## BOARD MINUTES FOR 08/24/06

## AUGUST 24, 2006

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, CORBIN, STRICKLAND, FINCH AND SAPP PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR
HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED THE RECONVENED MEETING FROM AUGUST 14, 2006 TO ORDER. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED PRAYER AND LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PRIOR TO THE BUDGET WORKSHOP BEGINNING, CLERK COOK ADDRESSED A REQUEST FROM FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL TO PURCHASE TWO RADAR GUNS AT A COST OF \$3,900.

DUE TO THE RADAR GUNS NOT BEING A BUDGETED ITEM, COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO PURCHASE THE TWO RADAR GUNS FOR FHP AND BUDGET \$3900 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER FOR THE PURCHASE OF RADAR GUNS.

CLERK COOK UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING THE BOARD MINUTES MOVED OVER TO HER SYSTEM SO THEY COULD BE PUT DIRECTLY ON THE INTERNET WITHOUT THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT HAVING TO RETYPE THEM EACH MONTH.

SHE ADVISED THE COST TO HAVE THE BOARD MINUTES MOVED OVER WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$7,000; BUT, THE MAINTENANCE CHARGE WOULD BE DROPPED FROM \$306 PER MONTH TO \$67 PER MONTH. SHE AGREED TO PAY THE MONTHLY MAINTENANCE FEE IF THE BOARD WOULD APPROVE OF FUNDING THE \$7,000 FOR THE BOARD MINUTES TO BE MOVED OVER TO HER SYSTEM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PAYING \$7,000 TO HAVE THE BOARD MINUTES MOVED OVER TO THE CLERK'S SYSTEM WITH CLERK COOK PAYING THE MONTHLY MAINTENANCE COST.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT CONDUCTED THE BUDGET WORKSHOP. HE WENT OVER THE BUDGET NOTES FOR THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007:

- 1. THE INCREASE IN REVENUES TOTAL \$2,478,009
- 2. ALL REQUESTS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET; THERE IS A CONTINGENCY OF \$1,054,773.
- 3. HEALTH INSURANCE, INMATE CREWS AND WORKERS COMPENSATION PREVIOUSLY FUNDED OUT OF TRANSPORTATION ARE BEING PROPOSED TO BE FUNDED OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO FUND THE TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES FOR HEALTH INSURANCE, INMATE CREWS AND WORKERS COMP INSURANCE FROM THE GENERAL FUND.
- 4. SALARIES ARE FUNDED AT A \$1.00 AN HOUR RAISE FOR EACH EMPLOYEE. HERBERT ADDRESSED HIM HAVING PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH SOME FIGURES BASED ON THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE AUGUST 14TH MEETING. IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO CONSIDER THE CON- SULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS, HERBERT SAID THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT FUNDING THE INCREASES OUT OF CONTINGENCY. HE ASKED FOR DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD, WHETHER TO STAY AT A \$1.00 AN HOUR INCREASE OR LOOK AT THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

HERBERT WENT OVER THE COST FOR THE DIFFERENT SCENARIOS FOR PAY GRADE CLASSIFICATION SALARIES RECOMMENDED BY THE CONSULTANT:

- 1. THE FIRST SCENARIO WOULD COST \$304,893.44; THIS IS A \$55,293 DIFFERENCE IN THE \$1.00 AN HOUR RAISE.
- 2. THE SECOND SCENARIO WOULD COST \$392,071.68; THIS IS A \$142,471 DIFFERENCE IN THE \$1.00 AN HOUR RAISE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE ANOTHER GOOD YEAR OF AD VALOREM TAXES AND POINTED OUT THEY HAD DONE AN AWFUL LOT WITH FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE. HE RECOMMENDED DOING THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS;

HOWEVER, WAIT UNTIL NEXT YEAR SO THEY WON'T BE INCLUDING SO MUCH IN ONE YEAR IN CASE SOMETHING HAPPENS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE IN THE THREE SALARY SCENARIOS. HERBERT EXPLAINED:

- 1. SCENARIO 1 WOULD BRING ALL EMPLOYEES UP TO THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ENTRY LEVELS; ALL THOSE WHO ALREADY MAKE THE ENTRY LEVEL RECOMMENDED WOULD GET A \$1.00 AN HOUR INCREASE.
- 2. SCENARIO 2 WOULD BRING ALL EMPLOYEES UP TO THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION ON ENTRY LEVEL AND THOSE WITH TEN YEARS OR MORE SERVICE WOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE MID POINT OF THE CONSULTANT'S SALARY RANGE RECOMMENDATION.
- 3. SCENARIO 3 WOULD BRING EMPLOYEES UP TO THE ENTRY LEVEL; THOSE WITH TEN YEARS OR MORE UP TO THE MID POINT AND THOSE WITH MORE THAN TEN YEARS WOULD BE BROUGHT OUT CLOSER TO THE HIGHER RANGE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO USE THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS, HE DIDN'T SEE HOW THEY COULD JUST TARGET CERTAIN EMPLOYEES BASICALLY. HE SAID ALL THE EMPLOYEES SHOULD AT LEAST GET A FAIR SHOT AT IT. HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS SCENARIO THREE WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT INCLUDED THE WHOLE PACKAGE AND WOULD LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER IMPLEMENTING THIS SCENARIO.

FINCH SAID HE PERSONALLY DIDN'T SEE HOW THE COUNTY WOULD BE BACKING UP ON REVENUES NEXT YEAR FROM WHAT THEY WILL BE GETTING THIS YEAR. HE FEELS THE AD VALOREM TAX IS GOING TO BE PRETTY MUCH SET, AS THE HOUSES THEY ARE COLLECTING ON THIS YEAR WILL ACTUALLY BE MORE NEXT YEAR. HE SAID, ACCORDING TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER, THE TAXES WILL BE INCREASED AGAIN NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED THE BOARD WAS GIVING A GOOD DEAL ON FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE THIS YEAR; IF THEY GIVE EVERYTHING TO THE EMPLOYEES THIS YEAR, WHAT WOULD THEY GIVE THEM NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH RESPONDED THERE HAD BEEN A LOT OF YEARS THE BOARD HAD NOT BEEN ABLE TO GIVE THE EMPLOYEES AS MUCH AS THEY SHOULD HAVE; IF THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY AND THE BUDGET CAN STAND IT, THEY CERTAINLY NEED TO ADDRESS IT, BITE THE BULLET AND MOVE FORWARD. HE AGREED THEY CAN'T DO IT IF THEY CAN'T SEE IT IN THE BUDGET; HOWEVER, HE BELIEVES, ACCORDING TO THE FIGURES, THE BUDGET THIS YEAR GIVES THE BOARD AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP THE EMPLOYEES THEY HADN'T BEEN ABLE TO HELP FOR A LONG TIME.

LINDA CAREY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON AN ARTICLE IN THE NEWS HERALD TALKING ABOUT AD VALOREM TAXES AS FAR AS HOMESTEADING. SHE SAID THE ISSUE OF HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT IS QUITE LIKELY TO CHANGE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. SHE THEN REFERRED TO THE CURRENT \$25,000 EXEMPTION BEING TOO LOW IN VIEW OF RECENT PROPERTY APPRAISAL INCREASES; THIS NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. SHE SAID GOVERNOR BUSH HAS APPOINTED A TASK FORCE TO LOOK AT SOLUTIONS WHICH LIKELY COULD INCLUDE DOUBLING OR EVEN TRIPPLING THE AMOUNT EXEMPTED AND ALSO APPLYING CREDITABILITY TO THE EXEMPTION. SHE TOLD THE BOARD NEXT YEAR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION COULD BE GOING UP WHICH COULD IN TURN BRING IN LESS MONEY ON EVERYONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH RESPONDED THE BOARD HAS REDUCED THE MILLAGE RATE; BUT, THE BOTTOM LINE IS PEOPLE WILL END UP PAYING MORE TAXES; IF PROPERTY VALUES GO UP, THE BOARD SHOULD BE LOOKING AT INCREASING THE EXEMPTION. HE SAID THE REVENUE THAT WILL BE COMING IN FROM THE NEW PROPERTY VALUES WILL MAKE UP FOR THE INCREASE IN THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS. HE REITERATED THE BOARD NEEDED TO SERIOUSLY LOOK AT THE SALARY AND FIX IT WHILE THEY CAN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND FOR DISCUSSION TO SELECT SCENARIO 3 FOR SALARY INCREASES.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED IF ALL EMPLOYEES WOULD GET A \$1.00 AN HOUR RAISE THAT DOESN'T HAVE TEN YEARS AND ABOVE. ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THEY WOULD GET AT LEAST A \$1.00 AN HOUR RAISE, AND SOME WOULD GET MORE IF THAT IS WHAT IT TAKES TO BRING THEM UP TO THE ENTRY LEVEL RECOMMENDED BY THE CONSULTANT.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS WERE FIGURED AT SIX YEAR INCREMENTS. HERBERT SAID THE SIX YEAR INCREMENTS WERE FIGURED FOR THE ONES THAT HAVE BEEN HERE THE LONGEST TIME.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES HERE TODAY, WHEN THEY RETIRE WITH 30 YEARS, WON'T MAKE MUCH MONEY. HE FEELS THE BOARD NEEDS TO DO SOMETHING FOR THE EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE BEEN HERE A LONG TIME SO WHEN THEY DO GET READY TO RETIRE, THEY WILL HAVE MORE MONEY TO GET BY ON. AT THE PRESENT TIME, IF THEY RETIRE, IT WILL BE HARD FOR THEM NOT TO HAVE TO GET A JOB SOMEWHERE ELSE. HE SAID HE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH; IF THEY CAN FIND THE MONEY IN THE BUDGET TO FUND THE SALARY INCREASES, THEY NEED TO DO SO.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT THE \$428,488 FIGURE REPRE- SENTED. HERBERT SAID THAT WAS ADDING THE \$1.00 AN HOUR INCREASE PLUS THE \$178,888; THIS IS WHAT SCENARIO 3 WILL COST.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS WOULD BE ABLE TO DO SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THEIR EMPLOYEES TOO.

CLERK COOK SAID SHE WOULD BE ABLE TO DO SO. HERBERT ADDRESSED THE TAX COLLECTOR AND PROPERTY APPRAISER HAD ASKED HIM FOR A COPY OF THE CONSULTANT'S SCENARIO; THEY ARE AWARE OF WHAT THE CONSULTANT IS RECOMMENDING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS HAD THE INCREASES IN THEIR PROPOSED BUDGET. HERBERT SAID THEY HAD SOME GOOD INCREASES FOR PERSONNEL SERVICES BUT DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE ACTUAL BREAKDOWN IS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO IMPLEMENT THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION, THEY OUGHT TO TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION ALL OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS. HE ADDRESSED THEM BEING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TOO.

HERBERT SAID HE KNEW THE SHERIFF WAS PLANNING ON INCREASING HIS EMPLOYEE SALARIES QUITE A BIT.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE SALARIES TO BE FUNDED OUT OF GRANTS WERE BACKED OUT OF THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE SCENARIOS ADDRESSED. HERBERT ADVISED THEY WERE NOT BACKED OUT, AS HE DIDN'T GET THAT FAR. HE SAID A LOT OF THE SALARY INCREASES WOULD BE FUNDED OUT OF GRANT FUNDS, SUCH AS THE LIBRARY, RECYCLING, ETC. HE EXPLAINED THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT SALARY INCREASES WOULD BE FUNDED FROM BUILDING PERMITS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS AN ESTIMATE OF WHAT AMOUNT WOULD BE FUNDED OUT OF GRANTS; HERBERT ADVISED HE DIDN'T. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE BUILDING INSPECTORS' SALARY ALONE IS \$100,000.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REMINDED THE BOARD THE \$1.00 PER HOUR SALARY INCREASE WAS ALREADY IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET. SHE QUESTIONED HERBERT IF THE DIFFERENCE IN THE \$249,600 AND THE \$428,488 WAS THE AMOUNT OF EXTRA FUNDING NEEDED FOR SCENARIO 3. HERBERT ADVISED THAT WAS CORRECT. SHE ADDRESSED THERE WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$179,000 ADDI- TIONAL FUNDING NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT SCENARIO 3. SHE REITERATED SOME OF THE ADDITIONAL FUNDING COULD COME FROM THE GRANT FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IF ALL THE OTHER OFFICES THAT ARE NOT FUNDED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET COME BACK AND SAY THEY NEED "X" AMOUNT OF DOLLARS TO FUND THEIR SALARY INCREASES, THE BOARD COULD RIGHTFULLY DO SO.

HERBERT ADDRESSED THE PROPERTY APPRAISER HAVING \$53,725 FOR PERSONNEL SERVICES IN HIS PROPOSED BUDGET AND THE TAX COLLECTOR'S INCREASE IS \$31,391. HE SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A BREAKDOWN ON THOSE THOSE FIGURES. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THEY WERE INTENDING TO GIVE GOOD SALARY INCREASES; BUT, HE WAS NOT SURE HOW MUCH.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID, BEFORE THE BOARD APPROVES THE SALARY INCREASES, THEY NEED TO CHECK WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS TO SEE IF THEY ARE AWARE OF WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED. HE ADDRESSED CLERK COOK HAVING SAID SHE WAS AWARE OF IT; BUT, THEY NEED TO MAKE SURE THE OTHER OFFICERS ARE.

CLERK COOK SAID SHE WAS AWARE OF WHAT WAS BEING PROPOSED AND SHE HAS TAKEN CARE OF HER EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERRED TO THERE BEING A MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO APPROVE OF SCENARIO 3; IF THERE IS A PROBLEM, THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS NEED TO COME BACK BEFORE THE FINAL VOTE ON THE BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS HAVE TURNED THEIR BUDGETS IN, SO HE GUESSED THEY HAVE TAKEN CARE OF THE SALARIES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE AGREED 100% THAT EACH EMPLOYEE NEEDS TO BE REWARDED FAIRLY AS TO WHAT THE BOARD IS SETTING THE PRECEDENCE HERE. HE SAID HE WOULD ENTERTAIN SOMETHING, IF THERE NEEDS TO BE AN ADJUSTMENT; HOWEVER, HE FEELS THE BOARD NEEDS TO MOVE FORWARD ON THE MOTION TODAY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION.

JERRY BROCK, 911 DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIM BEING RETIRED

MILITARY AND REFERRED TO THE MILITARY PAY SCALES; THEY ALWAYS KNEW WHAT THEIR

PAY WAS GOING TO BE NO MATTER WHAT POSITION THEY HELD. HOWEVER, HE SAID THE

COUNTY EMPLOYEES DON'T KNOW WHAT THEIR PAY IS GOING TO BE FROM MONTH, YEAR,

ETC.; NOBODY CAN COME IN AND SAY THEY NEED TO PURCHASE ANOTHER CAR NEXT YEAR

BECAUSE THEY KNOW THEY ARE GOING TO GET A 5% PAY RAISE BECAUSE THEY HAD WENT

OVER THE FIVE YEAR, TEN YEAR, ETC. HE SAID TO HIM, USUALLY IN MOST PLACES,

ESPECIALLY IN THE MILITARY, THEY START OFF WITH THE AIRMEN AND GIVE THEM THE

LARGEST INCREASE AND THEN GET UP TO THE CHIEFS WITH THE SMALLEST INCREASE; THIS

WAS THE SAME WAY WITH THE OFFICERS. HE EXPLAINED THEY TRIED TO BRING EVERYBODY

IN LINE. HE SAID THEY WOULDN'T GIVE THE CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT A 100% INCREASE

AND GIVE THE AIRMEN A 10% BECAUSE HE HAS TO PAY FOR THE SAME FOOD, GAS, HOUSES,

ETC., THAT EVERYBODY ELSE DOES DOWN THE LINE.

JERRY SAID HE WAS FOR EVERYBODY GETTING A PAY RAISE; BUT, HE WAS NOT FOR HIMSELF OR ANY OTHER GROUP GETTING A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF PAY RAISE AND THE OTHERS DOING CLERICAL WORK OR ASSISTANTS GETTING A SMALLER RAISE. HE SAID THIS IS ONE THING THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK AT. HE REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING DISCUSSED A PLANNING AND GROWTH AREA; IF THEY ARE GOING TO START GROWING, THE COUNTY WILL START LOSING THEIR EMPLOYEES TO WALTON COUNTY, JACKSON COUNTY, ETC.

JERRY SAID A DEPUTY STARTING OUT IN WALTON COUNTY IS MAKING MORE THAN A FIFTEEN YEAR LIEUTENANT IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE SAID HE IS SEEING PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY TALKING ABOUT GOING TO WORK IN ANOTHER COUNTY BECAUSE THEY CAN MAKE TWICE AS MUCH MONEY. HE SAID THEY WERE GOING TO HAVE TO LOOK AT SOME KIND OF PAY SCALE, HAVE IT, COME UP WITH IT AND WHAT IS BEST FOR ALL AND NOT WHAT IS BEST FOR A FEW. HE SAID THEY HAD ALWAYS GOT THE FEW THAT LIVE ON THE GLORY ROAD; THEY COME BEFORE THE BOARD, ASK FOR A NEW VEHICLE, THE COUNTY FINDS \$40,000 FOR THEM A NEW VEHICLE OR TWO. HE REFERRED TO SOME COMING AND ASKING FOR A NEW BUILDING; THE COUNTY HAS \$250,000 FOR A NEW BUILDING. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO BE FAIR WITH WHAT THEY WANT TO DO AND LOOK AT IT; HE SAID THE BOARD DOESN'T NEED TO MAKE RASH DECISIONS ON SOMETHING. HE QUESTIONED IF ALL THE SCENARIOS WERE A CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION OR WERE SOME OF THEM THE BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION OR SOME PERSONAL RECOMMENDATIONS, ETC. HE QUESTIONED IF CLERK COOK HAD TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION THE PAY SCALE WAS FOR HER UPPER END EMPLOYEES THAT HAS BEEN THERE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS OR JUST BUDGETED A \$1.00 OR \$1.50 PER HOUR. HE QUESTIONED IF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS PRESENTED AMENDED BUDGETS TOTALLING UP TO \$600,000, AS HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW LONG THIS INFORMA- TION HAS BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THEM.

HE ADDRESSED SOME OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT THE LOWER END OF THE PAY SCALE THINKING THE BOARD IS NOT GOING TO APPROVE IT; SOME ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT THE HIGH END THINKING THEY ARE THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS, THEY ARE GOING TO APPLY FOR IT AND ARE PROBABLY GOING TO GET IT.

HE ASKED THE BOARD NOT TO BE RASH IN THEIR DECISION AND TRY AND DO SOMETHING THAT IS FAIR FOR EVERY SINGLE PERSON.

COMMISSIONER FINCH TOLD JERRY HE TOOK OFFENSE TO WHAT HE HAD SAID AND POINTED OUT THE BOARD HAS HAD A BUDGET COMMITTEE WORKING ON THE BUDGET FOR SOME TIME. HE SAID THE BOARD CERTAINLY DIDN'T COME IN HERE TODAY AND MAKE RASH DECISIONS AS TO THE WAY THEY ARE MOVING FORWARD. HE ADDRESSED THEM HAVING HAD INFORMATION, THEY HAVE STUDIED IT AND WOULD HOPE JERRY WOULD HAVE ENOUGH CONFIDENCE IN THE BOARD THAT THEY WOULDN'T MAKE A RASH DECISION. HE SAID HE

DIDN'T NEED JERRY TO TELL HIM HE DIDN'T NEED TO MAKE RASH DECISIONS; IT IS HIS JOB TO MAKE GOOD DECISIONS. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD HAS MADE A GOOD DECISION.

FINCH SAID THE BOARD IS TRYING TO PASS A LINE ITEM FOR SALARIES THAT WOULD BE HISTORICAL, AS FAR AS CLERICAL, JERRY, AS WELL AS ANYONE ELSE EMPLOYED WITH THE COUNTY. HE SAID EVERYBODY CAN'T BE BOSSES AND MAKE THE TOP LEVEL; THERE IS A LINE OF COMMAND AND THERE IS GOING TO BE CLERICAL PEOPLE AND ADMINISTRATORS AND THERE IS GOING TO BE A LINE OF SALARIES THERE. HE SAID THE BOARD HIS TRIED TO ADDRESS ALL OF THIS. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD HAD DONE WELL TO DO WHAT THEY ARE PROPOSING TO DO WITH SALARIES. HE SAID HE DIDN'T NEED ANY ADVICE FROM JERRY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT JERRY HAD SOME GOOD IDEAS; HOWEVER, HE ASKED THE BUDGET COMMITTEE IF THEY CONSIDERED IN THE BUDGET WORKSHOP THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT. SEVERAL MEMBERS SAID THEY HAD AND COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE NUMBERS HAVE BEEN AVAILABLE A LONG TIME; THEY MET WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS MONTHS AGO.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE CONSULTANT HAS SURVEYED SURROUNDING COUNTIES IN DIFFERENT AREAS; WASHINGTON COUNTY IS NOT GOING TO BE IN NEW YORK'S SALARY RANGE AS THEY DON'T HAVE THEIR LIVING CONDITIONS. HE SAID WITH THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION, WASHINGTON COUNTY IS COMPETING WITH SURROUNDING COUNTIES AND PROBABLY ARE COMPETING WITH BAY COUNTY SALARIES. HE POINTED OUT BAY COUNTY'S COST OF LIVING IS MUCH HIGHER THAN WASHINGTON COUNTY; THE BOARD SHOULDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS HAVING A BUNCH OF HELP GOING ELSEWHERE TO WORK, ESPECIALLY IF THEY ADOPT THE SALARY INCREASES TODAY IN THE MEETING. HE SAID WHAT HE HAS SEEN HAS BEEN FAIR, OR MORE THAN FAIR, AS FAR AS THE PROPOSED SALARY INCREASES.

JERRY SAID HE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE PRIVY TO ALL THE INFORMATION; HE HAD HEARD NOTHING AND PROBABLY DOESN'T NEED TO HEAR ANYTHING UNTIL THE LAST BUDGET MEETING THE BOARD HAS. HE SAID THE SALARY INCREASES WERE LIKE A SUDDEN THING AND REFERRED TO TALK IN THE HALLWAYS, ETC. HE HAS HAD SOME PEOPLE COME TO HIM WHO DON'T LIKE TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD COMPLAINING THAT SOMEONE WILL BE MAKING MORE THAN THEM, THEY HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY LONGER AND ARE DOING THE SAME JOB AS THE PERSON GETTING THE BIG INCREASE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT IS WHAT THE BOARD IS TRYING TO ADJUST NOW; THEY ARE TRYING TO GET THOSE PEOPLE DOWN THE HALL MAKING WHAT THE CONSULTANT HAS RECOMMENDED. HE SAID THAT IS THE WHOLE IDEA OF WHAT PEOPLE IS TALKING ABOUT; THE CONSULTANT HAS LOOKED AT THE PAY GRADE CLASSIFICATION FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND SOME ARE GOING TO BE GETTING MORE THAN THE \$1.00 AN HOUR INCREASE BECAUSE THEY NEED TO BE ADJUSTED UP. HE SAID HE DIDN'T GET JERRY'S POINT.

JERRY REITERATED HE HAD NOT BEEN PRIVY TO THAT INFORMATION. COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED HE WOULD HOPE JERRY WOULD GIVE THE BOARD CONSIDERATION ENOUGH THEY HAVE HAD THE INFORMATION AND STUDIED IT. FINCH SAID PETE AND THE BUDGET COMMITTEE HAS HAD IT AND PASSED IT ON TO THE BOARD; THE WHOLE IDEA IS TO HELP THE EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD WAS NOT ONLY TRYING TO HELP THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES BUT ADJUST ENTRY LEVEL SALARIES TO ASSIST WITH BEING ABLE TO HIRE QUALIFIED PEOPLE. HE REFERRED TO THE COUNTY HAVING HAD DIFFICULTY WITH PEOPLE WANTING TO WORK FOR THE COUNTY DUE TO THEIR ENTRY LEVEL SALARIES.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE EMPLOYEES ARE THE COUNTY'S GREATEST ASSET WITH JERRY AGREEING.

LINDA CAREY READDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER HAVING RETIRED FROM A COMPANY IN MINNESOTA AFTER 30 YEARS; THE WAY THAT COMPANY WORKED, AND NOTED IT COVERED A 14 STATE AREA, THEY STARTED AN EMPLOYEE AT A GIVEN PAY, GAVE THEM A RAISE EVERY SIX MONTHS UP UNTIL THEY WORKED FIVE YEARS. IN THE MEANTIME, SHE SAID EVERYBODY HAD ALL OF THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE TOTALLY PAID FOR. SHE QUESTIONED IF HEALTH INSURANCE WAS A PRIORITY WHERE THE EMPLOYEES ARE CONCERNED.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED MS. CAREY THE BOARD WAS WORKING ON THE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE AND IT IS ALSO IN THE BUDGET PROCESS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAVING PAID THE EMPLOYEE'S HEALTH INSURANCE FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

MS. CAREY SAID WITH THE COMPANY SHE WORKED FOR, AFTER FIVE YEARS, EACH EMPLOYEE WAS GIVEN AN ANNUAL RAISE; AFTER SHE RETIRED AFTER 30 YEARS, SHE WAS MAKING THE SAME AS A PERSON WHO HAD ONLY WORKED FOR SIX YEARS. SHE POINTED OUT IT DIDN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE SHE HAD WORKED 24 MORE YEARS THAN THAT PERSON.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED MS. CAREY THE BOARD WAS ADDRESSING THIS TODAY ALSO; IF AN EMPLOYEE HAS WORKED WITH THE COUNTY LONGER, THEY ARE GOING TO GET MORE AND IF ADJUSTMENTS ARE MADE, THEY WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET IF PASSED.

MS. CAREY SAID HEALTH INSURANCE IS MORE OF A PRIORITY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. COMMISSIONER COPE CALLED FOR THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. COMPUTER DEPARTMENT REQUESTED A CLERICAL POSITION, A NEW SERVER AND A VEHICLE.

MALCOLM GAINEY, COMPUTER DEPARTMENT, EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE ACTION THE BOARD HAD TAKEN ON THE SALARIES; HE SAID HE CAN'T SPEAK FOR ANYONE ELSE BUT THAT IS THE WAY HE FEELS ABOUT IT.

MALCOLM ADDRESSED HIS REQUEST FOR AN ADDIITONAL CLERICAL POSITION. HE SAID DUE TO THE INCREASE IN THEIR WORKLOAD SINCE THEY TOOK ON THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT, THERE IS A LOT MORE HAVING TO BE DONE FOR THEM DUE TO THE JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN TIED UP WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT 90% OF HIS TIME AND JUDY JUDY HAS BEEN HANDLING MORE OF THE CALLS AT THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT. HE ADDRESSED WITH JUDY HANDLING MORE OF THE CALLS, THIS MEANS THEIR CLERICAL WORK HAS BEEN BEING PUSHED TO THE BACK BURNER. HE SAID WITH PURCHASE ORDERS GOING OUT, THEY STAY LATE TRYING TO CATCH UP.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD LAST YEAR HADN'T AGREED TO ASSIST WITH THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT; HE SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE THEY WOULD BE PROVIDING A FULL TIME EMPLOYEE FOR THE SHERIFF. HE QUES- TIONED IF THIS WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER COPE AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER INFORMED COMMISSIONER SAPP HE WAS CORRECT. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID MAYBE THE BOARD SHOULDN'T DO THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT WORK; LET THEM GET THEIR OWN COMPUTER WORK FROM TALLAHASSEE IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO HAVE TO HIRE ANOTHER PERSON. HE SAID HIRING ANOTHER CLERICAL POSITION FOR THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT WOULD JUST BE COSTING THE COUNTY MORE MONEY. HE SAID MAYBE THE BOARD SHOULD PROVIDE LIMITED ACCESS TO THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT AND DECIDE WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO FOR THEM. HE EX- PLAINED IF MALCOLM WAS SPENDING 90% OF HIS TIME AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IN HIS OPINION, HE IS SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME THERE.

MALCOLM SAID IT DIDN'T MATTER WHO THE BOARD PUT AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THAT IS AN EMPLOYEE THE BOARD IS GOING TO HAVE TO PAY AND THE FUNDING WILL HAVE TO COME OUT OF THE BOARD'S BUDGET. HE SAID THE PERSON WOULD STILL BE A COUNTY EMPLOYEE REGARDLESS OF WHAT DEPARTMENT OR BUDGET THEY ARE IN. HE ADDRESSED, IF THE BOARD HIRED A TECH OR THE POSITION HE IS IN FOR THE SHERIFF, IT WOULD BE MORE EXPENSIVE THAN A CLERICAL POSITION FOR THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT SEEMED TO HIM THE COUNTY COMPUTER SERVICE IS LACKING SOME IF THEY ARE DEPENDING ON MALCOLM TO LOOK AFTER THE BOARD'S INTEREST AT THE COUNTY ANNEX AND THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT IF MALCOLM IS SPENDING 90% OF HIS TIME AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE ADDRESSED THIS WAS SORT OF LIKE THE BOARD NOT GETTING WHAT THEY ARE PAYING FOR. HE SAID IF THE BOARD NEEDED MALCOLM AT THE COUNTY ANNEX, THEY SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO HIRE HIM AND LOAN HIM OUT 90% OF THE TIME.

MALCOLM SAID THE BIGGEST PART OF HIS TIME AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS WITH SOME CONVERSIONS THEY HAVE BEEN DOING TO TRY AND GET THEIR SYSTEM RUNNING SMOOTHLY. HE POINTED OUT HE WALKED INTO A HORNET'S NEST AT THE SHERIFF'S

DEPARTMENT. HE ALSO ADDRESSED IT TAKING HIM THREE YEARS TO GET THE COUNTY SYSTEM RUNNING AS SMOOTHLY AS IT IS. HE SAID ONCE YOU GET PAST THE HUMPS, IT MAKES EVERYTHING RUN SMOOTHLY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP EXPLAINED THEY STILL HAVE THE EMPLOYEES TO RETURN TO; ONCE THEY ARE HIRED, THEY ARE THERE FROM THEN ON. MALCOLM SAID THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT WAS ORIGINALLY BUDGETED, WHEN HE STARTED IN THE DEPARTMENT, FOR A CLERICAL, TECH AND HIS POSITION. WHEN HE WAS HIRED, MALCOLM SAID THERE WAS JUST HIMSELF AND A CLERICAL POSITION. HE SAID WHEN THE CLERICAL LEFT, THEY WAITED SIX MONTHS TO FILL IT WITH A TECH POSITION BECAUSE THEY NEEDED THE RESOURCES OF A TECH MORE THAN THEY DID FOR A CLERICAL AT THE TIME. HE ADDRESSED, AS THE DEPARTMENTS GROW AND THE COUNTY GROWS, THERE IS A BIGGER INCREASE FOR THEIR SERVICES; EVERYTHING IS GOING TO ELECTRONICS AND PAPERWORK IS GOING TO A

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED MALCOLM IF HE WAS WORKING WITH SMART COP AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND SAID HE THOUGHT THE SHERIFF HAD SUPPORT FROM ANOTHER SOURCE. MALCOLM ADVISED THERE WAS A SUPPORT SERVICE OUT OF PENSACOLA WHICH HANDLED ONLY THE SOFTWARE BASE FOR THE SMART COP APPLICATION; IT DOES NOT INCLUDE HARDWARE NOR THE DESKTOP. MALCOLM ADDRESSED THE SHERIFF WAS LOOKING AT PUTTING SMART COP IN THE PATROL CARS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED MALCOLM HOW MUCH LONGER DID HE SEE 90% OF HIS TIME BEING CONSUMED AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. MALCOLM ADDRESSED HIM BEING RIGHT AT THE END OF THE SMART COP SIDE OF IT; THE BIGGEST OBSTACLE WAS TRYING TO MAKE IT WORK WITH FDLE.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID ONCE THEY GET THE SMART COP UP AND GOING, IT SHOULDN'T REQUIRE 90% OF MALCOLM'S TIME. MALCOLM AGREED IT WOULDN'T REQUIRE AS MUCH TIME; HOWEVER, IN THE NEAR FUTURE, HE ADDRESSED THE RELOCATING OF THE EOC, MORE DEMANDS FROM PUBLIC WORKS TO PUT IN A SATELITE INTERNET FOR THEIR REPORTING, ETC.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED MALCOLM WHAT THE CLERICAL POSITION HE IS REQUESTING WOULD BE DOING. MALCOLM SAID THE CLERICAL POSITION WOULD BE DOING THE PURCHASE ORDERS AND MAINTAINING THE WEB SITE. HE REFERRED TO THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT CURRENTLY PUTTING THE MINUTES ON THE INTERNET; HOPEFULLY, THAT WOULD BE RESOLVED MID-OCTOBER. MALCOLM SAID HE COULD USE A PART TIME CLERICAL POSITION.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED HOW MUCH TIME DID IT TAKE THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT TO DO THE BOARD MINUTES, AS IT SOUNDED LIKE IT WAS VERY TIME CONSUMING. MALCOLM SAID HE HAD NO IDEA AND ADDRESSED SUSAN LAWSON HAVING BEEN HELPING THEM FOR THE LAST FOUR TO FIVE MONTHS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED ALL THEY HAD TO DO WAS RETYPE WHAT SHE HAD ALREADY TYPED; THEY HAD THE EASY JOB. MALCOLM SAID SOMETIMES HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE EASIER TO LISTEN TO THE TAPES AND TYPE IT THAN TO RETYPE IT FROM THE PAPER. WHEN QUESTIONED IF THE MINUTES COULDN'T JUST BE SCANNED AND PUT ON THE WEBB SITE, MALCOLM SAID THE OCR SOFTWARE THAT READS THE TEXT AND CONVERTS HAD SO MANY ERRORS IN IT, THEY SPENT AS MUCH TIME CORRECTING THE ERRORS AS THEY DID RETYPING THE MINUTES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED MALCOLM ABOUT THE VEHICLE HE WAS REQUESTING.
MALCOLM SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT THE POSSIBILITY OF
TAKING HIS VEHICLE AND HIM ACQUIRING A NEW ONE. MALCOLM SAID THE COMPUTER
DEPARTMENT WAS NEEDING SOMETHING TO PUT EQUIPMENT IN TO HAUL TO DIFFERENT
FACILITIES AND A PICKUP TRUCK WOULDN'T WORK DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS AT TIMES.

