

BOARD MINUTES FOR 01/26/06

JANUARY 26, 2006

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS STRICKLAND, COPE, SAPP, FINCH AND CORBIN PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF HADDOCK PROCLAIMED THE MEETING WITH COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERING PRAYER. CHAIRMAN SAPP LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

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

- A. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM PLAN TO CONTINUE POLICY TO PROVIDE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY TO WASHINGTON COUNTY EMPLOYEES
- B. WATER SPIGOT, INC., INVOICE TOTTALLING \$6,690.00 FOR MONITORING SERVICES FOR THE CHIPLEY LANDFILL AS REQUIRED BY FL-DEP

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE. LINDA WALLER, PLANNING OFFICER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE REVISION OF THE FLOOD ORDINANCE, PER A REQUEST FROM THE STATE, HAVING STARTED BACK IN MARCH OF 2005. SHE REPORTED THE APPROVAL ON THE REVISED FLOOD ORDINANCE HAD BEEN RECEIVED FROM FL-DCA AND SHE HAD PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A COPY OF THE APPROVED REVISED FLOOD ORDINANCE. SHE ADDRESSED SHE HAD NOT GOTTEN ANY ADVERSE COMMENTS BACK FROM THE BUILDING INSPECTOR, COUNTY ENGINEER, RANDY PARKER NOR HAD SHE RECEIVED ANY OTHER COMMENTS ON THE ORDINANCE; THEREFORE, IT WAS AT THE BOARD'S PLEASURE ON THE ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO ADOPT THE FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE. CHAIRMAN SAPP ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOD PLAIN ORDINANCE; THERE WAS NO RESPONSE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO EVIDENCE THE CLOSURE AND VACATION OF ROAD IN THE GREENHEAD PLAT, WALLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON A REQUEST FROM MR. & MS. PAUL WITHERS AND MR. AND MS. MELVIN HEAVERS TO CLOSE A ROAD THAT RUNS THROUGH THEIR PROPERTY. THE PLANNING COMMISSION DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH CLOSING THOSE ROADS THAT RAN THROUGH THEIR PROPERTIES BUT HAD SOME RESERVATIONS ABOUT CLOSING HALF SECTIONS OF ROADS; HOWEVER, IN THE PAST, WALLER ADVISED THE BOARD HAD CLOSED HALF ROADS.

SHE UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING PREPARED TWO RESOLUTIONS; ONE RESOLUTION HAD ALL THE ROADS IN IT AND ONE ONLY HAD THOSE ROADS THAT ARE EITHER ENTIRE ROADS OR HALF ROADS THAT DON'T AFFECT ANYONE ELSE, WITH ALL THESE ROADS BEING IN THE GREENHEAD PLAT.

SHE SHOWED THE BOARD ON THE GREENHEAD PLAT THE HALF ROADS THAT HAD BEEN CLOSED AND DEEDED BACK TO THE PROPERTY OWNER, ENTIRE ROADS THAT HAD BEEN CLOSED AND ROADS THAT HAD NEVER BEEN CONSTRUCTED, SOME- ONE COMES AND OWNS ALL THE PROPERTY AND DECIDES THEY WANT TO CONSTRUCT THE ROADS. SHE ADVISED THE ROADS BEING REQUESTED FOR CLOSURE TODAY ARE UNCONSTRUCTED ROADS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE PROPERTY OWNER ADJOINING WITHERS WOULDN'T GET THE OTHER HALF OF THE ROAD UNLESS THEY PETITIONED THE BOARD; ATTORNEY HOLLEY SUGGESTED WALLER MAY WANT TO NOTIFY HERNANDEZ TO PETITION THE BOARD TO CLOSE THE OTHER HALF OF THE ROAD.

WALLER SHOWED THE BOARD THE ENTIRE ROAD WITHERS OWNS; WITHERS IS WANTING THE ENTIRE ROAD CLOSED AND REVERTED BACK TO HIM BY DEED. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IF THE BOARD AGREES TO CLOSE THE ROAD, IT WOULD AUTOMATICALLY REVERT BACK TO

WITHERS; THE COUNTY HAS DONE SOME DEEDS IN THE PAST BUT THEY ARE NOT REQUIRED TO.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE TO APPROVE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AND CLOSE ONLY THE ROADS AFFECTED BY MR. WITHERS.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR WALLER TO GET A LIST OF ALL THE HALF ROADS THAT HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN CLOSED, NOTIFY THE OTHER PROPERTY OWNERS THEY WOULD HAVE TO PETITION THE BOARD TO CLOSE THE OTHER HALF AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO CLOSE ONLY THE ROADS AFFECTED BY MR. WITHERS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

KATHY AHLEN, WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL, PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A HANDOUT AND UPDATED THEM ON THE RURAL WORK PROGRAM:

1. WFRPC ENTERED INTO A JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH FL-DOT DISTRICT III
2. WITH THIS AGREEMENT, FL-DOT HAS REQUESTED WFRPC ACT AS A LIASON TO COUNTIES OR A PORTION OF THOSE COUNTIES NOT REPRESENTED BY A TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
3. THE REASON FOR THE JPA IS FOR WFRPC TO ACT AS A LIASON FOR THOSE PORTION OF COUNTIES TO HELP THE FL-DOT WITH THEIR FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM
4. SHE WILL MEET WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSION TWICE A YEAR; ONCE IN THE SPRING TIME TO HELP IDENTIFY WHAT PROJECTS THEY MAY WANT TO SEE ON THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR'S PROGRAM WITH THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM BEING FROM SPRING OF 2008 THRU 2012. AT THAT TIME SHE WILL BRING ANY COMMENTS OR CONCERNS BACK TO THE FL-DOT.
5. IF FL-DOT HAS ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDING PROGRAMS THEY WOULD LIKE FOR THE COUNTY TO KNOW ABOUT, THEY WOULD ADVISE HER AND SHE WOULD BRING THE INFORMATION TO THE BOARD
6. SHE WILL MEET WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSION AGAIN AT THE FIRST OF THE CALENDAR YEAR TO DISCUSS WITH THEM ANY CONCERNS AFTER FL-DOT HAS HAD THEIR PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THEIR WORK PROGRAM.
7. IN DECEMBER 2006, FL-DOT HAD A MEETING ON THEIR WORK PROGRAM FOR 2007-2011. SHE REFERRED TO THE SECOND PAGE OF HER HANDOUT WHICH SHOWED THE FL-DOT'S FIVE YEAR TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM FOR THAT PERIOD OF TIME.
8. THE PROGRAM WILL LAST UNTIL JUNE OF 2010

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE PURPOSE OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT PROVIDED BY ALHEN. ALHEN ADVISED WHEN HER SUPERVISOR, MIKE ZEIGLER, WAS KNOWLEDGABLE OF HER COMING BEFORE THE BOARD ON FL-DOT'S WORK PROGRAM, HE ASKED SHE BRING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WHICH WAS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM THE WORK PROGRAM. SHE SAID THAT AGREEMENT WAS AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON, HOLMES, GULF AND BAY COUNTY FOR TRANSPORTATION REGIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM FUNDING; WITH THIS PROGRAM THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO JOIN WITH OTHER COUNTIES AND IDENTIFY REGIONAL SIGNIFICANT ROADS. SHE ADDRESSED ALL OF THE COUNTIES HAVE NOT SIGNED THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE TRIP FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY WOULD BE CHARGED FOR WFRPC SERVING AS LIASON BETWEEN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND THE COUNTY. ALHEN ADVISED THERE WOULD BE NO CHARGE FOR WFRPC TO BE THE LIASON FOR THE COUNTY.

FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT ELSE WOULD THE COUNTY BE GETTING BY LETTING WFRPC SERVE AS LIASON. ALHEN ADVISED IT WOULD ALLOW WFRPC TO HELP FL-DOT IDENTIFY RURAL COUNTIES' NEEDS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAS BEEN IDENTIFYING PROJECTS EACH YEAR REQUESTING FL-DOT FUND; HE DOESN'T SEE ANY DIFFERENCE IN WHAT THE COUNTY WILL BE GETTING NOW VERSUS WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN RECEIVING.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE PROJECTS LISTED ON FL-DOT'S FIVE YEAR TENTATIVE WORK PLAN FOR 2007-2011 WAS IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY SOME TIME AGO BUT IT HAS

BEEN PUSHED UP TO THE WP 2007-2011. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED HIS UNDERSTANDING THE LAST TIME THE COUNTY ASKED FL-DOT FOR ASSISTANCE WAS FOR THE WIDENING AND RESURFACING OF ALL THEIR 18' ROADS.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THERE BEING FOUR BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS LISTED AND FIVE SHOWING ON THE MAP PROVIDED; THE ONES SHOWING ON THE MAP INCLUDED A BRIDGE ON CR 166, TWO BRIDGES ON HIGHWAY 90 AND TWO ON HIGHWAY 79. ALHEN REPORTED THE TWO ON HIGHWAY 90 ARE ALL INCLUDED IN ONE PROJECT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ZEIGLER HAD REQUESTED ALHEN BRING TO THE BOARD; THE AGREEMENT SAID EACH COUNTY WAS TO APPOINT TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON ZEIGLER HAVING ADDRESSED THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ON TRIP A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO; HE HAD THE AGREEMENT DRAWN UP, KNEW ALHEN WAS COMING TO THE BOARD MEETING TONIGHT AND ASKED HER TO BRING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT TO HAVE IT SIGNED.

