

BOARD MINUTES FOR 02/09/06

FEBRUARY 9, 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 SAPP, STRICKLAND, COPE, CORBIN AND FINCH PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND CLERK COOK WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF HADDOCK PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERED PRAYER WITH CHAIRMAN SAPP LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 15, 2005 AND JANUARY 5, 2006.

MARY PELLETIER, COUNTRY OAKS LEARNING CENTER, THANKED SEVERAL PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF THE LEARNING CENTER INCLUDING THE COUNTY COMMISSION, CALVIN STEVENSON AND THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR ALLOWING THEM TO USE THE OLD VERNON MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, WASHINGTON COUNTY LIBRARIAN, LINDA NORTON, FOR DONATION OF BOOKS AND ASSISTING WITH GETTING A PHONE LINE, WEST FLORIDA ELECTRIC FOR PROVIDING INTERNET SERVICE, THE CITY OF CHIPLEY FOR DONATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION, DON WALTERS, ETC. SHE TOLD THE BOARD THEY WERE DOING A WONDERFUL JOB, CONTINUE DOING IT AND EVEN THOUGH THEY MAY NOT SEE IT, THE MONIES THEY FUND OTHERS FUNNELS DOWN TO HELP THE LEARNING CENTER AS WELL AS OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

MARY WHEELER AND HER DAUGHTER, CHRISTINA, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HOW THE LEARNING CENTER HAS HELPED THEM AND THEIR FAMILY GET AN EDUCATION AND THANKED MS. PELLETIER FOR HER HELP. CHRISTINA TOLD THE BOARD SHE WAS NOW MAKING GOOD GRADES.

CHAIRMAN SAPP READ THE WORDING ON THE PLAQUE TO BE PRESENTED TO DAN COLLETTI ON BEHALF OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ALL HIS SERVICES OVER THE YEARS DURING DISASTER TIMES.

ROGER HAGAN SPOKE ON COLLETTI HAVING PERFORMED AN INVALUABLE SERVICE TO THE COUNTY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THEN PRESENTED THE PLAQUE TO HIM.

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

A. LIFE MANAGEMENT CENTER INVOICE FOR BAKER ACT SERVICES PROVIDED TO WASHINGTON COUNTY RESIDENTS FOR DECEMBER 2005 TOTALLING \$6,240.61.

B. KINGS DISCOUNT DRUGS, INC. INVOICE FOR PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE FOR INMATES IN THE CARE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY TOTALLING \$5,298.13.

C. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES RESOLUTION APPLYING FOR EMS GRANT FUNDING FOR FY 05/06 TOTALLING \$29,774.

D. CAROLINA COT SERVICES INVOICE FOR \$6,000 TO PURCHASE TWO STRETCHERS FOR EMS

CHAIRMAN SAPP ADVISED THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OF OUTBOARD OR INBOARD MOTORS ON BOAT LAKE THAT WAS LISTED UNDER PUBLIC HEARINGS WAS ADVERTISED TO BE HELD AT THE FEBRUARY 23RD 5:00 P.M. MEETING.

STEVE CHRISTOPHER, PETER BROWN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL RENOVATIONS. HE HAD PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A BOOKLET OF INFORMATION ON THE RENOVATIONS AND REPORTED ON THE PROJECT BEING OVER THE BUDGETED AMOUNT DUE TO:

A. INFLATION OF CONSTRUCTION PRICES

B. WORK CLIMATE-IT IS HARD TO GET SUBCONTRACTORS DUE TO THEM BEING VERY BUSY AND SOME OF THE LOCAL SUBCONTRACTORS ARE TRAVELLING TO OTHER AREAS TO WORK BECAUSE THEY HAVE STEADY WORK

C. CHANGE HAD TO BE MADE TO REVISE HOLLOW CORE PLANKS TO POURED-IN-PLACE CONCRETE AT CELL CEILINGS

D. THE SUPPORT WALL IN THE CHASE WHERE THE SHOWERS ARE LOCATED HAD TO BE CUT, A NEW BEAM HAD TO BE POURED FOR THE SUPPORT TO REPLACE IT TO GET THE ROOM NECESSARY FOR THE AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AND A NEW SHOWER THAT HAD TO BE INSTALLED

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHEN THE BOARD GAVE PETER BROWN CONSTRUCTION THE JAIL RENOVATION PROJECT. STEVE ADVISED IT WAS PROBABLY AROUND JUNE OF 2005.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHY SUCH A LONG TIME FRAME TO GET THE PROJECT UNDERWAY TO GIVE THE CONSTRUCTION PRICES THE OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE. HE ALSO REFERRED TO HIS UNDERSTANDING THE JAIL WAS SUPPOSE TO BE CONSTRUCTED WHERE THE RECREATIONAL AREA COULD BE CONVERTED INTO ANOTHER POD AT ANY TIME AND QUESTIONED WHY SOME OF THE THINGS STEVE MENTIONED HAD TO BE DONE NOW WASN'T PLANNED AT THAT TIME.

STEVE AGREED THE TIME FRAME HAD BEEN A LONG TIME; THEY DIDN'T GET THE DRAWINGS AS SOON AS THEY HAD WANTED TO AND THEY WANTED TO GET THEM OUT TO AS MANY BIDDERS AS THEY COULD AND TALK TO AS MANY PEOPLE AS THEY COULD. THEREFORE, STEVE ADDRESSED THEM HAVING GONE THROUGH A TWO PHASE REVIEW PROCESS TO TRY AND MAKE SURE THEY HAD EVERYTHING THE SHERIFF AND HIS DEPARTMENT WAS LOOKING FOR.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN IF HIS OFFICE HAD DONE THE DRAWINGS ON THE JAIL RENOVATION, STEVE ADVISED PETER BROWN CONSTRUCTION DIDN'T DO THE DRAWINGS OR ANY ARCHITECTURAL WORK.

STEVE EXPLAINED THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO USE A LOT OF WHAT IS AT THE JAIL; THEY ARE NOT TOUCHING THE ROOF, THE UPPER STRUCTURAL STABILITY, THE CONTROL ROOM GLASS, DOORS, ETC. HE ADDRESSED SINCE THERE WAS NO WAY TO KNOW WHERE THEY MAY WANT TO PUT TOILET FIXTURES, SHOWERS, ETC., THEY HAVE TO BREAK THE SLAB UP TO GET TO THE PLUMBING; HAD THEY GUESSED AND PUT SOME OF THE PLUMBING IN, THEY COULD HAVE SAVED SOME MONIES WITH THE RENOVATIONS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED THE ORIGINAL JAIL COST AND REFERRED TO THE COST OF DOING THE RENOVATIONS. STEVE SAID THE ORIGINAL JAIL COST WAS \$4.4 MILLION AND TO REPLACE IT NOW WOULD COST \$8 MILLION TO \$9 MILLION.

STEVE ADDRESSED IT BEING A DIFFICULT AREA TO WORK IN AND THEY HAVE SOME COMPLEXITY FACTORS; THE ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL WERE MORE THAN THEY WERE EXPECTING. HE SAID THE AIR CONDITIONING PRICE RECEIVED WAS \$55,000.

COMMISSIONER COPE REFERRED TO THE PRICES PROVIDED BY STEVE DID NOT INCLUDE THE ARCHITECTURAL COST; THE COUNTY HAS A SEPARATE CONTRACT WITH CRA, INC. FOR THOSE SERVICES.

WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE OVERAGE FOR THE JAIL RENOVATIONS, STEVE ADVISED IT ORIGINALLY STARTED OUT AT ABOUT \$350,000 LAST SUMMER. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE PRICE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD SHOWED AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$530,000 AND THE ARCHITECTURAL FEES WOULD NEED TO BE ADDED.

SHERIFF HADDOCK ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THIS BEING THE FIRST TIME HE HAS ACTUALLY LOOKED AT THE FEES AND BREAKDOWN BUT IT IS EXTREMELY HIGHER THAN THE ORIGINAL ESTIMATE PROVIDED. HE RECOMMENDED TABLING THE AGREEMENT UNTIL HE CAN HAVE TIME TO REVIEW THE INFORMATION TO SEE WHAT OTHER OPTIONS THEY DO HAVE OR IF THERE IS ANY OTHER OPTIONS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED HOW LONG WERE THE PRICES LISTED GOOD AND HOW SOON IS THE SPACE NEEDED. SHERIFF HADDOCK REPORTED HE COULD HAVE USED THE SPACE LAST WEEK; HOWEVER, THEY ARE MONITORING THE SPACE AND WORKING WITH OTHER AGENCIES ON WHAT THEY NEED TO DO ABOUT MOVING PEOPLE IN AND OUT WITHOUT COMPROMISING THE SECURITY OF THE COMMUNITY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED HOW MUCH MORE REVENUE FROM THE FEDERAL LEVEL WOULD BE GENERATED FROM THE ADDITIONAL SPACE AT THE JAIL. SHERIFF HADDOCK REPORTED THIS WOULD BE ON A DAY TO DAY BASIS; HE COULD GO BACK AND ASK THE FEDERAL PRISON FOR MORE INMATES AND SAID IF HE HAD TWENTY FIVE MORE SPACES, HE MAY COULD DOUBLE THE REVENUE BEING GENERATED. HE SAID HIS INTENT WAS TO TRY AND

