHER AND GET THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD ON SOME OF THESE ISSUES. HE TOLD THE BOARD HE LOOKED FORWARD TO WORKING WITH EACH ONE OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE SUPERINTENDENT AT THE PRISON HAVING SENT A NEW GUARD WITH AN INMATE CREW; THE GUARD GOT OFF THE RIGHT OF WAY, GOT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, CUT A TREE, THE PROPERTY OWNER IS UPSET AND IS WANTING COMPENSATION. THE SUPERINTENDENT AT THE PRISON WANTS THE COUNTY TO TAKE CARE OF THE COMPENSATION.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THIS WAS THE SAME ISSUE THAT WAS BROUGHT UP AT THE NOVEMBER 12TH BOARD MEETING AND THE BOARD VOTED NOT TO PAY THE BILL.

DAVID CORBIN, INMATE CREW DIRECTOR, UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING MET WITH THE PRISON AND THEY SAY THE COUNTY IS IN CHARGE OF THE CREWS. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD PAY FOR THE TREE.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THE PRISON HAD TOLD HIM AND DAVID IF IT HAD BEEN THEIR PROBLEM, THEY WOULD HAVE TAKEN CARE OF IT; THEY TOOK CARE OF THE GUARD IN CHARGE AND HE WON'T BE RUNNING AN INMATE CREW ANYMORE. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE AGREES THE \$600 THE LADY IS WANTING FOR THE THREE TREE LIMBS IS OUTRAGEOUS.

CHAIRMAN FINCH AGREED THE COUNTY SHOULD PAY THE BILL DUE TO THE SITUATION. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SAPP TO APPROVE OF PAYING THE \$600 FOR THE TREE LIMBS.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHAT WAS THE BOARD GOING TO DO IN THE FUTURE AND WERE THEY OPENING UP A CAN OF WORMS.

CHAIRMAN FINCH REITERATED THE TREE WAS NOT WORTH THAT MUCH; HOWEVER, THE INMATE CREW WAS WORKING WAY OUT OF THE WAY FROM WHERE THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN. HE ALSO ADVISED THE WARDEN AT WASHINGTON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION HAD TOLD HIM AND CORBIN IF THEY SENT IN AN INCIDENT REPORT FROM THE PRISON, THERE WOULD BE A LOT OF INVESTI- GATION AND IT COULD HAVE A BEARING ON THE COUNTY GETTING INMATE CREWS IN THE FUTURE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THEY COULD BE SOME NEGOTIATIONS WITH MARILYN CARTER, THE OWNER OF THE PROPERTY THE TREE WAS LOCATED ON. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY HAD ALREADY TRIED NEGOTIATING BUT THEY WERE UNSUCCESSFUL.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE HOPED THE BOARD WAS NOT SETTING A PRECEDENCE. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER COPE OPPOSED.

CHAIRMAN FINCH REQUESTED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAVE THE MICROPHONES AT THE COMMISSIONERS TABLE MOVED CLOSER TO THEM; HE HEARD COMPLAINTS DURING BREAK FROM PEOPLE WHO SAID THEY COULDN'T HEAR.

CHAIRMAN FINCH THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON A VISIT HE HAD FROM A FL-DOT OFFICIAL WHO ENLIGHTENED HIM ON FEMA AND WHAT THE COUNTY OUGHT TO BE LOOKING AT. HE SPOKE WITH DEBBIE RILEY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SHE HAD ALREADY SUBMITTED THE PAPERWORK FOR THE COUNTY FOR FEMA FUNDING.

FINCH SAID THE COUNTY WAS GETTING SHORTCHANGED ACCORDING TO WHAT OTHER COUNTIES ARE GETTING; WASHINGTON COUNTY IS SUBMITTING ALL THEIR PROJECTS AS ONE PROJECT. ACCORDING TO THE FL-DOT OFFICIAL, THE COUNTY DIDN'T WANT TO DO THAT BUT SUBMIT THEM AS SMALL INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS; IF THEY DO THIS, THEY WILL GET ALL THE FEMA MONEY UPFRONT, THERE IS A LOT LESS PAPER WORK AND THE AUDITING IS A LOT LESS.

FINCH SAID MACK WATERS WAS THE FL-DOT REPRESENTATIVE WHO ASSISTED WITH GETTING THE PAPER WORK STOPPED; WATERS HAD TALKED WITH THE STATE OFFICIALS AND THEY ARE GOING TO SUBMIT WASHINGTON COUNTY AS SMALL PROJECTS WHICH WOULD BE \$50,000 PER PROJECT. FINCH SAID BY DOING THIS, THE COUNTY IS ALSO ABLE TO GET OTHER REVIEW ON ITEMS SUCH AS GRADING. HE ASKED FOR AUTHORIZATION FROM THE BOARD TO WORK IN SECURING AS MUCH OF THE FEMA FUNDING AS POSSIBLE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN FINCH TO WORK WITH THE STATE, DEBBIE RILEY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND FEMA AND TRY AND GET EVERY- THING SERVED TO THE BEST INTEREST OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

GLEN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING TWO EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED TO SUNNY HILLS; ONE OF THEM IS COMPED OUT. HE HAD SUBMITTED THE EMPLOYEE RECEIVE OVERTIME PAY THE LAST PAY PERIOD AND EMPHASIZED IT WAS PAID FROM MSBU AND WAS IN THEIR BUDGET. THERE WAS DISCUSSION AS TO WHETHER THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED OR NOT PER ZANETIC; HE REFERENCED HIM HAVING PAID \$100,000 IN 2003-2004 FOR OVERTIME TO THE ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT.

