

BOARD MINUTES FOR 04/01/05

APRIL 1, 2005

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 10:00 A.M. IN EMERGENCY SESSION AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY EOC, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS COPE, CORBIN, FINCH, SAPP AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT WAS ALSO PRESENT.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED DUE TO A SEVERE WEATHER SYSTEM AND ANTICIPATED FLOODING CONDITIONS. BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, ROGER HAGAN, SERVED AS DEPUTY CLERK FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECORDING THE MINUTES.

CHAIRMAN FINCH OPENED THE MEETING AND TURNED IT OVER TO HAGAN FOR A BRIEFING. HAGAN EXPLAINED THE LINGERING WEATHER SYSTEM THAT HAD PRODUCED UNUSUAL AMOUNTS OF RAINFALL. CONFERENCE CALLS FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AND THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT HAD INDICATED THE LIKLIHOOD OF FLOODING ALONG THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE RIVER, HOLMES CREEK AND THEIR TRIBUTARIES. CON- TINUED RAINS WERE PREDICTED TO CAUSE FLASH FLOODING WITH DAMAGING IMPACTS TO TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE.

HAGAN READ A DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND ASKED THE BOARD TO ADOPT IT. HE EXPLAINED THE DECLARATION WOULD IMPLEMENT THE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WAS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD FUTURE RECOVERY ASSISTANCE IF SUCH WAS WARRANTED. ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE, THE DECLARATION WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE EMPLOYEES AT PUBLIC WORKS THAT MIGHT BE CALLED OUT TO WORK ON REPAIRS DURING THE WEEKEND. ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, THE BOARD VOTED TO PAY OVERTIME FROM THE CON- TINGENCY LINE RATHER THAN COMP TIME.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS AT THIS TIME, THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

ATTEST: _____

ROGER HAGAN, RECORDER

CHAIRMAN

END OF MINUTES FOR 04/01/05