HERBERT ADVISED THE OTHER PROGRAM ALHEN WAS TALKING ABOUT WAS THROUGH FL-DOT; THE OTHER COUNTIES THAT HAVE THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION ARE MEETING WITH FL-DOT AND GETTING INPUT INTO THEIR FIVE YEAR PLAN. FL-DOT IS LOOKING FOR A LIASON FOR THE COUNTIES THAT DON'T HAVE THE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION SO THEY CAN HAVE INPUT INTO THEIR FIVE YEAR PLAN; THEY ARE REQUESTING THE WFRPC TO REPRESENT THESE COUNTIES.

CHAIRMAN SAPP APPOINTED COMMISSIONER FINCH TO SERVE AS THE BOARD'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE FL-DOT'S TRIP PROGRAM. DUE TO FL-DOT WANTING TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE COUNTY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT QUESTIONED IF TWO COMMISSIONERS COULD SERVE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THIS WOULD BE THEIR OPTION; THE MEETINGS WOULD HAVE TO BE ADVERTISED IN ORDER FOR TWO COMMISSIONERS TO SERVE.

AFTER ALHEN INFORMED THE BOARD THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO MAKE A DECISION ON THE OTHER REPRESENTATIVE AT THIS TIME, CHAIRMAN SAPP STATED THE BOARD WOULD LEAVE THE OTHER REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT FOR FL-DOT'S TRIP PROGRAM OPEN.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO SIGN THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE TRIP PROGRAM BETWEEN BAY, GULF, HOLMES AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL TO BE THE LIASON FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY ON THE FL-DOT FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN RECOMMENDED THE COUNTY CONTINUE TO CONCENTRATE WITH FL-DOT ON HAVING THE 18' ROADS IN THE COUNTY WIDENED AND RESURFACED.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER QUESTIONED IF ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAD REVIEWED THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BAY, HOLMES, WASHINGTON AND GULF COUNTIES. CHAIRMAN FINCH SAID HE HAD PREVIOUSLY GIVEN A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATOR AND IT WAS PUT IN THE COMMISSIONERS BOXES. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HE HAD NOT REVIEWED THE AGREEMENT MS. ALHEN HAD BROUGHT WITH HER BUT HAD REVIEWED THE FIRST INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT THAT WAS SUBMITTED. ATTORNEY HOLLEY WAS PROVIDED A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT TO REVIEW.

SANDRA COOK, WASHINGTON COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON PREVIOUS DISCUSSION BETWEEN THEM AND THE PREVIOUS PRESIDENT OF TDC, TED EVERITT, ON THE TDC OFFICE AT BLUE LAKE.

THE TDC VOTED, AND THE CHAMBER HAS BEEN CONTACTED, TO MOVE THE TDC OFFICE FROM THE BLUE LAKE FACILITY TO THE CHAMBER OFFICE UNTIL OTHER FACILITIES BECOME AVAILABLE DUE TO NOT HAVING A FULL TIME SECRETARY AT THE BLUE LAKE FACILITY. SANDRA REFERRED TO THERE PRESENTLY BEING A TELEPHONE AT THE BLUE LAKE FACILITY, IT RINGS AND MESSAGES ARE LEFT BUT THERE IS NO ONE THERE TO ANSWER IT; SHE FEELS THIS IS DEFEATING THE PURPOSE OF THE TDC AND THE CHAMBER HAS AGREED TO HOUSE THE TDC AND PROVIDE PART TIME SECRETARIAL TO THEM. MS. COOK ADVISED THE TDC IS REQUESTING THE BOARD APPROVE OF THE RELOCATION OF THE TDC TO THE CHAMBER OFFICE.

MS. COOK THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE TDC HAVING ELECTED GLEN ZANETIC TO BE VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE TDC. MS. COOK ADVISED THE TDC BOARD WAS GOING TO REMAIN

THE SAME; RIGHT NOW THEY STILL HAVE NINE MEMBERS BUT THEY ARE LOOKING AT TRYING TO RECRUIT PEOPLE THROUGHOUT WASHINGTON COUNTY TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE TDC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE RELOCATING OF THE TDC TO THE CHAMBER WITH THE CHAMBER PROVIDING SECRETARIAL SERVICES FOR THE TDC WAS ON A MONTH TO MONTH BASIS. MS. COOK ADVISED THE CHAMBER WOULD BE BILLING THE TDC AND THE TDC WILL BE PAYING MONTHLY. SHE THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE TENTATIVE PLANS WERE FOR THE CITY OR COUNTY TO REFURBISH THE OLD LIBRARY AND LET THE CHAMBER MOVE INTO THAT FACILITY; WHEN THIS HAPPENS, THE CHAMBER HAS AGREED TO PROVIDE THE TDC AN OFFICE THERE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO TED EVERITT HAVING OFFERED TO FUND A SECRETARY FOR THE TDC AND DONATE BACK HIS SALARY. MS. COOK ADVISED THAT TED HAD OFFERED FOR THE TDC TO CONTRIBUTE \$10,000 TOWARD THE SECRETARIAL POSITION WITH THE COUNTY MATCHING THIS AMOUNT. HOWEVER, WITH WHAT THE TDC IS REQUESTING NOW WITH RELOCATING TO THE CHAMBER OFFICE, THERE WILL BE NO TAX DOLLARS INVOLVED IN IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED EVERITT HAVING COME AND ASKED THE BOARD FOR THE SECRETARIAL POSITION AND OFFERED THE \$10,000 BUT HAS NEVER COME BACK AND TOLD THEM HE COULDN'T FULFILL WHAT HE REQUESTED; HE THOUGHT THE TDC HAD A SECRETARY NOW.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THAT EVERITT HAD TOLD HIM HE HAD APPLIED FOR THE CHAMBER POSITION AND WANTED TO HOLD OFF ON THE SECRETARIAL POSITION UNTIL THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE TDC WAS APPOINTED TO SEE HOW THEY WANTED TO PERCEIVE THE SECRETARIAL POSITION. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED EVERITT HAD NOT INFORMED THE BOARD OF THIS DECISION.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED MS. COOK IF SHE HAD CONTACTED ANY OF THE HOTEL OWNERS TO SEE IF THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE TDC BOARD. MS. COOK ADVISED THEY WERE IN THE PROCESS OF CONTACTING THE NEW OWNER OF THE COMFORT INN; HE HAS INDICATED HE MAY BECOME INVOLVED WITH THE TDC. SHE REITERATED THE TDC WAS ALSO TRYING TO GET OTHER HOTEL OWNERS INVOLVED AS WELL AS TRYING TO GET MORE PEOPLE FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY INVOLVED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE \$10,000 TED DONATED BACK WOULD BE ROLLING BACK INTO THE TREASURY OF THE TDC AND THE \$500 A MONTH WOULD BE ALL THAT WOULD BE GIVEN TO THE CHAMBER FOR OFFICE AND SECRETARIAL SERVICES FOR THE TDC. MS. COOK ADVISED TED DIDN'T GET A SALARY WITH FINCH ADVISING HE DID AT ONE TIME AND HAD AGREED TO GIVE THE \$10,000 SALARY BACK WHEN THE SECRETARIAL POSITION AT THE TDC WAS FIRST DISCUSSED.

MS. COOK REITERATED THE \$500 PER MONTH TO THE CHAMBER WOULD BE PAID STRICTLY FROM THE BED TAX REVENUES. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE TDC'S RECOMMENDATION TO PAY THE CHAMBER \$500 A MONTH FOR OFFICE SPACE AND SECRETARIAL SERVICES FOR THE TDC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY COULD CONVERT THE OFFICE SPACE AT THE BLUE LAKE FACILITY INTO A KITCHEN FACILITY IF IT IS NOT GOING TO BE USED BY TDC. CHAIRMAN SAPP AGREED FOR THIS MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED LATER IN THE MEETING.

SHERIFF BOBBY HADDOCK ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THEIR REQUEST FOR HIM TO COME AND UPDATE THEM ON HIS PREVIOUS BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST.

CHAIRMAN SAPP ADVISED THE QUESTION THE BOARD HAD WAS WHERE THE ADDITIONAL INCOME WAS WHEN HE SUBMITTED HIS BUDGET LAST YEAR. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID THIS WAS NOT INCOME FOR THE NEXT BUDGET YEAR; THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN DONE FOR THE LAST TWENTY TO TWENTY FIVE YEARS ACCORDING TO HIS UNDERSTANDING. HE SAID THIS WAS MONIES THAT COME IN FOR THE 2003-2004 BUDGET AND WAS SELF EXPLANATORY UNLESS THE BOARD HAD A QUESTION ON ANY PARTICULAR LINE ITEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID WHEN THE BOARD LOOKED AT HIS BUDGET REQUEST AT THEIR LAST MEETING, IT APPEARED THERE WAS \$400,000 PLUS COMING IN THEY WERE NOT AWARE OF AND THEY HAD JUST READDRESSSED THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET SOMEWHERE BACK TO

HELP HIM. HE EXPLAINED HE WAS NOT AWARE OF THESE MONIES COMING IN AT BUDGET TIME.