MALCOLM SAID HALF THE TIME WHEN THEY NEED A VEHICLE, THEY HAVE TO WAIT TWO TO THREE DAYS BECAUSE THERE IS NOT ONE AVAILABLE. HE SAID THEY DIDN'T INTEND FOR THE VEHICLE TO BE JUST FOR THEIR USE; THEY WERE LOOKING AT IT BEING FOR THEIR USE AND THE COUNTY ANNEX'S USE ALSO.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID COUNTY EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE ABLE TO SHARE VEHICLES AND REFERRED TO THE VEHICLE THEY HAD PURCHASED FOR THE ROAD ASSESSMENT PROJECT WOULD NOT BE NEEDED ALL THE TIME. HE SAID THAT VEHICLE WAS GOING TO BE A TAHOE

AND COULD HAUL EQUIPMENT. HE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY DIDN'T NEED TO PURCHASE A LOT MORE VEHICLES AND HAVE MORE INSURANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY ON THE ROAD; THEY NEED FOR VEHICLES TO BE SHARED. HE TOLD MALCOLM HE COULD USE MR. HAGAN'S VEHICLE WHEN IT IS AT THE COUNTY ANNEX. HE SAID A LOT OF WHAT IS GOING ON WITH BUDGET INCREASES IS THERE IS A FEEDING FRINZY AND EVERYBODY WANTS TO BE PART OF IT; THE BOARD NEEDS TO BE WATCHING WHAT IS GOING ON. HE ADDRESSED IF A BUDGET REQUEST IS NECESSARY, THAT IS ONE THING. HE THEN REFERRED TO THE PAYROLL AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS IS ONE THING THAT HAS BEEN ADDRESSED; THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO PAY THEM AND REWARD THEM FOR WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND HAVE GOOD STEWARDS OF WHAT THEY ARE GETTING PAID TO DO. HOWEVER, ALONG THE SAME LINE, HE SAID HE THOUGHT THEY COULD CONSERVE, WATCH WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND ACCOMPLISH THE GOALS THAT NEED TO BE DONE IN THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT WITH WHAT THEY HAVE GOING ON RIGHT NOW. HE ADDRESSED WITH THE INCREASE IN SALARIES AND TRYING TO DO THE HEALTH BENEFITS, THE BOARD HAS COME UP WITH A LOT OF INCREASES ALREADY; THE EMPLOYEES NEED TO BE GOODS STEWARDS FOR WHAT THEY GET PAID FOR TOO. HE VOICED HIS OPINION THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT COULD GET BY WITHOUT THE CLERICAL POSITION AND WITHOUT THE VEHICLE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP THEN QUESTIONED MALCOLM'S REQUEST FOR EQUIPMENT. MALCOLM SAID THE ESTIMATED COST OF \$15,000 WAS FOR UPGRADING THEIR SOFTWARE TO THE 2007 VERSION; IT INCLUDES THE E-MAIL ARCHIVING WHICH IS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW. HE SAID HE WAS ACTUALLY ESTIMATING THE EQUIPMENT COST TO BE CLOSE TO \$10,000.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERRED TO MALCOLM HAVING MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT PART TIME HELP AND QUESTIONED DIDN'T ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAVE SOMETHING IN THE BUDGET FOR A POSITION IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED, AS PART OF THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE, HE PLANNED FOR A HUMAN RESOURCE DIRECTOR AND A CLERICAL POSITION. HE SAID HE WAS PLANNING ON THE CLERICAL POSITION, IN THE BEGINNING, BEING IN WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY AND THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER BEING IN AN OFFICE NEXT TO THE VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE. IF IT GOES WELL WITH THE NEW EOC GRANT, HERBERT SAID A WHOLE WING AT THE COUNTY ANNEX WOULD BE FREED UP IN A YEAR TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS; THEY COULD CONSOLIDATE AND DO AN ADMINISTRATIVE WING, AN OFFICE FOR COMMISSIONERS OR WHATEVER THEY NEED TO DO WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THIS POSITION COULD HELP MALCOLM IN ANY WAY AND ADDRESSED IT BEING DIFFICULT TO GET SOMEONE TO STAY IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE WHEN MS. LAWSON IS OUT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT IS NOT JUST GETTING SOMEONE TO STAY AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE; IT IS THE CORE OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE COUNTY AND PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE OFFICE WHEN THEY ARE FILLING IN. HE REFERRED TO INFORMATION THAT HAD BEEN IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE FOR A WEEK THAT HE HAD NEEDED; IT HAD BEEN THERE BUT NOBODY KNEW IT AS THE ADMINISTRATOR WAS GONE TO A COUNTY CONFERENCE AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY HAD BEEN OUT ON MEDICAL LEAVE. HE ADDRESSED THIS NOT BEING ANYONE'S FAULT; HOWEVER, THE CLERICAL PERSON WOULD NEED TO BE UP TO DATE ON WHAT IS GOING ON IN THAT OFFICE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRED TO WHAT COMMISSIONER FINCH HAD ADDRESSED WHEN THE ADMINISTRATOR WAS OUT; HE RECOMMENDED LOOKING AT HAVING AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR THAT COULD FILL IN WHEN THE SECRETARY AND ADMINISTRATOR IS OUT OF THE OFFICE. HE AGREED THE COUNTY WAS REALLY LACKING IN HAVING SOMEONE AT THE COUNTY ANNEX WHEN THE ADMINISTRATOR IS OUT OF THE OFFICE AND SUGGESTED ROGER HAGAN FILL THIS POSITION. HE ADDRESSED ROGER HAVING A LOT OF EXPERIENCE IN THAT AREA AND HE COULD BE A GREAT HELP TO PETE. HE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY WOULD STILL NEED AN EOC DIRECTOR. HE RECOMMENDED LOOKING AT AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR VERSUS A CLERICAL POSITION. WITH AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, SAPP SAID THEY WOULD HAVE SOME TO FILL IN WHEN PETE IS OUT FOR SOME REASON PLUS IT WOULD TAKE A TREMENDOUS LOAD OFF PETE. HE SAID THE ASSISTANT COULD TAKE CARE OF ALL THE HANDS ON ISSUES WITH PETE DOING THE MAJOR BUDGET ISSUES AS IT IS. HE QUESTIONED WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WITH THE COUNTY BUSINESS IF SOMETHING WERE TO

HAPPEN TO PETE; IF THEY HAD AN ASSISTANT BACKUP WHO HAS THE KNOWLEDGE TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO KEEP THE COUNTY GOING, IT WOULD BE A BIG ASSET TO THE COUNTY. HE QUESTIONED WHOM ELSE COULD COME IN ON THE THE BOARD AND FULFILL CLOSE TO WHAT PETE IS DOING BUT SOMEONE WHO HAS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE. HE REITERATED HIS RECOMMENDATION FOR THE BOARD TO LOOK AT HIRING AN ASSISTANT ADMINI- STRATOR AND RECOMMENDED MR. HAGAN FILL THE POSITION THAT HE ALREADY HAS KNOWLEDGE IN.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT QUESTIONED SAPP IF HE WAS SAYING, INSTEAD OF HAVING A HUMAN RESOURCE POSITION, LET ROGER FILL THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR POSITION AND FULFILL ALL THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES. SAPP ADVISED THAT WAS CORRECT; THIS WOULD TAKE RESPONSIBILITY OFF OF PETE SO HE COULD WORK MORE ON THE DIRECT OFFICE ISSUES. SAPP SAID ROGER COULD ASSIST PETE WITH DEALING WITH THE HUMAN RESOURCE ISSUES, EMPLOYEE PROBLEMS AND A LOT OF HANDS ON ISSUES PETE DON'T HAVE TIME TO GO OUT AND SEE ABOUT ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE WAS NOT SAYING FOR ROGER TO BE EOC/ ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR; HE WOULD BE JUST ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR AND HANDLE THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE AND CLERICAL, IF BOTH THE ADMINISTRATOR AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY IS OUT SO THAT OFFICE WILL BE FILLED AT ALL TIMES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF SAPP WAS TALKING ABOUT TAKING ROGER OUT OF THE EOC. COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED THAT WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HATED FOR ROGER TO BE TAKEN OUT OF EOC AS IT IS RUNNING THE BEST IT HAS EVER RUN AND THE STATE PAYS FOR THAT POSITION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THEY COULD HIRE ANOTHER EOC DIRECTOR. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THEY COULDN'T HIRE ONE WITH ROGER'S QUALIFICATIONS AND THEM DO THE JOB HE IS DOING. CORBIN SAID ROGER HAD GOTTEN THE COUNTY A LOT OF FEMA MONEY, ETC; HE FEELS ROGER IS MORE VALUABLE AT EOC THAN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTY IF THEY PUT A DOLLAR AMOUNT ON IT. HE EXPLAINED WHEN THEY GET THE GRANTS FOR FEMA WORK, SOMEBODY HAS GOT TO SPEARHEAD IT WHERE THEY CAN CONTINUE TO GET THE FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID ROGER, AS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, COULD HEAD UP A LOT OF THE ISSUES COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERENCED, SUCH AS THE FEMA WORK, ETC. HE SAID THIS WOULD TAKE A TREMENDOUS LOAD OFF OF PETE. HE ALSO ADDRESSED HIM HAVING DISCUSSED THIS WITH ROGER AND ROGER HAS KNOWLEDGE OF SOME OTHER EOC DIRECTORS THAT WOULD MAKE A GOOD DIRECTOR, SHOULD THE BOARD DECIDE TO HAVE AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED PETE, IF ALL THE TRIPS HE TAKES, IF HE GETS ANYTHING OUT OF THESE MEETINGS; HE QUESTIONED PETE ON WHAT HE GOT OUT OF THE MEETING IN ST. AUGUSTINE.

PETE SAID HE RECEIVED MORE TRAINING ON LIABILITY AND EMPLOY- MENT ISSUES. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO HIM HAVING BEEN TO THESE CONVENTIONS AND HE KNOWS WHAT THEY GET OUT OF A LOT OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED LESS TRIPS FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND FOR HIM TO STAY ON THE JOB MORE.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE BUDGET COMMITTEE HAVING LOOKED AT A HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER. THE COMMITTEE DECIDED THAT HALF OF ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT'S TIME WAS SPENT ON HUMAN RESOURCE ISSUES AND THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER WOULD FREE UP THAT PART OF HIS TIME; THEN, PETE COULD DO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PART OF IT.

COPE SAID, BACK TO THE CLERICAL POSITION, THAT WAS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT POSITIONS THE BOARD HAS. HE ADDRESSED THE CLERICAL POSITION CAN ANSWER THE CALLS THAT COME TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE. HE THEN REFERRED TO THIS BEING THE SAME AT ROAD AND BRIDGE AND ADDRESSED HALF THE CALLS THAT COME IN ARE MAD WHEN THEY CALL. HE SAID THEY NEED SOMEBODY THAT CAN HANDLE THOSE CALLS IN A MANNER THEY CAN QUIETEN THE PEOPLE DOWN A LITTLE, KNOW WHAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT AND REFER THEM TO WHOMEVER THEY NEED TO SPEAK WITH IF THEY CAN'T ASSIST THEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREES WITH A BIG PERCENTAGE OF WHAT COMMISSIONER SAPP HAD SAID ABOUT HAVING AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR; BUT, HE HAS ALSO BEEN TRYING TO GET A HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER SINCE HE HAS BEEN A COMMISSIONER. HE ADDRESSED THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER BEING AN IMPORTANT POSITION AND EXPLAINED THE REASON WAS GETTING BACK TO THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS. HE SAID THERE NEEDS TO BE SOMEONE AN EMPLOYEE CAN GO AND TALK TO WITHOUT IT BEING IN THE SUPERVISORY ROLL. HE SAID THE EMPLOYEES NEED TO HAVE SOMEONE THEY COULD CONFIDE IN ON BENEFITS, ETC. AND SORT OF BE THEIR ATTORNEY; SOMEONE THAT COULD ANSWER PERSONAL QUESTIONS. HE AGREED ROGER WOULD BE EXCELLENT IN ANYTHING THEY PUT HIM IN; AS ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, HE FEELS HE WOULD DO AN EXCELLENT JOB, AS HE PROVED THAT A WHILE BACK.

FINCH SAID HE WOULDN'T DISAGREE THEY NEED AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR; HOWEVER, HE DOES THINK THEY NEED A HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER. HE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOGNIZING THIS EARLY ON AND BRINGING IT BEFORE THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD BE 100% IN FAVOR OF FUNDING BOTH SCENARIOS, THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER AND THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED ROGER TO FILL THE BOARD IN ON WHAT HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH HIM. ROGER EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE CONFIDENCE EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD FROM TIME TO TIME HAS SHOWN IN THAT HE MAY BE AN ASSET TO THE COUNTY.

ROGER THANKED COMMISSIONER CORBIN FOR HIS COMMENTS ABOUT THE EOC UNDER ROGER'S LEADERSHIP. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT. HE SAID WHEN HERBERT FIRST CAME ABOARD, HE WAS INTRODUCED TO HIM AND WAS MADE AWARE THAT HE HAD FORMERLY BEEN THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR. ROGER SAID FOR A WHILE, HE FELT LIKE PETE FELT UNCOMFORTABLE. HE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING A GOOD CAREER WITH TWENTY YEARS BEING ADMINISTRATOR, PROBABLY SERVING THE STATE OF FLORIDA CONTINUOUSLY WITH THE SAME GOVERNMENT.

HAGAN REFERRED TO THERE BEING A FIRE DOWN IN BAY COUNTY AND HE INVITED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO GO WITH HIM; HE MADE A COUPLE OF APPROACHES TO HIM IN HIS FEW WEEKS OR FEW MONTHS BEING HERE. HE TOLD HERBERT ON THAT DAY THAT HE WOULD NEVER BE A THREAT TO HIS JOB OR NEVER DO ANYTHING EXCEPT TRY TO HELP HIM AND WOULD ALWAYS SPEAK WELL OF HIM. EIGHT YEARS LATER, HE SAID HE HAS DONE EVERY BIT OF THIS. HE SAID HE AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAS ALWAYS WORKED WELL TOGETHER. HE SAID HERBERT, IN HIS ROLE AS ADMINISTRATOR, HAD NOT ALWAYS AGREED WITH THINGS HE MAY HAVE PROPOSED FOR HIS DEPARTMENT OR ALLOWED THINGS; HOWEVER, HE HAD A JOB TO FILL. HE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION TO HERBERT'S COOPERATION.

ON THAT SAME DAY, ROGER SAID HE TOLD HERBERT THAT WAS TWO OR THREE APPROACHES HE HAD MADE TO HIM AND HE WASN'T GOING TO CHASE HIM DOWN TO TRY AND HELP HIM. IF HE THOUGHT HE COULD HELP HIM, ROGER TOLD HERBERT TO CALL HIM; FROM THAT DAY FORWARD, HERBERT HAS CALLED ON HIM NUMBERS OF TIMES FOR HIS EXPERIENCE, HISTORY OF WHERE THE COUNTY IS ON THINGS, ETC.

ROGER THEN ADDRESSED THE TEN MINUTE CONVERSATION HE AND COMMISSIONER SAPP HAD. HE SAID HE WOULDN'T WANT TO, AT THIS POINT IN TIME IN HIS LIFE AND THINGS GOING ON PERSONALLY WITH FAMILY, ETC, TO GO THROUGH ANOTHER CHANGE LIKE HE DID A YEAR AGO UNLESS HE HAD AN ABSOLUTE, VERY DETAILED JOB DESCRIPTION OF WHAT THE BOARD EXPECTED OUT OF HIM. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD THOUGHT, ROBERT AND DALLAS THOUGHT AND HE THOUGHT WHEN HE WENT TO THE ROAD DEPARTMENT LAST YEAR, THEY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THEY STARTED IN THAT DIRECTION; BUT, PERHAPS DUE TO LACK OF COMMUNICATION, LACK OF GOOD JOB DESCRIPTIONS, HE APPARENTLY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE BOARD WANTED OR DIDN'T SATISFY THAT NEED. HE SAID HE THOUGHT HE HAD SOME THINGS TO OFFER TO THE COUNTY. AS FAR AS THE ROLE OF SUPPORT TO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AT THIS POINT IN HIS CAREER, ROGER SAID HE MAY ALREADY BE DOING THAT.

HE REFERRED TO SOME OF THE BOARD NOT KNOWING WHAT IT IS TO MAKE A BUDGET WHERE THEY WOULD STAY UNTIL 2:00 A.M. TRYING TO BALANCE IT AND TRYING TO BORROW \$600,000 JUST TO OPEN THE BOOKS ON OCTOBER 1. HE SAID SOME OF THEM HAVE NOT HAD

A DIFFICULT BUDGET YEAR; HE ADVISED THEM TO JUST STAY ON THE BOARD LONG ENOUGH AND IT WILL COME BACK AROUND.

ROGER SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE COMMISSIONERS COME TOGETHER IN A WORKSHOP, IF THEY CALL ALL THE DEPARTMENT HEADS IN OR COME TOGETHER WITH THE CLERK AND ADMINISTRATOR, AND LOOK AT WHAT THEY WANT. HE SAID AGAIN, THROUGH THE WHOLE BUDGET PROCESS, THE FIRST THING THE BUDGET COMMITTEE NOTED WAS THE NEED FOR A HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER; THIS WAS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MOST NEEDED POSITIONS THEY HAVE IN THE COUNTY. HE QUESTIONED WHAT DOES A HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER DO AND ASKED IF THE BOARD AGAIN WAS THINKING THE PERSON WILL KNOW WHEN THEY ARE HIRED WHAT IS BEING EXPECTED OF THEM.

ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT COMMISSIONER FINCH HAS AN EXCELLENT POINT. HE SAID IF HE OR ANYONE ELSE WAS AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR TRYING TO FILL THAT ROLL, SOMEWHERE THERE IS SOMETHING ABOUT THAT TITLE AND SOME INHERITED AUTHORITY THAT GOES WITH THAT TITLE THAT IS STILL IN THE CHAIN OF COMMAND AND SUPERVISION AND IS NOT A PERSON THAT IS NEUTRAL. HE THINKS A HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER SHOULD BE INVOLVED WITH PERSONNEL POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE, JOB DESCRIPTION DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE, HEARING EMPLOYEE GRIEVANCES AND, AS SMALL AS THE COUNTY IS TODAY, COULD BECOME A BUDGET OFFICER. NOT ONLY WOULD THEY BE ABLE TO LOOK AT PEOPLES AND PROBLEMS, ROGER SAID AT THE SAME TIME THEY COULD ASSIST WITH THE MANAGEMENT OF BUDGET REVIEW, REPORTS, BRING THINGS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR AND POSSIBLY BECOME PART OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE.

ROGER SAID HOLMES COUNTY HAS A COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR IN THEIR BUDGET THIS YEAR; THEY ARE ONE OF THE FEW AND MAYBE THE LAST OF THE COUNTIES IN THE STATE THAT HASN'T HAD THAT. WITH THE GROWTH COMING TO FLORIDA AND THE PANHANDLE, ROGER SAID THE BOTTLE HAS FILLED UP AND NOW THE NECK IS BEGINNING TO GET FULL. HE ADDRESSED THE TIME IS GOING TO COME WHERE THE COMMISSIONERS WON'T BE ABLE TO DO DOOR TO DOOR CAMPAIGNING, HANDS ON MICRO-MANAGING OF THE ROAD DEPARTMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT OR ANY OTHER DEPARTMENT. HE POINTED OUT THEY WOULD BE CALLED UPON MORE AND MORE TO DEVELOP AND HELP WITH LEGISLATION, BECOME MORE OF A POLICY SETTING BOARD, A GOVERNING BODY AND THEN UNDER THAT, THEY WILL HAVE TO COME TO THE PLACE WHERE THEY HAVE TO DECIDE THEY CAN'T BE EVERYTHING TO EVERYBODY AND WILL HAVE TO RELINQUISH TO PEOPLE THEY HAVE HIRED AND QUALIFIED TO DO THE WORK. HE REITERATED HIS EXPRESSION TO THE BOARD FOR THEIR CONFIDENCE IN HIM AND SAID HE WOULD DO WHATEVER THE BOARD ASK HIM TO DO AS LONG AS HE WORKS FOR THE COUNTY. HE SAID IF IT IS TO CHANGE ROLLS AGAIN, HE WOULD DO SO.

ROGER SAID HIS COMMITMENT TODAY WOULD BE THE SAME AS IT WAS NINE YEARS AGO WHEN THE BOARD ASK HIM TO COME TO THE EOC; HE TOLD THAT BOARD HE WOULD MAKE THEM THE BEST SMALL COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM THEY COULD HAVE. HE SAID HE HAD WORKED VERY HARD TO DO THAT.

ROGER SAID THERE HAD BEEN NO CONSPIRACIES; COMMISSIONER SAPP HAS ASKED HIM FOR AN OPINION ON THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR. HE SAID IF THE BOARD ASK HIM TO BE THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, HE WOULD REALLY NOT LIKE TO MOVE FAR FROM THE EOC, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS BECAUSE, IF THEY ARE SUCCESSFUL IN RECEIVING THE GRANT, HE THINKS THE EXPERIENCE HE HAS WOULD BE A BENEFIT TO THAT DEPARTMENT IN GETTING THE NEW EOC BUILT.

ROGER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW MR. HERBERT FELT ABOUT THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR AND DIDN'T KNOW IF IT WAS NEWS TO HIM. HE SAID HE FEELS FOR HOW HERBERT FEELS AND KNOWS HOW SURPRISES CAN BE. HE SAID IF HE COULD BE LIKE A FIELD TYPE PERSON AND WORK WITH DEPART- MENTS, SMOOTH THE EDGES, MEET THE PUBLIC, ETC. AND HERBERT WORK AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ROLL, THIS MAY BE SOMETHING THE POSITION WOULD BE GOOD FOR. HE SAID IF HE COULD HELP THE BOARD WITH THIS, HE WOULD; BUT, HE WOULD ASK THE BOARD NOT MOVE HIM UNTIL HE DEFINITELY KNOWS WHAT THEY EXPECT OUT OF HIM AND THEY HAVE A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR HIM. HE SAID HE FEELS THEY COULD HAVE DONE MORE AND FEELS LIKE THEY DID DO SOME THINGS THAT WERE GOOD; SOME THINGS WERE INITIATED AND SOME THINGS HAPPENED AND SOME OF THE BOARD HAS SAID THEY FELT THEY DID. HOWEVER, ABSENCE THAT REAL LINE OF AUTHORITY, THAT

JOB DESCRIPTION, THE BOARD SET HIM UP TO FAIL AND HE WOULD LIKE NOT TO DO THAT AGAIN.

ON THE CLERICAL POOL, ROGER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THEY WOULD DO THIS. HE REFERRED TO SEVERAL PEOPLE HAVING ASKED FOR CLERICAL AND HE DOESN'T KNOW, ONE ON ONE IS ALWAYS NEEDED; IT DEPENDS ON THE JOB DESCRIPTION OF THE DEPARTMENT PERSON WHETHER THEY NECESSARILY NEED ONE. ROGER WENT ON AND ADDRESSED WHEN HE FIRST STARTED WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, NORMA HADDOCK WAS WITH THEM; THEY MOVED HER TO THE ROAD DEPARTMENT AND HE WAS HIS ON SECRETARY. HE SAID HE COULD TYPE, ANSWER THE PHONE, ETC. HE ADDRESSED THAT WAS 30 YEARS AGO; THEY HAD AN ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER THAT HAD A SLIGHT INCONVENIENCE AND ONE PHONE WITH ONE PHONE LINE ON IT. HE POINTED OUT A LOT OF THINGS HAVE CHANGED IN 30 YEARS THERE WERE NO RADIOES AND NO COUNTY VEHICLES. FOR 17 YEARS, ROGER SAID HE GOT HIMSELF TO WORK ON HIS OWN VEHICLE. HE EXPLAINED THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE MANAGEMENT ISSUES THE BOARD WILL NEED TO LOOK AT. HE SAID IF SOMEONE IS REQUESTING MORE HELP, MORE SECRETARIES, MORE VEHICLES, ETC., THEY WOULD NEED TO BRING IN A CALENDER OF EVENTS FOR THE LAST 30 DAYS SHOWING WHAT THEY HAVE DONE AND JUSTIFYING WHY THEY NEED THEIR REQUESTS.

ROGER ADDRESSED A GOOD ORGANIZATIONAL PLAN NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT, A GOOD MANAGEMENT PLAN, ETC.; THIS IS THINGS THE BOARD IS ELECTED TO DO.

ROGER REITERATED HE WOULD DO WHATEVER THE BOARD ASKS HIM TO DO; HOWEVER, HE WOULD LIKE TO NOT COME IN TO A BUDGET WORKSHOP AND GET A MOTION AND A SECOND AND GET A VOTE ON IT. HE DOESN'T WANT TO ACT THAT QUICKLY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HAD BEEN THROUGH SEVERAL DISASTERS IN THE COUNTY WITH FEMA AND DISASTER FUNDS. SINCE ROGER HAS BEEN IN THE EOC, CORBIN SAID THE COUNTY HAD BEEN REWARDED AND HAS RECEIVED ALL THEIR DAMAGE TAKEN CARE OF AS WELL AS SOME ADD ONS. HE POINTED OUT THINGS LIKE THAT CAN ADD UP TO A LOT OF DOLLARS. HE REFERRED TO THE TIME WHEN EACH COMMISSIONER GOT \$200,000 TO DO A JOB IN HIS OWN DISTRICT; THAT WAS OVER AND ABOVE MONEY THAT WAS MADE ON THAT JOB. HE SAID THE COUNTY WOULD BE MAKING MONEY THIS TIME AND THE EXTRA MONEY WOULD PROBABLY BE ALLOTTED THE SAME WAY. HE SAID IT WAS STRICTLY BECAUSE THE EOC DIRECTOR WALKED IT THROUGH AND WORKED IT THROUGH; ROGER IS A VALUABLE, VALUABLE PERSON, DOES A GOOD JOB WITH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HE WOULD HATE TO SEE HIM LEAVE. HE SAID HE JUST CAN'T SEE ABOLISHING ROGER'S POSITION, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT IS PAID FOR BY FEMA.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED THE BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD ON THE \$15,000 REQUEST FROM THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT FOR EQUIPMENT. HE ADDRESSED MALCOLM SAYING HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE CLOSER TO \$10,000.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO FUND \$10,000 TO THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT FOR EQUIPMENT.

MALCOLM GAINEY ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION ON THE ISSUE WITH THE VEHICLE. HE SAID IN THE PAST WHEN HE HAS TURNED IN MILEAGE, HE AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAS HAD DISCUSSION ABOUT TURNING IN TOO MUCH MILEAGE, ETC. HE SAID HE TRIED TO FIND A COUNTY VEHICLE FIRST AND IF THERE IS NOT ONE AVAILABLE, HE ENDS UP HAVING TO DRIVE HIS OWN TRUCK. HE SAID IN THE PAST, HE HASN'T BEEN TURNING IN THE MILEAGE BECAUSE OF THE ISSUES WITH THE MILEAGE. IF HE IS GOING TO BE EXPECTED TO DRIVE HIS PERSONAL TRUCK, MALCOLM SAID HE JUST WANTED TO BE SURE HE COULD GET MILEAGE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IF THERE IS NOT A VEHICLE AVAILABLE, HE WOULD GET MILEAGE FOR USE OF HIS PERSONAL VEHICLE; HOWEVER, HE WOULD NEED TO CHECK WITH THE ADMINISTRATOR FIRST TO MAKE SURE THERE IS NOT A VEHICLE AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE AGREED WITH MALCOLM GETTING REIMBURSED IF THERE IS NOT A COUNTY VEHICLE AVAILABLE; HOWEVER, THE COUNTY HAS HAD A STATION WAGON SETTING AT THE ANNEX BEFORE WITH THE GRASS GROWN UP AROUND IT BECAUSE NOBODY WOULD DRIVE IT.

MALCOLM SAID IF THE VEHICLE WOULD CRANK AND THE TIRES ARE NOT FLAT, HE WOULD AGREE WITH THIS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID SOMEBODY NEEDED TO KEEP THIS UP AND SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WERE INMATES AROUND THAT COULD CUT THE GRASS OR CHANGE A TIRE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID WHY NOT ASSIGN THE STATION WAGON TO MALCOLM. MALCOLM SAID HE APPRECIATED THE GESTURE OF A PIECE OF WORE OUT JUNK. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IF IT WAS SETTING OUT THERE, HE WAS SURE IT WAS INSURED, HAD A TAG ON IT, ETC.

MALCOLM SAID IF THAT IS WHAT THEY WANTED HIM TO DO, HE WOULD DRIVE IT. COMMISSIONER FINCH TOLD A STORY ABOUT HAVING GONE TO TALLAHASSEE TO A MEETING WITH PETE, LYNN COPE, LARRY ENFINGER, ETC., WHEN HE FIRST BECAME COMMISSIONER. HE POINTED OUT THE CAR THEY DROVE HAD 140,000 MILES ON IT; HE THOUGHT THAT WAS THE STUPIDEST, RAGGEDESS PIECE OF JUNK HE HAD EVER SEEN FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE TO GO TO TALLAHASSEE ON; HOWEVER, THAT WAS THE BEST CAR THEY HAD AT THAT TIME.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

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

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ABOUT THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT BUDGET OR VEHICLE USAGE. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THERE BEING VEHICLES IN THE BUDGET AND SUGGESTED THE BOARD, WHEN THEY GET THROUGH WITH THE BUDGET, MOVE SOME VEHICLES AROUND AND PUT ONE AT THE COUNTY ANNEX THAT MIGHT COULD BE USED BY EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WAS ENOUGH NEED NOW FOR VEHICLE USAGE THE BOARD SHOULD HAVE SOMETHING SET FOR GENERAL OPERATIONS; HOWEVER, HE DOESN'T FEEL THE VEHICLES NEED TO BE ASSIGNED TO A DEPARTMENT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT CONTINUED WITH THE BUDGET NOTES:

- 6. LEGISLATIVE BUDGET:
  - A. HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICER

\$100,000

B. GENERAL DEBT SERVICE INCREASE

58,000

C. VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT 1/2 MIL INCREASE 180,580

HERBERT ADDRESSED THIS INCREASE WOULD GO INTO THE FUNDING FORMULA, DIVIDED OUT AND DISTRIBUTED ACCORDING TO THE GSG FORMULA.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED ROGER HAVING DISCUSSION WITH THE FIRECHIEFS ON THE FUNDING FORMULA. ROGER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FUNDING FORMULA FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS BEING BASED ON THE HALF MIL THE BOARD HAD PASSED SEVERAL YEARS AGO.

ROGER ADDRESSED THE \$12,000 THE COUNTY HAD ALWAYS BUDGETED FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUND.

HE ADDRESSED WITH THE GSG FUNDING FORMULA, THE FIRE DEPART- MENTS HAVE BEEN GETTING AN INCREASE EVERY OTHER YEAR BASED ON THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S MILLAGE FOR APPROXIMATELY SIX YEARS.