PAY FOR THE RENOVATIONS FROM THE HOUSING OF THE FEDERAL INMATES AS WELL AS PAY FOR OTHER THINGS THEY MAY NEED TO DO FOR THE FUTURE GROWTH OF THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED THE NUMBER OF TRUSTEES HOUSED AT THE COUNTY JAIL THAT GO OUT AND WORK; CAPTAIN BARNES ADVISED THERE WAS AN AVERAGE OF 20 TO 30 INMATES GOING OUT AND WORKING NOT COUNTING THE STATE INMATES.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED IF BUILDING A BLOCK BUILDING TO HOUSE THE TRUSTEES WOULD HELP. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID THIS COULD BE LOOKED AT AND IT COULD BE AN OPTION; HE REITERATED THE NEED TO LOOK AT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY PETER BROWN CONSTRUCTION AND BRING BACK A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID, IN FAIRNESS TO STEVE, HE REALIZES THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS HAVE RISEN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE AGREED THE RENOVATIONS WERE NEEDED BUT COMMENTED THE PROBLEMS THEY RUN INTO WITH SUCH ISSUES AS THIS IS A PROJECTION IS MADE, THE COSTS COME IN HIGHER THAN EXPECTED AND THE BOARD SAYS THEY HAVE TO DO IT. HOWEVER, WHEN IT COMES TO ISSUES LIKE EMPLOYEE INSURANCE, FINCH SAID THEY GET QUOTES AND DETERMINE THEY ARE TOO HIGH FOR THEM TO PAY. HE SAID HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE WHEN THEY START SPENDING THEIR MONIES, THEY HAVE THEIR PRIORITIES IN ORDER TO TAKE CARE OF WHAT THEY NEED TO TAKE CARE OF FIRST.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO TABLE PLANS TO RENOVATE A RECREATION POD INTO A HOUSING POD AT THE JAIL. STEVE SAID THE PRICES HE HAD PROVIDED WERE GOOD THROUGH FEBRUARY 22ND; HOWEVER, THAT IS NOT TO SAY THEY COULDN'T GO BACK TO SOME OF THE SUBCONTRACTORS AND NEGOTIATE A TIME EXTENSION. STEVE ALSO SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GET WITH THE SHERIFF, COMMISSIONER COPE AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ON SOME OPTIONS THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE TO REDUCE THE COST.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF STEVE THOUGHT HE COULD GET TIME EXTENSIONS ON THE BIDS HE PROVIDED UNTIL THE 23RD OF FEBRUARY; STEVE SAID HE THOUGHT HE COULD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THERE IS A POSSIBILITY PRICES COULD GO DOWN IF THE TREND OF BUILDING SLOWS UP SOMEWHAT BUT THEN IT MAY GO THE OPPOSITE WAY TO. STEVE AGREED AND SAID UNFORTUNATELY RIGHT NOW, THEY HAVE HAD NEW PROJECTS THAT WENT ON HOLD ABOUT A YEAR AGO AND NOW THEY ARE SAD THEY WAITED BECAUSE THEY ARE NOW IN A CRISIS AND THEY HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO MOVE FORWARD. STEVE DID SAY THERE WERE SOME INDICATIONS OF SOME THINGS COMING DOWN IN PRICE SUCH AS REBAR; HOWEVER, EVERY INDICATION THEY HAVE, THEY DON'T SEE THE MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS UNLOADING RIGHT NOW.

COMMISSIONER COPE REQUESTED STEVE TO GO BY AND CHECK ON A PROBLEM AT THE LIBRARY FACILITY. STEVE REPORTED THEY HAD SENT AN ESTIMATOR BY AND WILL TAKE CARE OF THE ISSUE AT THE LIBRARY.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO TABLE THE RENOVATIONS AT THE JAIL CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. THE BOARD AGREED TO DISCUSS THE JAIL RENOVATIONS AT THEIR FEBRUARY 23RD MEETING.

GEORGE BELL, SPOKESPERSON FOR CRYSTAL LAKE RESIDENTS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD REQUESTING HELP WITH SIKES SAND PIT; HE WENT OVER THE SITUATION SIKES SAND PIT IS CAUSING THEM:

A. HE SHOWED THE BOARD WHERE THE PROBLEM WAS OCCURRING ON A MAP EXPLAINING IT WOULD BE IN DIFFERENT AREAS OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE AND ON EMERALD LAKE DRIVE.

B. HE SHOWED WHERE THE SIKES SAND PIT HAD ORIGINALLY STARTED AND WHERE IT HAD EXPANDED TO THE INNER BOUNDS OF HIGHWAY 77 AND CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE

C. THE RESIDENTS DIDN'T REALIZE THE MAGNITUDE OF THE SIKES SAND PIT; THEY WERE NOT INFORMED OF WHAT WAS HAPPENING BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT PROPERTY OWNERS NEXT TO THE SAND PIT SITE.

D. THE RESIDENTS FOUND OUT SIKES IS INTENDING TO EXPAND THE SAND PIT EVEN MORE; THE AREA AROUND EMERALD LAND TO AMESTHYST DRIVE WAS BEING SURVEYED AND ONE OF THE RESIDENTS CALLED AND ASKED THE INTENT OF THE SURVEYING. THE RESIDENT WAS INFORMED SIKES WAS GOING TO EXTEND THE PIT FROM 50' TO 150' ON EMERALD LAND AND EXTEND THE PIT ACROSS CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE TOWARD CRYSTAL LAKE. SIKES HAS

DONE CORE SAMPLES AND IS DOING EVERYTHING IN HIS POWER TO BUY UP PROPERTY ALL THE WAY TO CRYSTAL VILLAGE. IF HE CAN DO THAT, HE WILL BE DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO THE LAKE AND TO SOME RESIDENTS.

E. THEIR CONCERN IS WHAT THE PIT WILL DO TO THEIR PROPERTY VALUES AND TO THEIR HEALTH; HE SHOWED THE BOARD WHERE SIKES HAS ALREADY MINED AND WHERE HE PLANNED ON MINING.

F. WHEN A RESIDENT CALLED AND ASKED HOW CLOSE COULD THE PIT COME WITHIN THEIR PROPERTY, SHE WAS TOLD WITHIN 50'; THIS RESIDENT HAS THREE CHILDREN. IF THE EXPANSION OF THE PIT IS ALLOWED TO HAPPEN, THEY CAN COME DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM HIS (BELL'S) PROPERTY AND GO ALL THE WAY AROUND MR. MOBLEY'S PROPERTY; IT WILL ALSO DEPRECIATE THE VALUE OF THE ENTIRE PROPERTY.

G. BELL SHOWED PICTURES STATING DURING A WIND, IT IS SAND AND DUST WHERE IT IS ALREADY BEING MINED; SHORT OF THAT, IT IS NOT SAND AND DUST BECAUSE IT HAS NOT BEEN MINED YET. HE SAID THE SAND AND DUST WOULD EVENTUALLY BE ALL THE WAY AROUND EMERALD LAND AND CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE; IT IS CAPABLE OF BLOWING FROM THE PIT ALL THE WAY ACROSS CRYSTAL LAKE. HE ADDRESSED PEOPLE, PETS AND ANIMALS WILL BE GETTING PARTICLES OF THE DUST FROM THE PIT.

BELL ADDRESSED THE PIT PROPERTY WAS POSTED AND NO ONE CAN GO AND SEE WHAT IS GOING ON; HE SHOWED THEM AN AREA WHERE THE PIT WAS WAY DEEPER THAN HIS WELL AND HIS WELL IS 57' INTO THE SPRINGS AND THE PIT IS OVER 150' DEEP NOW AND WILL CONTINUE OUT TOWARD THE RESIDENTS IF IT IS NOT STOPPED AT THIS POINT.

BELL EXPLAINED THE PIT WAS NOT ONLY UNSIGHTLY BUT THE SOUND IS UNREAL. HE SAID THEY LIVE IN ONE OF THE HIGHEST TAXED AREAS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THERE IS A LOT OF MONEY COMING INTO WASHINGTON COUNTY FROM THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS AT CRYSTAL LAKE. HE REFERRED TO THE OWNER OF THE PIT NOT LIVING AT CRYSTAL LAKE; MOST OF THE MONEY COMING OUT OF THE PIT IS GOING ELSEWHERE AND WASHINGTON COUNTY IS NOT GETTING THE BENEFIT FROM IT BUT ARE GETTING THE PROBLEMS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP INFORMED MR. BELL THE EXPANSION OF THE PIT HAS NOT COME BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION YET; HE ADDRESSED HIM BEING CERTAIN THE COMMISSIONERS WILL TAKE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BELL UNDER ADVISEMENT WHEN THE EXPANSION OF THE PIT IS REQUESTED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADVISED HE HAD SPOKEN WITH LINDA WALLER, PLANNING DEPARTMENT, AND SHE SAYS THAT SIKES CAN DO WHAT HE IS WANTING TO DO AT THE PIT.

BELL SAID THE RESIDENTS HAD ALSO HEARD THE OWNER IS PLANNING ON APPLYING FOR PERMITS TO TURN THE AREA INTO A SOLID WASTE DUMP; THAT WOULD RUIN THE AREA AS THERE WOULD BE A RODENT, COYOTE, MOSQUITO, ETC. PROBLEM AND THERE WOULD BE NO DIRT LEFT TO COVER IT UP. HE INFORMED THE BOARD THE RESIDENTS WANTED TO MAKE THEM AWARE OF ALL THEIR CONCERNS NOW SO THEY CAN PUT A STOP TO IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED, TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, THE COUNTY DOESN'T ALLOW ANY REFUSE PITS.