SHERIFF HADDOCK HAD COPIES OF LETTERS FROM HIS PREDECESSOR WHERE HE HAD PRESENTED BUDGET AMENDMENTS IN THE SAME MANNER THAT HE HAD PRESENTED THEM; ONE YEAR THE AMENDMENT WAS FOR \$400,000 PLUS AND ONE YEAR IT WAS \$500,000 PLUS. HE REPORTED SOME OF THESE ADDITIONAL FUNDS WERE GRANT MONIES AND IN LOOKING AT SOME OF THE FUNDS, HE MAY BE ABLE TO PROJECT IT IN FUTURE BUDGETS; HOWEVER, ANY OF THE LINE ITEMS THEY SEE MAY BE APT TO CHANGE DURING THE YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED HOW THIS AFFECTED THE BUDGET THE SHERIFF HAD PROPOSED AND ASKED IF IT WOULD BE ENHANCING HIS BUDGET. SHERIFF HADDOCK ADVISED IT WOULD AND POINTED OUT SOME OF THE FUNDING, SUCH AS THE COPS GRANT, WOULDN'T BE AVAILABLE NEXT YEAR. HE REITERATED SOME OF THE FUNDING COULD BE PROJECTED IN THE BUDGET BUT THIS IS HOW BUDGET AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN BEING DONE FOR THE LAST 20 TO 25 YEARS; THEY HAVE BEEN PRESENTED AS AN ADDENDUM TO THE LAST YEAR.

SHERIFF HADDOCK EXPLAINED THIS IS MONIES THAT IS GOING TO COME IN; IT HAS ALREADY COME IN AND IT MAY BE LESS OR MORE NEXT YEAR. HE REPORTED ON HAVING TAKEN OUT A LOAN FOR NEW VEHICLES NEEDED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; THEY PAID IT OUT OF THEIR LAST YEAR'S BUDGET.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE ACTIVELY PURSUES GRANT FUNDING THAT WILL ENHANCE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET RATHER THAN HAVING TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD TO REQUEST MONIES ALL THE TIME. HE POINTED OUT WITHOUT THE SCHOOL BOARD FUNDING, HE WOULD HAVE TO SEND FOUR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS HOME; THE MONIES DO HELP TO SUPPLEMENT HIS BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IF THE SHERIFF WAS ABLE TO BALANCE HIS BUDGET WITHOUT THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FUNDING AND NOW SINCE THE FUNDING HAS COME IN, HE IS SAYING THAT IS WHAT IS GOING TO KEEP SOME PEOPLE ON. HE SAID IT APPEARED THE SHERIFF WAS "X" NUMBER OF DOLLARS AHEAD.

SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID HE WAS NOT "X" NUMBER OF DOLLARS AHEAD; HE WOULD NEVER COME TO THE BOARD FOR FUNDING IF HE WAS "X" NUMBER OF DOLLARS AHEAD. HE REFERRED TO HIM COMING BEFORE THE BOARD LAST YEAR ON HIM BEING IN THE RED WITH GAS MONIES WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH SAYING THE BOARD RESPONDED BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS \$400,000 PLUS COMING IN LATER.

SHERIFF HADDOCK STATED THAT MONEY WAS SPENT. HE SAID THE MONIES THEY WERE GETTING FOR THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS DIDN'T EVEN COVER THEIR SALARIES; THIS IS BUDGETED IN THEIR REGULAR BUDGET COMING OUT OF GENERAL REVENUE BUT IF THE SCHOOL BOARD CUTS THE FUNDING OUT FOR THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS, THOSE POSITIONS WILL HAVE TO BE CUT. HE ADDRESSED THE ADDITIONAL FUNDING HELPS OFFSET SOME OTHER EXPENSES FOR THE DAILY OPERATION OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED DIDN'T THE GRANT FUNDING RECEIVED HAVE TO BE SPENT FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES; SHERIFF HADDOCK ADVISED IT DID AND REFERRED TO THE ANTI-DRUG ABUSE GRANT HAVING BEEN CUT BY \$10,000 THIS YEAR.

SHERIFF HADDOCK AGREED THE GRANT FUNDS ENHANCES THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND SOME OF THE FUNDING, IF HE KNOWS AHEAD OF TIME, THEY CAN BE ADDRESSED DURING BUDGET TIME AND THE BOARD MADE AWARE OF THEM. HE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING AGGRESSIVELY GONE AFTER FEMA FUNDING AFTER HE TOOK OFFICE AS HE HAD FOUND THAT SHINGLES HAD BLOWN OFF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; THE COUNTY HAS \$20,000 PLUS TO PUT A NEW ROOF ON THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BECAUSE OF THE FEMA FUNDING HE ACQUIRED. HE SAID HE PURSUES GRANT FUNDING NOT ONLY TO HELP THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT BUT TO HELP THE BOARD AS WELL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND, IF THIS IS DONE EVERY YEAR, WHY SOME OF THESE FUNDING SOURCES CAN'T BE RECOGNIZED DURING BUDGET TIME; THERE SHOULD BE A BETTER PROCESS IF IT IS KNOWN FUNDING IS GOING TO COME IN. SHERIFF HADDOCK SAID IF HE COULD GIVE THE BOARD AN EXACT FIGURE AT BUDGET TIME, HE WOULD; HOWEVER, AFTER DOING RESEARCH, HE FOUND THIS IS THE WAY IT HAS BEEN BEING DONE AND THAT IS WHY THEY DID IT THAT WAY THIS YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE BOARD WOULD BE KNOWING WHAT TO ASK NEXT YEAR WHEN ADDRESSING THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET.

HADDOCK SAID THE BOOKING FEES, WHICH HE IMPLEMENTED LAST YEAR, IS SOMETHING THAT HE CAN'T SAY WHAT THEY WILL RECEIVE NEXT YEAR; THE BOARD RECEIVES 50% OF THE FEES AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT RECEIVES 50%.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LOT OF FUNDING THE COUNTY HAS TO ANTICIPATE WHAT WILL BE; THEY BUDGET BASED ON PAST HISTORY, THEY WILL GET "X" AMOUNT OF DOLLARS AND THEN ADJUST IT ON THE ACTUAL AMOUNT RECEIVED. HE POINTED OUT THE \$400,000 BUDGET AMENDMENT THE SHERIFF PRESENTED WAS A LOT OF MONEY.

SHERIFF HADDOCK UPDATED THE BOARD ON LAST YEAR HAVING MADE THE DECISION TO GO AFTER TWO CONTRACTS; ONE WAS TO HOUSE TWENTY FIVE STATE INMATES AND ONE WAS TO HOUSE FEDERAL INMATES. HE SAID HE SAW THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO GRASP A HOLD OF SOME MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF PAYING FOR THE NEW ADDITIONS THEY NEED AT THE JAIL RATHER THAN COSTING THE TAXPAYERS MONEY. HE SAID IT WAS HIS GOAL AND INTENTION THEY WOULD MAKE ENOUGH MONEY IN ONE YEAR THE BOARD COULD TAKE THE MONEY THEY HAD SET ASIDE FOR THE RENOVATIONS AT THE JAIL AND USE IT FOR OTHER THINGS.

HE SAID HIS SECOND GOAL IN HOUSING THE STATE AND FEDERAL INMATES WOULD GIVE THE COUNTY MONIES TO LOOK AT BUILDING ADDITIONAL SPACE AT THE JAIL THAT WILL BE NEEDED IN THE FUTURE DUE TO GROWTH; THEREFORE, IT WOULDN'T COST THE TAXPAYERS MONEY. HE THEN PRESENTED THE BOARD WITH A CHECK FOR \$102,345 FOR HOUSING STATE AND FEDERAL INMATES FOR OCTOBER-DECEMBER OF 2005.

SHERIFF HADDOCK ALSO GAVE THE BOARD A CHECK FOR \$3,996 FOR CO-PAYMENTS WHEN INMATES GO THE DOCTOR. HE EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION TO THE BOARD FOR WORKING WITH HIM ON THE JAIL ISSUES.

SHERIFF HADDOCK UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE JAIL RENOVATIONS; HADDOCK SAID HE HOPED THE RENOVATIONS DIDN'T COME IN AT A COST PETER BROWN HAS PROJECTED DUE TO THE ROOF, FLOORING AND WALLS ALREADY BEING THERE. HE FEELS THE PROJECT COST SHOULD BE WELL UNDER THE \$500,000 THE COUNTY HAS SET ASIDE FOR THE PROJECT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT INFORMED THE BOARD PETER BROWN WILL BE AT THE FEBRUARY 9TH MEETING TO PRESENT AN UPDATE ON THE JAIL RENOVATIONS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REQUESTED THE SHERIFF PROVIDE THE BUDGET COMMITTEE WITH ANY ANTICIPATED REVENUES HE FEELS COMFORTABLE WITH WHEN WORKING ON HIS 2006-2007 BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET AMENDMENT TOTALLING \$455,328.87.

DON WALTERS, ORANGE HILL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING A \$320,000 FLORIDA FOREVER GRANT THAT WOULD COVER HOLMES, WASHINGTON AND JACKSON COUNTIES; THE FUNDING IS FUNNELLED THROUGH NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT FROM FL-DEP. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROJECTS BEING FOR STREAM CROSSINGS ON DIRT ROADS WHERE THEY CONTINUALLY GRADE THE DITCHES AND IT WASHES INTO THE STREAM AND WINDS UP IN THE RIVER.