ZANETIC SAID SUNNY HILLS WAS FAST GROWING, THERE WAS A LOT OF WORK TO BE DONE AND HE WILL PROBABLY CONTINUE TO PAY THE EMPLOYEES OVERTIME.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED THE CHAIRMAN TO EXPLAIN TO THE NEW BOARD MEMBERS THE COUNTY FURNISHES EQUIPMENT TO MSBU ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAYS; MSBU HIRES THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND PAYS THEM OVERTIME FOR FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID THIS HAS BEEN THE CASE DURING ALL THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ROADWAYS; MSBU HAS PAID FOR ALL THE OVERTIME AND THE COUNTY HAS FURNISHED EQUIPMENT UP TO \$100,000 MAINTENANCE.

CHAIRMAN FINCH QUESTIONED WAS ZANETIC REQUESTING THE EMPLOYEE BE PAID FOR ALL OVERTIME OVER THE MAXIMUM 240 HOURS THEY CAN ACCRUE. ZANETIC SAID THEY WOULD BE PAYING IT DOWN TO THE 240 HOURS AND WOULD CONTINUE TO ACCUMULATE MORE; HE JUST WANTED TO PAY THAT OUT AND REFERENCED HIM ALLEVIATING THIS EMPLOYEES WORKLOAD DUE TO HIRING A FULL TIME FIREMAN.

ZANETIC REFERED TO HAVING BEEN TOLD TO TELL THE EMPLOYEES TO TAKE TIME OFF; HE SAID THEY WOULDN'T BE MAKING OVERTIME IF THEY COULD TAKE TIME OFF. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE EMPLOYEE HAD TAKEN OFF SOME OF HIS OVERTIME BEFORE USING HIS ANNUAL LEAVE.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THE EMPLOYEE HAD TAKEN ANY TIME OFF. ZANETIC SAID THEY WERE GOING TO TRY AND TAKE SOME OF THEIR TIME OFF DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

CHAIRMAN FINCH AGREED TO WORK THROUGH THIS SITUATION TO JANUARY AND THEN LET THE EMPLOYEE START TAKING HIS TIME DOWN. HE SAID EVEN THOUGH HE IS BEING PAID BY MSBU, HE IS STILL A COUNTY EMPLOYEE AND THE COUNTY GUIDELINES SHOULD BE ADHERED TO.

CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ZANETIC PAYING THE EMPLOYEE; HOWEVER, THE BOARD DOESN'T NEED OTHER COUNTY EM- PLOYEES WANTING OVERTIME PAY AS THEY CAN'T AFFORD TO PAY IT.

ZANETIC SAID BASICALLY THEY WERE RUNNING INTO A SITUATION WHERE ANOTHER FULL TIME EMPLOYEE WILL BE NEEDED FOR MSBU WHICH WOULD BE MORE EXPENSIVE THAN PAYING THEIR CURRENT EMPLOYEES OVERTIME.

ZANETIC SAID THEY WOULD SOON BE BACK TO WHERE THE EMPLOYEE WOULD ONLY HAVE FOUR HOURS A WEEK OVERTIME. HIS REQUEST IS FOR APPROXIMATE- LY 30 HOURS OVERTIME PAY TO BRING HIM BACK TO 240 HOURS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER QUESTIONED SHOULDN'T THIS BE CONSIDERED AT THE DECEMBER MEETING DUE TO ZANETIC HAVING SAID THE EMPLOYEES WOULD START TRYING TO USE UP SOME OF THEIR TIME DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

ZANETIC SAID THEY FIGURED COMP TIME AS MONEY AND IT HAS A BUDGET LINE ITEM; IF THE EMPLOYEES QUIT TODAY, THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE PAID FOR THEIR COMP TIME. HE SAID MSBU HAD APPROXIMATELY \$13,000 BUDGETED FOR THIS EXPENSE. HE ALSO REFERRED TO HAVING PAID ROAD AND BRIDGE EMPLOYEES OVERTIME ALSO.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYING OF THE OVERTIME DOWN TO THE 240 HOURS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN CONCURRED THE OVERTIME NEEDED TO BE WATCHED CLOSELY ON COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND MSBU EMPLOYEES. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN. ATTEST:_____

DEPUTY CLERK *END OF MINUTES* FOR 11/18/04

CHAIRMAN