PAUL GORDY SAID HE NO LONGER OWNS PROPERTY IN CRYSTAL LAKE BUT WAS HERE ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS; THIS SAME THING HAPPENED IN BAY COUNTY WHEN THEY WANTED TO ESTABLISH A GARBAGE PIT IN THE AREA MR. BELL WAS TALKING ABOUT. GORDY SAID HE AND OTHERS GOT TOGETHER AND PUT UP \$10,000 OF THEIR OWN MONEY TO FIGHT AGAINST BAY COUNTY COMING ACROSS HIGHWAY 20 AND PUTTING IN A GARBAGE PIT; THEY DID NOT ASK THE BOARD FOR HELP BUT FOR SUPPORT. THEY HIRED AN ENVIRONMENTAL LAWYER FROM TALLAHASSEE AND IT WAS POINTED OUT WASHINGTON COUNTY CONTROLS THE BEGINNING POINT OF BAY COUNTY'S WATER SUPPLY AND BAY COUNTY SELLS IT TO EVERYBODY IN WEST FLORIDA. BAY COUNTY CEASED THEIR OPERATION TO TRY AND GET A GARBAGE PIT THERE BECAUSE WASHINGTON COUNTY WAS GOING TO GET POLLUTION IF THEY DID SO.

GORDY SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS 10,000 ACRES AND WITHIN THIS ACREAGE THERE IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SPRINGS THAT SUPPLIES DEER POINT LAKE; WASHINGTON COUNTY IS IN A PRICELESS SITUATION. HE SAID HE HAD ACCESS TO ONE OF THE MOST KNOWLEDGABLE ENVIRONMENTALIST LADIES IN THE UNITED STATES; SHE TOLD HIM TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO THAT HIS PROBLEM IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA WILL BE ONE THING,

WATER. GORDY SAID THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS THE RESIDENTS' TRUSTEES AND HAVE A VALUABLE JOB TO DO; THE RESIDENTS ARE PAYING THEM TO DO THE JOB AND THE COMMISSIONERS WANTED THE JOB. HE ASKED THEM TO REMEMBER THE RESIDENTS IN CRYSTAL LAKE; THEY ARE THEIR CITIZENS, THEY HAVE A VALUABLE INVESTMENT AND THEY NEED THE BOARD'S PROTECTION.

LINDA WALLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SIKES PIT BEING AN APPROVED SPECIAL EXCEPTION BACK IN 1998; LAMAR SIKES AT THAT TIME SAID THEY HAD MET ALL THE STATE REQUIREMENTS OF GAME AND FISH, FL-DEP, CORP OF ENGINEERS, COASTGUARD AND THEIR ENTRANCE TO THE PIT WAS TO COME OFF OF STATE ROAD 20, THERE WERE NO NEIGHBORS WITHIN 1/4 MILE FROM THE ENTRANCE ROAD AND ALL THE ENTRANCE ROADS WILL BE ON THEIR PROPERTY, THERE WON'T BE A MAINTENANCE PROBLEM FOR THE COUNTY NOR A DISTURBANCE TO THE PEOPLE AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE.

WALLER ADVISED THERE HAD BEEN COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE NOISE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS; HOWEVER, NO ONE EVER PURSUED IT ANY FURTHER AND SHE DOESN'T KNOW IF IT WAS EVER TAKEN CARE OF. WALLER ADDRESSED THE PERIMETERS OF THE SIKES PIT WOULD ENCOMPASS MOST OF THE BLOCK EXCEPT A CENTER BLOCK WHICH WAS IN PINE TREES. SHE SAID THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE TO COME UP BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION UNLESS SIKES MAKES APPLICATION TO EXPAND THE PIT; THEY CAN NOT LEGALLY EXPAND THE PIT OUTSIDE THE PERIMETERS OF THE ORIGINAL PLAN WITHOUT FILING FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND GOING THROUGH THE APPROVAL PROCESS WITH AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY, ETC. WITH THE STATE.

RICHARD AULT, RESIDENT OF CRYSTAL LAKE FOR 30 TO 35 YEARS, QUESTIONED THE BUFFER THAT SIKES WOULD HAVE TO STOP DIGGING COMING TOWARD CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. WALLER SAID IT WOULD APPEAR THERE WOULD BE A 25' BUFFER AND THEY ARE REQUIRED TO KEEP VEGETATION WITHIN THAT BUFFER. AULT SAID ANYONE COULD RIDE BY AND SEE SAND COMING ACROSS THE ROAD FROM THE PIT AND THE BUFFER IS NOT THERE.

AULT ADDRESSED DOLOMITE BEING PUT ON A PORTION OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE AND THE HOUSES IN THE AREA ARE JUST COVERED WITH DUST. HE REITERATED RESIDENTS AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE PAY THE HIGHEST TAXES PER CAPITA THAN ANY PLACE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

AULT SAID THEIR PROPERTY VALUES WENT UP THIS LAST YEAR BUT IT WON'T BE WORTH A DAMN IF THE PIT KEEPS COMING THIS WAY. WHEN AULT QUESTIONED HOW DEEP SIKES COULD DIG THE PIT, WALLER SAID FL-DEP ISSUES THE MINING PIT ONCE THE COUNTY APPROVES THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WALLER IF SIKES HAD PERMITS NOW TO EXPAND THE PIT OVER CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES; WALLER SAID NOT OVER CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE BUT ALL THAT WHICH WAS BLOCKED IN SOUTH OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. WALLER SAID AT THE PRESENT TIME, IN USING PICTOMETRY AND WHAT SHE HAS BEEN TOLD BY THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR, THE PIT IS ALL CONFINED TO THE SOUTH OF CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD. IF SIKES SHOULD GO ACROSS THE ROAD, WALLER SAID HE WOULD BE GOING AGAINST THE PROVISIONS OF THE COMP PLAN, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, FL-DEP PERMIT, ETC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT SIKES HAD NO PERMIT TO DO ANY MINING ON ANYTHING NORTH OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. WALLER SAID THAT WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRED TO SIKES USING OTHER ACCESS ROUTES THAN WHAT WAS DEEMED BY THE BOARD AND DOES THIS VIOLATE HIS PERMIT. WALLER SAID SIKES STARTED OUT IN HIS APPLICATION SAYING THE ACCESS ROUTE WAS GOING TO BE OFF OF HIGHWAY 77 AND CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE; THE BOARD PEGGED HIM DOWN TO HIGHWAY 20 AND SIKES STATED THAT WOULD BE HIS ACCESS TO THE PIT. WALLER STATED HIGHWAY 20 WAS SIKES LEGAL ACCESS TO THE PIT AS PROVIDED BY THE SPECIAL CONDITIONS UNDER THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION; SIKES WAS TO COME OFF HIS PROPERTY BY A ROAD OR DRIVEWAY ACCESS ONTO HIGHWAY 20.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED HOW SIKES GOT THE OTHER ACCESS ROUTES HE IS USING. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED SIKES COMING OUT ON THE NEW PAVING THE COUNTY HAD DONE AND QUIT AFTER HE WAS ADVISED TO STOP.

WALLER SAID SHE HAD SIKES IN HER OFFICE ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO AND SHE QUESTIONED HIM ABOUT HIS INTENTIONS; SHE WAS TOLD THAT HE WASN'T IN THE PROCESS OF EXPANDING THE PIT AND HE KNEW WHAT HE WAS DOING. WALLER SHOWED THE BOARD WHERE SIKES HAD A PERMIT FOR A SAND PIT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED WHO THE AGENCY WOULD BE TO DO THE INSPECTION OF THE PIT SITE TO SAY IT WAS IN COMPLIANCE OR NOT IN COMPLIANCE. WALLER ADVISED FL-DEP WOULD BE THE INSPECTION AGENCY FOR THE PIT.

SAPP ALSO QUESTIONED HOW SIKES GOT A PERMIT TO USE ACCESS OFF OF HIGHWAY 77 TO THE DIRT PIT. WALLER ADVISED SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW HE GOT THE PERMIT AND HE MAY NOT HAVE ONE.

AULT SAID SIKES HAD MOVED THEIR SCALES OVER TO HIGHWAY 77; THEY ESTABLISHED THEIR SCALES HOUSE ON HIGHWAY 77, HAVE TURN LANES OFF OF HIGHWAY 77 TO THE PIT AND THE HIGHWAY 20 ENTRANCE TO THE PIT HAS PROBABLY BEEN CLOSED FOR OVER A YEAR.

WALLER REPORTED ON THE DRIVEWAY PERMITS, THE STATE ISSUES THOSE PERIODICALLY WITHOUT THE COUNTY'S KNOWLEDGE OR PROVISION; DRIVEWAY PERMITS CAN BE ISSUED FOR AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE/LOGGING PURPOSES. COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF CODE ENFORCEMENT WOULD BE THE ONE TO SEND SIKES A CITATION ADVISING THEM THEY COULD NO LONGER USE THE HIGHWAY 77 ACCESS BECAUSE IT WAS NOT IN THEIR PROPOSAL TO THE COUNTY IN 1997.