WALTERS REPORTED THESE WOULD BE MODEL PROJECTS TO SHOW FL-DEP AND NFWMD WHAT COULD HAPPEN TO CORRECT THESE SITUATIONS; THE \$320,000 WOULD COVER EIGHT PROJECTS OR MORE DEPENDING ON HOW WELL THEY CAN DO THE PROJECTS. HE EXPLAINED THAT OHSWCD WOULD DESIGN THE PROJECTS, PRICE THEM OUT AND WOULD LIKE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY ON GETTING THEM CONSTRUCTED; IT WOULD REQUIRE MOSTLY SOME DIRT WORK, GRADING, COMPACTION AND PROBABLY SOME MILLED ASPHALT. OHSWCD HAS WENT OUT AND SURVEYED FORTY SITES IN THE COUNTY THEY RECEIVED FROM ROAD AND BRIDGE AND GRADED THEM FROM 1 TO 10 WITH 10 BEING THE WORST SITES IN THE COUNTY. HE SAID OHSWCD WOULD LIKE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY TO STOP THE DIRT FROM WASHING OFF THE ROADS AND GOING INTO THE STREAMS; THIS WOULD SAVE THE COUNTY A LOT OF MONEY IN GRADING, PULLING DITCHES AND HAULING DIRT.

WALTERS SAID THEY WOULD LIKE TO WORK THE PROJECTS WHERE OHSWCD WOULD DESIGN THE JOB, PRICE IT OUT, COME TO THE COUNTY AND OFFER THEM AN "X" AMOUNT OF DOLLARS TO DO THE PROJECTS ACCORDING TO THEIR DESIGN.

WALTERS SAID OHSCD HAD THE FINAL SAY SO AS TO WHICH PROJECTS ARE DONE NOW; THEY WOULD BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY IN COMING UP WITH THE SELECTIONS BUT FEEL THE WORST ONES NEED TO BE DONE FIRST. HE SAID THAT IS WHY

THEY WENT OUT AND TOOK PICTURES OF THE FORTY SITES TO HELP DETERMINE WHAT THEY FELT LIKE WOULD BE THE MOST NEEDED. HE SAID ON THE DIRT ROAD STREAM CROSSINGS, THEY WOULD PROBABLY WIND UP PAVING FROM TOP OF HILL TO TOP OF HILL ON DITCHES AND ROADWAY.

HE REQUESTED A MOTION BE MADE BY THE BOARD TO WORK WITH OHSCD ON THE DIRT ROAD STREAM CROSSINGS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID MILLED ASPHALT DON'T BOND SUFFICIENTLY TO NOT WASH AWAY WHERE WATER RUNS ACROSS IT. WALTERS SAID IT DEPENDED ON THE MILLED ASPHALT; THE MILLED ASPHALT THEY GOT ON ROCHE ROAD WAS SMOOTH AS ASPHALT BUT THE ONLY PROBLEM WAS THEY DIDN'T GO FROM TOP OF HILL TO TOP OF HILL AND THEY NOW HAVE DIRT WASHING THERE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE \$320,000 WAS FOR ALL THREE COUNTIES. WALTERS REITERATED IT WAS FOR ALL THREE COUNTIES BUT OHSCD WOULD GET TO MAKE THE DECISION WHERE THEY WOULD DO THE MODEL PROJECTS AT; THEY PLAN ON DOING ONE IN HOLMES, ONE IN JACKSON AND SIX IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED \$320,000 WOULD NOT GO FAR IF THEY GO FROM TOP OF HILL TO TOP OF HILL; HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE BETTER THAN WHAT THEY HAVE NOW ON SOME OF THE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE APPRECIATED THE OPPORTUNITY THE BOARD HAS TO GO FORWARD WITH OHSWCD AND HE WOULD LOVE TO VOTE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH IT; HOWEVER, RECOGNIZING THE PROJECTS THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS GOING, IF THEY VOTE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH OHSWCD DIRT ROAD STREAM CROSSINGS, HE WANTS WALTERS TO RECOGNIZE HE DOESN'T KNOW WHEN THE COUNTY COULD START ON THESE PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DOESN'T WANT HIS PROJECTS DELAYED ANYMORE ON THE ROLLING PINES ROAD AND LEISURE LAKE ROAD.

WALTERS SAID WITH THE PROPER EQUIPMENT, THEY WOULDN'T BE TALKING ABOUT A LONG EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME. COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE NEED TO KNOW MORE SPECIFICS ON WHAT WILL BE DONE ON EACH PROJECT; WALTERS SAID WHEN OHSCD DESIGNS THE PROJECTS, THEY WILL KNOW MORE ABOUT THE SPECIFICS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO WORK WITH OHSCD ON THE DIRT ROAD STREAM CROSSING PROJECTS WITH THE SPECIFICS ON THE PROJECTS TO BE BROUGHT BACK BEFORE THE BOARD TO BE VOTED ON.

ON THE TIME FRAME INVOLVED, WALTERS SAID IT WOULD TAKE TIME FOR OHSCD TO DO SOME SURVEYING, DRAW UP SKETCHES OF WHAT THEY WANT TO DO, MAKE SOME ESTIMATES, ETC. HE SAID NWFWM D HAD APPROVED THE CONTRACT BUT WERE WAITING ON FL-DEP TO FUND IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING WAS THE COUNTY'S INKIND SERVICES TOWARD THE DIRT ROAD STREAM CROSSINGS WOULD ENTAIL HAULING MILLED ASPHALT, HAULING DIRT, MOTORGRADER SHAPING AND COMPACTING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED HOW LONG THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO DO THE PROJECTS; WALTERS SAID APPROXIMATELY SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS BUT HE WOULD LIKE TO GET THEM COMPLETED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THEY CAN GET IN LINE FOR MORE MONEY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED TO WALTERS HE WANTED HIS PROJECTS FINISHED AND WASN'T SURE WHEN THE COUNTY COULD START ON THE OHSWCD DIRT ROAD STREAM CROSSINGS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED WHERE THE SIX LOCATIONS IN THE COUNTY WOULD BE FOR THE OHSCD MODEL PROJECTS. WALTERS ADVISED HE WAS NOT PREPARED TO SAY AT THIS TIME WHERE THE PROJECTS WILL BE LOCATED; THEY ARE GOING TO PICK TYPICAL SITES THAT ARE DIFFERENT IN SOME ASPECTS SO THEY CAN MAKE A MODEL OUT OF THEM OF WHAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN.

WALTERS THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SOIL SURVEY HAPPENING NOW IS GOING WELL. THEY HAVE HAD ONLY ONE CALL FROM A PROPERTY OWNER WANTING TO KNOW WHAT WAS GOING ON, THEY EXPLAINED IT TO THE PROPERTY OWNER AND THEY WERE SATISFIED WITH THE EXPLANATION. HE ADDRESSED THE SOIL SURVEY PROJECT BEING A THREE YEAR PROJECT BUT HOPEFULLY IT WILL BE COMPLETED PRIOR TO THEN.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. WALTERS SAID AS SOON AS THEY GET DRAWINGS ON THE PROJECT, HE WILL PRESENT THEM TO THE BOARD FOR THEIR APPROVAL.

DEBRA MAQUERIA, EDUCATOR WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, INTRODUCED A CO-WORKER, HEATHER SHELBY, COORDINATOR FOR STEP UP FLORIDA. HEATHER UPDATED THE BOARD ON STEP UP FLORIDA BEING A TIME FOR PEOPLE TO GET ACTIVE AND TO GET HEALTHY BY TAKING ADVANT- AGE OF THE GREAT PHYSICAL ACTIVITY OPPORTUNITIES FLORIDA HAS TO OFFER. SHE ADDRESSED STEP UP FLORIDA IS A STATE WIDE RELAY EVENT, THIS YEAR IS THE SECOND YEAR IT HAS BEEN HELD IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE THIRD ANNUAL EVENT IN FLORIDA; IT WILL BEGIN FEBRUARY 1ST AND END ON FEBRUARY 28TH. SHE SAID THE EVENT WOULD BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

SHELBY AND DEBRA INVITED THE BOARD TO JOIN IN THE EVENT WHICH WILL BE HELD AT THE NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND PROVIDED THEM WITH A TEE SHIRT AND A FLYER ON THE EVENTS TO BE HELD.

SHELBY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ACTIVITIES TO TAKE PLACE AND REQUESTED THE BOARD APPROVE FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN A PROCLAMATION ENCOURAGING ALL THE RESIDENTS TO SET GOALS TO INCREASE THEIR HEALTH AND WELLNESS AS "STEP UP, FLORIDA!" IS LAUNCHED TO MOTIVATE ALL RESIDENTS TO MAKE HEALTHY CHOICES AND STRIVE FOR HEALTHY LIFESTYLES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE CHAIRMAN SAPP TO SIGN THE PROCLAMATION FOR STEP UP FLORIDA. CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, JANET JONES, PRESIDENT OF THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION HAVING A NEW BOARD. SHE EXPRESSED THEIR EXCITEMENT ABOUT THE GROWTH THAT IS OCCURRING IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND THE ASSOCIATION WILL BE CHANGING SOME THINGS OVER THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS WHICH THEY FEEL WILL BE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY AND THEIR FUTURE GROWTH.