WITH THE INCREASE IN AD VALOREM TAXES THEY WILL BE RECEIVING AND IN CONVERSATION WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS, ROGER SAID THE FIRE ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THE FUNDING BE REWORKED AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS BE FUNDED ANNUALLY AT THE SAME TIME THE BOARD IS CREATING THEIR BUDGET. THEY WERE ALSO PROPOSING THE DISTRIBUTION FORMULA BE DEVELOPED BASED ON THE CURRENT YEAR'S HALF MIL AD VALOREM. HE EXPLAINED IT WOULD NOT BE ANY MORE MONEY BUT IT WOULD MAKE A CONSIDERABLE INCREASE TO INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENTS RANGING FROM 42% TO 80% DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LAST YEAR AND THIS YEAR BY NOT HAVING TO WAIT FOR A TWO YEAR CYCLE. HE SAID NEXT YEAR, IT WOULD GO BACK TO WHATEVER INCREASE THE HALF MIL PRODUCES.

ROGER SAID HE HAS ASKED THE WCFA LEADERSHIP, THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, FOR BETTER ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE FUNDING. IN DOING THE FUNDING FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS THE WAY THEY ARE PROPOSING, ROGER SAID EACH YEAR WHEN THEY FIND OUT WHAT A HALF MIL WILL GENERATE, THEY WILL APPLY THE FUNDING FORMULA TO SEE WHAT EACH DEPARTMENT WILL RECEIVE. THE DEPARTMENTS WILL HAVE TO SUBMIT A BUDGET BASED ON THEIR FUNDING, SUBMIT IT TO EOC AND QUARTERLY REPORTS WILL BE SUBMITTED BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING THEY RECEIVE TO GET AN ACCOUNTABILITY OF WHERE THE COUNTY'S MONIES ARE GOING.

HE SAID, IF THEY MANAGE WISELY WITHIN THEIR BUDGET, AT THE END OF THE YEAR IF A FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATED ON LESS THAN THEIR TOTAL FUNDING, THEY CAN CARRY THEIR REMAINING FUNDING FORWARD IN THEIR BUDGET FOR THE COMING YEAR. HE ADDRESSED THIS BEING AN ENTICEMENT TO MANAGE WISELY AND IT STARTS PUTTING UP MONIES TO BUY TRUCKS OR MATCH GRANTS FROM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE ALWAYS HAD TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD.

ROGER SAID THEIR PROPOSAL IS FOR THE \$12,000 THE BOARD HAS BEEN PUTTING INTO THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUND TO GO AWAY; HOWEVER THE FIRST \$25,000 OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AD VALOREM TAX WILL GO INTO THAT FUND. THEREFORE, THE \$12,000 WILL BE REPLACED WITH THE \$25,000 BUT IT IS STILL WITHIN THE HALF MIL; ACTUALLY, ROGER SAID THE COUNTY WOULD BE \$12,000 AHEAD BECAUSE THEY WON'T FUND THAT SEPARATE FUND ANYMORE. HE SAID IT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND THERE ARE SEVERAL REASONS A FIRE DEPARTMENT COULD GET MONEY:

- A. A FINANCIAL EMERGENCY WHICH WOULD BE AN EXPENDITURE OF 25% OR GREATER THAN THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET
- B. DIMINISHED CAPABILITY-IF A DEPARTMENT'S FIREHOUSE BURNED DOWN AND THEIR TRUCKS WERE DESTROYED, THEY COULD GET THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDS AND GET BACK IN BUSINESS
- C. ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS-HE ADDRESSED THIS WOULD BE LIKE THE THREE WATER TOWERS THEY HAD PUT UP IN THE COUNTY LAST YEAR SO THERE WOULD BE A WATER SOURCE IN SOME RURAL AREAS; AN ENHANCEMENT PROJECT HAS TO BENEFIT THE WHOLE COUNTY, THREE OR FOUR DEPARTMENTS AND NOT DEPLETE THE FUND UNDER \$25,000.
- D. MATCHING FUNDS-IF A DEPARTMENT GETS A GRANT, THEY CAN GO BEFORE THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND GET THE MATCHING FUNDS

ROGER ADDRESSED THE FEE FOR SERVICES ORDINANCE NEEDS TO BE CLARIFIED. HE SAID THERE WAS AN AREA IN THE ORDINANCE WHICH SAYS THIS IS FOR A STRUCTURAL FIRE AND A FEW PARAGRAPHS DOWN, IT SAYS SOMETHING ABOUT WILD FIRES OF AN UNDETERMINED ORIGIN. HE SAID IF THEY ARE GOING TO KEEP THE FEE FOR SERVICE ORDINANCE IN PLACE, WCFA HAS ASKED THE BOARD TO CLARIFY THIS AND INSERT A PORTION THAT WILD FIRE FEE FOR SERVICES WILL BE CHARGED WHEN IT CAN BE DETERMINED THE ORIGIN OF FIRE WAS ON A PARCEL. HE SAID BY DOING THIS, IT WOULD STILL LEAVE OUT WILD FIRES, TRANSFORMERS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO ADVERTISE THE FEE FOR FIRE SERVICES ORDINANCE AFTER REVIEW BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND CHANGES MADE ADDRESSED BY ROGER HAGAN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED THE VEHICLE PART OF THE ORDINANCE IF TWO VEHICLES WERE INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT. ROGER ADVISED THAT PART DIDN'T CHANGE; BOTH PARTIES WOULD BE CHARGED. ROGER SAID WHAT HAPPENS IS THE INSURANCE COMPANIES WILL SETTLE WHO PAYS; WHICHEVER ONE IS IN FAULT MAY WIND UP PAYING BOTH BILLS. HOWEVER, WHEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT GOES TO AN ACCIDENT, ROGER SAID THEY ARE NOT OUT THERE TO DETERMINE FAULT BUT TO EXTRICATE, PUT OUT FIRES, KEEP FUEL FROM LEAKING, ETC.

ROGER THEN SAID THERE WAS ONE THING THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK AT; THE FUNDING AGREEMENT SAYS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR THE CITY IS TO BE ORGANIZED AND IS TO BE OPERATED INCLUDING THE MINIMUM CERTIFICA— TION STANDARDS AND STAFF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING FIRE DEPARTMENTS WHO HAVE SAID FOR FOUR TO FIVE YEARS THEY OUGHT NOT TO HAVE TO DO THAT, THEY OUGHT TO BE GRANDFATHERED IN AND THE LEGISLATURE OUGHT TO DO SOMETHING. HE POINTED OUT THE LEGISLATURE HAS NOT DONE ANYTHING; THE STATE LAW SAYS, IF A PERSON IS GOING TO BE A VOLUNTEER FIREMAN, THEY HAVE TO MEET A MINIMUM STANDARD. HE EXPLAINED A FIREMAN HAS TO TAKE 160 HOURS OF TRAINING AND HE IS AFRAID THEY ARE GOING TO CREATE A LIABILITY IF THEY CONTINUE TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO BE ON THE FIRE ROSTERS THAT DOESN'T TAKE THE MINIMUM STANDARDS OR PASS THE CERTIFICATION AND RESPOND TO FIRES. HE POINTED OUT SOMEBODY IS ALWAYS WAITING TO SUE SOMEBODY.

ROGER SAID IF THEY GO BACK TO THE FIRECHIEFS AND TELL THEM IF THEIR VOLUNTEER FIREMEN DON'T MEET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS OR PASS THE CERTIFICATION THEY CAN'T RESPOND TO FIRES ANYMORE, THEY WOULD HERE FROM THE FIRECHIEFS, YOU CAN'T FIRE A VOLUNTEER, ETC., AND THE BOARD'S PHONES ARE GOING TO RING. HE SAID IT IS THE COUNTY'S FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HE NEEDS TO KNOW IF THEY ARE WITH THE WCFA OR NOT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED WHAT KIND OF COST IS INVOLVED WITH THE 160 HOUR TRAINING AND IS THE COUNTY PAYING THAT OR IS THE VOLUNTEER FIREMAN PAYING IT.

ROGER SAID THE TRAINING COULD BE RECEIVED IN THE COUNTY AND IT IS MOSTLY HOURS. HE SAID WCFA HAS THE BOOK IN THE EOC AND HAVE TRAINERS THAT ARE CERTIFIED THAT BELONG TO SOME OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS NOW. HE SAID IT WAS A MATTER OF THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN WORKING 8 TO 10 HOURS A DAY, DRIVING TO FORT WALTON OR TALLAHASSEE TO DO IT, WHEN THEY COME IN, THEY DON'T WANT TO GO TO SCHOOL THREE OR FOUR HOURS A NIGHT THREE OR FOUR NIGHTS A WEEK. HE SAID AT THAT POINT IN TIME, THE VOLUNTEERS NEED TO DETERMINE IF THEIR FAMILY IS MORE IMPORTANT OR DO THEY WANT TO BE A FIREMAN.

ROGER SAID THE SIDE OF THE COUNTY IS, THIS IS A STATE REQUIREMENT AND A STATE LAW AND HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THEY CAN CONTINUE TO WAIVE IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN CAN GET THE TRAINING IN THE COUNTY; ROGER RESPONDED THEY COULD. SAPP SAID IT SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM TO GET THE CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING REQUIRED IF THEY CAN GET THE TRAINING IN COUNTY; IT WOULD JUST BE A LACK OF DEDICATION.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED, AS LONG AS A VOLUNTEER IS IN TRAINING, CAN THEY STILL RESPOND TO A FIRE. ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT HE HAD GIVEN THE BOARD A COPY OF ALL THIS INFORMATION A FEW WEEKS AGO IN A REPORT THEC HAD ASKED HIM TO DO. HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND READ IT; HE THOUGHT THERE WERE SOME PROVISIONS WHERE THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN COULD DO SOME THINGS.

ED PELLETIER, COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT, REPORTED THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN WHO HAD TAKEN THE 40 HOUR COURSE AND WERE STATE CERTIFIED WERE GRANDFATHERED IN. HE SAID THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HAS TAKEN THE COURSE WHEN THEY WERE RUNNING FOR THE COUNTY, THEY DON'T QUALIFY. HE SAID IT WOULD BE HARD TO GET ANYBODY TO VOLUNTEER; EVEN RIGHT NOW WITHOUT EVEN HAVING TO HAVE THE 160 HOURS, IT IS PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO GET ANY VOLUNTEERS. HE SAID IN FOUR TO FIVE YEARS, THE COUNTY WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO START PAYING THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN AND REFERRED TO A LARGE NUMBER OF OTHER AREAS ALREADY HAVING PAID VOLUNTEERS.

ROGER SAID THE COUNTY ALREADY REQUIRES DRUG SCREENS AND PHYSICALS BECAUSE OF WORKERS COMPENSATION; THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN ARE ON THE COUNTY'S WORKERS COMPPOLICY. ROGER SAID THE CITY'S VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE COVERED BY THE CITY'S WORKERS COMP. HE SAID IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO REQUIRE THE VOLUNTEERS TO HAVE A DRUG TEST AND PHYSICAL, THE REQUIREMENT TO MEET THE MINIMUM CERTIFICATION ALMOST HAS TO FOLLOW SUIT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF A VOLUNTEER FIREMAN WHO IS ON THE COUNTY'S WORKERS COMP AND DOES NOT MEET THE MINIMUM CERTIFI- CATION OF 160 HOURS WOULD BE COVERED. ROGER SAID HE WAS GOING TO SAY YES BECAUSE THE VOLUNTEER IS OUT THERE, IS VOLUNTEERING AND THERE IS SOME THINGS UNDER EMERGENCIES, THEY CAN DO. HE SAID THE LIABILITY MAY COME AND PEOPLE MAY START SUING THE COUNTY BECAUSE, IF THE COUNTY FUNDS THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS, THEY OUGHT TO EXPECT THEM TO BE QUALIFIED TO DO WHAT THEY ARE DOING.

ED ADDRESSED HIM HAVING ATTENDED MEETINGS IN JACKSONVILLE AND THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP SEVERAL TIMES AT THE MEETING. HE SAID THIS PAST JANUARY, IT WAS BROUGHT UP ABOUT HAVING VOLUNTEERS; LIKE A LOT OF PLACES, NOT ONLY WASHINGTON COUNTY, THERE ARE PEOPLE ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT CAN'T READ OR WRITE. HE SAID THERE IS A PROBLEM THERE; YET, THEY ARE GOOD FIREFIGHTERS. HE SAID HE HAD ONE IN THE COUNTRY OAKS AREA AND HE WOULD PUT THAT VOLUNTEER UP AGAINST ANYBODY; HE FOLLOWS THE RULES. HE SAID THIS ISSUE IS NOT FINALIZED YET WITH THE STATE.

ED THEN ADDRESSED COMMISSIONER SAPP MENTIONING THE COUNTY NEEDING ANOTHER FIRETRUCK AND ANOTHER FIRE STATION. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON GSG, IN 2003, HAVING DONE A REPORT WHICH HAD ALL OF THESE ISSUES LINED UP; THE REPORT COVERS A LOT OF TERRITORY, THERE IS TIME LINES IN IT WHICH SHOW WHAT THE COUNTY HAS DONE THE FIRST FIVE YEARS, ETC.

ED INFORMED THE BOARD ON COUNTRY OAKS AND ORANGE HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT HAVING GOTTEN CERTIFIED; EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, THEY WILL HAVE A 9 CLASSIFICATION WITHIN FIVE MILES OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND A 10 CLASSIFICATION OUTSIDE OF THAT. FOR PEOPLE WITHIN THE FIVE MILE AREA, THEIR HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE COULD POSSIBLY BE DROPPED 10% TO 15%.

ED ADDRESSED THERE BEING FIVE OTHER FIRE STATIONS ADDRESSED IN THE FIVE YEAR STUDY BY GSG; IF THEY ACCOMPLISH THEIR CERTIFICATION OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS, THERE COULD BE \$780,000 INSURANCE SAVINGS TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

THE MOTION ON ADVERTISING THE FIRE FEE SERVICE ORDINANCE AFTER ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS REVIEWED AND CORRECTED ITEMS ADDRESSED BY ROGER CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ROGER QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO ACT ON THE WCFA PROPOSAL OR DID THEY WANT HIM TO COME BACK AND MAKE A MORE DETAILED PRESENTATION AT THE AFTERNOON MEETING. CHAIRMAN SAPP TOLD ROGER THE BOARD WOULD GO AHEAD AND DEAL WITH IT.

ROGER REITERATED THEIR PROPOSAL WAS FOR THE BOARD TO APPROVE OF CHANGING THE FUNDING FORMULA FOR THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS TO BE ANNUALLY BASED ON THE HALF MIL, PUT \$25,000 IN THE CONTINGENCY LINE, THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS BEING ABLE TO CARRY FORWARD ANYTHING THAT IS RESERVED AND AUTHORIZE THE SIGNING OF A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID, AS THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO GROW, AND THE GROWTH IS APPARENT THIS YEAR WITH THE BUDGET AND THE THINGS THE BOARD IS DOING, IS THERE ANY KIND OF MOVE COUNTY WIDE BY THE FIRECHIEFS TO HAVE ANY CENTRALIZED FIRE DEPARTMENT PER SAY THAT IS COUNTY AND THE VOLUNTEERS WILL SUPPORT IT.

ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT THAT WAS ALONG THE SAME LINE AS COMMISSION- ER SAPP'S COMMENTS PREVIOUSLY; HE THINKS THE BOARD HAS A DESIRE BUT HE CAN'T SPEAK FOR THE CHIEFS WITHOUT DIRECTLY HEARING FROM THEM. SPEAKING FROM MANAGEMENT, ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD NEEDED TO BEGIN LOOKING AT SOME THINGS OVER THE NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS. HE SAID THEY WOULD NEED TO BEGIN TO LOOK AT HAVING TWO OR THREE CENTRALIZED FIRE DEPARTMENTS, KEEP THEIR VOLUNTEERS BUT MAYBE BEGIN TO START WITH ONE STRATEGICALLY. HE SAID HE THOUGHT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS OUGHT TO BE LIKE THE OLD CERTIFICATE OF NEED FOR HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES; THE BOARD NEEDS TO DETERMINE WHEN THEY NEED A FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHERE THEY WANT THEM AND WORK TOWARD FUNDING THEM. HE SAID IF IT IS THE ACCUMULATION OF THE MONIES ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUND CONTINGENCY LINE ITEM THAT BEGINS TO ESTABLISH THAT, GET A FIRE COORDINATOR, SOMEONE THAT IS IN FIRE SERVICES. HE SAID YOU SEE OTHER COUNTIES DOING THIS AND THERE IS NO USE FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY TO REINVENT THE WHEEL.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THIS WAS THE DIRECTION THE COUNTY WAS HEADING; BUT, HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW FAR OUT THEY ARE. ROGER SAID THEY WOULD THEN START PUTTING AMBULANCES WITH IT, RESPONSE WHERE POPULATION IS, SHERIFF'S SUBSTATION, ETC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED ROGER IF IT WAS IN HIS JOB DESCRIPTION TO BE OVER THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. ROGER SAID IT WAS NOT AND ADDRESSED IT KIND OF EVOLVED WAY BACK FROM CIVIL DEFENSE WITH AL PYFROM AND LEON SEXTON.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED ROGER HOW MUCH PAY HE RECEIVED FOR HIS WORK HOURS WHEN HE IS INVOLVED WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS; HE SAID HE REALIZED IT WAS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND IT MAY BE VOLUNTEER ROGER TOO.

ROGER SAID HE GETS COMP TIME; THERE WAS A PERIOD FOR ABOUT TEN MONTHS HE DIDN'T GET COMP TIME BECAUSE OF A ROLE CHANGE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE BOARD TAKES PEOPLE LIKE ROGER FOR GRANTED A LOT OF TIMES; ALL THESE LITTLE THINGS THAT GET DONE, ROGER COMES AND MAKES A BIG SPEECH AND THE BOARD JUST SITS BACK, NODS AND ACCEPTS IT WITHOUT THINKING ABOUT THE TIME IT TAKES HIM TO PREPARE IT. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO ROGER AND

OTHERS WHO DO THESE KIND OF THINGS AND SAID HE HOPED THEY HAVE AWARDED THEM WITH THE ACTION THEY HAVE TAKEN TODAY WITH THE SALARIES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED ROGER TO CLARIFY THE WORDING NEEDED IN THE MOTION. ROGER SAID THE MOTION SHOULD BE TO FUND THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ANNUALLY BASED ON THE HALF MIL WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY RESOLUTION DISTRIBUTING THE MONIES AND THE CONTINGENCY. HE SAID THE RESOLUTION OUGHT TO CARRY FORWARD EVERYTHING SUCH AS THE CARRY FORWARD MONEY, ETC.; THE FUNDING AGREEMENT SAYS THE USE OF THE GSG FORMULA ADOPTED IN 1998. HE SAID IT WAS THE SAME FORMULA BASED ON SQUARE MILES, ADDRESSES, ROSTER SIZES BUT DOESN'T COUNT RUNS BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T DEFINED RUNS. HE ADDRESSED TO SOME PEOPLE IF THEY CRANK UP AND GO TO A FIRE, IT IS A RUN; THE AGREEMENT SAYS IT IS A RUN IF A SERVICE IS RENDERED. HE SAID THE RUNS ARE COUNTED AND KEPT BUT ARE NOT PART OF THE FUNDING FORMULA.

ROGER REITERATED ALL THE RESOLUTION DOES IS CHANGE THE BI- ANNUAL TO ANNUAL WHICH GIVES THE FIRE DEPARTMENT A BIG INCREASE THIS YEAR AND LETS THEM DISTRIBUTE THE MONIES ACCORDING TO THE RESOLUTION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE MOTION AS STATED BY ROGER.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE LAST THING UNDER THE LEGISLATIVE BUDGET IS THE \$200,000 BUDGETED FOR THE CITY OF CHIPLEY; IT IS CURRENTLY IN THE BUDGET FOR THE CHIPLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUEST JIM MORRIS ADDRESSED WITH THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THIS HAD BEEN VOTED ON TWO OR THREE TIMES. HE SAID THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD WAS THREE TO TWO TO FUND THE \$200,000 REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY. HE SAID HE TOTALLY DISAGREED WITH IT HIMSELF.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE DIDN'T MIND GIVING THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT THEIR RAISE FOR THEMSELVES; IF THE BOARD GIVES THE CITY \$200,000, THEY NEED TO KNOW WHERE THAT MONEY IS GOING TO. HE SAID THE \$200,000 IS NEEDED IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED JIM MORRIS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THIS ISSUE AND POINTED OUT THE \$200,000 WAS COMING OUT OF THE SMALL COUNTY INCENTIVE MONIES.

JIM SAID HE HAD PRESENTED A SHEET OF INFORMATION ORGINALLY TELLING THE BOARD WHAT THE MONEY WOULD BE USED FOR; \$125,000 WAS DESIGNATED TOWARD THE CHIPLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH THE OTHER \$75,000 GOING TO REPLACE THE AD VALOREM TAXES THE CITY IS PUTTING INTO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT NOW. HE SAID THE CITY IS USING THE TOTAL SIX MILS AD VALOREM TAXES THEY ARE CHARGING THE CITY FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; IT IS EATING UP EVERY PENNY THEY GET FROM THAT.

JIM SAID THE CITY THINKS IT IS ONLY FAIR SOME OF THE MONEY THEY HAVE BEEN AND ARE STILL PUTTING TOWARD THE CHIPLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT COME BACK IN AD VALOREM AND BE REPLACED BY SOME OF THE AD VALOREM THE CITY IS PUTTING IN THERE NOW. HE SAID THE \$200,000 IS ONLY \$200,000 OF THE \$736,000 IT IS COSTING THE CITY TO FUND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE SAID IT IS NOT LIKE THEY ARE ASKING THE COUNTY TO FUND THE WHOLE POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE SAID THERE WAS A BREAK DOWN ON THE SHEET HE HAD PROVIDED ON HOW THE \$125,000 FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS GOING TO BE SPENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE PHYSICALLY CONSTRAINED COUNTIES FUNDS SAY IT IS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY; THE WAY HE INTERPRETS IT IS THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY ARE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THE CITY OF CHIPLEY OR ANY OF THE CITIES GOT ANY OF THESE GRANT FUNDS. HE SAID HE HAD NO PROBLEM GIVING PART OF THAT MONEY TO WAUSAU, VERNON, EBRO, CARYVILLE OR ANY OTHER MUNICIPALITY IN THE COUNTY.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID THE ACTION THE BOARD TOOK THIS MORNING WOULD PROHIBIT THE COUNTY FROM DOING THIS; THE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED MONIES ARE PRESENTLY BUDGETED IN THEIR GENERAL FUND AND WITH THE THINGS THE BOARD HAS ACTED ON THIS MORNING WITH THEIR HEALTH INSUR- ANCE, ETC., THEY DON'T HAVE MUCH MORE FUNDS TO DISTRIBUTE. SHE SAID IF THEY WANT TO FUND THE HEALTH INSURANCE, EMPLOYEE RAISES, ETC., THEY CAN'T DO WHAT COMMISSIONER CORBIN IS SUGGESTING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED DEPUTY CLERK CARTER IF SHE WAS SAYING THE \$1,000,000 THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD IN CONTINGENCY IS NOT THERE ANY- MORE. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID SHE WASN'T; BUT, THE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED MONIES COMMISSIONER CORBIN WAS OFFERING TO GIVE AWAY IS PART OF THAT AND THE HEALTH INSURANCE, EMPLOYEE SALARIES, ADDITIONAL SALARIES FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS EMPLOYEES SHOULD THEY COME BACK AND REQUEST MORE FUNDING, IT WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN OUT OF THE \$1,000,000 CONTINGENCY.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID SHE ONLY WANTED TO MAKE THE BOARD AWARE, THE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED COUNTY FUNDS IS PRESENTLY INCLUDED IN THEIR PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE FISCALLY CONSTRAINED MONIES WERE TO BE USED TO FUND THE CITY OF CHIPLEY THEIR \$200,000. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY'S \$200,000 IS IN THE PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING BEEN ASKED ABOUT JIM SUBTRACTING OUT DISPATCH AND INMATE MEDICAL FROM HIS CALCULATIONS ON WHAT HE WAS REQUESTING FROM THE COUNTY'S PART OF AD VALOREM TAX.

JIM SAID THE MONEY THE CITY WAS REQUESTING WAS ONLY BEING ALLOTTED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; THEY ARE NOT TRYING TO TAKE ANYTHING AWAY FROM DISPATCH OR MEDICAL. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE ONLY PROBLEM IS TRYING TO FIND OUT WHERE THE INMATE MEDICAL FOR THE CITY OF CHIPLEY IS BEING PAID AND QUESTIONED IF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY IS PAYING THEIR PORTION OF THE INMATE MEDICAL BILLS.

JIM SAID IT WOULD BE COMING FROM THE CITY'S PART OF AD VALOREM TAXES IN THE GENERAL FUND HE SUPPOSED. HE SAID THAT WAS NOT MENTIONED IN HIS PROPOSAL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID ORIGINALLY JIM'S SCENARIO WAS TO REQUEST \$386,000; THAT WAS THE AMOUNT LEFT AFTER JIM HAD SUBTRACTED OUT THE DISPATCH, ETC. AFTER IT WAS DETERMINED THE COUNTY COULDN'T FUND THAT AMOUNT, COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID JIM HAD AGREED TO SETTLE FOR \$200,000 TO BEGIN WITH. JIM SAID THE \$386,000 FIGURE HAD BEEN ROUNDED OFF TO \$375,000; THIS DIFFERENCE COULD GO TOWARD THE INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSE IF THAT IS WHAT COMMISSIONER COPE IS ASKING.

LINDA CAREY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CITY OF CHIPLEY'S REQUEST:

- A. WHEN CHECKING WITH PATTY YATES, THE CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, SHE WAS TOLD THE CAP FOR AD VALOREM TAX WAS 10 MILS, NOT 6 MILS LIKE JIM MORRIS HAD SAID IN FRONT OF THE BOARD AT THEIR MAY 25, 2006 MEETING.
- B. ACCORDING TO THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS THEY HAVE ON THEIR WEB SITE READS, EXPENDITURES PAID FOR SALARIES OF EMPLOYEES, ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE, RECREATION PROGRAMS, SUCH AS BALLFIELDS AND COMMUNITY CENTERS, GARBAGE PICKUP, ETC. SHE SAID SOME OF THE BIGGEST EXPENDITURES FOR FLORIDA CITIES ARE FOR POLICE AND FIRE.

CAREY SAID WHEN LIVING IN A CITY LIKE SHE DID FOR 55 YEARS OF HER LIFE, THERE ARE BENEFITS THAT ARE PAID TO POLICE, FIRE OR AMBULANCE; THEY ARE JUST A FEW MINUTES AWAY. THESE BENEFITS NEED TO BE PAID FOR BY THE CITY AND NOT BY THE COUNTY.

SHE QUESTIONED WHY THE 7,809 HOUSING UNITS IN RURAL WASHINGTON COUNTY HAVE PAID THE CAP OF TEN MILS FOR THEIR AD VALOREM TAXES WHILE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY WITH 1,694 HOUSING UNITS HAVE ONLY HAD SIX MILS FOR THEIR CITY'S AD VALOREM TAXES. SHE SAID THE SIX MILS IS FOUR MILS BELOW THE CAP OF TEN MILS.

SHE ADDRESSED HER UNDERSTANDING WAS THE COUNTY HAS BEEN GIVEN \$683,775 BY THE STATE FOR BEING A FISCALLY CONSTRAINED COUNTY; PERHAPS IF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY HAS THEIR CITY AD VALOREM TAX AT TEN MILLS AS THE COUNTY HAS, THERE WOULD NOT BE A NEED FOR THE REQUEST OF THE \$200,000 FROM THE COUNTY OR IS THE CITY OF CHIPLEY JUST SAYING THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE IS NOT POOR, JUST THE CITY OF CHIPLEY IS.

SHE SAID WHEN LOOKING WHAT THE CITY OF CHIPLEY IS REQUESTING FOR THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE \$200,000, THAT IS MORE THAN WHAT THE COUNTY IS ALLOTTING FOR THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND AMBULANCE SERVICE WHICH AMOUNTS TO \$180,580. SHE SAID THE COUNTY'S FIRE DEPARTMENT COVERS 596.044 SQUARE MILES WITH AS THE 2000 CENSUS THERE ARE 17,431 RESIDENTS.

SHE SAID AMBULANCES COVER THE ENTIRE COUNTY WHICH IS 600 SQUARE MILES; AS OF THE 2000 CENSUS, 20,973 RESIDENTS WHILE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT COVERS 1% OF THE COUNTY'S SQUARE MILES; THIS IS .956 WITH ONLY 3,542 RESIDENTS. SHE SAID SHE WAS NOT SURE HOW MANY MORE PEOPLE HAD MOVED INTO THE COUNTY; BUT, SHE WOULD VENTURE TO SAY A MAJORITY OF THEM LIVE IN THE RURAL AREAS AND NOT IN THE CITY OF CHIPLEY.

COMMISSIONER COPE CORRECTED CAREY ON THE AMOUNT THE COUNTY IS ALLOTTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THE AMBULANCES; THE FIGURES SHE QUOTED WAS JUST FOR THE INCREASES EACH OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS WOULD BE RECEIVING IN 2007.

CAREY SAID IF THE BOARD WOULD LOOK AT THE INFORMATION SHE HAD GOTTEN FROM THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES ON THE REVENUES RECEIVED; SHE REITERATED THE EXPENDITURES PAID FOR THE SALARIES, ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE, RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS, GARBAGE PICKUP, ETC. SHE REITERATED SOME OF THE BIGGEST EXPENDITURES FOR THE FLORIDA CITIES ARE FOR THE POLICE AND FIRE SERVICES.

CAREY QUESTIONED WHY THE COUNTY WAS TRYING TO GIVE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY MONEY WHEN IT IS SUPPOSE TO BE PAID FOR BY THE PEOPLE IN THE CITY. SHE QUESTIONED IF ALL THE 17,000 PLUS PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY WANT TO PAY FOR CITY COVERAGE OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. SHE SAID SHE DIDN'T AS THEY WERE NOT GOING TO PROTECT HER. SHE THEN QUESTIONED HOW MANY PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY ALWAYS COME UP INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF CHIPLEY WHERE THERE WOULD BE POLICE COVERAGE. SHE SAID SHE DIDN'T THINK A WHOLE LOT OF THEM SPEND EVEN 10% OF THEIR TIME IN THE CITY.

JIM SAID HE COULD DEBATE EVERYTHING MS. CAREY SAID AND HE COULD DEBATE ANYTHING ANYONE ELSE HAS TO SAY ABOUT THE COUNTY FUNDING THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT; BUT, HE IS NOT GOING TO ARGUE. HE SAID SOME OF CAREY'S FIGURES MAKES SENSE AND SOME OF THEM DON'T. HE SAID IF THE COUNTY DIDN'T CHARGE THE CITY THE 8.5 MILS AD VALOREM TAX AND THE CITY FUNDED THEMSELVES, THEY COULD GO UP ON THEIR AD VALOREM TAXES AND FUND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT THEMSELVES. HE ADDRESSED PEOPLE HAVE TO REALIZE THE CITIZENS OF CHIPLEY AND OTHER ENTITIES, PAY THE SAME MILLAGE RATE AS MS. CAREY AND EVERYBODY ELSE IN THE COUNTY PLUS THE CITY CHARGES AN AD VALOREM TAX IN THE CITY TO OFFSET THE EXTRA SERVICES THEY NEED.

JIM SAID THE COUNTY WAS NOT GIVING THE CITY OF CHIPLEY ANYTHING; THE CITY IS ASKING THE COUNTY TO REIMBURSE THE DOUBLE TAXATION BEING PUT ON THE CITY OF CHIPLEY THAT IS NOT BEING PUT ON ANYBODY ELSE. HE ADDRESSED THE OTHER CITIES IN THE COUNTY DIDN'T HAVE A POLICE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THE CITY AND THE STATE DOESN'T FOLLOW THE SAME PROCEDURE; THEY FURNISH THEIR OWN TAXES. HE SAID THIS IS A SPECIAL SITUATION WHERE THE COUNTY IS BEING REQUESTED TO FUND THE CITY BACK PART OF THE AD VALOREM TAXES. HE SAID THIS IS ONE CITY OUT OF THE STATE AND IT SOUNDS KIND OF UNREASONABLE TO HIM.