WALLER ADVISED SHE HAD ASKED, SHE THOUGHT, IN OCTOBER ABOUT WRITING SIKES A LETTER BUT SHE DIDN'T GET A RESPONSE AND NO LETTER HAS BEEN SENT. WALLER AGREED SHE COULD SEND THEM A LETTER TO CEASE AND DESIST USING THE HIGHWAY 77 ACCESS TO THE SAND PIT DUE TO THEIR APPLICATION AND THE BOARD MINUTES THAT SIKES ATTENDED SAID THE ENTRANCE TO THE PIT WOULD BE OFF OF HIGHWAY 20.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE COUNTY WOULD PROBABLY NEED TO SEND A LETTER TO THE FL-DOT ADVISING THEM THEY HAVE ALLOWED A DRIVEWAY PERMIT TO BE ISSUED ON HIGHWAY 77 THAT IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S COMP PLAN. HE FELT LIKE THE STATE SHOULD BE THE ENFORCING AGENCY DUE TO THEM HAVING ALL THE AUTHORITY NECESSARY TO ISSUE A DRIVEWAY PERMIT TO ANYONE CONNECTING TO THEIR STATE ROAD.

WALLER POINTED OUT THE DRIVEWAY SIKES IS USING COULD POSSIBLY BE A DRIVEWAY THAT HAS BEEN THERE MANY, MANY YEARS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID ANYTIME THERE IS A DRIVEWAY AND THE BUSINESS CHANGES, A NEW PERMIT HAS TO BE OBTAINED FOR THE NEW BUSINESS.

NAN GODFREY LOCKER ADDRESSED THE BOARD QUESTIONING IF THE PROPERTY WEST OF SIKES PIT OPERATIONS WAS ZONED RESIDENTIAL OR COM- Mercial AND ASKED THE BOARD TO REVIEW WHAT SIKES HAS A PERMIT NOW TO WORK WITH. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IT WOULD BE ZONED COMMERCIAL WHERE SIKES HAS A PERMIT TO WORK ON NOW AND REQUESTED WALLER REVIEW WITH THE AUDIENCE THE MAP AND SHOW THEM WHERE SIKES HAS A PERMIT FOR HIS DIRT PIT.

WALLER SAID THERE WAS VERY LITTLE LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AND IT IS MOSTLY CONFINED AROUND THE LAKE; SHE SHOWED THAT MOST OF THE AREA WAS AGRICULTURAL/SILVICULTURAL AND SAID UNDER THAT LAND USE DESIGNATION THERE IS A RESIDENTIAL PROVISION. THEREFORE, SHE SAID IT CAN ALSO BE USED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE. WALLER SAID NONE OF IT WAS COMMERCIAL; HOWEVER, THE COUNTY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE PROVIDES FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION PROCESS TO ALLOW A MINING OPERATION WITHIN AN AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION AND THAT IS WHAT HAPPENED IN 1997 WITH THE SIKES PIT.

LARRY WILLOUGHBY, PROPERTY OWNER ON THE LAKE, EXPRESSED THE RESIDENTS CONCERN WITH AN EXPANSION OF THE PIT, THE NOISE LEVEL, THE DUST FACTOR AND THERE BEING NO BUFFER ZONE. HE QUESTIONED WHAT COULD BE DONE NOW TO CORRECT THESE ISSUES. HE SAID THEY WERE PLEASED THEIR PROPERTY VALUES ARE UP NOW BUT THEY WON'T STAY UP IF THESE ISSUES ARE NOT ADDRESSED.

PAUL GORDY READDRESSED THE BOARD AND SAID THE PEOPLE WHO CAN STOP THE PROBLEM FOR THE RESIDENTS IS THE FL-DEP AND IT IS NOT SUPPOSE TO COST ANYTHING.

WALLER SAID IT DIDN'T HAVE TO BE THE WASHINGTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT THAT CALLS FL-DEP; SHE ADVISED THE RESIDENTS TO CALL FL-DEP THEM- SELVES WITH THEIR COMPLAINTS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE RESIDENTS HAVE COME BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY WITH THEIR CONCERNS WITH WHAT COULD HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE AND WHAT IS HAPPENING PRESENTLY; HE SAID THE BOARD SHOULD CONTACT FL-DEP AND ADVISE THEM THE RESIDENTS' CONCERNS.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO CONTACT FL-DEP ON THE RESIDENTS CONCERNS WITH THE SIKES PIT MINING OPERATIONS AND TO CONTACT FL-DOT ON THE DRIVEWAY PERMIT TO MAKE SURE THAT SIKES DOESN'T HAVE ANY ACCESS TO THE PIT OTHER THAN HIGHWAY 20.

WALLER ADVISED, WITH THE BOARD CONSENTING, SHE WOULD LIKE FOR COPIES OF THE LETTERS TO FL-DEP AND FL-DOT TO BE FORWARDED TO SIKES.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, JIM TOWNE, SPOKESPERSON FOR THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, SAID HIS PURPOSE WAS TO INFORM THE BOARD THEY HAD STARTED THE PROCESS LAST YEAR TO IMPROVE THE FUNCTIONALITY OF THEIR MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND UPGRADE THEMSELVES AS FAR AS THE OLD BUDGETING AND FORWARDING PROCESS AS THEY GO FORWARD WITH TAX REVENUES RISING, ETC. HE SAID THEY HAD PASSED SEVERAL MILESTONES; THEY HAVE GOTTEN THE MSBU COORDINATORS COMPENSATION UP TO WHERE IT IS COMPETITIVE, THE SCOPE OF WORK WAS APPROVED WHEN THE BOARD APPROVED THE BUDGET, THEY HAVE HAD NEW ELECTIONS AND HAVE A NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION. HE SAID ON JANUARY 5TH THE ASSOCIATION VOTED TO AMEND ITS BYLAWS TO SEPARATE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION FROM THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE WHICH HAS BEEN PART OF THE PROBLEM; HE SAID IT IS TWO DISTINCTIVELY DIFFERENT JOBS.

TOWNE SAID HE HAD SENT A MEMO TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO GET A CLARIFICATION DUE TO THERE BEING DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW IN THE COMMUNITY; THEY WANTED TO MAKE SURE WHEN THEY PROCEEDED WITH THE CHANGES, THE COMMISSION HAD THE AUTHORITY TO ACT AND WHETHER THEY SHOULD PROPOSE THE AMENDMENTS TO ALL THE REGISTERED VOTERS WITHIN THE MSBU AS OPPOSED TO THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION TAKING THE ACTION. HE SAID THEY HAVE BEEN PROCEEDING ALONG THE LINES THAT IS THE CORRECT WAY; THE BOARD HAD THE RIGHT TO ENACT THE ORDINANCE AND THEY, THEREFORE, HAVE THE RIGHT TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE. HE SAID THEY WOULD ONLY BE RECOMMENDING AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 6 OF THE ORDINANCE WHICH HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE TAXATION BASE AT ALL.

TOWNE SAID THERE HAD BEEN QUITE A BIT OF CONTENTION DURING DECEMBER, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY AT THE ASSOCIATION MEETINGS; THEY DETERMINED THEY WOULD PROBABLY NEVER GET ACHIEVED AN AMENDMENT PROPOSAL IN A LARGE GROUP. HE SAID THEY FORMED A CONSENSUS COMMITTEE OF TEN PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALL BEEN LONG TIME RESIDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY, HAVE OCCUPIED POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP IN THE PAST AND NONE OF THE TEN, EXCEPT ONE, ARE NOW SERVING IN AN OFFICER OR DIRECTOR POSITION IN ANY OF THE ORGANIZATIONS. HE SAID THE EXCEPTION WAS JANET JONES, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION FOR A TWO YEAR TERM. HE SAID THE COMMITTEE'S PLAN IS TO DRAFT ONE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WITH ALTERNATIVE CLAUSES OR TWO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, SUBMIT THEM TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS WITH THE HELP OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, COME BACK TO THE BOARD ON THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE DONE IN SECTION 6 OF THE ORDINANCE TO RECONSTITUTE THEIR ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

TOWNE SAID THEY WERE BETWEEN STAGES TWO AND THREE; THEIR CONSENSUS COMMITTEE WILL MEET TONIGHT AND WILL MEET AS MANY TIMES AS NECESSARY TO FINISH THE DRAFTING PROCESS OF THE AMENDMENTS TO BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD. THEY WOULD THEN SEND IT TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO MAKE SURE WHATEVER ENDS UP BEING ON THE BALLOT, THE BOARD COULD GO AHEAD AND ENACT ONCE THE CONSENSUS OF THE COMMUNITY IS KNOWN. TOWNE SAID ONCE THEY MAKE SURE THEY HAVE NOT CREATED ANOTHER MONSTER, THEY WILL MOVE FORWARD WITH THE ELECTION PROCESS AND HOPEFULLY GET BACK TOWARD THE END OF APRIL WITH THE BOARD ON THEIR RECOMMENDATION FOR SECTION 6 OF THE ORDINANCE. HOPEFULLY BY THE END OF MAY, TOWNE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN PLACE THAT IS FULLY FUNCTIONAL, STRATEGIC PLANNING ORIENTED AND MOVE FORWARD.

JANET JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION AND LOU TRACY SPOKE IN FAVOR OF THE MSBU. JOHN ELHERT SAID HE UNDERSTOOD GLEN ZANETIC'S JOB WAS A VOLUNTARY POSITION AND SOME OF THE RESIDENTS HAVE A PROBLEM WITH HIM HAVING USE OF A MSBU VEHICLE.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON SEVERAL PROJECTS:

1. PERMIT CHANGES IN THE DUSTY ROADS RULE-COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO HAVE ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT DRAFT A LETTER TO SENATOR PEADEN AND REPRESENTATIVE BROWN REQUESTING THE CURRENT LEGISLATION ON THE DUSTY ROADS RULE REMAIN THE SAME.