JONES ALSO SAID THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEMBERS WOULD BE ATTENDING THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS REGULARLY SO THEY CAN STAY INVOLVED WITH THE COUNTY. SHE ASKED THE MEMBERS PRESENT TO RAISE THEIR HANDS SO THEY COULD BE RECOGNIZED.

JONES SAID THE ASSOCIATION MEMBERS WERE CURRENTLY ON THE AGENDA FOR THE FEBRUARY 9TH MEETING FOR SOME ITEMS RELATING TO THE MSBU ORDINANCE. SHE SAID HER REAL PURPOSE BEING HERE TONIGHT WAS TO EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR HAVING EVENING MEETINGS SO WORKING PEOPLE CAN ATTEND THEM; THEY ALSO THANKED THE BOARD FOR THE HELP THEY HAVE PROVIDED THE MSBU IN THEIR APPROVAL FOR GETTING AN AMBULANCE FOR THEIR COMMUNITY AND THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMUNITY BUILDING.

JONES ASSURED THE BOARD THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION WOULD MANAGE THE AMBULANCE PROGRAM AND THE COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAM TO THE BEST OF THEIR ABILITY FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. SHE INFORMED THE BOARD THE ASSOCIATION APPRECIATED THE EFFORTS OF GLEN ZANETIC IN THE MSBU AND THE BOARD'S EFFORTS.

STACY WEBB AND GLEN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED PROJECT OUTLINE FOR A WASHINGTON COUNTY RECREATIONAL AND EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX. ZANETIC UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING GONE ON A TOUR OF A FACILITY AT BAKER IN OKALOOSA COUNTY WHICH WAS TOTALLY STATE PAID FOR; IT WAS A FIFTY ACRE SITE WHICH IS USED FOR HORSES AS WELL AS MANY OTHER EVENTS SUCH AS DOG SHOWS, CONCERTS, ETC. ZANETIC SAID THE FACILITY WAS RUN EXTREMELY WELL; THEY HAVE ONE CREW THAT GOES IN EVERY DAY TO MAINTAIN THE FACILITY AND A CREW THAT IS BASED AT A CERTAIN AREA TO TAKE CARE OF A CERTAIN AREA.

ZANETIC REPORTED ON THE EVENTS HELD AT THE BAKER FACILITY PAID FOR THE FACILITY AS WELL AS THE OPERATIONS OF THE FACILITY AND THE COMMUNITY GETS THE BENEFIT OF USING THE FACILITY WHEN IT IS NOT IN AN EVENT MODE. HE SAID HE WAS TOTALLY IMPRESSED WITH THE FACILITY.

ZANETIC REPORTED ON ALL THE ACTIVITIES THAT TAKE PLACE AT THE BAKER FACILITY. FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, ZANETIC ADDRESSED THEY WERE LOOKING AT THE

DANIELS LAKE PROPERTY AS A SITE FOR A RECREATIONAL AND EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. HE POINTED OUT THERE WAS ALREADY A PLAYGROUND AT THIS SITE, TENNIS, A COMMUNITY CENTER, RESTROOM AREA, BOATRAMP, BALL PARK AND BASKETBALL AREA; THERE IS ALSO A HERITAGE VILLAGE THAT IS BEING PROPOSED TO BE LOCATED THERE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE RECREATIONAL/EQUESTRIAN FACILITY WOULD ALSO HELP PROMOTE THE HERITAGE VILLAGE ONCE IT WAS IN TACT AS IT WOULD BE EXPOSED MORE DUE TO THERE BEING MORE ACTIVITY GOING IN AND OUT OF THE SAME COMPLEX.

ZANETIC REPORTED HE HAD TALKED TO HORSE USERS IN THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY AND THEY THOUGHT THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY WOULD BE GREAT. HE REFERRED TO THE TRAWICK FACILITY IN CHIPLEY BUT ADVISED THE ONE BEING PROPOSED TO BE BUILT WOULD BE TOTALLY DIFFERENT AND WOULD BE USED TOTALLY DIFFERENTLY AS FAR AS COMPETING WITH PRIVATE INDUSTRY.

ZANETIC ADVISED THE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HAD THREE REQUESTS FOR THE BOARD IN ORDER TO GO FORWARD WITH THE RECREATION/ EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AND PURSUE IT FURTHER:

1. SURVEY OUT A FORTY ACRE SITE FOR THE FACILITY AT THE DANIELS LAKE FACILITY
2. MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST IN THE \$1,000,000 RANGE TO COVER THE COST OF THE FACILITY
3. ALLOW THE GRANTS COORDINATOR, STACY WEBB, TO PURSUE THE VARIOUS GRANTS TO BUILD THE FACILITY

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE AMOUNT OF ACREAGE LEFT AT THE DANIELS LAKE FACILITY. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THERE WERE 120 ACRES REMAINING WITH FORTY ACRES FOR THE HERITAGE VILLAGE, FORTY ACRES FOR THE EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX WHICH WOULD LEAVE FORTY ACRES FOR A PARK AREA.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED THE BOARD IDENTIFY THE SITE AND HAVE INPUT TO MAKE SURE THE HERITAGE VILLAGE IS IN A GOOD LOCATION. HE REFERRED TO THE HERITAGE VILLAGE NOT BEING FUNDED WHEN IT WAS SUBMITTED AND QUESTIONED WHAT MADE WEBB THINK THEY COULD GET FUNDED FOR THE EQUESTRIAN/PARK COMPLEX.

WEBB ADVISED THE EQUESTRIAN/PARK COMPLEX WAS TOTALLY DIFFERENT THAN THE HERITAGE VILLAGE PROJECT; SHE WOULD BE LOOKING AT SEVERAL DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCES INCLUDING FL-DCA THROUGH THE AGRICULTURAL SECTION, FLORIDA TRUST AND FRDAP.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH IF THEY HAD MET WITH SOMEONE IN BAKER ON THE FUNDING USED FOR THEIR FACILITY, ZANETIC ADVISED THEY HAD MET WITH BAKER'S PROJECT MANAGER. THE PROJECT MANAGER HAD INFORMED THEM THEIR FACILITY WAS STARTED BY A NON- PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND IT WAS INHERITED BY THE COUNTY; IN ORDER FOR ANY GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS OR COUNTY FUNDS TO BE PUT INTO THE FACILITY, IT HAD TO BE OWNED BY THEM.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REPORTED THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT STARTED IT STILL RUNS ITS OWN PROCEDURES AT THE FACILITY AND RENTS IT OUT BASICALLY.

ZANETIC AGREED TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A PACKET THEY RECEIVED ON THE DIFFERENT GRANT PROGRAMS INVOLVED WITH THE BAKER FACILITY; WHEN THEY RAN UP TO \$400,000, THERE SEEMED TO BE A STUMBLING BLOCK BUT SUDDENLY IT DIDN'T APPEAR TO BE A PROBLEM TO GET \$250,000 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AG TOWARD THE FACILITY.

WEBB PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A PROPOSED OUTLINE OF THE RECREATION/EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX WHICH LISTED WAYS THE PROJECT COULD BENEFIT THE COUNTY IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT WAYS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP PASSED THE GAVEL TO VICE-CHAIRMAN COPE AND OFFERED A MOTION TO ALLOW THE FORTY ACRES TO BE SURVEYED OUT TO BE DEDICATED TO THE RECREATION/EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX. COMMISSIONER FINCH SECONDED THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE COMMITTEE HAD INVOLVED THE 4-H IN THE EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX. WEBB ADVISED THEY WOULD INVOLVE THE 4-H AND AG STUDENTS ONCE THEY KNOW WHAT APPROACH THEY ARE GOING TO TAKE ON THE EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED THE LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY IN HAVING AN EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. ZANETIC REPORTED ON THE STATUTE THAT DEALS WITH THESE KIND

OF ESTABLISHMENTS AND EVENTS AND SAID IT WAS POSTED EVERYWHERE THEY WALKED AROUND AT THE BAKER FACILITY.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VICE-CHAIRMAN COPE TURNED THE GAVEL BACK OVER TO CHAIRMAN SAPP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST FOR \$1,000,000 FOR THE AREA THEY DEFINE FOR THE RECREATION/ EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE STACY WEBB TO PURSUE THE GRANT FUNDING FOR THE RECREATION/EQUESTRIAN FACILITY.

WEBB EXPLAINED THERE WOULD BE MATCHING FUNDS REQUIRED FOR SOME OF THE GRANTS; HOWEVER, SHE WAS TOLD SOME GRANT FUNDING THAT WILL BE OBTAINED FOR THE RECREATION/EQUESTRIAN COMPLEX COULD BE USED FOR MATCHING FUNDS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT WENT OVER THE BIDS RECEIVED WHERE THEY HAD ADVERTISED FOR AUCTION COMPANIES TO SELL SIX MOTORGRADERS, EIGHT DUMPTRUCKS AND ONE EXCAVATOR:

DEANCO AUCTION	\$1,501,350 GUARANTEED GROSS
	\$1,396,255.50 GUARANTEED NET (AMOUNT AFTER 7% COMMISSION DEDUCTED)
J. M. WOOD	\$1,424,500 GUARANTEED GROSS
	\$1,324,785 GUARANTEED NET (AMOUNT AFTER 7% COMMISSION DEDUCTED)

HERBERT RECOMMENDED AWARDING THE EQUIPMENT SALE TO DEANCO AUCTION.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE LAST AUCTION SALE, THE BOARD HAD TO PUT TIRES ON THE EQUIPMENT, ETC. BEFORE THEY COULD BE AUCTIONED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REFERRED TO DEANCO'S BID STATING ALL TIRES ON THE EQUIPMENT WILL HAVE TO HAVE 50% MINIMUM TREAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE BIDS FROM THE AUCTION COMPANIES, AS OF TODAY, WERE GUARANTEED PRICES AFTER THEY INSPECTED THE EQUIPMENT AND IF THE EQUIPMENT WERE SOLD TODAY, THE COUNTY COULD GET THE GUARANTEED PRICES QUOTED.