JIM SAID IT SOUNDED UNREASONABLE TO HIM THAT NO OTHER CITY IS REQUESTING PART OF THEIR AD VALOREM TAXES BACK.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THERE IS NOTHING WRONG WITH BEING WORK SMARTER OR DOING THINGS DIFFERENTLY THAN THEY HAVE BEEN DONE IN THE PAST. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THE CITY'S REQUEST WAS REASONABLE AND REFERRED TO WHEN HE WORKED WITH THE FL-DOT; THE STATE COLLECTED ALL THE GASOLINE TAXES AND SENT IT TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. HE SAID IT WAS UP TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO SEND THE STATE SOME OF THE FUNDING BACK AND THAT WAS THE WAY THE FORMULA WORKED; THE STATE DIDN'T GET NEAR BACK ALL THE GASOLINE TAXES THEY HAD SENT TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. HE SAID THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN A BIG COMPLAINT WITH THE FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION BOARD; THEY FELT THEY OUGHT TO BE GETTING BACK MORE MONEY BECAUSE THEY COLLECTED IT AND SENT IT TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. HE SAID THE COUNTY FUNDING THE CITY'S REQUEST MAY BE A GOOD TREND SETTER FOR SOME OF THE SMALLER COMMUNITIES TO SURVIVE SUCH AS GRACEVILLE, BONIFAY AND SOME OF THE OTHER PLACES THAT NEED SOME HELP.

JIM SAID THE CITY COULD ALWAYS RAISE AD VALOREM TAXES; HOWEVER, THE PEOPLE ARE ALREADY PAYING AS MUCH TAXES NOW AS THEY CAN AFFORD. HE ADDRESSED THE BOARD BEING AWARE OF THIS AND THAT IS WHY THEY ARE TRYING TO CUT THEIR MILLAGE RATE BACK. HOWEVER, HE SAID THE CITY WOULD LOOK PRETTY FOOLISH, IF THE COUNTY CUT THEIR MILLAGE RATE BY ONE MILL AND THE CITY WENT UP THAT AMOUNT; HE ADDRESSED THIS WOULD BE PENALIZING THE PEOPLE IN THE CITIES AGAIN.

JIM THANKED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR CUTTING THE MILLAGE RATE BACK A MILL; THAT WILL HELP PEOPLE WITH THEIR TAXES. HE REITERATED IT WOULD BE FOOLISH FOR THE CITY TO PENALIZE THE PEOPLE INSIDE THE CITY BY RAISING THEIR MILLAGE RATE TO DO WHAT THEY NEED TO DO. HE SAID IF ALL THE OTHER ENTITIES IN THE COUNTY, WAUSAU, VERNON, EBRO, ETC., HAD A POLICE DEPARTMENT, HE WOULD BE SAYING THE SAME THING FOR THEM; THEY WOULD BE DOUBLE TAXED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE CITY OF WAUSAU AND VERNON WILL BE AT THE COMMISSION MEETING TODAY AT 1:00 P.M. JIM SAID IF THEY HAD A POLICE DEPARTMENT, HE WOULD BE BEFORE THE BOARD REQUESTING THEY HELP FUND THE OTHER ENTITIES POLICE DEPARTMENTS ALSO; BUT, THEY DON'T. JIM SAID IF THE CITY DISBANNED THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT COVERED ALL THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, THE CITY WOULD SAVE \$736,000 A YEAR AND COULD DO A WHOLE LOT MORE WITH IT THAN THEY ARE DOING NOW. HE ADDRESSED THE CITY WAS ONLY ASKING THE BOARD FOR \$200,000 RATHER THAN THE \$736,000; IF THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT COVERED THE CITY, HE WOULD HAVE TO PUT ON ADDITIONAL OFFICERS AND IT WOULD COST A LOT MORE THAN \$200,000. HE SAID THE CITY DOESN'T WANT TO DISBAN THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

MS. CAREY READDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER HAVING SPOKEN TO PEOPLE IN BONIFAY; THEY HAVE A POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DON'T EVEN HAVE CITY AD VALOREM TAXES. SHE SAID THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR THEIR FOUR LESS FULL TIME OFFICERS THAN CHIPLEY, BUT THEY HAVE FOUR PART TIME OFFICERS THAT ARE SCHEDULED TWICE A WEEK, IS \$264,000. SHE ASKED WHY THERE WAS \$500,000 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN CHIPLEY AND BONIFAY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE PAY SCALES WERE DIFFERENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE REMEMBERED WHEN FRED PEEL WAS SHERIFF; THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET WAS ALWAYS ONE TO ONE AND A HALF TIMES MORE THAN IT WAS IN HOLMES COUNTY. HE REFERRED TO PEEL HAVING ALWAYS SAID TO COMPARE THE SERVICES RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON COUNTY VERSUS HOLMES COUNTY. HE SAID HE WAS SURE SHERIFF HADDOCK COULD JUSTIFY HIS BUDGET AND QUESTIONED HOW MUCH THE HOLMES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET WAS IN COMPARISON TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. BOBBY SAID THE PAY SCALE FOR THE HOLMES COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT IS HIGHER THAN WASHINGTON COUNTY; THEY DON'T HAVE AS BIG A STAFF AS WASHINGTON COUNTY DOES. HE SAID THIS WAS NOT AN ISSUE FOR THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT; IT IS BETWEEN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE CITY AND THEY KNOW HOW HE FEELS ABOUT IT.

MS. CAREY SAID SHE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS RIGHT FOR THE BOARD TO MAKE ALL THE RESIDENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY PAY FOR PART OF THE SALARIES OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF CHIPLEY. IF THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS GOING TO GO OUT AND COVER THE AREA SHE LIVED IN SOUTH OF GREENHEAD, IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO COME OUT OF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT IF ALL THE TAXES COLLECTED INSIDE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY STAYED INSIDE THE CITY; HE THINKS THE COUNTY MAY BE ASKING THE CITY FOR MONEY.

ED PELLETIER SAID HE REMEMBERED WHEN JIM WAS SITTING ON THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND IT WAS A DIFFERENT STORY. HE SAID HE HAD NO PROBLEM WITH THE CHIPLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT GETTING FUNDING FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY BECAUSE THEY DO COVER THE UNINCORPO- RATED AREAS. HE SAID THE CITY RECEIVED \$72,000 FOR 2005-2006 AND WILL RECEIVE \$115,000 FOR 2006-2007 FOR THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HE HAS NO PROBLEM WITH THIS. HE ADDRESSED HIM NOT HAVING A PROBLEM WITH THE \$100,000 THE COUNTY IS GIVING TO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY FOR RECREATION; HOWEVER, HE DOES HAVE QUESTIONS WITH THE \$200,000 THE CITY IS REQUESTING FOR POLICE PROTECTION. HE ADDRESSED THE CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT WOULDN'T BENEFIT ANY OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS IN THE COUNTY. HE SAID IF THE CITY WOULD RAISE THEIR

MILLAGE RATE BY  $1.5~\mathrm{MILLS}$ , THEY COULD PROBABLY COVER THE COST TO RUN THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT.

ED NOTED THE COUNTY HAD BEEN AT THEIR TOP MILLAGE RATE AND HAS LOWERED IT THIS YEAR; HE SAID HE WAS NOT IN FAVOR, AT THIS TIME, OF THE COUNTY DROPPING THE MILLAGE RATE BY 1.5 MILLS.

ED SAID IF THE COUNTY HAS \$200,000 TO HAND OUT, COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE \$131,000 TO PURCHASE A GOOD FIRE TRUCK TO REPLACE THEIR 1962 VEHICLE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID ED PELLETIER WAS THE ONLY PERSON THAT HAD ASKED HIM NOT TO LOWER THE MILLAGE RATE.

JIM READDRESSED THE BOARD ON A COMMENT MADE BY MS. CAREY: CAREY SAID SHE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS FAIR FOR THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY TO HAVE TO FUND THE CHIPLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT. JIM SAID HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS FAIR FOR THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE CITY LIMITS OF CHIPLEY TO FUND THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY.

SHERIFF HADDOCK ADDRESED THE SHERRIF'S DEPARTMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR 580 SQUARE MILES IN THE CITY LIMITS OF CHIPLEY; HE ADDRESSED THE PRESENTATION HE HAD ALREADY MADE BEFORE THE BOARD. HE REFERRED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAVING SENT THREE MEN IN TO HELP THE CITY OF CHIPLEY TO DO SOME THINGS THE CITY AND COUNTY WANTED TO DO LAST YEAR AND THAT WAS TO FIGHT DRUGS. HE SAID HE WOULD DO THIS AGAIN IF THAT IS WHAT IT TAKES AND REITERATED HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY.

IN REGARDS TO THE DOUBLE TAXATION, SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID THAT WAS NOT THE COUNTY'S PROBLEM; THE CITY INVOKED THE DOUBLE TAXATION, NOT THE COUNTY, TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THEIR RESIDENTS. HE TOLD THE BOARD IF THEY WANTED TO HELP THE CITY, THAT WAS UP TO THEM; HE ADDRESSED THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT NEEDING THEIR HELP TOO.

CHAIRMAN SAPP ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAD ALREADY VOTED ON THE \$200,000 FOR THE CITY OF CHIPLEY; IF NO ONE ELSE MAKES ANOTHER MOTION, IT IS ALREADY IN PROCESS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION TO GIVE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY RAISES FOR THE CITY POLICE OFFICERS ONLY. THE MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF A SECOND.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON ITEM 6 OF THE BUDGET INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER THE LEGISLATIVE BUDGET. AS FAR AS THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND CITY OF CHIPLEY FUNDING, CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID THESE ISSUES HAD ALREADY BEEN DISCUSSED; THE ONLY TWO ITEMS REMAINING UNDER THE LEGISLATIVE BUDGET WAS THE GENERAL DEBT SERVICE INCREASE OF \$58,000 AND THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE INCREASE OF \$100,000.

DUE TO THE BOARD NOT HAVING A CHOICE BUT TO FUND THE INCREASE IN THE GENERAL DEBT SERVICE INCREASE, CHAIRMAN SAPP ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WANTED TO FUND THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO KEEP THE \$100,000 FUNDING FOR THE HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE IN THE BUDGET.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 7 ON THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET (CLERK OF COURTS) INCREASE OF \$21,958 FOR THE BOARD FINANCE OFFICE. COM- MISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 8, FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET. THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S BUDGET INCREASED BY \$65,909 WITH \$53,725 OF THE FUNDING USED FOR PERSONNEL SERVICES. THE TAX COLLECTOR'S BUDGET INCREASE WAS \$31,931. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S AND TAX COLLECTOR'S BUDGET INCREASES.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 9, LEGAL COUNSEL, WHICH IS ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S INCREASE OF 3%. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED, HISTORICAL- LY, ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S RETAINER HAS INCREASED BY 3% A YEAR; HIS HOURLY RATE IS \$75 PER HOUR AND HASN'T CHANGED FOR THIRTY YEARS OR SO. HERBERT SAID THE 3% WAS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE 3% INCREASE IN ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S RETAINER FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING BUDGET; THE BUDGET INCREASED DURING 2005-2006 FOR LINDA WALLER'S SALARY INCREASE. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED OTHER CURRENT CHARGES FOR ADVERTISING EXPENSES ARE INCREASED BUT PLANNING FEES SHOULD OFFSET THIS INCREASE. HE ALSO SAID THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT WAS REQUESTING A COLOR COPIER FOR \$7,100.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY A COLOR COPIER WAS NEEDED. LINDA WALLER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE COLOR COPIER BEING NEEDED FOR THE FUTURE LAND USE MAPS; THEY ARE REQUIRED TO BE IN COLOR. SHE SAID ALL THE FL-DCA AMENDMENTS ALSO NEED TO BE IN COLOR WHEN THEY ARE SUBMITTED TO TALLAHASSEE; THE COMP PLAN REPRODUCTIONS WOULD HAVE TO BE IN COLOR.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT POINTED OUT RANDY PARKER HAD PROVIDED THOSE COLOR COPIES IN THE PAST; HOWEVER, SINCE HE WON'T BE CONTRACTING WITH THE COUNTY AFTER SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT WILL NEED A COLOR COPIER.

WHEN COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF SOME OF THE CHARGES OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT WOULDN'T COVER SOME OF THE COST OF THE COPIER, LINDA SAID THEY SHOULD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COLOR COPIER WOULD BE A LEASE PURCHASE OR AN OUTRIGHT PURCHASE. LINDA SAID THEY WOULD BE PURCHASING THE COPIER OUTRIGHT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NEED FOR THE LARGER COLOR COPIER AND THE COST. LINDA ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THE LARGER COLOR COPIER WAS DUE TO THE USAGE THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT WOULD HAVE AND SHE WAS NOT SURE THE SMALLER COPIER WOULD HANDLE THE VOLUME OF COPIES THEY THEY WOULD NEED. THE MOTION CARRIED, WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH OPPOSING, TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE COLOR COPIER FOR THE PLANN DEPARTMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS BUDGET INCREASE OF \$14,049 FOR FY 2006-2007; PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WAS \$3,000 OF THE INCREASE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED ITEM 12 UNDER INSURANCES; THE MAJOR ITEM IS THE BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD HEALTH INSURANCE. HE SAID THERE IS CURRENTLY BUDGETED \$934,672 FOR THE INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE COVERAGE. AFTER DOING THE INSURANCE SURVEYS AND LOOKING AT THE RATES FOR THE FAMILY COVERAGE, HERBERT SAID THE INSURANCE WOULD NEED TO BE INCREASED BY APPROXIMATELY \$200,000 TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FAMILY HEALTH COVERAGE WITH THE COUNTY PAYING 75%.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE FAMILY COVERAGE WAS NOT PRESENTLY IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT ALL THE EMPLOYEES WERE EXPECTING THE BOARD TO FUND THE FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE DUE TO THE DISCUSSION THAT HAS BEEN HELD ON IT.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD CAN PROBABLY FUND IT THIS YEAR; HOWEVER, IF THEY HAVE EMPLOYEES WHO LEAVE THEIR CURRENT INSURANCE COMPANY, COME UNDER THE COUNTY POLICY AND IT GOES UP LIKE THE COUNTY'S OTHER INSURANCES, ARE THEY GOING TO BE ABLE TO FUND IT AGAIN NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THAT IS WHY HE QUESTIONED RAISING THE EMPLOYEES' SALARIES UP TO THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION; HE SAID HE VOTED FOR THIS AND HE THOUGHT IT WAS A GOOD IDEA. HE REITERATED THE FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE HAS BEEN SPREAD ENOUGH, THE EMPLOYEES ARE EXPECTING IT.

COMMISSIONER COPE TOLD THE BOARD TO KEEP IN MIND THE FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE IS FOR ONE YEAR AND IF IT DOES GO UP A LARGE AMOUNT NEXT YEAR, ARE THEY GOING TO BE ABLE TO FUND IT AGAIN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF THE BOARD CAN'T FUND 75% NEXT YEAR, THEY MAY HAVE TO LOOK AT A LOWER PERCENTAGE; IT MAY BE POSSIBLE THEY CAN PAY 100%. HE

SAID THEY WILL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THEN AND MAKE A DETERMINATION ON WHAT THEY CAN DO.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERENCED AN EMPLOYEE HAVING A FAMILY MEMBER WHO HAS A PRE-EXISTING CONDITION AND IS CURRENTLY COVERED UNDER A POLICY; IF THEY COME UNDER THE COUNTY POLICY AND THE COUNTY CAN'T FUND IT NEXT YEAR, WHAT WILL THIS EMPLOYEE DO AS HE PROBABLY CAN'T GET COVERAGE WITH THE COMPANY HE HAD IT WITH TO BEGIN WITH. HE SAID THIS PUTS EMPLOYEES ON THE SPOT; IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO FUND THE FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE AT 75%, THEY NEED TO DO IT FOR A LONG HAUL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED AND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO PROVIDE 75% FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING RECEIVED ONLY ONE BID ON THEIR PROPERTY, AUTOMOBILE AND INLAND MARINE INSURANCE FROM THE SAME COMPANY THEY CURRENTLY HAVE IT WITH; PGIT'S BID PRICE WAS MORE THAN THEY HAD ORIGINALLY QUOTED. HE SAID PAUL DAWSON WITH PGIT WAS ON THE AGENDA FOR THIS AFTERNOON'S MEETING AND THE BOARD WILL BE ABLE TO TALK WITH HIM ABOUT THEIR BID PRICE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 13 ON THE GASB BUDGET INCREASE FOR FY 2006-2007 TOTALLING \$3,098. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE GASB BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DUSCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007; IT DECREASED BY \$81,703 DUE TO UTILITIES, MAINTENANCE AND INMATE MEDICAL JAIL EXPENSES. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE BUDGET COMMITTEE HAD WANTED TO TRY AND FUND THE UTILITIES, MAINTENANCE AND INMATE MEDICAL JAIL EXPENSES OUT OF THE INMATE HOUSING REVENUE BEING GENERATED BY HOUSING OUT OF COUNTY INMATES.

HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEM HAVING TAKEN PREVIOUS ACTION TO SET THE INMATE HOUSING MONIES ASIDE FOR FUTURE RENOVATIONS OF THE JAIL. HE SAID THERE WAS \$300,000 IN CONTINGENCY SET ASIDE FOR INMATE MEDICAL; THEY WANTED TO GET BOARD APPROVAL TO FUND THE JAIL UTILITIES, MAINTENANCE AND INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES OUT OF THE INMATE HOUSING REVENUES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE FIRST THING THE BOARD HAD WANTED TO DO WAS TO USE THE INMATE HOUSING MONIES IN THE FUND THEY ESTABLISHED TO REIMBURSE LAND SALES FOR THE \$500,000 RENOVATIONS BEING DONE NOW AT THE JAIL.

SHERIFF HADDOCK ADVISED BY THE END OF THE 2005-2006 BUDGET YEAR, THE \$500,000 JAIL RENOVATIONS SHOULD BE PAID FOR THROUGH THE CONTRACTS THEY HAVE ON HOUSING INMATES.

SHERIFF HADDOCK INFORMED THE BOARD HE DID NOT FEEL WHAT WAS BEING RECOMMENDED WOULD BE A GOOD BUSINESS DECISION BECAUSE AT ANY POINT IN TIME THE STATE AND FEDERAL CONTRACTS COULD END. HE SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM REIMBURSING FOR THE COST OF THE MAINTENANCE, UTILITIES AND INMATE MEDICAL OUT OF THE FUND ESTABLISHED; BUT, IF THE STATE AND FEDERAL CONTRACTS DO END AND THE COUNTY HAS USED THIS MONEY ELSEWHERE, ARE THEY GOING TO HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY FOR THESE EXPENSES. HADDOCK RECOMMENDED TAKING THE JAIL MAINTENANCE, UTILITIES AND INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND AND REIMBURSE IT AS THE INMATE HOUSING MONIES COME IN.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AGREED WITH SHERIFF HADDOCK. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO TAKE THE \$300,000 AND THE \$81,000 OUT OF THE CONTINGENCY FUND TO TAKE CARE OF THOSE EXPENSES.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID IF THE COUNTY HAS OTHER BUILDING PROJECTS IN THE COUNTY, ETC., THEY ARE TRYING TO TAKE OUT OF GENERAL REVENUE OR EVEN PURCHASES OF VEHICLES, USE THOSE MONIES FOR THAT; IF THE INMATE HOUSING MONIES DIDN'T COME THROUGH THEN, THE BOARD WOULD STILL HAVE LINE ITEMS TO TAKE CARE OF THE INMATE MEDICAL, JAIL UTILITIES AND MAINTENANCE.

SHERIFF HADDOCK INFORMED THE BOARD HE HAD BEEN ADDRESSING THE INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES WITH BOARD FINANCE AND HE IS WORKING TO LOWER THESE EXPENSES.

HADDOCK REITERATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE INMATE HOUSING MONIES USED FOR OTHER THINGS THAN PAYING FOR THE JAIL MAINTENANCE, UTILTIES AND INMATE MEDICAL

EXPENSES. HE QUESTIONED WHERE WOULD THE BOARD FIND THE FUNDING IF THEY LOST THE STATE AND FEDERAL CONTRACTS AT HOUSING INMATES.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE BUDGET COMMITTEE WAS LOOKING AT ALL THE EXPENSES OF THE JAIL WERE BEING PAID OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND AND THE REVENUE COMING IN FOR HOUSING THE STATE AND FEDERAL INMATES IS BEING SET ASIDE; THEY ARE ACTUALLY PAYING MORE OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND TO HOUSE THESE INMATES. HE SAID THE COMMITTEE HAD THOUGHT THEY WOULD USE SOME OF THE INMATE HOUSING REVENUES TO OFFSET SOME OF THE EXPENSES.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID THE CONTRACT FOR HOUSING THE INMATES IS PROBABLY ONLY COSTING THE COUNTY \$90,000; THIS IS ONLY TO COVER THE COST OF FEEDING THE INMATES, AS THEY DON'T HAVE TO PAY FOR THEIR MEDICAL EXPENSES OR CLOTHING. HE EXPLAINED THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WAS REIMBURSED FOR ALL EXPENSES FOR HOUSING THESE INMATES EXCEPT MEALS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE THOUGHT THE CONCEPT WAS FOR ACCRUED COST OF INMATE MEDICAL BE REDUCED AS THE REVENUE IS COMING IN FOR HOUSING THE STATE AND FEDERAL INMATES. HE EXPLAINED WHATEVER IS LEFT OVER WILL BE ACTUAL NET INCOME AFTER THE EXPENSES FOR JAIL MAINTENANCE, UTILITIES AND INMATE MEDICAL HAVE BEEN TAKEN OUT.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ASKED THE BOARD TO RESCIND THEIR PREVIOUS ACTION, PUT THEIR INMATE HOUSING REVENUES BACK IN THE GENERAL FUND AND ANY EXCESS AT THE END OF THE YEAR AFTER THE JAIL UTILITIES, MAINTNENACE AND INMATE MEDICAL ARE PAID BE PUT IN THE INMATE HOUSING SPECIAL FUND.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO RESCIND THEIR PREVIOUS ACTION, PUT THEIR INMATE HOUSING REVENUES IN THE GENERAL FUND AND ANY EXCESS AT THE END OF THE YEAR AFTER THE JAIL UTILITIES, MAINTENANCE AND INMATE MEDICAL ARE PAID BE PUT IN THE INMATE HOUSING SPECIAL FUND FOR FUTURE RENOVATIONS.

SHERIFF HADDOCK GOT CLARIFICATION AS TO WHETHER THIS WAS REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE EXPENSES. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007 WITH THE JAIL EXPENSES BEING PUT BACK IN THE GENERAL FUND AS WELL AS THE INMATE HOUSING REVENUES.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEMS 15/16 ON LAW ENFORCEMENT, CORRECTIONS AND DISPATCH BUDGETS TOTALLING \$724,765; LAW ENFORCEMENT INCREASED BY \$446,681, CORRECTIONS INCREASED BY \$186,657 AND DISPATCH INCREASED BY \$91,427. THE SHERIFF HAD PROVIDED A BREAKDOWN ON ALL THE INCREASES.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO APPROVE OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT, CORRECTIONS AND DISPATCH BUDGETS FOR FY 2006-2007.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF \$60,000 WAS ENOUGH OF AN INCREASE FOR FUEL. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID IT WASN'T GOING TO BE ENOUGH.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED SHERIFF HADDOCK PROVIDE INFORMA- TION ON WHAT HIS FUEL INCREASE WILL NEED TO BE PRIOR TO THE FINAL BUDGET. HADDOCK SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW MUCH ROAD AND BRIDGE WENT UP ON THEIR GAS AND DOESN'T KNOW HOW MUCH GAS PRICES ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO INCREASE. HE ADDRESSED WHEN THEY PREPARED THE BUDGET, GAS WAS NOT AS HIGH AS IT IS NOW.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHY COULDN'T ALL THE EXPENSES FOR THE JAIL BE UNDER THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET RATHER THAN THE BOARD PAYING SOME OF IT. SHERIFF HADDOCK AND CLERK COOK SAID THIS WAS PER STATUTE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHY INMATE MEDICAL COULDN'T BE UNDER THE JAIL BUDGET. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED IT WAS UNDER THE DETEN- TION AND CORRECTIONS BUDGET BUT IS LISTED AS A SEPARATE LINE ITEM IN ORDER TO TRACK IT. SHE ALSO EXPLAINED IT WAS ALL THE SAME MONIES AS THE BOARD HAS TO FUND ALL OF THE EXPENSES.

SHERIFF HADDOCK REITERATED HE WAS WORKING ON TRYING TO GET THE INMATE MEDICAL EXPENSES DOWN. HE REFERRED TO MONIES THE SHERIFF TRIED TO GENERATE, SUCH AS THE BOOKING FEES, TO TRY AND RECOUP SOME OF THESE EXPENSES.

COMMISSIONER COPE CALLED FOR THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION. COM- MISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED HE BE ALLOWED TO BRING UP FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A BREAKDOWN ON THE SHERIFF'S OFFICERS SALARY INCREASES, WERE THEY IN LINE AND HOW DID HE ARRIVE AT THE SALARY INCREASES. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE BROKE THE SALARY INCREASES DOWN AND EVERYBODY IS GOING TO GET ACROSS THE BOARD INCREASES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THEIR RAISES WOULD BE AS MUCH AS A \$1.00 PER HOUR WITH HADDOCK ADVISING THEY WOULD.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED ABOUT THE ENTRY LEVEL PAY FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE WAS NOT EVEN TRYING TO COMPETE WITH THE STATE; HE WAS TRYING TO COMPETE WITH THE SURROUND- ING COUNTIES. HE SAID CURRENTLY HIS OFFICERS COULD GO TO HOLMES COUNTY AND MAKE \$3,000 MORE PER YEAR.

HADDOCK REPORTED WHEN HE BECAME SHERIFF, THE STARTING SALARY FOR DEPUTIES WAS \$20,000; WITH THE BOARD'S HELP AND BUDGET CUTS HE MADE WITHIN HIS BUDGET, HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO BRING THIS UP TO \$22,500 AND IS TRYING TO GET IT UP TO \$25,000 IN 2007. HE SAID THE BOARD GAVE HIM FOUR POSITIONS AT THE JAIL LAST YEAR; HOWEVER, HE CAN'T KEEP THEM FILLED. HE REFERRED TO WASHINGTON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE THAT NEEDS 400 NEWS EMPLOYEES; THE DEPUTIES CAN GO TO BAY, HOLMES, WALTON AND JACKSON COUNTY AND MAKE MORE MONEY.

HADDOCK SAID HE REALIZED HIS BUDGET WAS A DRASTIC INCREASE THIS YEAR; HOWEVER, HE IS TRYING TO TAKE SOME PEOPLE COMING HERE TO WORK IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREES THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET IS A MAJOR INCREASE; THE BOARD HAS ALREADY DEALT WITH SOME OF THESE ISSUES WITH THEIR EMPLOYEES. HE REFERRED TO THERE HAVING BEEN BUDGET SITUATIONS IN THE PAST WHERE THE BOARD COULDN'T EVEN ADDRESS THE RAISES AND BRING THEM UP WHERE THEY NEEDED TO BE. HE THINKS IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO PAY EMPLOYEES A DECENT WAGE. HE SAID HE HOPED THE BOARD DIDN'T SEE A \$724,765 INCREASE IN THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET NEXT YEAR.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE HOPED NOT TOO; HOWEVER, HE ASKED THE BOARD TO UNDERSTAND THE \$724,765 WAS FOR TWO NEW POSITIONS, TWO CARS, ETC. TO TRY AND GROW WITH THE DEMAND THEY HAVE, PLUS THE RAISES, INSURANCE INCREASES AND INMATE MEALS INCREASE.

HADDOCK REFERRED TO HIM BEING THE LARGEST EMPLOYER OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND REVENUE IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH TOLD SHERIFF HADDOCK HE WOULD HAVE TO WORK WITHIN HIS BUDGET LIKE OTHER DEPARTMENTS DO AND NOT LOOK FOR FUTURE MONIES FROM THE COUNTY.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE DIDN'T WANT TO COME BACK BEFORE THE BOARD LAST YEAR BUT THE BOARD HAD ADVISED HIM TOO; IT IS NOT HIS FAULT HE IS COMING BACK BEFORE THE BOARD FOR HIS FUEL INCREASES AS THIS WAS A DECISION THE BOARD HAD MADE.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE WAS DOING EVERYTHING HE COULD TO WORK WITHIN HIS BUDGET AND SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY. HE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING DONE EVERYTHING HE COULD TO GO OUT AND TRY TO BRING IN MONIES AND QUESTIONED WHO ELSE HAS DONE THIS. HE SAID HE WAS LOOKING AT HIS INCREASE AS A \$200,000 AND NOT A \$700,000 INCREASE DUE TO THE AMOUNT OF MONEY HE GENERATES FOR INMATE HOUSING.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED WITH THE ACTIONS THE BOARD HAS TAKEN TODAY, THEIR CONTINGENCY IS GETTING SMALLER AND SMALLER. HE REFERRED TO THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS SPENT OUT OF CONTINGENCY LAST YEAR AND THE BOARD IS NOT SURE THOSE FUNDS ARE GOING TO BE THERE TO SPEND NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REITERATED HIS CONCERN WITH THE AMOUNT OF INCREASE THE SHERIFF HAD FOR HIS GASOLINE. HADDOCK AGREED TO SIT DOWN WITH THE BUDGET COMMITTEE, ETC., TO GET SOME ADVICE AS TO HOW MUCH HE MAY NEED TO INCREASE. THE MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 17 ON AMBULANCE AND RESCUE SERVICES.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE AMBULANCE AND RESCUE SERVICES WAS FUNDED A HALF MIL PER YEAR; THEIR FUNDING THIS YEAR INCREASED BY \$180,500. HE SAID HE SHOULD HAVE AN EMS BUDGET BY NEXT WEDNESDAY AS FAR AS THE BREAKDOWN ON HOW THEY PLAN ON SPENDING THEIR BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE HAD SPOKEN TO SOME HOSPITAL OFFICIALS AND THE EMS DIRECTOR AND THEY ARE LOOKING AT EMPLOYEE RAISES.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THERE HAD BEEN SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT USING PART OF THE EMS INCREASE FOR A NEW EMS STATION BY THE AIRSTRIP ON HIGHWAY 77.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO FUND THE EMS BUDGET THE HALF MILL. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY RECEIVED QUARTERLY REPORTS ON THE EMS WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISING THEY DID.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 18 FOR THE MEDICAL EXAMINER. ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE INCREASE WAS FOR \$4,480; THIS IS WASHINGTON COUNTY'S SHARE FOR AN EXTERNAL GENERATOR TO KEEP THE OFFICE RUNNING IN CASE POWER IS LOST. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT THIS WAS THE BEST BARGAIN THE COUNTY HAS GOTTEN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 19 FOR SOLID WASTE CONTROL. ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN THE SOLID WASTE CONTROL BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE SOLID WASTE CONTROL BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 20 FOR THE ORANGE HILL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION BUDGET FOR 2006-2007. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THEY WERE REQUESTING AN INCREASE OF \$15,000 FOR A CLERICAL POSITION, OFFICE AND SUPERVISOR EXPENSES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID OHSCD DOES A LOT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AND HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT FUNDED. HE OFFERED A MOTION TO FUND THE \$15,000 INCREASE FOR OHSCD. THE MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF A SECOND.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO INCREASE OHSCD BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007 BY \$10,000, WHICH WILL BE \$20,000 A YEAR.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HIS PLEASURE WOULD BE TO LEAVE OHSCD FUNDING AT \$10,000; HE FEELS THEY ARE GETTING ENOUGH FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY.

ED PELLETIER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON OHSCD GIVING COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT \$5,000, ARE IN PROCESS OF PUTTING A WELL IN AT THE POLE BARN AT COUNTRY OAKS, PUT THE WELL IN AT GREENHEAD AND FEELS THEY SHOULD GET AT LEAST \$20,000 FROM THE COUNTY.