2. CRYSTAL LAKE-CLIFF IS TO REVIEW THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION GRANTED TO SIKE'S SAND PIT, LOOK AT THE PIT SITE, SEE IF THERE ARE ANY VIOLATIONS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

3. GAP POND PROJECT-KNAUER ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY WANTED TO BID OUT THE PAVING ON THE PROJECT. COMMISSIONER FINCH REPLIED "YES" AND ALSO ASKED CLIFF TO GET A PRICE ON A FLOATING DOCK. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO HAVE A SURVEY DONE ON GAP POND AS LONG AS IT DIDN'T EXCEED \$2,000.

4. NORTHERN TURST ROAD SURVEYS-KNAUER REPORTED THE SURVEYS WERE 95% COMPLETE AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY WOULD PREPARE COUNTY DEEDS ONCE THE LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS WERE COMPLETED.

5. JOINER ROAD-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE NEED TO SET UP A MEETING WITH FL-DEP AND THE LOCAL PARK REPRESENTATIVES. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO CONTACT MR. GREGORY WITH FL-DEP TO SET UP A MEETING ON THE JOINER ROAD DRAINAGE ISSUE AND NOTIFY MR. SCOTT OF THE MEETING.

6. FANNING BRANCH ROAD-KNAUER IS TO COME BACK IN TWO WEEKS WITH A PLAN FOR FANNING BRANCH ROAD.

7. ROLLING PINES PROJECT-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM STILL WAITING ON THE NOTICE TO PROCEED FOR THE PROJECT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT IS TO CHECK ON THE STATUS OF THE NOTICE TO PROCEED.

8. CDBG ROAD GRANT/COUNTRY OAKS-KNAUER SAID HE WAS STILL WAITING ON NOTICE TO PROCEED ON THIS PROJECT ALSO. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO CHECK ON THE STATUS OF THE NOTICE TO PROCEED ON THIS PROJECT ALSO.

9. ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY-KNAUER SAID THEY SHOULD START HAULING MATERIALS IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS BUT THEY NEEDED A PLACE TO STOCKPILE. COMMISSIONER COPE SUGGESTED PILING THE LIMEROCK AT THE OLD CHIPLEY LANDFILL OR AT THE SOD FARM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SUGGESTED STOCKPILING ON THE BURL KIRKLAND PROPERTY WITH COMMISSIONER COPE SAYING THIS WAS A TOUCHY SITUATION.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO START STOCKPILING THE LIMEROCK AT THE OLD CHIPLEY LANDFILL FOR THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY PROJECT.

10. LEISURE LAKES ROAD/SMALL COUNTY PROJECT-DALLAS CARTER MET WITH GULF COAST ELECTRIC TO TRY AND GET THEM TO MOVE UTILITY POLES FOR FREE; STILL WAITING ON ANSWER.

KNAUER SAID HE WAS TRACKING THE ESTATE PEOPLE TO OBTAIN RIGHT OF WAY ALONG HIGHWAY 77 FOR THE LEISURE LAKE ROAD PROJECT. KNAUER WILL CHECK WITH THE PROPERTY APPRAISER, GIL CARTER, TO SEE IF HE CAN PROVIDE NAMES SO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT CAN CONTACT THE PROPERTY OWNERS ABOUT RIGHT OF WAY.

11. ALLISON DRIVE/SEWELL FARM ROAD-KNAUER SAID THEY WERE WAITING ON A PAVER. FOR THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY OR LESS, ACCORDING TO WALTER EDWARD OF ANDERSON COLUMBIA, THEY COULD TAKE A MILLING MACHINE AND PUT A UNIFORM THICKNESS OF ASPHALT ON SEWELL FARM ROAD AS THEY WOULD SPEND TRYING TO FILL THE RUTS WITH ASPHALT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED KNAUER GET A PRICE TO ASPHALT SEWELL FARM ROAD SO HE CAN SEE IF HE HAS ENOUGH MONIES IN HIS DISTRICT FUNDS.

12. WILDER PARK-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING A SMALL CRISIS IN TRYING TO GET A PERMIT FOR THE BUILDING AND THE SKATE BOARD PARK. FL-DEP HAS ASKED FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON GROUND WATER TANKS AROUND THE PERIMETERS. KNAUER SAID IT WOULD



COST AN ADDITIONAL \$500 TO RUN A DOUBLE RING AND DO SOME BORINGS WHERE THE POND IS GOING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ALLOW CLIFF AN ADDITIONAL \$500.

13. RECYCLE CENTER POND-KNAUER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE RECYCLING CENTER POND; THEY CAN GET IT DUG AND START WITH SOME OF THE PIPE THAT GOES INTO THE POND.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID ANDERSON COLUMBIA CAN COME AND START PAVING AT ANY TIME ON ALLISON DRIVE BUT HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE IT WAS OKAY WITH THE BOARD TO GO AHEAD WITH THE SEWELL FARM ROAD PAVING IF HE HAD THE MONIES. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ALLOW COMMISSIONER CORBIN TO SPEND ALL THE MONEY HE HAS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF THE COUNTY WAS DOING BORINGS ON ALL THE ROADS. KNAUER ADVISED IT DEPENDS ON WHICH ONES; THE ONES THE COUNTY HAS GRANTS ON HAVE ALWAYS BEEN BORED AND HE SAID GENERALLY HE DOES BORINGS ON ALL ROADS HE DESIGNS. KNAUER SUGGESTED MAKING IT A GENERAL POLICY, ANY TIME THE COUNTY PAVES A ROAD, A BORING TEST BE DONE.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO DO BORING TESTS ON ALL NEWLY PAVED ROADS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN WANTED TO CLARIFY THERE WAS A LITTLE BIT OF EXCEPTION ON SEWELL FARM ROAD AS IT HAS NO PROPER RIGHT OF WAY OR PROPER GRADE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. CECELIA WELD, GASB TECHNICIAN, IN DOING PROPERTY INVENTORY FOUND TWENTY FIVE ACRES IN VERNON FOR A SPORTS COMPLEX THAT BY A RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN 2000 SHOULD HAVE BEEN DEEDED TO THE CITY OF VERNON; IN EXCHANGE THE CITY OF VERNON WAS TO DEED 9.7 ACRES OF THE PROPERTY TO THE SCHOOL BOARD. APPARENTLY THIS WAS NEVER DONE.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF DEEDING 9.7 ACRES IN VERNON TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND 15.3 ACRES TO THE CITY OF VERNON.

2. EASEMENT TO MARTIN JOHNS FROM THE COUNTY ON DANIELS LAKE ROAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE EASEMENT.

3. JOHNNY GRANTHAM WAS TO DEED SOME PROPERTY TO COUNTY ON SWINDLE LAKE FOR A COUNTY PARK; A TITLE SEARCH WAS DONE AND IT SHOWED A MORTGAGE ON THE PROPERTY. HOLLEY ADVISED THIS NEEDED TO GET CLEARED UP. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR THE PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR TO WORK WITH THE OWNER TO CLEAR THE MORTGAGE BEFORE THE COUNTY ACCEPTS THE DEED TO THE PROPERTY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. PATSY JUSTICE, WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, HAS ADVISED SHE DOESN'T WANT TO PAY THE COUNTY FOR CLEANING SERVICES AND SAID SHE WOULD WAIVE THE PERMIT FEES FOR THE CLEANING SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID AFTER THOUGHT, MAYBE THE BOARD NEEDS TO GET BACK WITH MS. JUSTICE AND TELL HER THE COUNTY INMATE CLEANING CREW DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO CLEAN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE FEE INCREASE WITH USSI FOR CLEANING THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZE JUSTICE TO CONTRACT WITH USSI OR WHOMEVER SHE WANTS TO.

2. LETTER FROM OLE ELLIS REQUESTING RE-APPOINTMENT OF MAX WELLS TO THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF MAX WELLS.

3. WHEN GASB 34 POSITION HELD BY CECELIA WELD WAS CREATED, BOARD REQUESTED IT BE REVIEWED IN TWO YEARS; THE TWO YEAR TIME FRAME WILL BE UP IN SEPTEMBER. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE FEELS MAYBE PURCHASING FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE COULD BE INCLUDED IN THE GASB 34 POSITION DUTIES SINCE THE GASB WORK WILL BE LESS NOW.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HAD TALKED TO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND THERE ARE PLENTY OF DUTIES CECELIA COULD DO. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT IS TO PROVIDE A NEW JOB DESCRIPTION ADDING ADDITIONAL DUTIES FOR CECELIA.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE FEELS THE JOB SHOULD BE ADVERTISED. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DISAGREED AS CECELIA TOOK THE JOB WHEN NO ONE ELSE WANTED IT AND THE COUNTY HAS MONEY INVESTED IN SENDING HER TO SCHOOL. HE SUGGESTED THE BOARD CONSIDER THESE THINGS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED FOR CECELIA WELD TO BE RETAINED AS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE IF THE GASB POSITION IS DELETED.

4. HOMELAND SECURITY TRAINING--ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT TO CONTINUE WITH THE HOMELAND SECURITY TRAINING. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT.

5. HERITAGE VILLAGE SURVEY--SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS PROVIDED A PRICE OF \$10,940 TO DO THE SURVEY. THE GENERAL CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS THIS PRICE WAS WAY OUT OF LINE. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO RE-BID THE SURVEYING FOR HERITAGE VILLAGE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON COMMISSIONER FINCH HAVING ASKED HIM TO TAKE A LOOK AT SOME OF THE ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS AS YOU COULD SEE THE BASE SHOWING IN PLACES; THE BOARD WANTS THE ROADS FIXED BEFORE THEY ASSUME MAINTENANCE OF THEM.