EDDY GARNER, DEANCO AUCTION, REPORTED TO THE BOARD, AS OF THE TIME THEY INSPECTED THE EQUIPMENT TO BE SOLD AND MADE A BID, ALL THE TRUCKS AND EQUIPMENT MET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS; THEY WOULD EXPECT THE EQUIPMENT THEN TO BE BROUGHT UP TO MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS AT THE TIME THE EQUIPMENT IS RELINQUISHED TO DEANCO.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHEN THE EQUIPMENT WOULD BE RELINQUISHED TO THE AUCTION COMPANY. CHAIRMAN SAPP ADVISED THAT HAS YET TO BE DETERMINED AS THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO HAVE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT PRIOR TO RELINQUISHING THE EQUIPMENT. HE ALSO REFERRED TO DEANCO HAVING TWO AUCTION DATES, ONE MARCH 22-25, 2006 AND ONE MAY 24-26, 2006; THESE TWO DATES WOULD HELP DETERMINE WHICH ONE WOULD FALL BEST TO SUIT THE COUNTY WHEN THEY COULD GET THE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT IN.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT PROVIDED INFORMATION ON THE STATE BID TO REPLACE THE EIGHT MACK TRUCKS:

NEXTRAN/LAKE CITY	\$92,377.00
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IT WILL TAKE 12 WEEKS TO BUILD THEM AND ANOTHER 3 WEEKS FOR THE BODY FOR THE TRUCKS FOR A TOTAL OF 15 WEEKS IF ORDERED RIGHT BY THE STATE BID; HOWEVER, THEY HAVE SOME TRUCKS IN STOCK THAT WILL MEET STATE BID THEY CAN HAVE READY IN FOUR WEEKS. THE GENERAL MANAGER IS GOING TO PROVIDE A QUOTE ON THE TRUCKS HE HAS IN STOCK; IF THE BOARD WANTS TO GO WITH THE MARCH AUCTION, THE TRUCKS NEXTRAN HAS IN STOCK CAN BE READY FOR DELIVERY AT THE TIME THE TRUCKS TO BE AUCTIONED ARE RELINQUISHED TO DEANCO.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF GULF COAST EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN CONTACTED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THAT HE AND DON BOOP AT PUBLIC WORKS HAD TRIED TO TALK WITH JOHN WILLIAMS OF GULF COAST AND HE HAD LEFT HIM A MESSAGE. BOOP HAD ACTUALLY TALKED TO WILLIAMS BUT DIDN'T THINK WILLIAMS PROVIDED THE INFORMATION BOOP WAS LOOKING FOR AND BOOP WAS CONFUSED.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID WILLIAMS HAD BEEN ABLE TO SUPPLY THE COUNTY WITH TRUCKS IN THE PAST AND HAS BEEN VERY SATISFACTORY.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THE REPLACEMENT TRUCKS WOULD HAVE THE SAME TYPE BODY AS THE TRUCKS THEY HAVE NOW WITH THE SWING GATE; HERBERT ADVISED HE HAD REQUESTED THEY INCLUDE THE SWING GATE IN THEIR QUOTE.

HERBERT THEN WENT OVER WHAT THE BASE PRICE ON THE REPLACEMENT MACK TRUCKS WOULD INCLUDE; 64,000 GVW PACKAGE, FRONT AXLE 20,000 LB, 20YD DUMP BODY/ELECTRIC TARP AND HE REQUESTED THE SWING GATE BE INCLUDED IN THE QUOTE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP ADDRESSED IF THEY WENT WITH THE REPLACEMENT TRUCKS THAT HAD TO BE ORDERED THAT WERE BY THE STATE BID SPECIFICATIONS, THEY WOULD HAVE TO AUCTION OFF THE MACK TRUCKS AT THE MAY AUCTION; IF THEY WENT WITH THE REPLACEMENT TRUCKS THAT NEXTRAN HAS IN STOCK, THEY COULD SELL THE TRUCKS IN THE MARCH AUCTION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHAT WOULD BE THE BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE TRUCKS THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE BUILT VERSUS THE ONES NEXTRAN HAS IN STOCK. CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID HE DIDN'T FEEL THERE WOULD BE A BIG DIFFERENCE; THERE MAY BE A SMALL DIFFERENCE IN COST BASED ON HOW THE TRUCKS ARE COSMETICALLY FIXED UP.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IT WOULD BE BETTER IF ALL EIGHT TRUCKS WOULD BE ALIKE AS FAR AS THE RUNNING GEAR. HE THEN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD HAD THE FUNDS TO PAY FOR THE EQUIPMENT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED IF THE EQUIPMENT IS SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, THEY WOULD HAVE \$1,396,255.50 PLUS \$400,000 OF COUNTY FUNDS IN THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET IN THEIR DEBT SERVICE LINE ITEM; THIS WOULD GIVE THEM \$1,796,255.50 WHICH WOULD BE ENOUGH TO PURCHASE THE EIGHT TRUCKS AND THE SIX MOTORGRADERS.

ON THE EXCAVATOR THE BOARD IS LOOKING TO RENT, IT WILL BE FUNDED FROM THE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM WHERE THEY GET REIMBURSED FROM FEMA; IF THEY DECIDE TO PURCHASE IT AFTER SIX MONTHS, THERE SHOULD BE ENOUGH IN THAT SAME LINE ITEM TO PURCHASE IT.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED GORMAN IF DEANCO'S BID PRICE ON THE MACHINERY INCLUDED THE TRANSPORTATION TO THE AUCTION; GORMAN ADVISED IT DID INCLUDE TRANSPORTATION, THE CLEANING AND DETAIL OF THE TRUCKS ONCE IT ARRIVED AND IF ANYTHING IS BROKEN, SUCH AS A MIRROR, ETC., THEY WOULD RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD THEY HAVE IT REPLACED TO ENHANCE THE VALUE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AWARD THE AUCTION BID OF THE EIGHT MACK TRUCKS TO DEANCO AUCTION COMPANY.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO PURCHASE THE EIGHT NEW MACK TRUCKS NEXTRAN HAS IN STOCK.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED AFTER THE PURCHASE OF THE EIGHT MACK TRUCKS, THERE WOULD BE ROUGHLY \$1,057,000; TO PURCHASE SIX CATERPILLAR 12-H MOTORGRADERS OFF THE STATE BID PRICE IS \$166,004 EACH FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$996,024. HE REPORTED ON THE OTHER MOTORGRADERS THAT ARE COMPARABLE TO THE CATERPILLAR 12-H MOTORGRADERS THAT ARE ON STATE BID WAS THE JOHN DEERE 670D; THE JOHN DEERE GRADERS WOULD COST \$129,015 EACH FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$774,090. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO DECIDE WHICH MOTORGRADERS THEY WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE HISTORY OF MOTOR- GRADERS IN THE COUNTY; WHEN HE FIRST BECAME A COMMISSIONER, THE COUNTY HAD A GALLION MOTORGRADER IN 1974 THAT WAS TWO YEARS OLD AND THAT WAS THE FIRST ONE THEY GOT RID OF. SINCE THAT TIME, CORBIN SAID THEY GOT SEVEN DRESSER GRADERS AND THEY WERE THE FIRST MACHINES THEY GOT RID OF AT THAT TIME DUE TO MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS. HE SAID THEY HAD VERY LITTLE PROBLEMS WITH THE CATERPILLAR MOTORGRADERS AND THERE IS NO COMPARISON WHEN SELLING CAT MOTORGRADERS AND OTHERS; THE COUNTY ALWAYS GET MORE OUT OF CAT GRADERS AS THEY HAVE A TREMENDOUS RESALE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE WAS A CATERPILLAR MAN AND WHEN HE WAS IN CONSTRUCTION HE USED CAT EQUIPMENT; THE CONTRACTORS LIKE COUCH, ANDERSON

COLUMBIA AND FLORIDA ASPHALT, ETC. ALL USE CATER- PILLAR EQUIPMENT. HE ADDRESSED THERE WERE THREE COMMISSIONERS WHO CAME ON BOARD, JOHN COOK, PAT DAVIS AND LOU TRACY HAVING SAID ANYTHING YELLOW WAS THE SAME; CORBIN SAID HE DISAGREED WITH THIS.

COMMISSIONER COPE AGREED THE CAT EQUIPMENT IS GOOD EQUIPMENT BUT THERE WAS A LOT OF DIFFERENCE IN THE PRICE; HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE JOHN DEERE EQUIPMENT AS HE IS NOT EXPERIENCED WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE HAD TALKED TO THE PEOPLE OPERATING THE JOHN DEERE EQUIPMENT IN JACKSON COUNTY AND THEY SAY THEY ARE DOING GOOD; HOWEVER, THEY ARE NEW MACHINES.