THE MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE OF GIVING OHSCD \$20,000. COM- MISSIONER SAPP OPPOSED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 21 FOR POLLUTION CONTROL. ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THERE WAS NO CHANGE IN THE POLLUTION CONTROL BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE POL- LUTION CONTROL BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 22 FOR THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAD REQUESTED AN INCREASE OF \$20,000 AND THE CRA HAD AN INCREASE OF \$11,454.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT THE CRA WAS AND WHAT DID THE COUNTY RECEIVE FROM THIS. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED CRA WAS THE CHIPLEY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

TED EVERETT, CHAMBER DIRECTOR, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON CRA BEING ESTABLISHED PER STATUTE; THIS WILL INCREASE AS AD VALOREM TAXES GO UP. HE SAID THE COUNTY AND CITY PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM; BUILDING OWNERS THAT ARE WITHIN THE CRA DISTRICT THAT IS JUST IN CHIPLEY CAN COME TO THE CHAMBER FOR LOW INTEREST LOANS. HE ADDRESSED SOME OF THE THINGS THE CRA FUNDING HAS DONE IN DOWNTOWN CHIPLEY; A LOT OF SIGNS FOR THE BUILDINGS DOWNTOWN WERE ERECTED. HE SAID THE CRA IS NOW

RESTRUCTURING ITS PROGRAM TO MAKE AVAILABLE MORE MONIES TO THE BUILDING OWNERS IN THE CRA TO ADDRESS CODE ISSUES.

HE SAID THE CRA HAS CONTACTED THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA TO ASSIST WITH THE CRA STRATEGIC PLAN; THIS WILL BE ADDRESSED WITH THE CITY AS WELL AS THE LAND OWNERS

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY WAS THE CRA JUST FOR CHIPLEY. ROGER HAGAN SAID IF OTHER CITIES WANTED TO ESTABLISH A CRA, THEY WOULD HAVE TO IMPLEMENT THEIR OWN.

JOEL PATE ADDRESSED WHAT A CRA DOES; WHEN SOMEBODY IMPROVES A PIECE OF PROPERTY IN AN AREA THROUGH THE AUSPICES OF CRA, A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF THE INCREMENT OF THE TAX BASE BEING RAISED GOES TOWARD FUNDING THE CRA. HE SAID IT WAS ACTUALLY MONIES COLLECTED AND REFUNDED BACK TO CRA ON THE INCREASE ON THE INCREMENT OF THE TAX BASE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED THE AMOUNT THE COUNTY FUNDED CRA BEFORE THE INCREASE. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED LAST YEAR CRA WAS FUNDED \$81,995; THIS YEAR IT IS \$93,449.

TED ADVISED THEY HAVE SEEN SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS WITH THE CRA; IT IS A PROGRAM THAT HAS PROBABLY BEEN MET WITH MIXED REVIEWS BY THE OWNERS. HE SAID THE CRA IS A TOOL TO ALLOW SOME OF THE BUILDINGS DOWNTOWN TO BE REHABBED. HE SAID HE HAS SPENT QUITE A BIT OF HIS TIME WORKING WITH THE CRA BOARD TO RETOOL AND REINVIGURATE AN USE THE CRA MONIES; THEY ARE MAKING STRIDES TO RE-EXAM THE CRA PROGRAM, OPEN IT UP MORE SO MORE AND MORE OF THE MONIES WILL GO TOWARD THE INSIDE OF THE BUILDINGS RATHER THAN THE EXTERIOR.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING IN THE CRA. TED SAID APPROXIMATELY \$400 AND REFERRED TO THE CITY HAVING CONTACTED THEM ON A PROBLEM WHERE THEY HAVE CONDEMNED A PROPERTY ON CHURCH STREET. THE CITY ASKED CRA IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO CLEAN UP THAT PROPERTY; THE LAND OWNERS CAME AND SAID THEY WOULD LIKE TO DONATE THE PROPERTY TO CRA.

TED SAID IN THE DISCUSSION, IT CAME UP THE BUILDING HAD ASBESTOS SIDING AND IT WILL COST ABOUT \$12,000 TO HAVE THE BUILDING TORN DOWN, SELL THE LOT TO A DEVELOPER OR GIVING THE LOT TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SO A NEW STRUCTURE COULD BE BUILT THERE. TED SAID THAT WAS A KEY COMPONENT OF THEIR CRA MISSION STATEMENT.

TED ADDRESSED PEOPLE COMING NOW AND TALKING TO THE CRA BOARD ABOUT HELPING THEM WITH PROPERTIES TO PUT RENTAL HOUSES ON; THERE IS NO REASONABLE RENTAL OR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE COUNTY. THE CRA BOARD IS LOOKING AT THE ASPECT OF CREATING SOME OPPORTUNITIES IN THE CRA AREAS DOWNTOWN CHIPLEY FOR HOUSING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE FELT IF THE BOARD FUNDS CRA, THEY SHOULD HAVE SOME TYPE OF REPORT EACH YEAR. TED AGREED TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A QUARTERLY REPORT.

CHAIRMAN SAPP QUESTIONED THE NEED FOR THE \$20,000 INCREASE FOR THE CHAMBER. TED ADDRESSED THE CHAMBER SEEING A LOT MORE GROWTH AND A LOT MORE OF THEIR TIME BEING SPENT ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. HE SAID COMMISSIONER FINCH WAS AT THEIR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETING AND WAS BEING TOLD AND SHOWN A GENERAL OUTLINE OF THE TARGETED INDUSTRIES THE CHAMBER IS GOING TO GO AFTER. HE ADDRESSED IT BEING THE CHAMBER'S BELIEF IF THEY SIT AND WAIT FOR PHONES TO RING, ALL THEY ARE GOING TO GET IS WHAT COMES TO THEM; THEY WANT TO BE PROACTIVE AND TARGET CERTAIN TYPE OF INDUSTRY PLUS NEW ONES THEY WANT TO GO AFTER. HE SAID THIS WOULD REQUIRE MASS MAILING OF CD'S ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

TED ADDRESSED THE NEED TO CAPITALIZE ON THE LAND AT THE INDUSTRIAL PARK AS THEY ARE GETTING READY TO BUILD THE RAILROAD SPUR. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON A MEETING THEY HAD WITH CSX RAILROAD AT THE SITE AND THEY ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO GET STARTED ON THE RAILROAD SPUR. HOWEVER, CSX IS NOW LOOKING AT THE COUNTY HAVING AN INDUSTRIAL PARK, MAYBE CSX CAN MOVE SOME COMPONENTS TO ANOTHER LOCATION WITH PROJECT PIPE WHICH WILL ALLOW THEM TO USE THE RAIL SPUR THEY ARE GOING TO HELP BUILD FOR FUTURE PROJECTS.

TED SAID THE COUNTY HAS TO BE PROACTIVE AND GO AFTER CERTAIN INDUSTRY CLUSTERS, MANUFACTURING, ETC. AND DOESN'T NEED TO WAIT UNTIL SOMEBODY COMES TO WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED TED HAVING COMMUNICATED WELL WITH HIM ON THE CHAMBER ACTIVITIES; HOWEVER, HE FEELS THE BOARD NEEDS A LIASON TO THE CHAMBER IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE SPENDING THIS KIND OF MONEY.

HE ADDRESSED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY PUTTING MONEY INTO THE CHAMBER AND JIM MORRIS SITS ON THE BOARD; HE QUESTIONED WHY THE COMMISSIONERS HAVEN'T BEEN INVITED TO SIT ON THE CHAMBER BOARD EVEN THOUGH THEY HAVE HAD THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LIASON. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IF THE BOARD WANTED A LIASON ON THE CHAMBER BOARD; HOWEVER, HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THEY HAVE HAD THAT OPPORTUNITY.

TED SAID JIM WAS ON THE CHAMBER BOARD BEFORE HE CAME ON THE CHAMBER. AFTER TEN MONTHS, IT IS OPEN TO NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBER SEATING AT THEIR ANNUAL MEETING THE THIRD THURSDAY IN SEPTEMBER. HE SAID THE MEMBERS CAN BE VOTED OR NOMINATED FROM THE MEMBERS OR FROM THE BOARD ITSELF. HE ASSURED THE BOARD THE CHAMBER WOULD HAVE NO PROBLEM IN PROVIDING THE COMMISSION A QUARTERLY REPORT, MONTHLY REPORT ON THEIR ACTIVITIES, ETC. AS THEY WANT TO BE JUST AS TRANSPARENT AS THEY POSSIBLY CAN.

TED ADDRESSED COMMUNICATION IS THE ONLY WAY TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN; HE WILL ALWAYS BE OPEN TO THE COMMISSION ON THEIR QUESTIONS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED ALBERT DAVIS, WHEN HE WAS A COMMISSIONER, SERVED AS A COMMISSIONER AND A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER BOARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD BEEN A COMMISSIONER FOR SIX YEARS AND THEY HAVEN'T HAD A REPRESENTATIVE; HE SAID THE COMMISSION DOESN'T EVEN HAVE ANYTHING SAYING THEY ARE A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER.

TED AGREED TO PROVIDE THE COUNTY WITH PROOF THEY ARE A MEMBER OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY 2006-2007 WHICH INCLUDES CRA AND THE CHAMBER INCREASES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED THE BOARD ADDRESS THE TRANSPORTA- TION BUDGET AT THIS TIME DUE TO THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS HAVING BEEN THERE ALL MORNING.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO APPROVE OF THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET:

- 1. UNIFORMS FUNDED AT \$13,000
- 2. WORKERS COMPENSATION, HEALTH INSURANCE AND INMATE CREW EXPENSES FUNDED IN THE GENERAL FUND
  - 3. FUEL LINE ITEM INCREASED BY \$164,000
  - 4. ROAD MATERIALS INCREASED BY \$50,000; EACH DISTRICT WILL NOW GET \$30,000
  - 5. BRIDGE REPLACEMENT INCREASED BY \$90,000; A TOTAL OF \$130,000
- 6. MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT BUDGET FUNDED AT \$164,000; ROAD AND BRIDGE PRIORITY IS TWO FULL SIZE PICKUP TRUCKS AT \$41,000, ONE 19 CY MACK TRUCK AT \$93,000
- 7. MSBU IS REQUESTING \$160,000 WHICH IS IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET CURRENTLY; IN THE CURRENT YEAR, IT IS FUNDED OUT OF LAND SALES AT \$125,000.
- 8. ADDITIONAL POSITION FOR INMATE CREW FOR CONCRETE MIXER; TWO LABOR POSITIONS ALSO BUDGETED

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE BUDGET WOULD BE MORE SO OUT OF BALANCE SINCE THE BOARD TOOK ACTION ON THE SALARY INCREASES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED THE BOARD MEMBERS WHAT THEIR FEELING WAS ON THE CONCRETE MIXER DEMONSTRATION. THE BOARD SAID THEY LIKED THE MIXER.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED ADVERTISING FOR A MIXER AND IF IT COMES IN AT A PRICE THEY CAN AFFORD, PURCHASE IT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID AN ESTIMATED COST WOULD BE AROUND \$200,000.

ROBERT HARCUS SAID THE MIXER DOES AN EXCELLENT JOB FOR WHAT THE BOARD IS WANTING IT FOR. STEVE PARISH HAS AGREED TO WORK WITH THE BOARD IN ANY WAY AS FOR AS FINANCING; HE CAN PUT TOGETHER A PACKAGE INCLUDING AN EXCAVATOR.

DALLAS CARTER QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY WOULD USE THE MIXER ENOUGH TO MAKE IT BENEFICIAL.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE FELT LIKE IF THEY HAD THE MIXER, THEY WOULD USE IT A LOT. COMMISSIONER FINCH ALSO FELT LIKE THERE WERE A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES TO USE THE MIXER BUT WHEN THEY START WITH SOMETHING LIKE THIS, THEY ARE GOING TO NEED FLAGMEN TO WORK WITH IT, AS IT SHUTS THE ROADS DOWN.

HARCUS SAID HE THOUGHT IT WOULD HELP WITH SOME OF THE OLD ROADS THAT ARE SO ROUGH BOARDED; IT WOULD ALSO HELP WITH A LOT OF THE MAINTENANCE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE COULD VISUALIZE USING A MIXER ON THE ROLLING PINES PROJECT THEY ARE WORKING ON.

COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED GETTING SOME QUOTES TO SEE WHAT THEY CAN AFFORD TO PURCHASE, WHETHER AN EXCAVATOR OR A MIXER OR BOTH.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT A RUBBER TIRED EXCAVATOR OR TRACK TIRE EXCAVATOR. DALLAS SAID ROAD AND BRIDGE USES THE RUBBER TIRED MORE THAN THE TRACK TIRE EXCAVATOR.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IF THEY WERE GOING TO LOOK AT PURCHASING AN EXCAVATOR FOR DITCH WORK, HE WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AT OTHER LINES OF EXCAVATORS AS WELL AS CATERPILLARS. DALLAS AND ROBERT SAID THEY PROBABLY USE AN EXCAVATOR MORE THAN ANY PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THEY HAVE AT PUBLIC WORKS.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION TO GET QUOTES FROM DIFFERENT DIFFERENT COMPANIES ON AN EXCAVATOR AND A MIXER TO SEE WHAT THE COST WILL BE.

DALLAS ADDRESSED THE EXCAVATOR THEY HAVE NOW HAS A LOT OF HOURS ON IT AND HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT IT WOULD BRING ON A TRADE IN; THE BOARD MAY CONSIDER LEAVING IT IN ONE OF THE BARROW PITS.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO KEEP THE OLD EXCAVATOR. COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED HE AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER HAD BEEN TALKING BEFORE THE MEETING TODAY AND FELT LIKE THE CASH CARRY FORWARD COULD BE INCREASED BY \$95,000 WHICH WOULD MAKE IT \$1,295,000. WITH THIS INCREASE, HERBERT SAID THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET WOULD BE IN BALANCE AND LEAVE ABOUT \$72,000 IN CONTINGENCY.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED DUE TO THE BOARD'S ACTION ON THE SALARY INCREASES, SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE SALARY ADJUSTMENTS WILL DO TO THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET AS SHE DIDN'T HAVE THE SALARY INFORMATION TO PLUG IN.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THE \$160,000 FOR MSBU WAS AN INCREASE IN THE MSBU BUDGET FROM THIS YEAR. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THIS WAS THE AMOUNT MSBU WAS REQUESTING.

GLEN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE \$160,000 REQUEST. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THE REQUEST HAD BEEN FUNDED OUT OF LAND SALES FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS; LAST YEAR THE BOARD MADE A COMMITMENT BECAUSE OF WHAT MSBU GENERATES AND WHAT THEY SPEND, THERE SHOULD BE A LINE ITEM ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS BECAUSE LAND SALES ARE TEMPORARY.

GLENN WENT OVER THE BREAKDOWN OF HIS BUDGET AND WHAT THE COUNTY WILL BE FUNDING. HE SAID THE BOARD, WHEN LOOKING AT THE MSBU BUDGET, CAN SEE WHAT ITEMS ARE BEING PAID OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND. HE SAID WHEN THE MSBU ORIGINALLY STARTED, THE COUNTY HAD BEEN SPENDING "X" AMOUNT OF DOLLARS TO MAINTAIN THE SUNNY HILLS AREA; THEY HAVE TAKEN THAT MONEY AND ADDED THE MSBU MONEY TO IT TO CONTINUE MAIN- TAINING THAT AREA. HE ADDRESSED MSBU HAVING EXPANDED THEIR MAINTENANCE A LITTLE FURTHER AND NOW MAINTAIN THE WHOLE SUNNY HILLS AREA.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE DIDN'T SEE FUNDING MSBU CONTINUOUSLY OUT OF LAND SALES; IF THEY ARE GOING TO FUND ANYTHING OUT OF THE COUNTY FUNDS, SUCH AS THEY

FUNDED THE CITY MONEY, THEY NEED TO FUND IT OUT OF AD VALOREM MONIES AND NOT LAND SALES.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE \$160,000 BEING REQUESTED BY THE MSBU BEING PRESENTLY FUNDED OUT OF TRANSPORTATION. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE MSBU MAINTENANCE WILL INCREASE AS IT CONTINUES TO DEVELOP.

GLEN ADDRESSED THEY KEEP ADDING GRANTS FOR THE PARKS IN THE MSBU AND THEY KEEP IMPROVING THE PARKS; THIS ADDS TO THEIR MAINTENANCE AND THE WAY THEY HAVE TO BE KEPT UP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED IF THE COUNTY HAD TO GO BACK AND MAINTAIN ALL THE ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS NOW, ESPECIALLY WITH THE INFLUX OF ALL THE NEW ROADS COMING IN, THERE WILL BE MILES AND MILES OF GRASS WHICH THEY WOULD HAVE TO CUT IN ANOTHER YEAR.

GLEN SAID MSBU WILL GIVE THE BOARD A PROJECTION FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS AND HOW THEY PLAN ON MAINTAINING THE MSBU AREA IN THE FUTURE.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED WHEN THE MSBU FIRST STARTED, A \$100,000 FIGURE WAS ARRIVED AT TO FUND THEM; THIS WAS CALCULATED BASED ON THE AMOUNT THE COUNTY HAD BEEN SPENDING TOWARD MAINTENANCE IN THE MSBU AREA.

COMMISSIONER SAPP POINTED OUT THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION BUDGET WOULD NOT INCREASE THAT MUCH BASED ON FUEL TAXES; IF MSBU'S RESPONSIBILITY INCREASES THAT MUCH FOR MOWING GRASS, ETC. ON THE ROADS, THIS CAN'T KEEP COMING OUT OF THE ROAD AND BRIDGE FUNDS. HE SAID IT WOULD HAVE TO COME OUT OF THE AD VALOREM TAXES; THE AD VALOREM TAXES MAY INCREASE IN THE AREA ACCORDING TO WHAT THEY ARE DOING. HE RECOMMENDED CHANGING THE FUNDING FOR MSBU TO COME OUT OF AD VALOREM TAXES AND NOT THE TRANSPORTATION FUND AS ROAD AND BRIDGE IS GOING TO NEED THEIR FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID IF MSBU'S MAINTENANCE HAS INCREASED FROM \$100,000 TO \$160,000, THEN ALL THE OTHER AREAS IN THE COUNTY HAVE INCREASED ALSO.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED IF THE MAINTENANCE IN SUNNY HILLS IS PAID OUT OF THE MSBU. GLEN SAID THE MSBU PAYS \$376,000 TOWARD MAINTAINING THE AREA.

GLEN SAID MSBU PUTS IN \$376,000 AND THEY ARE ASKING THE COUNTY TO PUT IN \$160,000.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF MSBU SHUTS DOWN THE MSBU, THE COUNTY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERY ROAD IN SUNNY HILLS. WHEN THEY FIRST STARTED THE MSBU, FINCH SAID THEY FIGURED IT HAD BEEN TAKING ABOUT \$100,000 FOR THE COUNTY TO MAINTAIN THAT AREA AND AGREED TO FUND MSBU THAT AMOUNT AS THEY WERE RELIEVING THE COUNTY OF THAT MUCH WORK. HE ALSO ADDRESSED THE ROAD SYSTEM ALONE IN SUNNY HILLS HAS DOUBLED AND THEY ARE GOING TO COME TO THE COUNTY IN A YEAR.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE COUNTY CAN'T KEEP UP WITH THE ROADS THEY HAVE NOW AND QUESTIONED HOW CAN THEY KEEP UP THE ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS AND THE ONES THEY ARE BUILDING EVERY DAY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT DECISION WAS DONE BY ANOTHER BOARD TO MAINTAIN ALL OF THE ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD DIDN'T HAVE ANY OBLIGATION TO KEEP UP THOSE ROADS THAT ARE BEING BUILT NOW IN SUNNY HILLS; WHEN THEY BRING THEM UP TO COUNTY STANDARDS AND ASK THE BOARD TO KEEP THEM UP, THE BOARD THEN MAKES A DECISION WHETHER THEY WANT TO ACCEPT THE ROADS OR NOT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID SUNNY HILLS WOULD HAVE THE SAME OPTION AS ANY OTHER DEVELOPMENT AND THE SAME TIME FRAME TO REQUEST THE COUNTY ACCEPT THE ROADS; THEY WOULD END UP BEING COUNTY ROADS AND SOMEBODY WOULD HAVE TO MAINTAIN THEM.

GLEN EXPLAINED THIRTY FIVE YEARS AGO A DECISION WAS MADE TO ACCEPT THE ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS; AT THE TIME, IT WAS GOOD FOR THE COUNTY BECAUSE IT WAS \$2.00 AN ACRE PROPERTY AND THEY GOT \$8.00 AN ACRE. UNFORTUNATELY, NOBODY PLANNED FOR THIS TIME TO COME ABOUT WHERE ALL OF THIS HAS TO BE REPAIRED NOW.

GLEN SAID THE MSBU HELPED TO GET THIS INITIATED; THE INITIATION GOT THE TAX DOLLARS UP WHERE MORE AD VALOREM TAXES ARE BEING GENERATED. HE SAID THE BOARD'S GREATEST TASK IS TO PUT SOMETHING IN PLACE AT THIS TIME GOING FORWARD SO THEY DON'T GET TO THE POSITION THEY WERE PUT IN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHAT WAS THE AD VALOREM NOW COMPARED TO WHEN THE MSBU BEGAN.

GLEN SAID ROUGHLY SUNNY HILLS WAS WORTH ABOUT \$50,000,000 ON THE COUNTY BOOKS WHEN MSBU BEGAN; THE ASSESSMENT ROLL THEY DID THIS YEAR SHOWED A VALUE OF \$375,000,000. HE ADDRESSED THERE HAD BEEN ABOUT \$5,000,000 SPENT IN THE SUNNY HILLS AREA BETWEEN BORROWED FUNDS, COUNTY FUNDS AND MSBU; THEY HAVE GOTTEN A BENEFIT OF \$325,000,000 OUT OF THE \$5,000,000 THEY SPENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF IT WOULD BE IN ORDER TO ACCEPT THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET WITH THE INCREASE IN THE CASH CARRY OVER AND POSSIBLY IT WILL BE BALANCED; IF IT IS NOT BALANCED WITH THE CASH CARRY OVER, THE BOARD CAN ADDRESS IT AT THEIR NEXT BUDGET WORKSHOP.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED INCREASING THE MSBU FUNDS BY ANOTHER \$35,000.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS WITH THE INCREASE AND REFERRED TO THE INFORMATION GLEN HAD PROVIDED ON THE VALUE OF SUNNY HILLS NOW IN COMPARISON TO WHEN THE MSBU WAS IMPLEMENTED AND THE PROJECTION IT WILL BE VALUED AT \$750,000,000 IN THREE TO FIVE YEARS. HE SAID A BIG PERCENTAGE OF THE COUNTY'S AD VALOREM IS COMING OUT OF SUNNY HILLS AND THE COUNTY IS PAYING FOR ALL THESE OTHER SERVICES; MSBU IS ONLY ASKING FOR A \$40,000 INCREASE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HIS QUESTION WAS HOW WAS THE BOARD GOING TO GET AD VALOREM TAXES BACK INTO THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET TO FUND IT WITH. HE REITERATED THEY WOULD HAVE THE FUNDING IN AD VALOREM TAX INCREASES BUT HOW WOULD THEY HAVE IT IN TRANSPORTATION FUND INCREASES.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID THE \$160,000 REQUEST FROM MSBU COULD BE FUNDED OUT OF GENERAL FUND IF THIS IS WHAT THE BOARD WANTS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO FUND MSBU'S REQUEST OUT OF AD VALOREM TAX AND NOT OUT OF THE TRANSPORTATION FUND.

ROGER HAGAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD SAYING HE WOULD MAKE A MOTION TO TAKE THE MSBU REQUEST OUT OF GENERAL FUND RATHER THAN IDENTIFYING AD VALOREM TAXES BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE STATUTORY ISSUES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH CHANGED HIS MOTION TO FUND MSBU'S REQUEST OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND AND ACCEPT THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET AS PRESENTED WITH THE ANTICIPATED CASH CARRY FORWARD INCREASE. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THEY WOULD HAVE AN UPDATED TRANSPORTATION BUDGET AT THEIR NEXT WORKSHOP INCLUDING THE INCREASE IN CASH CARRY FORWARD, THE MSBU REQUEST DELETED AND TAKEN FROM GENERAL FUND, THE SALARY INCREASES, ETC. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

ITEM 23 ON VETERANS SERVICE BUDGET WAS DISCUSSED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE INCREASE IN THIS BUDGET WAS \$2,220. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE VETERANS SERVICE BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

ITEM 24 ON THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET WAS DISCUSSED. ADMINI- STRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THERE WAS NO INCREASE IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007; IT IS STILL FUNDED AT \$80,000.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

ITEM 25 ON THE WELFARE BUDGET WAS DISCUSSED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE INCREASES:

- A. MEDICAID INCREASED BY \$40,000
- B. WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING INCREASED BY \$5,000
- C. TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL INCREASED BY \$7,100
- D. BAY CARE INCREASED BY \$1,250
- E. GUARDIAN AD LITEM INCREASED BY \$1,336
- F. TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY, WHICH IS A NEW REQUEST, ASKED FOR \$10,000
- G. CHEMICAL ADDICTION RECOVERY EFFORT REQUESTED \$5,000
- H. SALVATION ARMY IS REQUESTING \$15,000 (THIS IS NOT INCLUDED IN BUDGET)

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE BOARD HAVING FUNDED TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY \$5,000 DURING 2005-2006 EVEN THOUGH THEY DIDN'T REQUEST ANY FUNDING UNTIL AFTER THE BUDGET PROCESS WAS OVER.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO FUND THE TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY \$5,000.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE SALVATION ARMY'S REQUEST. COMMISSION- ER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO GIVE THE SALVATION ARMY \$5,000.

COMMISSIONER COPE RECOMMENDED GIVING THE COUNCIL ON AGING THEIR INCREASE IN FUNDING. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO APPROVE OF ITEM 25/WELFARE WITH THE CHANGES THEY MADE TO FUND TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY \$5,000 AND FUNDING SALVATION ARMY \$5,000. COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO BREAK FOR LUNCH. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS WHEN THEY GET THROUGH WITH THEIR REGULAR BOARD MEETING, WHICH BEGINS AT 1:00 P.M., MEETING, WHICH BEGINS AT 1:00 P.M., THEY WILL CONTINUE WITH THEIR BUDGET REVIEW.

PURSUANT TO A LUNCH BREAK, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT 1:00 P.M. WITH COMMISSIONERS COPE, CORBIN, SAPP, FINCH AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER, OFFERED PRAYER AND LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR JULY 27, 2006.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. ANDERSON COLUMBIA INVOICE FOR \$5,243.80 FOR MATERIALS PURCHASED THROUGH PUBLIC WORKS FOR FEMA PROJECT
- B. ANDERSON COLUMBIA INOVICE FOR \$7,502.80 FOR MATERIALS PURCHASED THROUGH PUBLIC WORKS FOR FEMA PROJECT
- C. THOMPSON TRACTOR INVOICE FOR \$7,735.70 FOR TRANSMISSION REPAIR ON PUBLIC WORKS GRADER #4938
- D. AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
- E. AUTHORIZATION FOR CHAIRMAN TO SIGN STATE WIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT TO FULFILL COMPLIANCE ARTICLE OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SCOPE OF WORK FOR 2006; PERMITS COUNTY TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE AND RENDER AID DURING DISASTERS.
- F. ADOPTION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY EMERGENCY FUEL PLAN; THIS FULFILLS COMPLIANCE ARTICLE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SCOPE OF WORK FOR 2006
- H. WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT REIMBURSEMENT OF \$8,901 FOR EXPENSES OF VESTS FOR DEPARTMENT; FUNDS TO BE TAKEN OUT OF LE III ACCOUNT

CHRIS ANDREWS ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO MAKE A PUBLIC APOLOGY. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN ARRESTED ABOUT EIGHT MONTHS AGO FOR BEING INVOLVED WITH DRUGS; HE DID HIS JAIL TIME AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL. HE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING LEARNED FROM HIS MISTAKE AND LEARNED WHAT HE DID WAS NOT WORTH THE HASSLE HE WENT THROUGH IN HAVING TO BE AWAY FROM HIS KIDS. HE ASSURED THE BOARD HIS APOLOGY WAS SINCERE AND OFFERED AN APOLOGY TO ANYONE HE HURT AND TO THE PUBLIC.

JOEL PAUL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF TCCC, ADDRESSED THE BOARD THANKING THEM FOR WHAT THEY HAD DONE TO HELP TRI-COUNTY WITH ALLOWING THEM TO PURCHASE THEIR FUEL THROUGH THE COUNTY AND FOR EVERYTHING ELSE THEY DO FOR THE ORGANIZATION.

PAUL THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON AN ANNUAL REOCCURRING FL-DOT SERVICE DEVELOPMENT EMPLOYMENT GRANT THAT HAS TO PASS THROUGH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT. HE

REQUESTED THE BOARD ACCEPT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE GRANT AND ADDRESSED TRI-COUNTY USING THESE FUNDS FOR EMPLOYMENT TRANSPORTATION.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE FL-DOT SERVICE DEVELOPMENT EMPLOYMENT GRANT FOR TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

THE BOARD THANKED MR. PAUL FOR ALL TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL DOES FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.

CONRAD FUTCH ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CONDITION OF LUCAS LAKE ROAD. HE REFERRED TO PROPERTY HE HAD BOUGHT IN OTHER COUNTIES WHICH WAS ON A DIRT ROAD AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE WHICH HAS NOW BEEN PAVED. HOWEVER, HE BOUGHT PROPERTY ON HICKS POND IN WASHINGTON COUNTY IN 1993 AND SO FAR THE COUNTY HAS BROUGHT OUT TONS AND TONS AND LOADS AND LOADS OF CLAY AND ROCK. FUTCH SAID WITH ALL THE MONEY THE COUNTY HAS SPENT ON LABOR, MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT, THEY HAVEN'T MADE ONE PERSON HAPPY ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD.

FUTCH REFERRED TO THE COUNTY HAVING PUT DOWN SOME MILLED ASPHALT ON A PORTION OF THE ROAD AND IT HELD UP GOOD UNDER THE RAIN AND DRY WEATHER. HOWEVER, HE SAID LAST MONTH THE COUNTY CAME OUT AND DUMPED ABOUT 6" OF CLAY ON TOP OF THE MILLED ASPHALT; THIS MAY HAVE BEEN ALRIGHT, BUT THEY DID IT DURING A THUNDERSTORM. HE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING TO PULL CARS OUT ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD BEFORE WHEN THE COUNTY HAS DUMPED CLAY ON IT. HE SAID ALL THE CLAY DOES IS WASH INTO LUCAS POND, HICKS POND AND STEWART POND.

FUTCH REFERRED TO OTHER ROADS HE HAS SEEN PAVED IN THE COUNTY IN THE LAST THREE YEARS; CHAIN LAKES ROAD, SEWELL FARM ROAD, CUTCHINS MILL ROAD, HOLMES VALLEY ROAD AND ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO PAVE ROLLING PINES ROAD.

FUTCH TOLD THE BOARD HE WAS NOT BEFORE THEM TO COMPLAIN BUT TO QUESTION THEIR CRITERIA FOR PAVING THESE ROADS. HE SAID ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD AND ROADS RUNNING INTO LUCAS LAKE ROAD, THERE WERE OVER 110 DWELLINGS; THEY NEED HELP ON THE ROAD AND NEED SOMETHING BESIDES CLAY AND ROCK. HE POINTED OUT LUCAS LAKE ROAD HAD BEEN ROCKED AT LEAST THREE TIMES AND THE ROCKS CAN'T BE FOUND NOW; HE DOESN'T KNOW WHERE THEY GO.

FUTCH SAID THE RESIDENTS ON THE ROAD CALL THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT AND THEY REFER THEM TO THE MAN OVER THE ROADS; THE LAST THREE TIMES HE HAS CALLED, THE MAN HASN'T BEEN IN HIS OFFICE AND THE SECRETARY HAS ASSURED HIM, HE WOULD CALL THEM BACK. HOWEVER, SO FAR, HE HAS NOT RECEIVED A CALL BACK.

FUTCH THANKED COMMISSIONER SAPP FOR ACCEPTING HIS PHONE CALLS WHEN HE CALLED AND SAID THAT WAS MORE THAN THE LAST COUNTY COMMISSION- ER DID.

FUTCH SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE COUNTY COULD PAVE THE ROAD AND HE WAS NOT REALLY INTERESTED IN IT BEING PAVED DUE TO THE POSSIBILITY IT WOULD TURN INTO A RACE TRACK, PROPERTY VALUE WILL INCREASE, ETC. HOWEVER, HE SAID THE PEOPLE NEED SOME MAINTENANCE ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD AND SOMETHING BESIDES CLAY AND ROCKS. HE SAID IF THE BOARD COULD PUT DOWN MILLED ASPHALT ON THE ENTIRE ROAD, THIS WOULD BE HELPFUL.