CLERK COOK REPORTED ON THE VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2006 TOTTALLING \$1,941,498.54. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE VOUCHERS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED FL-DOT DROPPING THE FOUR LANING OF HIGHWAY 77 NORTH TO I-10 FROM THEIR FIVE YEAR WORK PLAN. HE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN FOR ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO DRAW UP A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FL-DOT RE-ESTABLISH A PROJECT TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS NORTH OF I-10 AND REQUEST THERE BE SOME KIND OF MOVEMENT ON HIGHWAY 77 FROM THE COUNTY LINE TO I-10 WITHIN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS.

JOEL PATE ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THERE POSSIBLY BEING FUNDING AVAILABLE FROM THE FL-DOT TRIP PROGRAM AND RECOMMENDED THEY CONTACT BRUCE STITT OF WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL ON GETTING THEIR REQUEST INTO THAT PROGRAM. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED HE WAS ON THE TRIP BOARD AND HE WOULD EXPRESS THE BOARD'S DESIRES ON THE FOUR LANING OF HIGHWAY 77 NORTH OF I-10 TO BE IN THE FL-DOT'S FIVE YEAR WORK PLAN.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR THE RESOLUTION TO BE SENT TO THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION IN TALLAHASSEE, EDWARD PRESCOTT AT THE CHIPLEY FL-DOT OFFICE AND THE STATE LEGISLATORS.

LINDA WALLER ADDRESSED PEOPLE COMING INTO THE PLANNING OFFICE ASKING WHAT KIND OF PLANS CAN THEY MAKE ON HIGHWAY 77 AND 79 AS THEY NEED TO KNOW. AT THE PRESENT TIME, WALLER SAID ALL SHE CAN DO IS REFER THEM TO FL-DOT AND TELL THEM TO CONTINUE OUT AS THEY NORMALLY WOULD.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT OFFICE HE HAD WANTED TO CREATE BECAUSE OF HIS CONCERN WITH THE GROWTH IN THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY IN THE SOUTH END. HE REQUESTED THE BOARD MOVE FORWARD WITH PUTTING ROGER HAGAN INTO THAT POSITION AND HELP CREATE THE POSITION; HE REALIZED THERE WERE A LOT OF UNKNOWNNS AND THERE WAS A NEED TO WORK TOWARD DEFINING WHAT THE POSITION WOULD ENCOMPASS. HE SAID HE FELT THE PLANNING, BUILDING PERMITS AND POSSIBLY GASB COULD COME UNDER THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT OFFICE; HE FELT ROGER WAS A GOOD SPOKESMAN AND WOULD BE ABLE TO HELP THE COUNTY WITH ANY FUTURE GROWTH ISSUES THAT MAY COME UP. HE ADDRESSED LINDA WALLER IN THE PLANNING OFFICE NEEDS HELP AND REITERATED THE BOARD CONSIDER ROGER FOR THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT POSITION AND MOVE HIM AWAY FROM PUBLIC WORKS SO MUCH.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WAS INTERESTED IN CODE ENFORCEMENT WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH SAYING THIS COULD BE INCLUDED IN THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT POSITION.

CLERK COOK QUESTIONED IF ROGER WOULD BE MOVED FROM EMS ALSO. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR ROGER TO SLOWLY WORK AWAY FROM EMS AS LYNN WHITE WILL NEVER TAKE FULL COMMAND UNTIL SHE IS ALLOWED TO DO SO. HE SAID HE FELT IT WAS NEEDED AND NECESSARY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY TO HAVE SOMEONE WORK WITH THESE PEOPLE, HELP LINDA WALLER IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND HELP THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT. HE REFERRED TO THE COUNTY GETTING A LOT OF SLACK ABOUT BUILDING PERMITS, ETC. AND ROGER WAS GOOD AT RESEARCHING AND COMING BACK WITH ANSWERS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED IF THIS WOULD TAKE ROGER AWAY FROM ROAD AND BRIDGE ALTOGETHER. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD SEE THAT IS WHAT WOULD NEED TO BE DONE BUT IT MAY BE A GRADUAL PROCESS; IT WOULD BE ACCORDING TO HOW THE BOARD WANTED TO DO THAT AND WHETHER THEY WANTED TO TOTALLY CUT THE STRINGS, ETC. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT GROWTH MANAGEMENT RIGHT NOW; HE FEELS ROGER HAS DONE A GOOD JOB AT PUBLIC WORKS DUE TO THE FACT HE HAS GOTTEN SOME THINGS ORGANIZED AND IT WOULD BE ALRIGHT FOR HIM TO MOVE AWAY FROM THAT AREA.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ROGER MOVE AWAY FROM PUBLIC WORKS AND GET AN ENGINEER FOR PUBLIC WORKS; HE SAID CLIFF KNAUER DOES A GOOD JOB BUT HAS TOLD THE BOARD THE LAST COUPLE OF MEETINGS THE COUNTY WAS GROWING AND HE NEEDS HELP. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE POSITION FOR PUBLIC WORKS COULD BE AN ENGINEER/ PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR. HE SAID IF ROGER WAS MOVED AWAY FROM PUBLIC WORKS, HE COULD GO ALONG WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH'S REQUEST.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND FOR DISCUSSION TO MOVE ROGER HAGAN OUT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INTO GROWTH MANAGEMENT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD STILL LIKE FOR THIS TO BE A STEP DOWN PROCESS AND THE BOARD FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THE WAY HE IS MOVED DOWN.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IF ROGER DID THE THINGS THAT COMMISSIONER FINCH OUTLINED, HE WOULDN'T HAVE MUCH TIME, IF HE WANTED TO, TO WORK AT PUBLIC WORKS. HE SAID IF HE WAS GOING TO BE HALF TIME AT EMS AND THE OTHER HALF DOING GROWTH MANAGEMENT, HOW CAN HE DO MUCH MORE; HE SAID THEY COULD BE OVERLOADING ROGER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT WAS A REALITY BUT HE FEELS THE COUNTY IS GOING TO START EXPERIENCING THINGS THEY HAVE NEVER EXPERIENCED BEFORE AND HE DOESN'T WANT TO SPEND HIS WHOLE TIME RUNNING THEM DOWN.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED IN THE PAST, ROGER HAS SAID HE WOULD DO WHATEVER THE BOARD WANTED HIM TO DO; HOWEVER, HE WANTED A DEFINITE JOB DESCRIPTION IN PLACE BEFORE THEY RECLASSIFIED HIM OR MOVED HIM TO ANOTHER POSITION. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE BOARD SHOULD PRESENT ROGER WITH A JOB DESCRIPTION ON THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT POSITION TO GIVE HIM AN OPTION IF HE WOULD WANT THE POSITION. HE SAID IT IS VAGUE RIGHT NOW TO BE MAKING A MOTION ON WITHOUT A JOB DESCRIPTION, OTHER THAN GROWTH MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THERE WERE OTHER COUNTIES THAT HAD GROWTH MANAGEMENT OFFICES AND HE HAS INFORMATION FROM WALTON COUNTY THAT WOULD GIVE THE BOARD DIRECTION ON A JOB DESCRIPTION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE OTHER ISSUE OF HAVING AN ENGINEER AT PUBLIC WORKS; HE SAID THIS WOULD BE GOOD BUT QUESTIONED WHERE THE FUNDING WOULD COME FROM TO HIRE THEM OUT OF THIS YEAR'S BUDGET. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HOW DO WE BUILD A JAIL THAT IS \$200,000 OVER BUDGET; HE SAID HE WAS NOT SAYING THE BOARD WAS GOING TO DO THIS BUT HE BET THEY DID. HE REITERATED THE NEED FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE THE RIGHT THINGS IN PRIORITY; IF THERE IS A NEED, THEY CAN FIND THE MONEY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO THE JAIL ISSUE AND SAID THE SHERIFF HAD GIVEN THE COUNTY BACK OVER \$100,000 FOR INMATE HOUSING FOR ONE QUARTER. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAD GIVEN THE SHERIFF MONIES AND REFERRED TO THE SHERIFF HAVING COME BACK AND AMENDED HIS BUDGET TO TAKE CARE OF ADDITIONAL REVENUES HE RECEIVED.

LLOYD POWELL QUESTIONED WHAT COULD ROGER DO OVER THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT; THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT ANSWERS TO THE STATE SO HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT ROGER COULD DO OVER THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT KIND OF ROLL DID THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR PLAY IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT NOW; POWELL SAID THE ADMINISTRATOR DOESN'T PLAY A ROLE AS HE IS JUST THE BOSS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT WAS WHAT ROGER WOULD BE, JUST THE BOSS.

AFTER POWELL REMARKED HE FELT IT WASN'T NECESSARY FOR ROGER TO BE OVER THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AS IT WAS A WASTE OF MONEY, COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF HE HADN'T THOUGHT IT WAS NECESSARY, HE WOULDN'T HAVE SUGGESTED IT.

POWELL SAID THE BOARD WOULD BE WASTING THE TAXPAYERS MONEY BY TRYING TO PUT SOMEONE OVER THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT WHEN THEY ALREADY HAVE SOMEONE OVER IT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID POWELL WAS WASTING MONEY TOO; A LOT MORE THAN HE IS.