SCOTTY BIRCH, BEARD EQUIPMENT, REPORTED THERE WOULD BE A DELIVERY DATE OF APPROXIMATELY SIXTY DAYS ON THE SIX MOTORGRADERS, MAYBE EVEN LESS. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON JACKSON COUNTY HAVING 18 MOTORGRADERS; 9 OF THEM ARE JOHN DEERE AND THEY HAVE GIVEN JACKSON COUNTY GOOD SERVICE.

BIRCH SAID WHEN LOOKING AT THE STATE BID ON CAT GRADERS, AIR- CONDITIONING IS NOT INCLUDED AND THIS WOULD BE ANOTHER \$6,000; THIS IS STANDARD ON THE JOHN DEERE STATE BID. HE SAID HE HAD LOOKED AT HOW THE COUNTY TYPICALLY EQUIPS THEIR EQUIPMENT AND THE JOHN DEERE WOULD COST \$148,800 AND THE CATERPILLAR WOULD COST \$188,212. HE THEN WENT OVER WHAT WOULD HAVE TO BE ADDED ON THE CAT STATE BID.

BIRCH UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING HAD A JOHN DEERE MOTORGRADER THAT PUBLIC WORKS HAD USED AND HADN'T GOTTEN ANY NEGATIVE FEEDBACK ON IT. HE REPORTED ON A NEW MODEL JOHN DEERE HAS THAT HAS THE SAME CONTROLS, SAME SIZE CAB, MORE HORSEPOWER, MORE WEIGHT AND BURNS LESS FUEL THAN THE CATERPILLAR.

BIRCH SAID THEIR NEW MACHINE HAD 185HP WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRING TO THEIR BID STATING IT WAS 155HP. BIRCH SAID THEIR MACHINE WAS UP TO 185HP.

BIRCH ADDRESSED THERE BEING A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE PRICE OF JOHN DEERE AND CAT MOTORGRADERS AND CHALLENGED ANYBODY TO SHOW HIM \$40,000 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED HOW LONG THE JOHN DEERE DEMO HAD BEEN LIKE IT IS BEFORE BRINGING IT TO PUBLIC WORKS FOR THEM TO TRY; BIRCH ADVISED IT WAS APPROXIMATELY EIGHT TO TEN MONTHS. BIRCH UPDATED THE BOARD ON JOHN DEERE HAVING GONE OUT, DONE SOME RESEARCH, TRIED DIFFERENT THINGS, MADE DIFFERENT DEMO'S, HAD PEOPLE RUN THEM, ETC.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND HOW THE JOHN DEERE COULD HAVE MORE HORSEPOWER AND BURN LESS FUEL. BIRCH SAID JOHN DEERE HAD MORE TORC AND A SMALLER ENGINE. HE THEN PROVIDED INFORM- ATION ON THE TEST THAT JOHN DEERE HAD RUN BY THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE DIFFERENCE IN THE PRICE OF THE SIX JOHN DEERE GRADERS AND THE CAT GRADERS, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THERE WAS \$221,934 DIFFERENCE.

BIRCH SAID HE WAS NOT DOGGING CATERPILLAR EQUIPMENT; THEY HAVE GOOD MACHINES. HOWEVER, HE SAID IN ORDER FOR JOHN DEERE TO GET INTO THE MOTORGRADER BUSINESS, THEY HAD TO IMPROVE THEIR MACHINES AND THEY HAVE DONE THIS. HE ALSO SAID ANYONE THAT RUN THE MACHINE HE HAD PUT AT PUBLIC WORKS, COULD ATTEST TO THAT AS HE HAS NOT HEARD ANY NEGATIVE COMMENTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHEN THE JOHN DEERE DEMO WAS PUT AT PUBLIC WORKS AS HE WAS UNAWARE OF THIS. BIRCH SAID HE HAD A DEMO MACHINE IN TOWN AND HE AGREED TO ALLOW PUBLIC WORKS TO USE IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHY IT WASN'T SHARED WITH ALL THE COMMISSIONERS SO THEY COULD HAVE AT LEAST WATCHED IT. COMMIS- SIONER STRICKLAND ADVISED THEY HAD USED THE MACHINE IN HIS AND COM- MISSIONER COPE'S DISTRICT WITH COMMISSIONER COPE SAYING HE THOUGHT IT HAD BEEN USED IN COMMISSIONER CORBIN'S DISTRICT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IF THEY DID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED FOR A REPORT ON THE JOHN DEERE DEMO. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE ONLY THING HE HAD HEARD FROM THE EMPLOYEES THAT USED IT WAS THE SEAT WAS A LOT BETTER THAN A CAT GRADER.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REFERRED TO WHEN HE BEGAN WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, THEY HAD THE OLD DRESSER GRADERS; THE DRESSER GRADERS STAYED IN THE SHOP AND IT WAS HARD TO GET PARTS FOR THEM. HE SAID AS LONG AS HE HAS BEEN IN THE COUNTY, THEY HAVE HAD CAT EQUIPMENT AND IT IS HARD TO BEAT. HE QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY TO GET ONE JOHN DEERE AND TRY IT FOR A YEAR TO SEE THE SERVICE THEY GET OUT OF IT. HE AGREED WHEN THEY TRIED TO SELL A JOHN DEERE, THE COUNTY WOULDN'T GET AS MUCH FOR IT AS THEY WOULD A CAT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE JOHN DEERE WOULD DO FINE FOR A YEAR BUT AFTER THAT IS WHEN THE PROBLEMS WOULD START; HE REITERATED THERE WOULD BE \$40,000 TO \$50,000 DIFFERENCE IN THE AUCTION PRICE OF A JOHN DEERE AND A CAT THAT IS JUST ALIKE.

BIRCH ADDRESSED THE BOARD DON'T PAY AS MUCH FOR A JOHN DEERE AS THEY DO A CAT EITHER. HE REPORTED ON AN AUCTION LAST YEAR IN ORLANDO WHERE A COMPANY IN LOUISIANA GOT RID OF 26 JOHN DEERES THEY HAD BOUGHT OFF THE STATE CONTRACT AT \$100,000 EACH; THE LEAST AMOUNT THEY RECEIVED FOR ONE WAS \$108,000 AND THE MOST THEY RECEIVED WAS \$122,000. HE STATED THERE WAS NOT THAT MUCH DIFFERENCE IN THE RESALE PRICE ANYMORE; THOSE WERE THE JOHN DEERE C MODELS AND THE ONES HE IS QUOTING THE BOARD ON TODAY WERE THE JOHN DEERE D MODELS.

STEVE PARRISH WITH THOMPSON TRACTOR COMPANY ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CATERPILLAR EQUIPMENT; HE SAID THE BOARD WAS GETTING WITHIN \$15,000 TO \$20,000 OF WHAT THEY PAID FOR THE CAT GRADERS SIX YEARS AGO AND THE RESALE VALUE ALONE SHOULD BE JUSTIFICATION ENOUGH TO PURCHASE THE CAT EQUIPMENT.

AS FAR AS IMPROVEMENTS, PARRISH SAID CATERPILLAR WAS MAKING IMPROVEMENTS ALL THE TIME TOO; THEY ARE NOT SELLING THE SAME EQUIPMENT THEY WERE SELLING SIX YEARS AGO. HE REFERRED TO A STATEMENT BIRCH MADE ABOUT THE JOHN DEERE EQUIPMENT USING LESS FUEL; THE PEOPLE HE HAS TALKED TO AT JACKSON COUNTY DIDN'T SUBSTANTIATE THE JOHN DEERE USING LESS FUEL AND THERE HAS BEEN SOME PROBLEMS WITH THE JOHN DEERE EQUIPMENT.

PARRISH ADDRESSED THE PARTS AVAILABILITY FOR CAT EQUIPMENT HAS ALWAYS BEEN GOOD AND THE VALUE OF THE MOTORGRADERS ENABLES THE COUNTY TO DO WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING IN PURCHASING NEW EQUIPMENT; IF THEY DEVIATE FROM THIS, IT WILL BE LIKE IT WAS TWENTY YEARS AGO WHEN THOMPSON HELPED THE COUNTY WORK THEIR WAY OUT OF HAVING TO FINANCE THEIR EQUIPMENT.