FUTCH REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING APPROVED OF A SUBDIVISION FOR 45 MORE HOUSES OUT THERE; THEY ARE ALREADY BUILDING A ROAD FOR THAT AND HE IS SURE IT WILL BE PAVED AND POINTED OUT THIS WOULD BRING IN AT LEAST 45 MORE VOTES. OTHER ISSUES HE ADDRESSED INCLUDED THE BOAT RAMPS THE COUNTY HAS PUT IN; THIS IS ABOUT 20% OF THE TRAFFIC ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD AND IT WASHES CLAY DOWN INTO THE LAKES.

FUTCH THANKED THE BOARD FOR LISTENING TO HIM; HE REITERATED THERE WAS 100 DWELLINGS ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD AND THE ROADS GOING INTO LUCAS LAKE ROAD, PEOPLE ARE PAYING TAXES AND HAVE A RIGHT TO BE ABLE TO GET TO THEIR HOME WITHOUT HAVING TO GO THROUGH SIX INCHES OF CLAY OR TOUCHING THEIR BRAKES ON SOME OF THE ROCK AND DOING 180 DEGREE TURNS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN EXPLAINED THAT CUTCHINS MILL ROAD AND SEWELL FARM ROAD HAD MILLED ASPHALT ON THEM AND WERE NOT PAVED. FUTCH SAID MILLED ASPHALT WOULD BE FINE FOR LUCAS LAKE ROAD ALSO AND ADDRESSED HIM UNDERSTANDING, THE STATE IS GOING TO START TEARING UP HIGHWAY 77 AND THE COUNTY MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET SOME

MILLED ASPHALT FROM THERE. FUTCH SAID HE HAD NO COMPLAINTS WITH THE ROCK OR MILLED ASPHALT IF IT IS PACKED DOWN; HE ADDRESSED DAMAGES TO VEHICLES FROM THE CONDITIONS OF THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED FUTCH, AS SOON AS FUNDING IS AVAILABLE, THE BOARD HAS IN MIND TO TRY AND PUT MILLED ASPHALT ON LUCAS LAKE ROAD OR PAVE IT, ETC. THE BEST THEY CAN.

CHAIRMAN SAPP EXPLAINED TO FUTCH A FLORIDA FOREVER GRANT WAS APPLIED FOR TO DO THE CHAIN LAKES ROAD AND IT HAS TO MEET CERTAIN CRITERIA IN ORDER TO GET FUNDED. HE SAID IF LUCAS LAKE ROAD MEETS THAT CRITERIA, THE BOARD WOULD BE GLAD TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING.

FUTCH QUESTIONED THE DIFFERENCE IN LUCAS LAKE ROAD AND CHAIN LAKES ROAD. SAPP EXPLAINED THE MAJOR BRIDGE CREEK CROSSING THAT IS OUT; THERE IS A BIG GULLY UNDERNEATH IT AND IT HAS A BIG SWAMP ON EACH SIDE THAT WOULD MAKE IT QUALIFY FOR THE GRANT FUNDING.

SAPP TOLD FUTCH THE COUNTY WOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT THEY CAN TO KEEP LUCAS LAKE ROAD IN THE BEST CONDITION THEY CAN FOR THE RESIDENTS.

FUTCH REITERATED THE POSSIBILITY OF THE COUNTY GETTING SOME MILLED ASPHALT WHEN THE STATE STARTS TEARING UP HIGHWAY 77. SAPP SAID THEY WOULD TRY TO SEE IF THEY COULD GET SOME MILLED ASPHALT FROM THE HIGHWAY 77 PROJECT.

PAUL DAWSON ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE PGIT INSURANCE POLICY RENEWAL FOR PROPERTY, INLAND MARINE AND AUTOMOBILE COVERAGE. HE SAID THE PROPERTY INSURANCE MARKETS HAVE GONE FROM BAD TO WORSE TO WORSE YET AND APPLAUDED THE BOARD FOR GOING OUT FOR BIDS TO TRY AND SAVE MONEY AND GET GOOD COVERAGE. HE POINTED OUT PGIT ACCESSES EVERY INSURANCE CARRIER ON THE PLANET TO MAKE SURE THEY BRING THE BOARD THE BEST DEAL OUT THERE. HE SAID PGIT HAS THE LEAST, LOUSY PROPERTY RATES IN THE STATE.

DAWSON SAID THE COUNTY'S AUTOMOBILE POLICY REMAINED ALMOST THE SAME AS LAST YEAR AND THE PHYSICAL DAMAGE WAS UP A LITTLE BIT BECAUSE THAT IS A PROPERTY COVERAGE.

DAWSON COMMENDED CECELIA WELD ON THE HARD WORK SHE HAS DONE ON GETTING THE SCHEDULES ACCURATE, ALL THE PROPERTIES WERE ON THE SCHEDULE AND EVERYTHING WAS CORRECT; HE FEELS CONFIDENT THIS YEAR THE SCHEDULE IS ACCURATE, ALL THE ASSETS ARE WELL COVERED CECELIA DID THE SAME THING WITH AUTOMOBILES.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THE COUNTY'S CLAIMS ONLY BEING \$2,400 FOR THE YEAR, THEIR PREMIUM FOR LAST YEAR WAS \$141,695 AND PGIT WENT UP 100% PLUS ON THEIR PREMIUM.

DAWSON ADDRESSED THE PROPERTY INSURANCE PREMIUMS DOUBLED. COMMISSIONER COPE REFERRED TO THE FIRST QUOTE DAWSON HAD GIVEN THEM WAS FOR AN \$80,000 INCREASE AND THE BID QUOTE WAS A \$95,000 INCREASE. COPE QUESTIONED IF PGIT WOULD GO BACK TO THE \$80,000 INCREASE.

DAWSON SAID HIS FIRST QUOTE WAS JUST A GUESSTIMATE; THE ACTUAL VALUES WERE HIGHER THAN THEY EXPECTED TO BE AND THEY ONLY GOT THIS INFORMATION ABOUT A WEEK AGO. HE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD WHAT COPE WAS ASKING; WHY DID THE INSURANCE GO UP SO MUCH IF THERE WAS ONLY \$2,400 IN CLAIMS FOR THE YEAR. HE SAID THIS IS A PROBLEM AND IT IS A BORDERLINE BUSINESS CATASTROPHE BUT THESE RATES ARE BEING SEEN BY EVERYBODY IN FLORIDA. HE SAID HE FEELS THE INSURANCE COMPANIES ARE PROFITING AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF SUPPLY AND DEMAND SITUATIONS AND THAT IS WHERE THE RATES ARE GOING.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THE INLAND MARINE RATES ON EQUIPMENT WENT UP AND IF SO, WHY. DAWSON SAID THE RATES DID GO UP BECAUSE IT IS A PROPERTY POLICY; THE COUNTY IS DIVIDED INTO PROPERTY AND CASUALTY AND EXPLAINED BOTH OF THESE.

DAWSON EXPLAINED PGIT HAD PROVIDED THREE OPTIONS FOR THE BOARD TO CHOOSE FROM; EACH OPTION HAS A HIGHER DEDUCTIBLE. HE EXPLAINED THE HIGHER THE DEDUCTIBLE, THE LOWER THE PREMIUM WOULD BE. HE SAID THE DEDUCTIBLE OPTIONS WERE \$5,000, \$2,500 AND \$25,000 AND SAID THE TREND WAS TO GO WITH THE HIGHER DEDUCTIBLE.

DAWSON SAID HE THOUGHT THE \$25,000 DEDUCTIBLE WOULD BE A GOOD MOVE AS THE COUNTY HARDLY HAS ANY CLAIMS; THEIR SAVINGS VERSUS HAVING A \$2,500 DEDUCTIBLE WOULD BE ALMOST \$21,000.

DAWSON ADDRESSED MANY ENTITIES ARE LOOKING AT GOING COMPLETELY SELF INSURED ON PROPERTY; HOWEVER, THE DOWNSIDE OF THIS IS THEY RISK NOT RECEIVING FEMA FUNDING IF THEY HAD A MAJOR NATURAL LOSS. HE SAID PGIT IS VERY FAMILIAR WITH FEMA AND THEY ARE WORKING WITH A CONSULTING FIRM NOW TO MAKE SURE THEIR COVERAGE IS IN LINE WITH WHAT FEMA WOULD TYPICALLY PAY. HE SAID PGIT WAS ALSO WORKING WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA, OFFICE OF INSURANCE REGULATIONS, TO MAKE SURE PGIT'S COVERAGE WILL BE SIGNED OFF ON IF THERE IS EVER A NATURAL DISASTER CLAIM AGAIN IN FLORIDA. HE REITERATED PGIT WAS DOING EVERYTHING THEY COULD, IF THE COUNTY EVER DID HAVE A MAJOR LOSS, THEIR POLICY WOULD BE RUBBER STAMPED ACCEPTED. HE SAID PGIT WAS DOING EVERYTHING TO MAKE SURE THE PROPERTY INSURANCE THE COUNTY HAS IS THE MOST COST EFFICIENT.

DAWSON SAID ON THE DEDUCTIBLE, THE COUNTY CAN INFORM PGIT OF THE DEDUCTIBLE THEY CHOOSE ON SEPTEMBER 29TH; IF THEY WANT TO GO BACK AND DISCUSS THIS WITH STAFF, HE IS NOT LOOKING FOR ANY APPROVAL FOR ANY DEDUCTIBLE OPTIONS TODAY.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANY ROOM FOR NEGOTIA- TIONS ON PGIT'S BID OTHER THAN THE DEDUCTIBLE. DAWSON ADVISED THERE WAS NOT.

DAWSON ADDRESSED THE ACTUAL PGIT POOL'S PREMIUM WENT UP TWO AND A HALF TIMES; THE WHOLE POOL PAYS \$.79 PER \$100.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT THE INSURANCE ISSUE IN THEIR BUDGET WORKSHOP; HOWEVER, HE HAD JUST AS SOON GO WITHOUT ANY INSURANCE AS TO PAY THAT KIND OF RATE SINCE THE COUNTY DOESN'T OWE ANYTHING ON THE BUILDINGS.

TED EVERETT ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON JOE CASEL, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE EMERALD COAST YMCA, WANTING TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THM ON WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO IN HOLMES COUNTY WITH THE RECREATION AREA THERE. HE SAID YMCA IS TRYING TO MAKE THE HOLMES COUNTY RECREATION CENTER OPEN AGAIN WITH A SWIMMING POOL, ETC. AND THEY WILL TAKE KIDS FROM SURROUNDING AREAS. HE SAID THIS WOULD MEAN WASHINGTON COUNTY KIDS WOULD BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THEIR PROGRAMS.

JOE CASEL UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EMERALD COAST YMCA CURRENTLY SERVING ALL OF WALTON AND OKALOOSA COUNTIES; THEY ARE LOOKING TO EXPAND THEIR CHARTER TO INCLUDE HOLMES, WASHINGTON AND JACKSON COUNTIES.

CASEL ADDRESSED HIM HAVING BEEN CONTACTED BY DEBBIE WELLS, WHO IS CHAIRING THEIR BOARD AT THE YMCA THEY ARE TRYING TO ORGANIZE; THEY HAVE PUT TOGETHER A BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR HELPING THE YMCA TO GET THIS ESTABLISHED. CASEL SAID THEY ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE CITY OF BONIFAY ON THE EXISTING RECREATIONAL FACILITY THAT HAS A POOL, ATHLETIC FIELDS AND GREAT OPERATIONS. HE EXPLAINED THERE WOULD BE SOME RENOVATIONS NEEDED TO THE FACILITY DUE TO ITS AGE AND IT HAVING BEEN UNOCCUPIED SINCE MARCH. HE SAID THEY ARE LOOKING AT SOME OF THE OUTLAY COSTS, WHAT IT IS GOING TO TAKE TO BRING IT UP TO STANDARDS AND WHAT IN TURN, YMCA WOULD BE REQUIRED TO DO TO GET THE PROGRAM AND SERVICES UP AND RUNNING. HOWEVER, TODAY HE IS HERE TO SHARE WITH THE BOARD THE VISION OF THE YMCA AND TO LET THEM KNOW THEY WILL NEED THE COUNTY'S SUPPORT. HE THEN PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE YMCA:

- A. THEY ARE A 501 C3 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION
- B. IT IS THEIR MISSION TO SERVE FAMILIES THROUGHOUT THE SERVICE AREA THEY PROVIDE THEIR PROGRAMS
- C. THEIR PROGRAMS ARE OPEN TO ALL; EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IRREGARDLESS OF AGE, ABILITY, FINANCIAL STATUS
- D. YMCA PROVIDES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THOSE FAMILES WHO NEED HELP; THEY HAVE A SCHOLORSHIP PROGRAM THEY CALL THEIR STRONG KIDS CAMPAIGN
- E. THEY EMPHASIZE CORE VALUES; THEY IMPLEMENT THE CHARACTER COUNTS VALUES OF CARING, HONESTY AND RESPECT AND RESPONSIBILITY. THESE CORE VALUES ARE IMPLEMENTED INTO ALL THE

YMCA PROGRAMS

- F. THEY ARE THE LARGEST PROVIDER OF CHILD CARE IN THE UNITED STATES
- G. THEY ENJOY MANAGING AND OPERATING POOLS; THEY TEACH LESSONS, TRAIN THIER LIFEGUARDS AND INSTRUCTORS, HAVE SWIM TEAMS
- H. THEY WILL OFFER CORE PROGRAMS UNDER THE TITLE OF EQUATICS YOUTH SPORTS, CAMPING, AND CHILD CARE; THEY ALSO ARE IN THE HEALTH AND FITNESS BUSINESS
- I. A LOT OF THEIR PROGRAMS ARE FOCUSED ON CHILDREN BUT THERE ARE A LARGE NUMBER OF ADULTS WHO PARTICIPATE

CASEL REITERATED THEY WERE PROUD TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY AS A YMCA; THEY ARE SHARING THE YMCA CONCEPT WITH THE BOARD, ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE CITY OF BONIFAY IN WORKING THE FACILITY AND DEBBIE WELLS HAS ORGANIZED A FULL BOARD THAT IS MADE UP OF RESIDENTS FROM JACKSON, WASHINGTON AND HOLMES COUNTY. HE SAID THE FULL BOARD IS HELPING THE YMCA TO PUT TOGETHER THEIR EFFORT TO MOVE FORWARD. CASEL INTRODUCED THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EMERALD COAST YMCA BOARD, STEVE BONNELL, A RESIDENT OF CRESTVIEW. WHEN QUESTIONED IF YMCA WAS LOOKING AT EXPANDING THE FACILITY, JOE SAID THEY WERE ADDRESSING THE ISSUES OF HOW THEY COULD EXPAND; HE SAID THEY WOULD NEED TO EXPAND THE BUILDING EVENTUALLY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHERE YMCA'S FUNDING CAME FROM. JOE SAID THEIR FUNDING WAS MADE UP OF SEVERAL SOURCES; THEIR REVENUE SOURCES COME FROM THEIR MEMBERSHIP BASED ORGANIZATION, AREA PROGRAM REVENUE, CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS AND A LARGE AMOUNT OF LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF YMCA HAS A GRANT WRITER ON STAFF, JOE ADVISED THEY DID HAVE A CONSULTANT THAT HELPS YMCA SECURE AND LOOK OUT FOR GRANTS AVAILABLE. JOE SAID YMCA DOES RECEIVE GRANTS FROM BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS.

STACY WEBB, GRANTS COORDINATOR, BEGAN WITH HER REPORT. SHE REQUESTED \$50,000 OF SHIP YEAR 14 MONIES BE TRANSFERRED FROM DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE TO EMERGENCY REHAB. SHE SAID SHE HAD MORE DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE MONIES THAN SHE HAS EVER HAD DUE TO THE HOUSING SITUATION. WEBB EXPLAINED SHE HAD ALWAYS HAD MORE REHAB CLIENTS THAN SHE HAS HAD MONIES; BY TRANSFERRING TO EMERGENCY REHAB, SHE CAN JUST ABOUT HELP EVERYBODY, AT LEAST FOR A WHILE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO TRANSFER \$50,000 FROM SHIP YEAR 14 DOWN PAYMENT ASSISTANCE MONIES TO EMERGENCY REHAB.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED STACY UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE EOC GRANT. STACY REPORTED THE GRANT APPLICATION WAS SUBMITTED; HOWEVER, SHE HASN'T HEARD ANYTHING BACK.

STACY REPORTED SHE WAS IN THE PROCESS OF CLOSING OUT OTHER GRANTS THAT HAVE BEEN LEFT OPEN; THIS WILL BRING MORE MONEY BACK INTO THE COUNTY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE EOC GRANT WITH STACY ADDRESSING AT SOME POINT THE BOARD WILL NEED TO DETERMINE A LOCATION FOR THE NEW EOC. SHE SAID IT WOULD BE SOMETIME LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER BEFORE THEY WOULD HEAR FROM THE EOC GRANT APPLICATION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED WEBB UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE HERITAGE VILLAGE GRANT. STACY SAID SHE HAD BEEN WANTING TO MEET WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH ON THE HERITAGE VILLAGE PROJECT AND ADDRESSED HER HAVING A MEETING ON MONDAY WITH SOMEONE THAT IS TRYING TO TAKE A DIFFERENT APPROACH WITH THE PROJECT. SHE SAID DUE TO THE STATE NOT BEING TOO FOND OF WHAT THE COUNTY HAS SUBMITTED LATELY; THE COMMITTEE IS NOW LOOKING AT IT AS AN ART PROJECT AND AT AN ECOLOGICAL APPROACH.

STACY SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO GET THE HORTICULTURE TEACHER AT WHAVTC TO HELP IDENTIFY PLANTS AND THINGS THAT ARE INDIGENOUS OF THE AREA. SHE SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO CONTACT COLLEGES AS WELL TO ASK FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THEIR ARCHAEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENTS. SHE SAID THE HERITAGE VILLAGE WOULD HAVE TO BE APPROACHED DIFFERENTLY DUE TO IT NOT WORKING THE WAY SHE HAS BEEN DOING IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED STACY ON WHY SHE THOUGHT THE STATE WAS TAKING A DIFFERENT LOOK AT THE HERITAGE GRANT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED. STACY SAID SHE

WAS BASING THIS ON THE TWO APPLICATIONS SHE SUBMITTED; THE FIRST APPLICATION WAS TURNED DOWN BY THE STATE, WHICH SHE HAD THOUGHT WAS VERY THOROUGH. SHE HAD RECEIVED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE STATE ON HOW TO SUBMIT THE GRANT APPLICATION THE NEXT TIME; THE STATE TURNED IT DOWN AGAIN WHEN SHE SUBMITTED IT LIKE THEY HAD RECOMMENDED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED WEBB CONTINUE TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR THE HERITAGE VILLAGE PROJECT. HE QUESTIONED WHEN STACY WOULD BE SUBMITTING ANOTHER APPLICATION FOR THE HERITAGE VILLAGE AND ASKED IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY DATES MISSED ON APPLYING FOR THE GRANT FUNDING.

STACY SAID SHE WOULD HAVE TO CHECK, AS SHE WAS NOT SURE.

GLEN ZANETIC, MSBU, ADDRESSED THE BOARD REQUESTING THEY CERTIFY THE MSBU TAX ROLL TO THE TAX COLLECTOR TOTALLING \$376,763.66; THAT IS BEING PAID BY 14,239 PARCELS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO CERTIFY THE MSBU TAX ROLL OF \$376,763.66 TO THE TAX COLLECTOR.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

A. ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY PROJECT-STARTING NEXT WEEK, THEY WOULD BE PAVING FROM BRICKYARD ROAD TO LEDGER ROAD; HOPEFULLY, BY THE MIDDLE TO END OF NEXT WEEK THEY WILL HAVE THAT WHOLE SECTION OF PAVING COMPLETED. THEY HAVE SODDED AND PUT SEED AND MULCH DOWN ON THAT SECTION AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT IS DOING PRETTY GOOD.

HE MET WITH THE CONTRACTOR, C. W. ROBERTS, AT KAYES CORNER; THEY WERE ORIGINALLY PLANNING ON PUTTING IN TYPE F CURB AND GUTTER AROUND THE CURVE WITH CURB INLETS SO THEY COULD GET THE WATER OFF THE ROAD AND TRY TO CONTROL TRAFFIC BETTER IN THE CURVE. AFTER MEETING WITH C. W. ROBERTS, THEY FOUND A WAY TO ELIMINATE THE 500' FEET OF CURB AND GUTTER ALL THE WAY THROUGH THE CURVE AND TAKING ABOUT A 40' LONG SECTION THAT IS THE HIGHEST SPOT OUT AND PAVING A VALLEY CURVE ALL THE WAY AROUND KAYES CORNER. ESSENTIALLY, CLIFF SAID INSTEAD OF THE CURB AND GUTTER ALL THE WAY THROUGH AT KAYES CORNER, IT WILL BE A VALLEY CURVE WHICH WOULD PROVIDE ENOUGH DROP TO GET THE WATER OFF THE ROADWAY AFTER THEY LOWER ONE HIGH SECTION.

CLIFF SAID BY DOING THIS, IT WOULD ELIMINATE 500' OF CURB AND GUTTER, TYPE 3 CURB INLETS AND WILL SAVE \$12,210.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID BY DOING WHAT CLIFF HAS ADDRESSED, IT WOULD NOT DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE TRAFFIC COMING IN AND OUT OF THE CURVE AT KAYES CORNER. CLIFF AGREED IT WOULDN'T BUT THERE ARE OTHER WAYS TO KEEP THE BODY SHOP AT KAYES CORNER UNDER CONTROL WITH REGARDS TO CARS COMING IN AND OUT. HE ADDRESSED GUARDRAIL COULD BE PUT UP THROUGH THERE OR PLASTIC DELINEATERS TO TRY AND DISCOURAGE HIM FROM COMING IN AND OUT THERE. CLIFF POINTED OUT THE BODY SHOP HAD BEEN THERE FOR A LONG TIME AND POSSIBLY HE AND COMMISSIONER CORBIN COULD WORK ON A WAY TO TRY AND IMPROVE THE CONDITIONS THERE.

CLIFF SAID THE BODY SHOP OWNER WOULD CERTAINLY NEED ACCESS TO HIS SHOP; BUT, HE DOESN'T THINK HE NEEDS A 500' DRIVEWAY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED IF THERE HAD BEEN ANY COMPLAINTS IN THAT AREA AND SAID HE HADN'T RECEIVED ANY. CLIFF ADVISED HE HADN'T RECEIVED ANY COMPLAINTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HATES TO DO ANYTHING IF THEY HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANY COMPLAINTS.

CLIFF SAID HE HADN'T RESEARCHED ACCIDENTS IN THE CORNER AT KAYES CORNER. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THERE HADN'T BEEN ANY.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE \$12,210 COULD BE USED TO PAY FOR THE SLIP LINERS FOR THE PIPE ON THE PROJECT.

CLIFF ADVISED THE BOARD THE CITY'S CONTRACTOR ON SOUTH BOULEVARD WAS SUPPOSE TO LEAVE THE MANHOLES ON THE PROJECT A LITTLE HIGH SO C. W. ROBERTS COULD COME RIGHT UP TO THEM, PAVE AROUND THEM AND ELIMINATE ALL THEIR RAISE. HE SAID THIS WAS NOT GOING TO WORK; THE CONTRACTOR SET THE MANHOLES BUT THE MANHOLES DON'T MATCH THE SLOPE OF THE ROAD. HE EXPLAINED THE 2% SLOPE THE COUNTY HAD PLANNED ON PUTTING IN THE ROADWAY IS NOT IN THE MANHOLES. HE HAD GOTTEN A PRICE FROM C. W. ROBERTS TO JACKHAMMER THE 11 MANHOLE TOPS OUT, PUT

DOWN A STEEL PLATE, PAVE OVER THEM AND REPLACE THE MANHOLES AT THE CORRECT GRADE FOR \$16,500.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHY WAS THE CONTRACTOR ALLOWED TO PUT THE MANHOLES DOWN INCORRECTLY. CLIFF SAID THE MANHOLES GOT PUT IN AT NO SLOPE.

THE BOARD QUESTIONED WHO WAS LOOKING OVER THE MANHOLE PROJECT. CLIFF ADVISED THE CITY HAD THEIR OWN CONSTRUCTION MANAGER ON THE PROJECT; HE HAD PUT THE REQUEST IN TO THEM AS TO WHAT THE COUNTY WANTED DONE ON THE MANHOLES. HE SAID HE HAD MET WITH THE CITY'S ENGINEER AND WITH THE CONTRACTOR; EVERYBODY AGREES, THEY CAN'T PAVE AROUND THE MANHOLES.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHAT WAS ON THE PLANS FOR THE MANHOLES. CLIFF SAID BASKERVILLE & DONAVAN DID THE PLANS FOR THE REHAB.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHAT TYPE INLETS WERE ON THE PLANS. CLIFF SAID THE PLANS SHOWED MANHOLES; THEY WERE REPLACING THEM AND WERE SUPPOSE TO BE PUTTING THEM BACK TO GRADE. CLIFF SAID THE ONLY THING HE HAD REQUESTED WAS THE CITY LEAVE THE MANHOLES 1 1/2" HIGH SO THEY COULD COME BACK AND PAVE RIGHT AROUND THEM. HE SAID WHEN THE MANHOLES WERE REMOVED, THEY WERE AT A 2% SLOPE; HOWEVER, WHEN THEY PUT THEM BACK, THEY HAD A DIFFERENT KIND OF RISER SYSTEM THAT IS A FLAT RISER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHY WOULD THAT BE THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CORRECT THE MANHOLES. CLIFF SAID HIS PLAN FROM THE BEGINNING WAS TO PAVE OVER THE TOP OF THE EXISTING MANHOLES AND PUT A RING UNDERNEATH THEM; THEY CAN'T PAVE OVER THE TOP OF THEM NOW BECAUSE THEY ARE STICKING UP IN THE AIR.

CLIFF SAID THERE WAS \$4,290 NEEDED; THE COUNTY CAN DO ONE OF TWO THINGS:

- 1. THEY CAN DESIGNATE THE ADDITIONAL MONEY TO GO INTO THE CONTRACT
- 2. THEY CAN TRY TO SAVE THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY IN ASPHALT WHEN THEY DO SOUTH BOULEVARD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE \$12,210 IS A SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY; WHATEVER HAPPENED ON THE MANHOLES IS THE CITY OF CHIPLEY'S PROBLEM AND THE CITY SHOULD GO BACK AND FIX IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID JIM MORRIS WITH THE CITY HAD TOLD HIM CLIFF HAD SAID THE MANHOLES LOOKED PERFECT THE OTHER DAY; NOW, HE IS SAYING THEY WOULDN'T WORK.

CLIFF SAID HE WOULD BE GLAD TO TAKE THE COMMISSIONERS TO LOOK AT THE MANHOLES. HE SAID THE LAST TIME HE WAS OVER THIS WAY, IT WAS BEFORE THEY HAD PUT ASPHALT AROUND THE MANHOLES AND THEY HAD BARRICADES ON BOTH SIDES; THIS IS A GOOD INDICATION THEY LEFT THEM HIGH SO HE WAS EXCITED ABOUT THAT.

CLIFF SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE BOARD WANTED TO DO; HOWEVER, THE ISSUE HAS GOT TO BE HANDLED. HE REITERATED NEXT WEEK C. W. ROBERTS WAS PLANNING ON PAVING UP TO BRICKYARD ROAD AND THE FOLLOWING WEEK, THEY ARE COMING TO SOUTH BOULEVARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH, COPE AND SAPP ALL AGREED THE COST TO CORRECT THE MANHOLE PROBLEM SHOULDN'T COME OUT OF THE COUNTY'S CONTRACT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPOINT COMMISSIONER COPE TO LOOK AFTER THE MANHOLE PROBLEM AND WHATEVER HIS DECISION MAY BE, THE BOARD BACK HIM UP.

B. QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD-CLIFF REPORTED THE PLANS WERE COM- PLETED, ED PELLETIER IS ASSISTING WITH GETTING SIGNATURES TOGETHER FOR RIGHT OF WAY AGREEMENTS PUT TOGETHER BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY, HIS SURVEY CREW HAS DONE ALL THE STAKE OUT AND STAKES WERE PLACED EVERY 100' AT THE RIGHT OF WAY LINE THROUGH THE WHOLE PROJECT.

CLIFF ADDRESSED HIS CONTRACT ON THE QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD WAS FOR 7% OF THE GRANT AMOUNT; THE RIGHT OF WAY STAKE OUT IS NORMALLY DONE BY THE CONTRACTOR UNDER HIS LAYOUT. DUE TO HIM TRYING TO GET RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE COUNTY, CLIFF SAID HE HAD TO GET HIS SURVEYORS TO DO THE STAKE OUT. HE REQUESTED HE GET PAID FOR DOING THE STAKE OUT BEYOND HIS 7% SINCE IT IS NORMALLY SOMETHING THE CONTRACTOR WOULD HANDLE. HE SAID HE HAD ABOUT \$3600 IN SURVEY TIME DOING THE STAKE OUTS ON THE QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO PAY CLIFF HIS EXPENSE FOR STAKING OUT THREE MILES ON QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO PAY CLIFF OUT OF THE QUAIL HOLLOW FUNDS.

C. SCOP AND SCRAP PROJECTS-CLIFF REPORTED THE SURVEYING HAD BEGUN ON PIONEER ROAD, CREEK ROAD, CLAYTON ROAD AND ALFORD ROAD. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IF THEY COULD ADVERTISE ALL THESE AT ONE TIME, THE BIDS WOULD BE MORE COMPETITIVE.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE ROAD IN CARYVILLE FROM HIGHWAY 279 FROM I-10 TO HIGHWAY 90; THEY WILL PROBABLY START ON IT WHEN THEY GET AHEAD ON SOME OF THE OTHER ROADS.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THERE WOULD BE A PAVED SHOULDER ON THE INSIDE OF THE CURVE ON THE ORANGE HILL PROJECT. CLIFF SAID RIGHT NOW THEY DON'T HAVE A SEPARATE PAVED SHOULDER LINED UP FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED CLIFF IF HE WAS GOING TO BE ABLE TO WORK IN THAT PORTION OF ORANGE HILL ROAD GOING UP THE HILL TOWARDS THE BARROW PIT. CLIFF SAID HE ALREADY HAS THIS IN LINE FOR RESURFACING; THEY ARE GOING TO OVERLAY THAT STRETCH OF ROAD.

CLIFF SAID THAT PORTION OF ROAD ACTUALLY NEEDS TO BE EXCAVATED, OVER EXCAVATED, UNDERDRAINS PUT IN, ETC. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT DRAINAGE HAD BEEN PUT IN ON THE CURVE AND REQUESTED CLIFF CHECK WITH FL-DOT.

CLIFF SAID IT SEEMED LIKE THE PROBLEM THERE WAS SEEPAGE COMING OUT OF THE GROUND AT THAT LOCATION. HE SAID RIGHT NOW ALL THAT IS LINED UP FOR THAT AREA IS AN OVERLAY. IF THERE IS NOT AN UNDERDRAIN THERE, CLIFF SAID HE MAY COULD GET WITH DALLAS AND ROBERT AND GET SOMETHING LINED UP.

D. LEISURE LAKE ROAD-CLIFF SAID HE HAD THE RIGHT OF WAY AGREEMENT SIGNED OFF BY NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT. THEY ARE MOVING FENCES NOW AND HOPEFULLY THE ROAD PREPARATION WILL MOVE PRETTY QUICKLY.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE POWER POLES HAD BEEN MOVED. CLIFF SAID THEY HADN'T STARTED MOVING THEM YET; THE NEW ROAD NEEDS TO BE ROUGHED IN AND THEN HAVE THE POLES REMOVED.

E. INDUSTRIAL PARK-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING MET WITH THE PROJECT PIPE GROUP AND CSX RAILROAD; THEY HAVE WORKED OUT AN AGREEMENT AS FAR AS WHERE THE RAIL SPUR IS GOING TO BE LOCATED AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THEM TO USE THE SPUR. HE SAID THEY WERE WORKING ON DESIGN ISSUES IN REGARD TO THE SITE PLAN FOR PROJECT PIPE. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TYPE OF ARRANGEMENTS THE BOARD WAS LOOKING AT; HOWEVER, TO DATE, HE HASN'T HAD A WHOLE LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT PUT INTO IT. HE EXPLAINED THEY WERE GETTING READY TO BE AT A POINT WHERE HE WAS GOING TO HAVE TO DESIGN ABOUT A MILE OF ROAD AND A RAILROAD SPUR IN ORDER TO KEEP THE PROJECT MOVING.

CLIFF ASKED IF THE BOARD WANTED HIM TO PRESENT THEM WITH A PROPOSAL TO DO THE DESIGN, DO IT HOURLY, WHO IS GOING TO PAY FOR IT, ETC.