POWELL REITERATED WHAT COMMISSIONER FINCH WAS SUGGESTING DIDN'T EVEN MAKE SENSE WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH SAYING THAT POWELL WAS NOT AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY AND HIS OPINION DIDN'T VALUE MUCH TO HIM.

POWELL QUESTIONED WHAT COULD ROGER DO TO JUSTIFY THE SALARY OF THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT THAT THE ADMINISTRATOR IS NOT DOING. POWELL SAID ROGER NEEDED TO STAY IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID ROGER WAS PROBABLY GOOD WHERE THEY PUT HIM AT IF HE SO DESIRES TO BE THERE. HE ALSO SAID LINDA WALLER NEEDED HELP IN HER DEPARTMENT WITH GROWTH MANAGEMENT. POWELL SAID WALLER NEEDED HELP IN HER DEPARTMENT AND NOT SOMEONE THAT IS GOING TO BE BOSS OVER HER.

SAPP SAID WHOEVER THE BOARD SELECTED TO PUT OVER THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT WOULD BE THE BOARD'S CHOICE BUT THEY APPRECIATED POWELL'S CONCERN. POWELL SAID HE WAS JUST TRYING TO JUSTIFY THE SALARY PORTION OF WHAT IS BEING RECOMMENDED TO BE DONE. SAPP SAID JUST TO PUT A BOSS OVER A HIRED CONTRACTOR, JUST ONE PERSON, THERE IS NO WAY TO JUSTIFY A SALARY; HOWEVER, THERE IS A NEED FOR OTHER AREAS TO BE PROVIDED IN GROWTH MANAGEMENT AS FAR AS HELPING WITH CODE ENFORCEMENT. SAPP SAID LINDA HAD MORE WORK THAN SHE COULD DO WITH THE HELP SHE HAS WITH THE BUILDING THAT IS GOING ON IN THE COUNTY; SHE NEEDS SOMEONE WITH SKILLS.

WALLER SAID THE COUNTY NEEDED TO LOOK AT HIRING A CERTIFIED LAND PLANNER. SAPP SAID THAT IS WHAT HE WAS REFERRING TO; THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK AT HIRING SOMEONE WITH CERTIFICATION, SKILLS AND SCHOOLING IN THAT AREA AND NOT JUST AN EMPLOYEE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE THOUGHT THE MOTION TO MOVE ROGER WAS PREMATURE AS THEY DIDN'T HAVE A PLACE TO SEND HIM AS A JOB DESCRIPTION IS NOT THERE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE APPRECIATED SAPP'S OPINION BUT HE DOESN'T FEEL IT IS PREMATURE. HE SAID HE HAS MENTIONED IT SEVERAL TIMES, HAS DONE SOME RESEARCH, MENTIONED IT TO ROGER AND ROGER IS IN AGREEMENT WITH IT IF THAT IS WHAT THE BOARD WANTED HIM TO DO. FINCH ADDRESSED ROGER BEING SELECTED TO BE PART OF THE PRESENTATION AT THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP; ROGER WORKED WITH THE COUNTY WHEN THE COMP PLAN WAS BEING DEVELOPED AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE WHOLE PROCESS THE WHOLE TIME. HE THEN SAID ROGER COULD BE A MAJOR HELP TO THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE THOUGHT LYNN WHITE WAS DOING A GOOD JOB IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; THE COUNTY MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE ANY HURRICANES NEXT YEAR BUT IF THEY GET HIT LIKE SOME OTHER AREAS HAVE BEEN HIT, LYNN IS GOING TO NEED A LOT OF HELP AND THIS IS ROGER'S FIRST JOB. HE AGREED WITH LINDA WALLER THAT A TRUE PLANNER WAS NEEDED IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT; HE WAS NOT SAYING THAT ROGER COULDN'T DO THE JOB AS HE FEELS HE COULD. HOWEVER, COPE SAID HE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP THAT THE ACTION IS A BIT PREMATURE. HE SAID HE DIDN'T FEEL ROGER NEEDED TO BE IN THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT POSITION AND FELT LIKE HE WAS DOING A PRETTY DECENT JOB AT PUBLIC WORKS. HE ALSO SAID HE WAS AWARE THERE WAS SOME OPPOSITION AT PUBLIC WORKS AS THERE WERE EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE VOICED THEIR OPINION THEY DIDN'T WANT ROGER THERE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH CALLED FOR THE QUESTION ON THE MOTION. CHAIRMAN SAPP POLLED THE BOARD. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH A 3-2 VOTE WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP AND COPE OPPOSING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD BE GLAD TO WORK WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND ROGER ON A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT POSITION AND BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD. HE SAID JUST BECAUSE THE BOARD VOTED TO MOVE ROGER DOESN'T MEAN THEY HAVE TO DO SO NOW. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY WOULD DEVELOP A JOB DESCRIPTION BY THE FIRST MEETING OF MARCH AND AFTER THE MEETING IN MARCH, THEY COULD SET A DATE FOR THE MOVE TO TAKE PLACE.

LINDA WALLER ASKED IF THIS JOB WAS A NEW JOB OR JUST ADDING ON TO ROGER'S PRESENT POSITION. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT WOULD BE LIKE THEY DID WHEN THEY MOVED ROGER TO PUBLIC WORKS; THEY WOULD BE MOVING HIS DUTIES AROUND.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF ROGER'S FIRST RESPONSIBILITY WOULD STILL BE WITH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IT WOULD BE JUST LIKE WHEN THEY MOVED ROGER TO PUBLIC WORKS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THEY WOULD BE DELETING ROGER FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS SIDE AND ADDING ON THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT SIDE. ON THE PAY SIDE, COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS HAD NOT BEEN DISCUSSED AS THE BOARD GAVE HIM ADDITIONAL PAY WHEN THEY MOVED HIM TO PUBLIC WORKS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE THOUGHT THIS MOVE WOULD LOOK BETTER TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IF THEY CAME AND DID A STUDY AS ROGER'S DUTIES WOULD ALL BE IN THE SAME BUILDING. WHERE AS WHEN THEY MOVED HIM TO PUBLIC WORKS AND HE HAD TO BE OUT OF THE BUILDING AND ALL OVER THE COUNTY, CORBIN SAID THAT DIDN'T LEAVE HIM ON TOP OF HIS PRIMARY JOB.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SUGGESTED MOVING ROGER TO GROWTH MANAGEMENT THE FIRST OF APRIL; THIS WOULD GIVE THEM ANOTHER FULL MONTH OF MEETINGS. HE SAID UNLESS SOMETHING CHANGES WITH THE NEXT MEETING, THE FIRST OF APRIL ROGER WOULD BE MOVED FROM PUBLIC WORKS AND DIRECTED TOWARD HIS NEW ADDITIONAL DUTIES.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHO WAS THE DUTIES ROGER WAS DOING AT PUBLIC WORKS GOING TO BE TURNED OVER TO. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AT AN ENGINEER OR A GOOD PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD SOMEONE THAT HE HAS BEEN TALKING TO IF HE COULD GET HIM TO FIRMLY AGREE TO TAKE THE POSITION; HE SAID THE BOARD WOULD ALL BE PLEASED TO HAVE HIM.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IN TWO WEEKS, GET AN ENGINEER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND LET PUBLIC WORKS GO BACK TO HARCUS AND DALLAS.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD HAS HAD DISCUSSION ON THE DIRT IN GILBERT PIT AND THEY HAVE RENTED AN EXCAVATOR; HE SAID THE LAST OFFICIAL BORING WAS DONE IN 1990 AND HE THOUGHT THERE WAS AN UNOFFICIAL ONE DONE SINCE THEN. HE SAID THERE MAY BE SOME AREAS WHERE THERE IS SOME MORE MATERIALS THE COUNTY COULD USE; HOWEVER, THEY ARE GOING TO GET INTO SOME WET MATERIAL SOON.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE KNEW THERE WAS A BORING DONE AT THE PIT SINCE HE CAME BACK ON THE BOARD; MIKE SUGGS TOLD HIM THERE WAS 21' OF GOOD MATERIALS IN THE PIT WHEN THE BORING WAS DONE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE REPORT DONE IN 1990 SAID THERE WAS 20-23 FEET OF GOOD MATERIALS LEFT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD COULD GET ANOTHER BORING DONE IF THEY WANTED TO.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THEY NEEDED TO HAVE ANOTHER BORING DONE; THEY HAD ALREADY RENTED THE EXCAVATOR. HE WANTED TO MAKE THE BOARD AWARE THEY WERE GOING TO GET INTO SOME REALLY WET MATERIAL. HE SAID THE BOARD MAY NOT NEED TO RENT THE EXCAVATOR FOR SIX MONTHS WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP SAYING THEY HAD SEVERAL PITS THEY COULD USE IT IN.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF IT WAS EVER DETERMINED IF THEY COULD TRANSPORT THE EXCAVATOR. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID HE HAD TALKED TO PUBLIC WORKS ABOUT GETTING THE LOW BOY WEIGHED TO SEE IF IT COULD HAUL THE EXCAVATOR; HE WAS NOT SURE IF THEY HAD DONE IT YET.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID THEY COULD LOOK AT THE WEIGHT OFF THE TAG ON THE TRAILER AND THE WEIGHT ON THE TRUCK TO SEE IF IT COULD HAUL THE EXCAVATOR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM LINK BELT TOLD HIM FOR FUTURE KNOWLEDGE, ANYTIME THEY RENTED SOMETHING TO THE COUNTY, THEY WOULD MOVE IT FOR THEM.