AS FAR AS THE SITE ITSELF, CLIFF SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING IS HE DON'T HAVE TO DESIGN THE SITE; THE COUNTY JUST HAS TO DESIGN THE ROADWAY, UTILITIES AND RAILROAD SPUR COMING TO THE SITE. HOWEVER, HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW THE BOARD WANTS TO PROCEED WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THERE WAS GOING TO BE GRANTS APPLIED FOR ON THE RAILROAD SPUR.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED CLIFF IF HE COULD GIVE THE BOARD A QUOTE OR ESTIMATE ON THE COST TO DO THE DESIGN WORK. CLIFF AGREED TO GET TOGETHER A PROPOSAL AND PRESENT IT BACK TO THE BOARD.

CLIFF SAID THE NEXT BIG ISSUE ON THE INDUSTRIAL PARK IS CSX RAILROAD IS WANTING TO GET TOGETHER THE ALIGNMENT FOR THE RAILROAD TO COME OFF THE EXISTING TRACK AND GO DOWN TO WHERE THE SITE IS. HOWEVER, CLIFF SAID WHEN SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS ORIGINALLY DID THE TOPO ON THE 200 ACRES AT THE INDUSTRIAL PARK, THEY SURVEYED FROM PROPERTY LINE TO PROPERTY LINE. HE ADDRESSED THIS BEING OUTSIDE THE CSX RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY AND EXPLAINED THERE WAS A STRETCH OF ABOUT 1800'

TO 2000' BETWEEN THE SOUTH PROPERTY LINE ON THE 200 ACRES AND THE CSX RAILROAD THAT IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE SURVEYED. HE ASKED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO PUT THIS PROJECT OUT FOR BID WITH THE SURVEYORS THEY HAVE ON BOARD AS THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE THE SURVEY SOON TO KEEP MOVING WITH CSX AND PROJECT PIPE.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY THE COUNTY COULD GET A DESIGN WHERE THEY COULD USE THE RAILROAD SPUR IN THE FUTURE FOR RAILING ROCK IN. HE ADDRESSED IF THEY COULD, IT WOULD SAVE THE COUNTY A LOT OF HAULING.

CLIFF SAID HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A TREMENDOUS BENEFIT TO THE COUNTY TO BE ABLE TO USE THE RAILROAD SPUR. HE SAID TED EVERETT MAY BE ABLE TO WORK WITH PROJECT PIPE TO MAKE SURE THE COUNTY HAS USE OF THE RAILROAD SPUR.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR CLIFF TO GET A QUOTE FROM SOUTHEASTERN SURVEY COMPANY TO DO THE SURVEY ON THE 1800' TO 2000' BETWEEN THE SOUTH PROPERTY LINE ON THE 200 ACRE INDUSTRIAL PARK SITE AND CSX RAILROAD.

- F. LEISURE LAKES ROAD BRIDGE-CLIFF REPORTED THE ISSUE WITH THE BRIDGE HAS BEEN RESOLVED.
- G. ROLLING PINES-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DESIGN FOR THE PROJECT WAS PROBABLY ABOUT TWO WEEKS AWAY FROM BEING COMPLETED TO SUBMIT TO NWFWMD. HE SAID NWFWMD WOULD REVIEW THE DESIGN, SEND AN APPROVAL LETTER OR SEND RECOMMENDATIONS BACK ON DESIGN CHANGES THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THIS PROJECT TO MOVE ALONG AND SAID THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN WHEN THE PROJECT IS GOING TO BEGIN.

CLIFF SAID THEY HAD BEEN WORKING ON THE DESIGN FOR THE PROJECT; HOWEVER IT IS ABOUT A  $3.5\ \mathrm{MILE}\ \mathrm{JOB}.$ 

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON HOW THE PROJECT WOULD BE PAID FOR. COM- MISSIONER FINCH SAID THE ONLY COSTS TO BE COVERED BY THE GRANT FUNDS IS FOR CONSTRUCTION; ALL OF THE ENGINEERING COSTS AND OTHER EXPENSES, THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR.

H. KIRKLAND ROAD-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE MISSING LBR HAVING MYSTERIALLY APPEARED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID HE FINALLY GOT THROUGH TO THE PRESIDENT OF BAXTER'S ASPHALT AND EXPLAINED THE SITUATION TO HIM. ON THE NEXT DAY, HERBERT SAID HE RECEIVES A FAX ON THE SAME FORM EXCEPT IT SHOWS AN LBR OF 91 ON IT. HE SAID THE INVOICE FROM BAXTER'S STILL HASN'T BEEN PAID.

CLIFF SAID HE HAD AN LBR SHOWING KIRKLAND ROAD PASSED AND THAT WAS ALL HE HAD ASKED FOR.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE GAS COMPANY WOULD BE PAYING THE INVOICE. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THERE WOULD BE A TWO YEAR WARRANTY ON THE PROJECT SO HE RECOMMENDED PAYING THE INVOICE.

CLIFF SAID BAXTERS WAS REQUIRED BY THEIR CONTRACT TO PROVIDE A ONE YEAR WARRANTY; WHEN ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT CONTACTED THEM ABOUT THE MISSING LBR AND REQUESTED A TWO YEAR CONTRACT, BAXTER PROVIDED THE LBR.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IF THE LBR WASN'T CORRECT, BAXTERS WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND CORRECT THE PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO PAY THE INVOICE FROM BAXTERS AND GET REIMBURSE- MENT FROM FLORIDA GAS COMPANY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED CLIFF WHEN THE PAVING OF HUNTER PARK WOULD BE DONE SO THEY COULD CLOSE OUT THE PROJECT. CLIFF SAID HE HAS ASKED REPEATEDLY FOR A DATE FROM C.W. ROBERTS AND IS HOPING WHEN THEY COME TO PAVE ON BRICKYARD, THEY WILL BE ABLE TO PULL OFF ONE DAY TO DO THE HUNTER PARK PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THEY COULD HOLD C. W. ROBERTS CHECK UNTIL THEY DO THE HUNTER PARK PROJECT. CLIFF SAID THEY COULD HOLD THEIR CHECK ON THE SOUTH BOULEVARD PROJECT UNTIL THEY PAVE HUNTER PARK.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED CLIFF GET WITH JIM MORRIS TO SEE IF HE CAN COME AND DISCUSS THE SOUTH BOULEVARD PROJECT MANHOLES TODAY.

GAIL HARRIS/CHAIN LAKE ROAD/FLORIDA FOREVER GRANT-HARRIS QUESTIONED WHERE THE BOARD WAS ON SUBMITTING CHAIN LAKE ROAD FOR A FLORIDA FOREVER GRANT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED THE BOARD HAD SUBMITTED CHAIN LAKES ROAD AS 1ST PRIORITY FOR A FLORIDA FOREVER GRANT.

MS. HARRIS EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION TO THE BOARD AND AGREED TO GET WITH WHOMEVER TO DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO GET THE RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENTS NEEDED FOR CHAIN LAKES. SHE SAID NWFWMD WANTED SOMETHING IN THE GRANT APPLICATION SAYING THE COUNTY HAS THE NECESSARY RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENTS.

CLIFF SAID AT THE LAST MEETING, SOMEONE TOLD THE BOARD ALL THE PROPERTY OWNERS THAT WOULD DONATE RIGHT OF WAY WERE AT THE MEETING. IN ORDER TO HAVE A PIECE OF PAPER SAYING THE RIGHT OF WAY DONATED, CLIFF SAID THERE NEEDED TO BE AN ALIGNMENT ON THE ROADWAY TO TIE THE AGREEMENT TOO. HE SAID THEY WOULD NEED TO SAY IN THE GRANT APPLICATION, THEY HAVE VERBAL AUTHORIZATION FOR RIGHT OF WAY AND WHEN THE PROJECT IS FUNDED AND SURVEYED, PUT TOGETHER A LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE PROPERTY OWNER TO SIGN.

CLIFF SAID THEY COULDN'T GO OUT AND SURVEY NOW BECAUSE THERE IS NO FUNDING TO PAY FOR IT.

TAMPAS MESSER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON PROPERTY HE HAD BOUGHT AT BIG PINES CAMPSITES AT CULPEPPER LANDING ABOUT TWENTY YEARS AGO. HE SAID HE HAD PURCHASED TWO MORE LOTS ACROSS THE STREET FROM THAT PROPERTY ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO AND IS WANTING TO PUT A LIGHT POLE UP AND GET ELECTRICITY FOR THOSE TWO LOTS.

TAMPAS SAID HE FILLED OUT AN APPLICATION WITH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND CONNIE ANDERSON WROTE ON THE BOTTOM OF IT; THERE WAS NO WELL, NO ELECTRICITY, NO SEPTIC TANK, IT WAS LOCATED IN A FLOOD ZONE, AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE MAY BE REQUIRED AND IT IS THE OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK DEED RESTRICTIONS. HE SAID HE HAS TWO LOTS HE CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITH EXCEPT MOW THE GRASS AND PAY TAXES ON.

TAMPAS ASKED THE BOARD IF THERE WAS ANYTHING THEY COULD ASSIST HIM WITH. TAMPAS SAID THERE WERE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE PROPERTY HE PURCHASED TWENTY YEARS AGO AND THERE WERE NO RESTRICTIONS LISTED ON THE DEED FOR THE TWO LOTS HE PURCHASED THREE YEARS AGO. HE ALSO REFERRED TO THERE BEING A UTILITY POLE THAT WAS PUT DOWN LAST YEAR RIGHT NEXT TO ONE OF HIS LOTS; MS. LINDA MOLAR LIVES ON ONE SIDE OF HIS LOTS AND USES THE SEPTIC TANK THAT IS ON HIS LOT. WHEN GAINES LAW SET UP BIG PINES, HE SET IT UP WHERE HE COULD HAVE ONE SEPTIC TANK FOR TWO LOTS. HE SAID NOW HE CAN'T PUT A SEPTIC TANK ON HIS LOTS WITH NO ELECTRICITY AND THERE IS ALREADY A SEPTIC TANK ALREADY BEING USED.

TAMPAS THANKED THE BOARD FOR PURCHASING THE PROPERTY FROM THE LAWS A FEW YEARS BACK AND MAKING IT A PUBLIC PARK. HE SAID IF HE COULDN'T DO ANYTHING WITH THE PROPERTY HE HAS AT BIG PINES, HE WOULD LIKE TO SELL IT TO THE COUNTY AND LET THEM AFFORD THE TAXES ON IT.

LINDA WALLER SAID SHE WASN'T FAMILIAR WITH THIS INCIDENT AT ALL. TAMPAS SAID CONNIE HAD TOLD HIM THAT LINDA HAD TOLD HER WHAT TO WRITE ON HIS APPLICATION.

LINDA SAID SHE THOUGHT HE WAS GOING TO PUT A BOATHOUSE ON THE LOTS. TAMPAS SAID THAT WAS CORRECT AND THE BUILDING INSPECTOR SAID IT WAS ALRIGHT IF HE DID PUT A BOATHOUSE ON IT.

LINDA SAID IT WOULD JUST BE A STORAGE SHED AND THEY DON'T NORMALLY GIVE A WELL, SEPTIC TANK OR ELECTRIC FOR STORAGE SHEDS; IT IS ALSO LOCATED IN A FLOOD ZONE AND AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE MAY BE REQUIRED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE WAS. LINDA SAID IT WOULD SHOOT THE FLOOD LEVEL SO THE ELECTRIC BOX WOULD BE UP OUT OF THE WATER WHEN IT FLOODS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED COULD SOMEONE HAVE ELECTRICITY AS LONG AS THEY ARE OUT OF THE FLOOD ZONE. LINDA SAID ON TAMPAS'S APPLICATION, IT IS ONLY SAYING HE WANTS A BOAT SHED; THAT DOESN'T NORMALLY REQUIRE THE WELL, SEPTIC TANK, ETC.

TAMPAS SAID HE WANTED ELECTRICITY ON THE LOTS. WALLER SAID HE WOULD NEED AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE SHOWING HOW HIGH TO PUT THE BOX.

TAMPAS SAID THERE WAS AN EXISTING POLE THERE AND THE ELECTRICITY WAS FINE ON IT; THERE HAS ONLY BEEN ONE PLUG DOWN THERE IN A HUNDRED YEARS AND IT IS LIKE 4" COMING UP THE BOTTOM OF HIS TRAILER. HE SAID IF HE HAD TO GO AND HIRE A SURVEYOR TO GIVE HIM AN ELEVATION ON IT, THAT WILL COST HIM \$3,000 OR \$4,000, HE CAN'T AFFORD THIS.

LINDA SAID NORMALLY THE SURVEYOR LOOKS AT THE SITE AND HE KNOWS WHAT THE ELEVATION IS, HE HAS A MAP AND WRITES IT OFF; HE DOESN'T CHARGE \$3,000 TO \$4,000 FOR THAT.

LINDA SAID AT THIS POINT, ALL SHE HAS SAID IS AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE MAY BE REQUIRED. SHE SAID THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WOULD MAKE THE DETERMINATION IF THE CERTIFICATE WOULD BE REQUIRED. SHE SAID SHE HAD TO PUT THIS INFORMATION ON THE APPLICATION BECAUSE SHE KNOWS IT IS IN A FLOOD ZONE AND THE COUNTY ORDINANCE CALLS FOR IT TO BE ON IT.

LINDA REITERATED FOR SHEDS, THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT DOESN'T NORMALLY GIVE PERMITS FOR WELL, SEPTIC TANK AND ELECTRICITY BECAUSE THE FIRST THING YOU KNOW, THERE WILL BE PEOPLE LIVING IN STORAGE FACILITIES.

MESSER SAID THERE WAS ALREADY WATER, A POWER POLE AND A SEPTIC TANK ON THE PROPERTY.

LINDA REFERRED TO A LOT OF THIS PROPERTY WAS LIKE THIS PRIOR TO FEMA STARTING ALL THEIR BUYOUTS. SHE SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW LONG THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN EMPTY, ETC; OBVIOUSLY, IT HAS BEEN EMPTY FOR SOME TIME. SHE ADDRESSED WHEN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT GOES AND REINSPECTS, IF TAMPAS IS GOING TO BUILD, THEY MAY REQUIRE AN ELEVATED SEPTIC TANK.

MESSER ASKED WHERE HE COULD GET AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE; LINDA SAID THE SURVEYOR USUALLY LOOKS AT IT, HAS MAPS AND KNOW HOW HIGH IT IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE GONE AND DONE IT BEFORE. SHE SAID SHE GUESSED IT WAS JUST A MATTER OF FILLING OUT A FORM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANYBODY AROUND THE LOTS TAMPUS IS ADDRESSING THAT HAS ELECTRICITY NOW. TAMPUS SAID THE LOT NEXT TO HIS HAS ELECTRICITY AND HAD JUST PUT IT IN LAST YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY TAMPUS COULDN'T JUST GET THAT PERSON'S ELEVATION AND MAKE SURE HIS IS THAT HIGH. TAMPUS SAID HIS LOTS WERE THE HIGHEST POINT IN BIG PINES CAMPSITE.

LINDA SAID TWO OR THREE PROPERTY OWNERS IN BIG PINES CAMPSITES HAVE ACTUALLY WENT THROUGH THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO GET PERMISSION; THE PLANNING COMMISSION INSTRUCTED HER ON THE REST OF THE LOTS IN BIG PINES CAMPSITES TO GET AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE. SHE SAID THAT IS WHY IT IS ON TAMPAS'S FORM AND THE COUNTY FLODD ORDINANCE REQUIRES IT TO BE ON THE FORM FOR THE COUNTY'S PROTECTION.

TAMPAS SAID THE POWER IS PRETTY HIGH ON A POWER POLE ANYWAY AS FAR AS THE METER BASE. HE SAID THE WATER HAD NEVER BEEN UP ON HIS PIECE OF PROPERTY; HE SAID WATER HAD BEEN AROUND IT AND REITERATED HIS PROPERTY WAS THE HIGHEST PIECE OF PROPERTY IN BIG PINES CAMPSITE. HE SAID HE HAS BOUGHT LAND THAT HE CAN'T USE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP TOLD TAMPAS HE COULD USE HIS PROPERTY BUT HE WOULD HAVE TO FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES AND GET AN ELEVATION CERTIFICATE.

LINDA INFORMED TAMPAS HE WOULD NEED TO GET A SURVEYOR TO DO THE ELEVATION CERTIFICATE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN TOLD TAMPAS TO GET UP WITH BOBBY HUTCHINS, SURVEYOR, AND HE WOULD PROBABLY KNOW WHAT HE WAS NEEDING. OTHER SURVEYORS WERE MENTIONED BY OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AS WELL.

ED PELLETIER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON PINE OAKS LANE FLOODING AND COMING ONTO HIS PROPERTY. HE SAID ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, COMMISSIONER COPE AND COMMISSIONER CORBIN IS AWARE OF THE FLOODING PROBLEMS.

HE SAID THE STORMS HAVE BYPASSED HIS HOLDING POND AND ARE RUNNING INTO HIS REGULAR POND; HIS POND IS NOW LOADED WITH CLAY. HE SAID CLIFF HAD WENT OUT AND LOOKED AT IT SEVERAL YEARS AGO.

HE REQUESTED THE BOARD ALLOW CLIFF TO LOOK AT THE FLOODING PROBLEM AGAIN SO HE WILL QUIT LOSING LAND DUE TO WASHOUTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED ED IF HE THOUGHT IF THE COUNTY WENT IN AND CLEANED OUT THE HOLDING POND AND HAULED OFF THE CLAY, WOULD IT HELP. ED SAID THEY HAD BEEN DOING THIS; HOWEVER, IT JUST FILLS UP AGAIN. HE SAID THIS PAST WEEK, THE WATER BLEW OUT AROUND THE SIDE OF THE HOLDING POND AND RUN DIRECTLY INTO HIS POND.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED, WITH PERMISSION FROM THE BOARD, CLIFF GO AND LOOK AT THE PROBLEM OF CLAY RUNNING IN ED'S POND AND FIX IT.

ED SAID COMMISSIONER COPE HAD MENTIONED BEFORE THE ONLY WAY TO HELP THE SITUATION WAS TO PUT GROUND ASPHALT ON THE ROAD; THE COUNTY JUST KEEPS HAULING CLAY IN AND IT KEEPS WASHING INTO HIS POND.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF COMMISSIONER CORBIN TAKING CLIFF TO PINE OAKS LANE AND FIX THE PROBLEM OF FLOODING GOING ONTO ED'S PROPERTY AND CAUSING CLAY TO GO INTO HIS POND.

COUNTY ATTORNEY, GERALD HOLLEY, BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

A. INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO ALLOW THEM TO USE THE SOCCER FIELD AT HUNTER PARK FOR THE SCHOOL BASED SOCCER TEAM TO PRACTICE AND PLAY SOCCER.

HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SCHOOL BOARD AGREEING TO PAY ANY ADDITIONAL ELECTRIC CHARGES INCURRED, THE AGREEMENT WILL CONTINUE UNTIL IT IS TERMINATED AND IT CAN BE TERMINATED BY 30 DAYS NOTICE IF EITHER PARTY CHOOSES TO TERMINATE IT, THE SCHOOL BOARD WILL PROVIDE THE PROPER SUPERVISION AND WILL HOLD THE COUNTY HARMLESS FROM ANY INJURIES THAT MAY TAKE PLACE DURING THEIR SOCCER GAMES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED THE CROSSING BACK AND FORTH OVER THE HIGHWAY TO THE SCHOOL PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE CTST WAS WORKING ON A CROSSOVER; IT IS GOING TO BE A LONGSHOT IF IT GETS FUNDED BECAUSE THEY HAVE PRETTY MUCH BEEN TOLD IT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. HOWEVER, COPE SAID IF THEY CAN CONVINCE FL-DOT IT IS NEEDED, THEY MAY CAN GET IT.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE SCHOOL BOARD REALIZED THE SOCCER FIELD AT HUNTER PARK IS NOT A REGULATION SOCCER FIELD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE IF THE SCHOOL BOARD KNOWS IF IT IS A REGULATION FIELD OR NOT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE WASN'T SURE IF IT IS A REGULATION SOCCER FIELD OR NOT.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD TO USE THE SOCCER FIELD AT HUNTER PARK FOR SCHOOL BASED SOCCER. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE ONE EXECUTED BY THE BOARD WILL NEED TO BE SENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR EXECUTION.

B. AN ORDINANCE THE SHERIFF HAD REQUESTED BE ADOPTED TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO CONSUME ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WITHIN 100' OF ANY PACKAGE STORE, CONVENIENCE STORE OR FOOD STORE SELLING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE HAD WORDED THE ORDINANCE SO IT IS UNLAWFUL TO PUBLICLY CONSUME; IF A PERSON DOES IT WITHIN THEIR OWN HOUSE, THAT IS ANOTHER MATTER.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO ADVERTISE THE ORDINANCE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED IF THE OPEN CONTAINER LAWS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA ON PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAYS, INCLUDES THE COUNTY PARKS AND DOES IT HAVE TO BE POSTED ON A SIGN AT THEIR PARKS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WOULDN'T THINK THEY WOULD HAVE TO POST SIGNS AT THE PARKS SINCE IT IS A STATE LAW. HE SAID IT MAY BE AN ARGUMENT FOR THE DEFENSE IF THEY TRIED TO ARGUE IT WASN'T POSTED. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE LAW REQUIRES IT TO BE POSTED BUT HE WOULD CHECK ON THIS MATTER.

THE MOTION CARRIED TO ADVERTISE THE ORDINANCE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

C. HOLLEY HAD DEEDS PREPARED ON THE LAND SWAP WITH DELTONA

THE BOARD HAD APPROVED PREVIOUSLY; DELTONA IS GOING TO SWAP LOT 1, BLOCK 148, SUNNY HILLS UNIT 4 FOR LOT 17, BLOCK 167, SUNNY HILLS UNIT 4. HE ADVISED THE DEED NEEDED TO BE EXECUTED SO HE CAN GET WITH DELTONA AND GET THEM TO EXECUTE THEIR DEED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO EXECUTE THE DEED ON THE LAND SWAP WITH DELTONA.

D. PER DIEM AND MILEAGE RATES-ATTORNEY HOLLEY REPORTED ON INFORMATION HE HAD GOTTEN FROM THE COUNTY AUDITORS ON PER DIEM AND MILEAGE RATES; HE HAD PROVIDED THIS INFORMATION TO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID SHERIFF HADDOCK HAD TALKED WITH HIM ABOUT RESEARCH HE HAD DONE ON PER DIEM RATES; THE STATE HAS RAISED THEIR MILEAGE TO \$.445 PER MILE. HE SAID THE STATE HAD RAISED THEIR PER DIEM RATE TO \$6, \$11 AND \$19 FOR MEALS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID HE HAD SPOKEN WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ON THE RATES PAID BY SURROUNDING COUNTIES FOR MEALS AND THEY ALL PAY MORE THAN WHAT WASHINGTON COUNTY PAYS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE INFORMATION FROM THE AUDITOR WAS WHAT THE IRS RECOMMENDS PAYING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE MILEAGE RATE WAS REASONABLE; THE STATE PER DIEM RATE FOR MEALS WAS \$36 AND THE COUNTY'S IS PRESENTLY \$34 PER DAY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY TO ADOPT MILEAGE RATES OF \$.445 PER MILE AND \$36 PER DAY FOR MEALS.

VIVIAN BREWER, A NEW CITY COUNCIL MEMBER AT VERNON, WAS PRESENT TO SEE WHAT WAS GOING ON IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISISONER COPE QUESTIONED WHAT VERNON HAD DECIDED TO DO WITH THE SCHOOL IN VERNON. MS. BREWER ADVISED THAT HADN'T BEEN DECIDED; THE VERNON CITY COUNCIL WILL BE HAVING A MEETING WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD ON MONDAY NIGHT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

- A. SMALL COUNTY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS REQUESTED THE COUNTY SUBMIT REQUESTS FOR PROJECTS SUCH AS THEIR JOB DESCRIPTION UPDATE THEY PROVIDED FOR THEM IN THE PAST YEAR. HERBERT ADDRESSED THEM DOING A LOT OF WORK FOR COUNTIES IN THE PLANNING AREAS. HE DISCUSSED THIS WITH LINDA WALLER AND SHE HAS SUBMITTED THREE PROJECTS THAT WOULD BE ELIGIBLE:
  - 1. EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT
  - 2. REVISION OF COMP PLAN; THE LAST REVISION WAS DONE IN 2000
- 3. FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS MODEL; A NEW REQUIREMENT UNDER THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT LAWS

HERBERT REQUESTED APPROVAL OF SUBMITTING THESE THREE PROJECTS UNDER THE SCTAP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED EVERY DAY THE BOARD GETS ASKED ABOUT A FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM. HE QUESTIONED WHY COULDN'T THEY HAVE SOME TYPE OF IMPROVED ROAD PROGRAM; A PROGRAM WHERE THEY CAN DECIDE WHAT CRITERIA THEY WANT TO APPLY TO ROADS AND GET THE ROADS READY TO PAVE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A PROGRAM FOR PRIORITY ROADS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WANTED TO HAVE A ROAD PROGRAM WHERE THEY COULD TALK INTELLIGENTLY WITH PEOPLE SO WHEN THEY ASK WHAT THE NEXT ROAD IS GOING TO BE APPROVED, THE COMMISSION COULD GIVE THEM SOME KIND OF LIST. HE VOLUNTEERED TO HELP WITH THIS PROGRAM IN ANY WAY HE CAN.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF APPLYING FOR ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE SMALL COUNTY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR A FIVE YEAR NEW ROAD BUILDING PLAN, WHICH WILL BE TOP PRIORITY, AS WELL AS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATES STATED BY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT.

- B. REAPPOINTMENT OF PAUL DAY FOR A TWO YEAR TERM AND ED CHADWELL FOR A ONE YEAR TERM TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE REAPPOINTMENTS OF PAUL DAY AND ED CHADWELL TO THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD.
- C. REAPPOINTMENT OF JOE JOHNSON TO THE PANHANDLE PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF APPOINTMENT OF JOE JOHNSON TO THE PPLCS BOARD.
- D. REQUEST FROM LINDA NORTON TO CLOSE LIBRARIES FOR COMPUTER UPGRADES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9TH:

SEPTEMBER 5TH-VERNON AND WAUSAU WILL BE OPENED AND CHIPLEY CLOSED SEPTEMBER 6TH-CHIPLEY CLOSED FOR UPGRADES WITH THE STAFF WORKING

SEPTEMBER 7TH-ALL LIBRARIES CLOSED WITH STAFF WORKING

SEPTEMBER 8TH-ALL LIBRARIES WILL BE OPEN

SEPTEMBER 9TH-CHIPLEY AND VERNON WILL BE OPEN

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF LINDA NORTON'S RECOMMENDATION ON CLOSURE OF LIBRARIES FOR COMPUTER UPDATES.

E. BOARD HAD APPROVED NEW ROAD PROFILER PURCHASE FOR \$72,000; HOWEVER, CECELIA WELD WAS ABLE TO WORK A DEAL FOR A 2004 CHEVY TAHOE WITH 26,000 MILES AND A REFURBISHED ROAD PROFILER FOR \$76,000. HERBERT REQUESTED THE BOARD TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE OF THE PURCHASE OF THE 2004 CHEVY TAHOE AND THE REFURBISHED ROAD PROFILER FOR \$76,000 IN ORDER TO GET IT IN THE RECORD.

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

F. GASB INVENTORY-CURRENTLY CECELIA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ITEMS COSTING \$100 TO \$1,000; SHE IS REQUESTING THE INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENT HEADS BE RESPONSIBLE FOR INVENTORY ON ITEMS FROM \$100 TO \$1,000.

HERBERT ADVISED IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR CECELIA TO GET AROUND TO ALL THE DEPARTMENTS TO KEEP TRACK OF ALL THE SMALLER ITEMS. HE SAID IF ALL THE DEPARTMENTS COULD KEEP THE INVENTORY ON THESE SMALLER ITEMS AND FORWARD IT TO CECELIA, SHE COULD KEEP A FILE ON ALL THE COUNTY INVENTORY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE FOR DISCUSSION TO APPROVE OF CECELIA'S REQUEST FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL INVENTORY OF ITEMS RANGING FROM \$100 TO \$1,000.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY HAD LOOKED INTO A BAR CODE SCANNER FOR INVENTORY PURPOSES. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID CECELIA HAS LOOKED INTO THIS BUT FEELS THIS IS SOMETHING SHE WILL ADDRESS WITH THE BOARD AT A LATER DATE.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED CECELIA GET THE BOARD INFORMATION ON A BAR CODE SCANNER.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

G. UPDATING OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ELEMENTS TO THE COMP PLAN- LINDA WALLER HAS A LIST TOGETHER SHE IS GOING TO TAKE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION NEXT WEEK. HE SAID ONE ITEM THAT SORT OF STOOD OUT WAS PARKS IN SUNNY HILLS.

HE SAID SUNNY HILLS HAS SUBMITTED A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST THAT INCLUDES THE PARKS; THE SAME PARKS ARE ALSO ON THE COUNTY'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST. HERBERT SAID LINDA IS REQUESTING THE BOARD DECIDE WHETHER TO SHOW THE PARKS IN SUNNY HILLS ON THE SUNNY HILLS LIST OR COUNTY'S LIST OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; THEY DON'T NEED TO BE SHOWN IN BOTH PLACES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF THE PARKS WERE INSIDE THE AREA OF THE MSBU, THEY SHOULD BE SUBMITTED UNDER SUNNY HILLS LIST; IF OUTSIDE THE MSBU AREA, THEY SHOULD BE UNDER THE COUNTY'S LIST OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.

HERBERT STATED THE LIST OF PARKS; GAP POND, BOAT LAKE AND WILDER PARK. HE ASKED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO DELETE THESE PARKS FROM THE COUNTY'S LIST.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THIS WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE GRANT PROCEDURE ON GAP POND. HERBERT SAID THE COUNTY WOULD BE ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE IF THEY APPLIED FOR A GRANT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISING IF THE PARKS WERE COUNTY PROPERTY, THEY NEEDED TO BE ON THE COUNTY'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST.

JANET JONES SAID IT WAS HER UNDERSTANDING BOAT LAKE WAS NOT COUNTY OWNED; IT IS LEASED BACK TO THE COUNTY. HOWEVER, SHE SAID THE OTHER PARKS ARE COUNTY OWNED.

GLEN ZANETIC SAID GRANTS HAD ALREADY BEEN APPLIED FOR ON THE LIST OF PARKS WALLER WAS SPEAKING OF FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS; WILDER PARK AND GAP AND MSBU ACTUALLY PAVED BOAT LAKE.

GLEN SAID THE LIST THEY WILL SUBMIT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION IS FOUR DIFFERENT SITES WITHIN SUNNY HILLS AND ARE COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY. PERSONALLY, HE RECOMMENDED LEAVING THESE SITES UNDER THE COUNTY. HE SAID THE LIST THEY WILL PROVIDE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION WILL BE A COUNTY LIST; SUNNY HILLS IS COUNTY TOO.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO LEAVE THE PARK SITES IN SUNNY HILLS UNDER THE COUNTY AS WELL AS THE FOUR DIFFERENT SITES GLENN WILL SUBMIT TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

DON WALTERS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIS UNDERSTANDING THE BOARD HAD CUT THE ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. HE SAID HE DIDN'T PUT IN AN IDOL BUDGET REQUEST; HE NEEDED WHAT HE ASKED FOR. DON POINTED OUT OHSCD ALWAYS HELPS THE COUNTY AND DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY WOULD CUT HIS BUDGET FOR A FULL TIME SECRETARY. HE SAID \$25,000 WAS NOT MUCH MONEY AND THE COUNTY GETS BACK 100 TIMES THAT MUCH.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADVISED THE BOARD HAD CUT ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION'S BUDGET BY \$5,000. DON SAID HE COULDN'T HIRE A SECRETARY AND PURCHASE SUPPLIES FOR \$20,000. HE EXPRESSED HIS DISAPPOINTMENT THE BOARD WOULD CUT \$5,000 FROM THE OHSCD BUDGET.

DON REQUESTED THE BOARD PLEASE RECONSIDER THEIR ACTION, AS HE DIDN'T PUT THE \$25,000 IN AS AN IDLE FIGURE TO BE CUT OR TO BE RAISED.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REPORTED ON THE VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY TOTALLING \$2,080,001.80. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR JULY 2006.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO GET THE TRANSMISSION FIXED IN ONE OF HIS INMATE CREW TRUCKS AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$1200. HE ADDRESSED THE TRUCK WAS NEEDED TO PULL A TRAILER AND IF THE TRANSMISSION WAS REPAIRED, THE COUNTY COULD GET A COUPLE OF MORE YEARS USAGE FROM IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF GETTING THE TRANSMISSION REPAIRED ON THE INMATE CREW TRUCK WITH FUNDING TO COME FROM CONTINGENCY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED HIM MAKING A MOTION TO APPROVE OF REDUCING THE ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION BY \$5,000 THIS MORNING. HE SAID IF THE BOARD WANTED TO MAKE A CHANGE, HE WOULD AGREE TO INCREASE THE BUDGET BACK TO THE REQUESTED AMOUNT OF \$25,000. HE POINTED OUT WALTERS DID A LOT IN DISTRICT 4.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED SOIL CONSERVATION'S BUDGET BE DISCUSSED WHEN THEY GET BACK INTO THEIR BUDGET WORKSHOP.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE BALLFIELDS NEEDING TO BE REWORKED ACROSS FROM THE VERNON HIGH SCHOOL DUE TO THE PROBLEM OF NOT BEING ABLE TO KEEP THE GRASS OUT OF THE CLAY THAT IS THERE NOW. HE REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FOR THE INMATE CREWS TO TAKE OUT THE OLD CLAY AND PUT MORE CLAY IN.

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

COMMISSIONER COPE HAD A REQUEST FROM DAVID CORBIN FOR A VACUMN CLEANER FOR THE CLEANING CREW. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR AN INDUSTRIAL TYPE VACUMN CLEANER.

COMMISSIONER COPE REPORTED ON THE QUOTE DAVID HAD FOR A VACUMN CLEANER AND HE WAS WANTING TWO IF THE BOARD COULD APPROVE IT; THE COST WAS \$375.56 EACH.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE PURCHASE OF TWO VACUMN CLEANERS FOR THE CLEANING CREW.

COMMISISONER COPE ADDRESSED RONNIE MCDANIEL HAVING A PROBLEM WITH DUCK WEED TAKING OVER HIS POND. MCDANIEL HAS HAD BIOLOGISTS COME IN FROM THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION; THEY RECOMMENDED HE SPRAY THE POND. MCDANIEL REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO USE THE COUNTY SPRAYER TO SPRAY THE DUCK WEED AND WOULD NEED TO SPRAY SEVERAL TIMES; THEY COULD ONLY SPRAY A SMALL PORTION EACH TIME.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF RONNIE MCDANIEL USING THE COUNTY SPRAYER ASSUMING IT IS LEGAL FOR THE COUNTY TO LEND IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE NEED OF A LAWNMOWER FOR HIS INMATE CREW AND RWQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO USE HIS MATERIAL MAINTENANCE MONIES TO PURCHASE ONE. HE GAVE A STATE BID PRICE OF \$6,300 FOR A 23HP SKAGG AT LANES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO CHECK WITH DAVID TO SEE IF HE WOULD RATHER HAVE A TRIMMER THAN A LAWNMOWER. COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND COPE SAID THEY HAD BEEN WELL PLEASED WITH THE TRIMMERS THEIR CREWS USE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO PURCHASE EITHER A TRIMMER OR A LAWNMOWER, WHICHEVER HE WANTS, OUT OF HIS MATERIALS BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SHOWED THE BOARD PICTURES OF PROBLEMS AT WHITE DOUBLE WITH CABLES HAVING BEEN CUT AND GUARD RAILS BEING DOWN. HE ALSO HAD A PICTURE OF REPAIRS NEEDING TO BE DONE ON COUNTRY BOULEVARD. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON REPAIRS AT LITARD LOG THAT NEEDED TAKING CARE OF.

GLEN SAID LITARD LOG REPAIRS WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF ON MONDAY. ON WHITE DOUBLE, GLEN SAID THE STEPS NEEDED TO BE TAKEN OUT AS IT IS MORE LIKE A LADDER RATHER THAN STEPS. HE ADDRESSED THE NEED TO GO IN AND BUILD A STEP SYSTEM IF THEY WANT STEPS THERE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED GLEN IF HIS CREW COULD TAKE CARE OF THE PROBLEMS OR DID THE COUNTY CREWS NEED TO TAKE CARE OF IT; IT HAS GOTTEN TO BE BEYOND THE TIME IT NEEDED TO BE FIXED.

GLEN SAID HIS CREW WOULD GET SOME OF THE REPAIRS DONE. THE BEST WAY TO REPAIR THE RAMP IS TO GET THE CONCRETE OUT AND PUT ANOTHER RAMP IN AT WHITE DOUBLE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID WHATEVER NEEDS TO BE DONE NEEDS TO BE DONE; THERE NEEDS TO BE A PLAN AND NOT KEEP SAYING IT WOULD BE HARD TO DO.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED DAVID CORBIN TO FOLLOW UP ON THE WHITE DOUBLE AND LITARD LOG REPAIR ISSUES. DAVID REPORTED THE BOARD HAD PUT GLEN IN CHARGE OF THE MAINTENANCE ON THE PARKS IN SUNNY HILLS. HE SAID THEY BELONG TO THE COUNTY AND IF THE BOARD TELLS HIM TO DO IT, HE WILL DO SO.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THERE WERE SOME BOAT RAMP MONIES TO CORRECT THE PROBLEMS WITH DAVID ADVISING THERE WAS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED DAVID IF THE PROBLEM COULD BE FIXED. DAVID SAID THEY WOULD NEED TO GET CLIFF TO GO AND LOOK AT IT; HE WOULD HAVE TO BUILD IT BY THE SPECS OF THE ENGINEER.

WHEN COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY IT WOULD NEED AN ENGINEER, DAVID SAID IF THEY MOVE TWENTY CUBIC YARDS OF FILL OUT OF A WATERWAY THEY HAVE TO HAVE IT ENGINEERED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY WOULDN'T BE TAKING ANY FILL FROM WHITE DOUBLE. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE ENGINEER HAD DONE THE PARK AT VERNON; DAVID ADVISED HE DID.

CLIFF SAID HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO LOOK AT WHITE DOUBLE POND. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THERE NEEDS TO BE A PLAN TO MOVE FORWARD IN CORRECTING THE PROBLEMS; THEY DON'T NEED TO KEEP SAYING IT IS A TOUGH JOB.

DAVID AND GLEN AGREED TO WORK TOGETHER AND GET THE PROBLEMS CORRECTED AT WHITE DOUBLE AND LITARD LOG.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON BEV KILMER HAVING CONTACTED HIM SEVERAL TIMES ABOUT A PROPOSAL SHE HAS READY TO SEND IN FOR LOBBYING SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GO OUT FOR BIDS BEFORE ACCEPTING ANY PROPOSALS FOR LOBBYING SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED ROGER HAGAN, WHO IS AN INHOUSE EMPLOYEE, WOULD BE A VERY GOOD PERSON TO LOBBY FOR THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD MEMBERS COULD DO A LOT OF LOBBYING THEMSELVES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE HAD RECEIVED A PHONE CALL CONCERNING BEV KILMER LOBBYING FOR THE COUNTY; IT MAY BE A NEGATIVE RESPONSE FROM SOME OF THE LEGISLATORS IN TALLAHASSEE IF THEY USE BEV KILMER. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD BE CAREFUL ON WHO THEY DO HIRE AND REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING TOLD KILMER WHEN SHE ADDRESSED THEM, THEY WOULD CONSIDER USING HER TO LOBBY FOR THE COUNTY. HE SAID THE BOARD MAY WANT TO RETHINK THAT DECISION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HIS SUGGESTION WAS IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO HIRE A LOBBYIST, THEY SHOULD ADVERTISE FOR RFP'S AND CONSIDER MORE THAN ONE. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO TABLE THIS ISSUE UNTIL AFTER THE BUDGET WORKSHOP.

CHAIRMAN SAPP RECESSED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS BEFORE PROCEEDING ON WITH THE BUDGET WORKSHOP.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, CHAIRMAN SAPP RECONVENED THE MEETING.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 26 OF THE BUDGET WORKSHOP NOTES ON MENTAL HEALTH. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE CULTURAL SERVICES BUDGET. ADMINISTRA- TOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THERE BEING A REQUEST FROM THE LITERACY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM FOR A \$5,000 INCREASE.

THE BOARD FELT THIS WAS A GOOD PROGRAM. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE CULTURAL SERVICES BUDGET AND \$5,000 INCREASE REQUESTED BY THE LITERACY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 28/PARKS AND RECREATION. ADMINISTRA- TOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PARKS AND RECREATION BEING BROKEN OUT INTO PARK & RECREATION, INMATE CREW SUPERVISORS, INMATE CLEANING CREW AND SOD FARM.

HERBERT ADDRESSED THERE BEING A CLERICAL ONE POSITION AND ADDITIONAL INMATE CREW SUPERVISOR FOR DISTRICT FIVE FUNDED.

HERBERT REPORTED ON THERE BEING A \$3,000 INCREASE FROM DR. TODD ANDERSON UNDER THE ANIMAL CONTROL BUDGET; ANDERSON LISTED HIS PAYROLL, THE UTILITIES, MAINTENANCE, UPKEEP OF THE FACILITIES AND GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES AS THE REASON FOR THE INCREASE.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE THOUGHT THE \$3,000 WAS ABOVE THE CONTRACTURAL AGREEMENT OF THE CPI INCREASE EACH YEAR. COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY BEING UNDER THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS ALLOWED EACH MONTH ALSO.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID HE THOUGHT THE PROGRAM WAS REALLY WORKING WELL WITH COPE AGREEING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED HIM HAVING HEARD A LOT OF STATIC ON ORANGE HILL PARK; HE REQUESTED A \$1,000 BE PUT IN THE BUDGET FOR PARK AND RECREATION TO PURCHASE SOME BLOCK FOR THE ORANGE HILL PARK.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED WHY THERE WAS A NEED FOR ANOTHER SECRETARY FOR PARK AND RECREATION AND ASKED IF IT IS JUSTIFIABLE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE PARK AND RECREATION BUDGET, LESS THE CLERICAL POSITION AND ADD \$1,000 FOR BLOCK TO FINISH THE ORANGE HILL PARK BUILDING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHAT DID THE BOARD APPROVE FOR THE SOD FARM. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE BOARD APPROVED OF ALL THE SOD FARM'S BUDGET REQUEST. SHE EXPLAINED IT USE TO BE ALL UNDER DAVID AND STILL IS; HOWEVER, IT IS BROKEN OUT IN ITS OWN SEPARATE DIVISION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED DAVID HAVING TOLD HIM ALL THE MONEY THEY GOT FOR HAY WENT BACK TO THE GENERAL FUND. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID GENERAL FUND FUNDS THE PARK AND RECREATION BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING TAKEN ACTION IN THE PAST WHEN COMPUTER EQUIPMENT WAS SOLD TO PUT IT BACK TOWARD THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE BECAUSE THE GENERAL FUND FUNDS THE COMPUTER DEPARTMENT TOO. SHE SAID THE MONIES FROM SALE OF THE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT WAS PUT AGAINST A LINE ITEM IN THE COMPUTER BUDGET. SHE HAS TOLD THE ADMINISTRATOR AND THE BUDGET COMMITTEE THIS SHOULDN'T HAPPEN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT DIDN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE TO HIM; HOWEVER, THEY NEED TO BE CONSISTENT.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID THEY WERE ALL FUNDED OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND AND WHEN A DEPARTMENT'S EQUIPMENT IS SOLD THAT IS FUNDED OUT OF GENERAL FUND, THE MONIES SHOULD GO BACK TO THE GENERAL FUND AND NOT THE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHAT WAS WRONG WITH THE SALE OF HAY GOING BACK TO THE SOD FARM. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID IT WOULD BE JUST LIKE THE BOARD HAD ASKED THE AG FUND MONIES BE DONE. BOARD FINANCE PUT IT IN A SEPARATE FUND WITH THE RENTAL FEES; HOWEVER, GENERAL FUND STILL FUNDS THE AG CENTER AS THE RENTAL FEES ARE NO WHERE NEAR ENOUGH TO COVER THE EXPENSES OF THE AG CENTER. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE ANIMAL CONTROL BUDGET AND THE \$3,000 INCREASE DR. ANDERSON HAD REQUESTED. THE BOARD TABLED ACTION ON THE ANIMAL CONTROL BUDGET UNTIL DR. ANDERSON COULD ADDRESS THEM WITH HIS BUDGET REQUEST.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 29/CITY RECREATION. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED CHIPLEY WAS FUNDED \$100,000, EBRO \$9,000, VERNON \$27,500 AND WAUSAU \$13,500. HE SAID THAT WAS THE SAME AMOUNT FUNDED FOR FY 2005-2006.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED EACH MUNICIPALITY PROVIDE A BUDGET BACK TO THE BOARD SO THEY CAN HAVE AN ACCOUNTABILITY OF WHERE THE MONIES ARE BEING SPENT.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE RECREATIONAL BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

ITEM 30 FOR THE STATE ATTORNEY BUDGET WAS DISCUSSED. ADMINISTRA- TOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BUDGET WAS INCREASED BY \$1600 FOR EQUIPMENT. DUE TO THERE BEING NO EXPLANATION IN THE BUDGET PACKET, THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO TABLE THIS BUDGET REQUEST UNTIL THEY GET AN EXPLANATION OF WHAT THE \$1600 WOULD BE USED FOR

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 31 FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED NO BUDGET HAS BEEN SUBMITTED SO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE FUNDED IT AT A 2% INCREASE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 32 ON THE CIRCUIT JUDGE BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE CIRCUIT JUDGE BUDGET DECREASED BY \$5,488 AND THESE EXPENSES ARE NOW FUNDED OUT OF ARTICLE FIVE. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE CIRCUIT JUDGE BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 33 ON THE COUNTY JUDGE BUDGET. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THE COUNTY JUDGE BUDGET DECREASED BY \$6,688 WITH THESE EXPENSES NOW BEING FUNDED UNDER ARTICLE V. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF COUNTY JUDGE BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 34 ON THE PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED A PART TIME POSITION FOR SUNNY HILLS WAS FUNDED. HE EXPLAINED WHEN THEY GET THE NEW COMMUNITY BUILDING AT SUNNY HILLS, THERE WAS GOING TO BE A LIBRARY THERE UNTIL THEY CAN GET A GRANT OR PURSUE THEIR OWN STAND ALONE LIBRARY. HE SAID THE POSITION WAS FUNDED AT \$20,869.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THIS WOULD BE PAID FROM THE INCREASE IN STATE AID GRANT MONIES THE LIBRARY IS GETTING. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION,

SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY BUDGET FOR FY 2006-2007 WITH THE PART TIME POSITION.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM 35 ON THE ASSISTANT 911 DIRECTOR POSITION. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE POSITION WAS FUNDED AT \$29,329.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WAS UNSURE IF THIS POSITION WAS REALLY NEEDED AS JERRY HAS ALWAYS DONE A REAL GOOD JOB; HE HAS NEVER KNOWN OF HIM BEING BEHIND WITH HIS WORK

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID JERRY BROCK, 911 DIRECTOR, WAS A ONE MAN SHOW; THERE NEEDS TO BE SOMEBODY WHO COULD FILL IN WHEN JERRY IS OUT OF THE OFFICE WHO WOULD BE FAMILIAR TO THE OPERATIONS OF THE 911.

ROGER HAGAN ADDRESSED JERRY DOING PICTOMETRY, GIS MANAGEMENT, ETC. IN ADDITION TO THE FUNCTIONS OF 911. HE SAID IF JERRY LEFT, NOT ONLY WOULD THEY NOT HAVE SOMEONE TO TAKE THIS OVER, HE SAID THE PEOPLE TRAFFIC IN THE EOC WING HAS WENT TO ALMOST ZERO SINCE JERRY HAS BEEN MOVED OUT. HE SAID THERE WAS NO BIGGER INTERRUPTION IN THE EOC WING THAN THE PEOPLE TRAFFIC. HE SAID HE THOUGHT JERRY'S INTENTION FOR HIS ASSISTANT WOULD BE TO LET THEM DO THE FIELD WORK AND HE WOULD CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THE 911 SYSTEM. ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS A NEEDED POSITION.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF JERRY HAD REQUESTED THE POSITION. ROGER SAID JERRY DID REQUEST THE POSITION AND HE HAD RECOMMENDED THE POSITION ON JERRY'S BEHALF FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS. HOWEVER, WHEN HE RECOMMENDED ON JERRY'S BEHALF, JERRY KEPT SAYING HE COULD DO THE JOB. ROGER SAID THAT WAS GOOD; BUT, JERRY COULD DIE OR OUIT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THAT WOULD MEAN THE ASSISTANT WOULD NEED A VEHICLE TOO. ROGER SAID HE DIDN'T THINK SO AND POINTED OUT, THEY ALREADY HAD A VEHICLE THAT WAS SATELLITE MOUNTED TO DO THE WORK AND BOTH OF THEM DON'T NEED TO BE OUT OF THE BUILDING AT THE SAME TIME. ROGER SAID HE WOULDN'T RECOMMEND THE VEHICLE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE ITEM 35 ON THE BUDGET WORKSHOP NOTES AND FUND THE ASSISTANT FOR 911.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THIS PERSON COULD FILL IN AS AN ASSISTANT FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THAT IS WHAT HE HAD RECOMMENDED TO BEGIN WITH.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE SALARY RANGE NEEDED TO BE \$12 AN HOUR. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IT WOULD HAVE TO BE WHATEVER THE CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATION IS FOR THE POSITION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT WOULD DEPEND ON WHETHER THE POSITION WOULD BE CALLED ASSISTANT 911 DIRECTOR OR A CLERICAL I POSITION. COMMISSIONER SAPP RECOMMENDED NOT CALLING THE POSITION AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AND CALL IT A CLERICAL OR CLERICAL PERSONNEL POSITION DUE TO THEM DOING CLERICAL WORK IN BOTH OFFICES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID MAYBE IF IT WORKS OUT, THEY MAY COULD RENAME THE POSITION AN ASSISTANT NEXT YEAR.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE OF HIRING A CLERICAL POSITION FOR 911 CARRIED.

ROGER ASKED WOULD THE BOARD BE RECEPTIVE TO HAVING THIS ISSUE BROUGHT BACK AT ANOTHER MEETING. HE SAID HE THOUGHT JERRY WAS ASKING FOR SOMEONE WITH MORE TECHNICAL AND MORE COMPUTER SATELLITE ORIENTED KNOWLEDGE THAN A CLERICAL POSITION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE AGREES THERE MAY BE A NEED THERE; BUT, HE ALSO LOOKS AT IT IF THEY ARE GETTING BY WITH THE PERSON IN THE OFFICE AND IN THE FIELD ALL DAY LONG NOW WITH ONE PERSON, IF THEY DOUBLE THAT, JERRY OR THE NEW HIRE COULD HELP OUT WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE. HE SAID THERE SHOULD BE SOME FLEXIBILITY IN THE OFFICE SOMEWHERE IF THEY ARE ADDING ON A NEW PERSON; THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DOUBLE JERRY'S RESPONSIBILITY TOMORROW.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IF THERE WERE ANY FURTHER DETAILS THAT NEEDED DISCUSSING, JERRY COULD MEET WITH THEM AT THEIR NEXT BUDGET WORKSHOP.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD TODAY ON ADDITIONS AND CUTS TO THE PROPOSED BUDGET WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WITH A REVISED BUDGET BROUGHT BACK TO THEM. HE RECOMMENDED HAVING ANOTHER BUDGET WORKSHOP ON SEPTEMBER 6TH AT 1:00 P.M.; THE COMMISSIONERS COULD HAVE INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS WITH MELISSA PROCTOR OF GSG ON IMPACT FEES ON THAT SAME DATE IN THE MORNING.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THE \$650,000 THE BOARD HAD APPROVED OUT OF LAND SALES FOR THE NEW EOC FACILITY IS IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ASKED WHAT NEEDED TO BE BUDGETED FOR THE ROLLING PINES PROJECT UNDER THE FLORIDA FOREVER GRANT AS THE COUNTY HAS A MATCH REQUIREMENT.

CLIFF KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ROLLING PINES PROJECT; THE BOARD HAS ALREADY HIRED SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS TO DO THE SURVEY BUT HE DOESN'T REMEMBER THE COST OF THE SURVEY. HE ADDRESSED THERE WOULD BE ABOUT \$20,000 IN SURVEY COSTS, ABOUT \$25,000 IN ENGINEERING AND THE INSPECTIONS ARE AN UNKNOWN. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SET UP THE INSPECTIONS HOURLY SO THE COUNTY WOULDN'T GET BILLED FOR ANY TIME THEY DON'T TAKE. HOWEVER, HE SAID HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW LONG THE PROJECT IS GOING TO TAKE; IT WILL DEPEND ON THE EQUIPMENT AND MANPOWER THE COUNTY COMMITS TO IT.

CLIFF SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING NOW IS THE COUNTY WOULD BE HIRING A CONTRACTOR TO PAVE ROLLING PINES ROAD AND POSSIBLY INSTALL THE BASE MATERIALS; THE COUNTY WOULD BE MOVING THE DIRT AROUND AND THE PROJECT IS BASICALLY A GIANT EARTHWORK PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED HIM HAVING TALKED TO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ABOUT THE NOTES PAYABLE THAT IS ALMOST PAID OUT AND POSSIBLY COULD BE PAID OUT THIS YEAR. HE SAID THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THE COUNTY COULD RENEW THAT NOTE OR A NOTE AND APPROPRIATE MONIES TO DO SOME PAVING WITH.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE BOARD COULD LOOK AT BORROWING MONIES FOR THREE TO FIVE YEARS TO DO PAVING AND SOME PROJECTS THE COUNTY HAS ONGOING. IF THE COUNTY CAN CONTINUE TO GAIN SOME SMALL COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANTS, HE ADDRESSED THEY COULD MAKE THE BORROWED MONIES GO FURTHER. HE SUGGESTED THE COUNTY GO AHEAD AND LOOK AT PAYING OFF THE NOTES PAYABLE THAT IS SCHEDULED TO BE PAID OFF NEXT YEAR AND LOOK AT BORROWING "X" NUMBER OF DOLLARS AND DIVIDING IT UP BETWEEN THE FIVE DISTRICTS TO DO FUTURE PAVING WITH. HE SAID HE WANTED TO DISCUSS THIS WITH THE BOARD IN THE MIDDLE OF TRYING TO FIND MONIES TO TRY AND DO DIFFERENT PROJECTS. PROJECTS. HE POINTED OUT THEY COULD ALL USE LAND SALE MONIES FOR THESE PROJECTS BUT KNEW THIS IS NOT WHERE THEY SHOULD COME FROM; A PROGRAM NEEDS TO BE DESIGNED AND EACH OF THE FIVE DISTRICTS RECEIVE FROM THAT PROGRAM AND DO WHAT THEY WANT TO DO IN THEIR DISTRICTS. HE SAID BY DOING THIS, IT WOULD BE DONE FAIRLY.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING LOOKED AT BORROWING MONIES AND PAYING IT OFF IN FOUR YEARS; HOWEVER, THEY NEED TO COME UP WITH A FIVE YEAR ROAD PAVING PLAN AND IRREGARDLESS OF WHAT DISTRICT IT IS IN, DO THE WORK WHERE THE NEED IS. HE ADDRESSED THE NEED TO SET CRITERIA FOR SELECTING ROADS; HE SAID HE HAD A FEAR OF DIVIDING UP MONIES BECAUSE EACH COMMISSIONER COULD ONLY DO A SMALL AMOUNT RATHER THAN COMPLETING A PROJECT IRREGARDLESS OF WHOSE DISTRICT IT IS IN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED THE BOARD NEEDED TO PREPARE A LIST OF ROADS USING CRITERIA ASSIGNED BY THE BOARD, GO DOWN THE LIST AND COMPLETE A PROJECT BASED ON THE CRITERIA. HE SAID THE BOARD COULD DEVELOP AN IMPROVED ROAD PLAN; EVEN IF THEY CAN'T PAVE IT, THEY COULD GET THE ROAD UP TO A CERTAIN POINT AND KNOW IT WILL BE THE NEXT ROAD TO BE PAVED.

CLIFF SAID HE HAD HELPED OTHER COUNTIES DEVELOP PAVING PROGRAMS; BASICALLY, THERE ARE THREE ELEMENTS YOU ALWAYS END UP WITH:

- 1. AMOUNT OF TRAFFIC OR NUMBER OF TRIPS ON THE ROAD
- 2. SAFETY ISSUES ON THE ROAD
- 3. MAINTENANCE COSTS

HE SAID IF YOU COULD FIND A WAY TO BALANCE ALL THREE OF THESE ELEMENTS, IT WOULD BE EASY TO SELECT WHICH ROADS ARE IMPORTANT TO A COMMUNITY.

HE SAID THE COUNTY COULD BUY TRAFFIC COUNTERS, SET THEM UP AND DO A 72 HOUR TRAFFIC COUNT ON SEVERAL DIFFERENT ROADS; HE SAID THERE WAS SOFTWARE THAT GENERATES A REPORT WITH THE INFORMATION NEEDED TO DEVELOP A FIVE YEAR PROGRAM.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR CLIFF TO ASSIST WITH DEVELOPING A FIVE YEAR ROAD PLAN FOR THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER FINCH VOLUNTEERED HIS SERVICES TO ASSIST WITH DEVELOPING A PLAN; HE SAID THERE WERE OTHER CRITERIA THAT NEEDED TO BE LOOKED AT TOO.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER CAUTIONED THE BOARD ON OBLIGATING ALL THE REVENUE FROM THE 5TH AND 6TH CENT GAS TAX FOR LOANS AND EXPLAINED IT HAS HAD TO BE USED IN THE PAST FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE OPERATIONS. SHE EXPLAINED, IF SOME OF THE EXPENSES HAD NOT BEEN TAKEN OUT FROM UNDER ROAD AND BRIDGE FOR FY 2006-2007, ROAD AND BRIDGE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN BALANCED TODAY. SHE ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAD A PRETTY GOOD ESTIMATED CASH CARRY FORWARD FOR FY 2006-2007 WHICH THEY MAY NOT HAVE NEXT YEAR. SHE REITERATED THE BOARD DIDN'T NEED TO OBLIGATE ALL OF THE 5TH AND 6TH CENT GAS TAX FOR DEBT SERVICE; THEY MAY HAVE TO USE IT FOR OPERATING PURPOSES AT PUBLIC WORKS.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO STAY WITHIN THEIR BUDGET, AS THERE IS VERY LITTLE CONTINGENCY LEFT AFTER THE ACTIONS THEY HAVE TAKEN TODAY IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO PRIOR BUDGETS WHERE THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO WORK LONG HOURS TO TRY AND BALANCE A BUDGET; THEY WOULD ALSO HAVE TO BORROW MONIES TO START THE YEAR WITH UNTIL THEY COULD GET IN SOME AD VALOREM TAXES.

COMMISSIONER COPE THANKED THE MEMBERS OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE, CLERK COOK AND THE BOARD FINANCE OFFICE FOR ALL THE TIME THEY HAVE SPENT ON THE BUDGET.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID, WITHOUT THE ASSISTANCE OF THE GIRLS IN BOARD FINANCE, SHE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PUT TOGETHER ALL THE BUDGET INFORMATION.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WANTED TO HOLD OFF ON THE PROPERTY, INLAND MARINE AND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE UNTIL THE NEXT BOARD MEETING TO LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT OPTIONS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRED TO HIM HAVING VOICED HIS OPINION THIS MORNING ABOUT POSSIBLY DROPPING THE PROPERTY INSURANCE COVERAGE DUE TO THE QUOTE PROVIDED BY PGIT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED CECELIA HAVING PROVIDED A NICE BREAKDOWN ON EACH OF THE DEDUCTIBLE OPTIONS OFFERED BY PGIT; HE SAID HE WOULD PUT THE INFORMATION IN EACH OF THE COMMISSIONER'S BOXES FOR THEIR REVIEW AND THEY COULD DISCUSS IT AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED LOOKING AT A HIGHER DEDUCTIBLE. COMMISSIONER SAPP POINTED OUT THEY WOULD ONLY BE LOOKING AT CUTTING THE PREMIUM \$21,000 BY INCREASING THE DEDUCTIBLE FROM \$1,000 TO \$25,000.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO DISCUSS THE INSURANCE OPTIONS AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE ISSUES WITH THE MANHOLE COVERS ON SOUTH BOULEVARD. CLIFF REITERATED A QUOTE HE HAD GOTTEN FROM C. W. ROBERTS TO JACKHAMMER THE FLOWABLE FILL OUT FROM AROUND THE MANHOLES, DROP THE TOPS DOWN IN ORDER TO PAVE AND RESET THE TOPS FOR \$1500 PER MANHOLE; THERE WAS A TOTAL OF ELEVEN MANHOLES.

HE SAID JIM MORRIS WITH THE CITY OF CHIPLEY WAS TRYING TO FIND A WAY TO GET IT DONE. HE REITERATED THERE WAS A PROJECT ON KAYES CORNER WHERE THERE WAS \$12,000 TO \$13,000 THAT HAS BEEN DEDUCTED FROM C. W. ROBERTS CONTRACT; THERE WOULD STILL BE A SHORTAGE OF \$4,000 TO CORRECT THE MANHOLE PROBLEM. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF IT WAS SOMETHING THE CITY AND COUNTY NEEDED TO WORK OUT OR IF IT IS SOMETHING THE COUNTY NEEDS TO DO.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED JIM IF THE CITY'S CONTRACTOR CAN WORK OUT THE PROBLEM. COPE EXPLAINED THERE WAS ONE MANHOLE ON HIGHWAY 77 THAT SHOULDN'T HAVE EVEN BEEN RAISED; THAT IS NOT EVEN GOING TO BE RESURFACED. HE SAID THERE WAS

ONE ACROSS HIGHWAY 77 WHERE THE CONTRACTOR DIDN'T PAVE ALL THE WAY BACK OUT TO THE SHOULDER OF THE ROAD.

JIM EXPLAINED HE WAS JUST MADE AWARE OF THE PROBLEM WITH THE MANHOLES YESTERDAY. HE SAID HE WAS IN A MEETING A WHILE BACK ON THE PROJECT AND EVERYTHING WAS FINE; YESTERDAY HE FINDS OUT IT IS NOT FINE.

CLIFF SAID HE HAD MET WITH MARK SCHAFFER AND THE CONTRACTOR YESTERDAY AND LOOKED AT THE MANHOLES. JIM SAID HE HAD TALKED TO ONE PERSON AND WAS TOLD EVERYTHING WAS FINE; THEY HAD DONE THE MANHOLES ACCORDING TO WHAT THEY HAD BEEN TOLD TO DO. HOWEVER, HE SAID IF IT WAS NOT RIGHT AND NOT DONE TO SPECIFICATIONS PUT OUT, THE CITY WILL MAKE THE CONTRACTOR GO BACK AND DO THEM RIGHT.

COMMISSIONER COPE ASKED IF THE MANHOLES WERE DONE TO SPECIFICA- TIONS. CLIFF REITERATED THEY HAD ASKED THE CONTRACTOR TO LEAVE THE MANHOLES 1 1/2" HIGH; SOME OF THEM ARE AND SOME ARE HIGHER THAN THAT. HE SAID THE RISERS USED ON THE MANHOLES WERE FLAT RISERS; WHEN THE CONTRACTOR SET THE MANHOLE TOPS ON IT, ALL THEY COULD DO WAS LEAVE A FLAT MANHOLE. HE SAID WHEN YOU ARE IN THE TRAVEL LANE OF THE ROAD, THERE IS A 2" CROSS SLOPE; RIGHT NOW, ALL THE MANHOLES ARE FLAT BUT THE ROAD IS AT A 2" CROSS SLOPE. HE SAID IF HE TRANSITIONS TO TIE INTO THE FLAT MANHOLES, THERE WOULD BE A FLAT SECTION OF ROADWAY. HE SAID THEY DIDN'T WANT THIS; IT WOULD NOT RIDE RIGHT, DRAIN RIGHT, ETC.

JIM ASKED WHAT THE CITY NEEDED TO DO. CLIFF SAID HE HAD TALKED WITH COMMISSIONER COPE ABOUT HAVING THE CONTRACTOR TAKE THE TOPS OFF THE MANHOLES AND PUT A STEEL PLATE DOWN. HE SAID HE WOULD GET C.W. ROBERTS TO PUT THE MANHOLES BACK AFTER THEY ARE DONE PAVING; THIS WOULD PROBABLY CUT THEIR COSTS IN HALF. HE SAID PART OF THE PROBLEM NOW IS THE BACKFLOW WAS PUT IN WITH FLOWABLE FILL; IT WILL HAVE TO BE JACKHAMMERED OUT.

JIM AND CLIFF AGREED TO GET TOGETHER ON MONDAY AND MAKE IT WORK OUT SOMEHOW.

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