COMMISSIONER COPE UPDATED THE BOARD ON ANDY ANDREASON, AG AGENT, NEEDING HELP AND REFERRED TO THE YOUTH FAIR COMING UP. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THE PERSON THAT WAS AT THE AG CENTER HAS NOT BEEN TERMINATED BUT IS ON LEAVE WITHOUT PAY; IN ORDER TO ADVERTISE FOR A FULL TIME REPLACEMENT, THAT PERSON WOULD HAVE TO BE TERMINATED. HOWEVER, THE BOARD COULD HIRE SOME TEMPORARY HELP AND SAID THERE WERE SOME APPLICATIONS ON FILE.

COMMISSIONER COPE ADDRESSED THE YOUTH FAIR WAS IN TWO WEEKS AND SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THERE WOULD BE ENOUGH TIME TO ADVERTISE FOR THE TEMPORARY POSITION AND QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANYBODY IN HOUSE THAT COULD HELP.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO GET ANDY ANDREASON SOME TEMPORARY CLERICAL HELP.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE BOARD ABOUT PREVIOUS DISCUSSION THEY HAD ON GETTING AN AMBULANCE STATIONED AT SUNNY HILLS. HE SPOKE WITH GLEN ZANETIC AND SUNNY HILLS HAS A BUILDING AND ALL THAT IS NEEDED IS MANPOWER. HE TALKED WITH RANDALL TRUETTE AND THE HOSPITAL ON THE COST FOR MANPOWER AND UPDATING AN AMBULANCE FOR SUNNY HILLS; THEY ADVISED IT WOULD COST \$254,700.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS AN AMBULANCE ON LOAN NOW FROM HOLMES COUNTY DUE TO HAVING ONE OF THEIRS BEING IN THE SHOP FOR WEEKS; THEY ARE TRYING TO GET A GRANT FOR A NEW AMBULANCE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED THE ADMINISTRATOR TO CALL AND SEE IF THE AMBULANCE CAN BE FIXED BY THE PEOPLE WHO CURRENTLY HAVE IT; IF NOT, HE KNOWS A MECHANIC IN BAINBRIDGE, GEORGIA WHO IS REAL GOOD WITH DIESEL ENGINES. HE REQUESTED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT CALL THE MECHANIC IN BAINBRIDGE IF THE PEOPLE WHO HAS IT NOW CAN'T FIX IT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS AS THE AMBULANCES FOR THE HOSPITAL NEED TO BE IN SERVICE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE HAD TALKED TO THE AMBULANCE DIRECTOR IN WALTON COUNTY; WALTON COUNTY HAS PARAMEDICS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY THAT ARE LIKE FIRST RESPONDERS. IF THE COUNTY WAS INTERESTED IN DOING THAT, STRICKLAND SAID THE DIRECTOR INDICATED THEY COULD TAKE THE \$254,700 AND CUT IT IN HALF.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THIS COULD BE DONE WITH A COUNTY WIDE MSBU AND REFERRED TO THIS HAVING BEEN DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY WHEN THE MSBU WAS SET UP FOR SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE COUNTY WAS STILL LOOKING AT IMPACT FEES AND THERE MAY BE SOME FUNDING THE COUNTY CAN GET OUT OF THIS FOR EMS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE KNEW THE BOARD COULDN'T AFFORD TO HAVE AN AMBULANCE SUBSTATION IN SUNNY HILLS RIGHT NOW BUT WANTED TO REPORT HIS FINDINGS BACK TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. HE SAID THE BAY COUNTY HORSEMAN CLUB PRESIDENT HAD CONTACTED HIM AND WAS EXCITED ABOUT THE COUNTY TRYING TO GET A GRANT TO GET A FACILITY; THEY OFFERED TO HELP PROMOTE THE FACILITY AND SAID IT WOULD BE A GREAT ASSET TO THE COUNTY. HE HAD SOME OTHER CALLS FROM PERSONS IN BAY COUNTY WANTING TO KNOW IF THERE WERE ANY PROPERTIES AROUND WHERE THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY IS GOING TO BE BUILT; THEY ARE INTERESTED IN MOVING FROM BAY COUNTY TO THE AREA AROUND THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THERE WERE THINGS AT PUBLIC WORKS THEY NEEDED TO LOOK AT AND VISIT. HE UPDATED THEM ON A MEETING WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISORS, ROGER HAGAN AND THE SHOP AND THEY ARE GOING TO COME UP WITH SUGGESTIONS TO BRING BACK BEFORE THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED WHAT MONIES WOULD BE LEFT AFTER THE PURCHASE OF THE MOTORGRADERS AND MACK TRUCKS. COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT IF HE COULD UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE DIFFERENCE IN THE TRADE IN AND PURCHASE OF THE DUMP TRUCKS AND MOTORGRADERS.

HERBERT REPORTED THE COUNTY WOULD BE GETTING SIX 2006 MACK TRUCKS AND TWO 2007 MACK TRUCKS AND THEY WILL BE READY FOR DELIVERY IN MARCH. HE SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE THE EXACT FIGURES AVAILABLE NOW. HE REPORTED ON STEVE PARISH HAVING ADVISED THEY WOULD HAVE THREE CAT MOTORGRADERS READY FOR DELIVERY IN A WEEK TO TEN DAYS; THE JOHN DEERE MOTORGRADERS WILL NOT BE DELIVERED UNTIL SOMETIMES IN MAY PER THE JOHN DEERE REPRESENTATIVE. HERBERT SAID THE EIGHT DUMPTRUCKS AND THREE MOTORGRADERS WOULD BE READY FOR THE MARCH AUCTION; THE OTHER MOTORGRADERS WOULD BE SOLD AT THE MAY AUCTION.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED USING THE PROCEEDS FROM THE AUCTION, SUBTRACTING OUT THE EXCAVATOR, ADDING THE \$400,000 FROM DEBT SERVICE, ADDING THE \$313,000 FROM FEMA AND SUBTRACTING OUT ALL THE EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING THE FIVE PICKUPS WOULD LEAVE \$180,000.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE \$40,000 PER MONTH RENTAL FOR THE EXCAVATOR WOULD HAVE TO BE TAKEN FROM THE \$180,000. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID PART OF THE RENTAL COULD BE RECEIVED FROM FEMA REIMBURSEMENT WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAYING FEMA REIMBURSEMENT COULD BE RECEIVED FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY WORK.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD HAD AXED TWO PICKUPS PREVIOUSLY AND HE WONDERED WHAT OTHER EQUIPMENT WAS NEEDED AT PUBLIC WORKS IF FUNDING WAS AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THE COUNTY TO BE LOOKING FOR SOME LAND ALONG HIGHWAY 20 AND 79 FOR AN INDUSTRIAL PARK DUE TO THE GROWTH THAT WILL BE COMING WITH THE AIRPORT COMING IN ON HIGHWAY 20.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE POSSIBILITY OF MITIGATING SOME COUNTY LAND FOR A PIECE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID ALBERT DAVIS HAD MADE THE CUT TO FIVE AS A REPRESENTATIVE FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY ON THE NFWFMD BOARD; ALL THE OTHERS ARE OUTSIDE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO SEND SOMETHING TO THE NFWFMD AS THEY HAVE REQUESTED INPUT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP READ A NOTE WHICH SAID THE GOVERNOR WOULD SOON BE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE NFWFMD AND REQUESTED THE COUNTY PROVIDE ANY FEEDBACK ON THE APPLICANTS THEY HAD LISTED BY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2006.

JOEL PATE SAID THE LIST OF NAMES ON THE LETTER WAS THE APPLICANTS BEING RECOMMENDED BY NFWFMD; HE SAID THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE APPOINTMENT BEING MADE DUE TO THEM NORMALLY SENDING IN THREE NAMES RATHER THAN FIVE.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO SEND A LETTER SUPPORTING THE APPOINTMENT OF ALBERT DAVIS TO THE NFWFMD BOARD.

CLIFF KNAUER SAID HE HAD WENT TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE AND PHILLIP CARTER AND KAREN CROOMER OWNED THE PROPERTY THEY WERE SPEAKING OF ON LEISURE LAKES. HE RECOMMENDED THE ADMINISTRATOR WRITE THEM A LETTER AND SET UP A MEETING WITH THEM TO DISCUSS RIGHT OF WAY NEEDED.

KNAUER SAID BY THE FIRST OF MARCH, THE COUNTY IS SUPPOSE TO HAVE A CONCEPTUAL PLAN TOGETHER TO SUBMIT TO FL-DEP FOR THE MUDHILL LANDFILL REMEDIATION PROJECT; AS PART OF PUTTING TOGETHER THE CONCEPTUAL PLAN, THEY WILL NEED A TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY OF THE WEST HALF OF THE LANDFILL. HE HAD GOTTEN A QUOTE FROM SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS FOR A TOPO SURVEY ON ABOUT FIFTY NINE ACRES OF THE WEST HALF; THE COST WAS \$9,980.

THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WAS THIS COST WAS TOO HIGH. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO DECLARE THIS AN EMERGENCY AND HAVE ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT GET SOME SURVEYING QUOTES FOR THE SURVEYING OF THE MUDHILL LANDFILL. THE BOARD GAVE ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT A LIST OF SURVEYORS TO CONTACT INCLUDING BANNERMAN SURVEYORS, WAYNE YOUNG WITH ALLAN NOBLES AND BOBBY HUTCHINS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN. ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 02/09/06

CHAIRMAN