PARRISH SAID CAT HAD A GOOD MACHINE, THEY HAVE ALWAYS HAD A GOOD MACHINE AND THE RESALE VALUE IS STILL THERE; HE SAID HE HATED TO SEE THE COUNTY GET OFF THE PROGRAM WHERE THEY WILL BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO OWN A MACHINE THAT WILL ALMOST BUY THEM ANOTHER ONE FIVE OR SIX YEARS DOWN THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD COULD HAVE SAVED MONIES IF THEY HAD COMPARED STERLING TRUCKS TO MACK TRUCKS; THEY COULD HAVE SAVED \$20,000 TO \$30,000 BY BUYING THE STERLING TRUCKS BUT THEY DECIDED TO BUY MACKS BECAUSE THEY ARE GOOD TRUCKS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID STERLING TRUCKS WAS NOT DISCUSSED AND HE DIDN'T HAVE AN OPTION ON THE TRUCKS. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID BY BUYING MACK TRUCKS, THIS HAS ENABLED THE COUNTY TO BUY MORE MACK TRUCKS AS THEY GET \$70,000 PLUS OUT OF A USED MACK TRUCK.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID EQUIPMENT DOES CHANGE; JUST BECAUSE A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT IS NEW DOESN'T MAKE IT BAD AS THIS DEPENDS ON THE QUALITY OF THE COMPANY BUILDING IT. HE SAID JOHN DEERE COULD HAVE AS GOOD A MOTORGRADER AS CAT IN THE FUTURE OR MAY HAVE ONE TODAY OR IT MAY NEVER BE AS GOOD; IT COULD ALSO BE BETTER AS EQUIPMENT CAN BE CHANGED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PREFERENCE IN THE TYPE OF EQUIPMENT PURCHASED BUT THERE IS A LOT OF DIFFERENCE IN THE PRICE AND FARMERS SWEAR BY JOHN DEERE EQUIPMENT AS THEY FEEL THIS IS THE TOP OF THE LINE THEY CAN GET. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TRY SOME JOHN DEERE GRADERS AND IT HAS NO REFLECTION AGAINST CATER- PILLAR OR PARRISH BUT THIS IS JUST BUSINESS. HE FELT THE BOARD NEEDED TO SHOW THE PEOPLE IT IS BETTER TO HAVE CATERPILLAR THAN JOHN DEERE EQUIPMENT IF THEY ARE SPENDING \$40,000 MORE PER MACHINE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND STRICKLAND REITERATED THIS WOULD NOT BE HARD TO SHOW THE PEOPLE WHEN SHOWING THEM THE VALUE OF A PIECE OF USED EQUIPMENT; THE DRESSER GRADERS DOESN'T HAVE HALF THE VALUE AS A CAT. WHEN COMMISSIONER FINCH POINTED OUT THEY WERE NOT TALKING ABOUT A DRESSER, COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID WHEN THE COUNTY GETS AWAY FROM JOHN DEERE IN RESALE, THEY HAVE GOTEN AWAY FROM IT AND THE SAME WITH CATERPILLAR.

COMMISSIONER SAPP RECOMMENDED PURCHASING TWO JOHN DEERE GRADERS AND FOUR CATERPILLARS. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF SAPP'S RECOMMENDATION.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO DETERMINE THE LEAD TIME IN GETTING THE REPLACEMENT MOTORGRADERS AND WHICH AUCTION TO SELL THE OLD GRADERS. HE REFERRED TO JOHN DEERE HAVING SAID THEY COULD GET THEIR GRADERS WITHIN 60 DAYS; THEY COULD SELL TWO OF THE MOTORGRADERS AT THE MARCH AUCTION. HOWEVER, PARRISH HAS SAID IT WOULD TAKE LONGER TO GET THE CATERPILLAR GRADERS AND THEY MAY HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE MAY AUCTION FOR THE OTHER FOUR GRADERS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHEN THE BOARD PUTS OUT SPECIFI- CATIONS ON SOMETHING, IF THEY WERE OBLIGATED TO TAKE THE LOWEST BID. HE SAID IF THE BOARD HAD TWO BIDS ON THE SAME THING, HOW CAN THEY LEGALLY NOT TAKE THE BEST BID.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THEY COULD BUY OFF THE STATE BID WITHOUT BIDDING IT PERIOD AS THE STATE BID HAS ALREADY BEEN BID BY THE STATE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR TWO OF THE GRADERS TO BE SOLD AT THE MARCH AUCTION AND FOUR TO BE SOLD AT THE MAY AUCTION DUE TO THE AVAILABILITY OF THE REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED ON THE QUOTES FOR RENTING A THREE YARD EXCAVATOR FOR SIX MONTHS:

1. TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT-KOMATSU MODEL PC300LC-7EO \$6,800 PER MONTH; PURCHASE RATE IS \$219,100 AND IF THE BOARD DECIDES TO PURCHASE IT AFTER THE SIX MONTHS RENTAL, THEY WOULD ALLOW THE RENTAL RATE TO APPLY TO THE PURCHASE AT A COST OF \$178,200.
TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT-KOMATSU MODEL PC300LC-7EO \$6,800/MONTH RENTAL; PURCHASE PRICE IS \$221,000 AND AFTER SIX MONTHS RENTAL \$180,200 PURCHASE PRICE
TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT-KOMATSU 300LC-7L WITH 1100 HOURS; \$6,800 MONTHLY RENTAL RATE; PURCHASE PRICE IS \$180,837 AND AFTER SIX MONTHS RENTAL \$140,037 PURCHASE PRICE
2. THOMPSON CATERPILLAR-330CL; MONTHLY RENTAL IS \$7,000 PER MONTH, PURCHASE PRICE IS \$260,557 AND AFTER SIX MONTHS RENTAL \$218,557 PURCHASE PRICE
3. BEARD EQUIPMENT-JOHN DEERE 330CLC; MONTHLY RENTAL IS \$8,300; PURCHASE PRICE IS \$241,000 AND AFTER SIX MONTH RENTAL \$191,200 PURCHASE PRICE
4. NATIONS RENT-LINK BELT MODEL-330LX; MONTHLY ENTAL IS \$8,500; PURCHASE PRICE IS \$225,000 AND AFTER SIX MONTH RENTAL \$182,500 PURCHASE PRICE

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE DIFFERENCE IN COST OF THE FIRST TWO KOMATSU MACHINES WAS PROBABLY THE LENGTH OF THE BOOM; HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THE BOOM LINK COMPARED TO THE 330 CL.

STEVE PARRISH WITH THOMPSON CATERPILLAR UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EXCAVATOR HE WAS PROPOSING WEIGHED ABOUT 80,000 LB, HAD A 38' 6" REACH STRAIGHT OUT AT GROUND LEVEL WITH A 60" BUCKET ON IT, INCLUDES BUMPERS ON IT AND ALL THE SPECIAL GUARDING UNDERNEATH THE BODY. WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER SAPP ON THIS BEING LARGER THAN A 3 YARD MACHINE, THOMPSON ADVISED THEY COULD PUT A 72" BUCKET ON IT BUT THE BID ASKED FOR A 3 YARD MACHINE. HE THEN COMPARED HIS RENTAL RATE VERSUS THE OTHER BIDDERS; HE IS ONLY CHARGING 2.8% OF THE PRICE OF THE MACHINE FOR RENT WHERE THE OTHERS ARE CHARGING 3.1%.

PARRISH ADVISED THE CAT EXCAVATOR HAD A 12.10" STICK WITH THE REACH BEING 38'; THE PRICE WOULD INCREASE BY APPROXIMATELY \$2,000 IF A 3.5 YARD BUCKET WAS PUT ON THE MACHINE. COMMISSIONER COPE SAID BY GETTING THE 3.5 YARD BUCKET, THEY COULD DIG A HALF YARD MORE EVERYTIME THEY DIPPED IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED THE GROSS WEIGHT OF THE CAT EXCAVATOR WAS A LITTLE HEAVY BUT AGREED IT WOULD HANDLE THE 3.5 YARD BUCKET. HE SAID THE EXCAVATOR WOULD BE USED MOSTLY TO LOAD DIRT OUT OF PITS, RELOCATE WET DIRT ON THE STOCKPILING OUT OF PITS AND STOCKPILING DIRT OUT OF AREAS THEY CAN'T DIG WITH LOADERS RIGHT NOW.

PARRISH SAID THE BOARD COULD RUN A BIGGER BUCKET BUT WITH THEM DIGGING CLAY IT WOULD BE MORE AGGRESSIVE NOT TO USE A NARROW BUCKET; IT WOULD BE MORE AGGRESSIVE IN LOADING, ETC. AND PROBABLY DO JUST AS WELL TO USE A SMALLER BUCKET.

CAREY THOMAS, TRACTOR AND EQUIPMENT, REPORTED THE KOMATSU MACHINES THEY QUOTED HAD A LONGER REACH ON THEIR MACHINES; THE EO MODELS THEY QUOTED ARE POWER PLUS MODELS AND WILL BE A LITTLE HEAVIER AND HAVE A LITTLE MORE POWER THAN THE STANDARD DASH L AND A LITTLE MORE POWERFUL. THEY WOULD HAVE 242 HP WITH A 54", - 2.38 CUBIC YARD AND WEIGHS 73,600 LB; IT WOULD CARRY A 3 YARD BUCKET WITH A SHORT STICK AND WOULD REACH 36.5'. HE ALSO ADVISED THE LC-7L HE QUOTED WOULD BE ABOUT THE SAME WEIGHT AS THE EO MACHINES.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHAT COULD BE TRANSPORTED WITH THE COUNTY'S LOW BOY; CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAUL 112,000 LBS.

PARRISH SAID HE HAD ASKED DON BOOP AT PUBLIC WORKS ABOUT THEIR ABILITY TO HAUL THE MACHINE HE QUOTED; BOOP TALKED TO THE LADY IN THE OFFICE AT PUBLIC WORKS AND SHE SAID IT WAS ADEQUATE TO HAUL THE CATERPILLAR MACHINE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON CONCERNS WITH THE TRUCK NOT BEING ABLE TO HAUL THE CAT EQUIPMENT AS THE TRUCK TO HAUL THE MACHINE WOULD WEIGH ABOUT 40,000 AND IT WOULD HAVE TO WEIGH LESS THAN 32,000 IN ORDER TO HAUL THE CAT EXCAVATOR AND BE LEGAL ON THE HIGHWAY.

SCOTTY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE JOHN DEERE EXCAVATOR BEING ROUGHLY 75,000 LBS WITH A 13'1" STICK WITH 245 HP; IT IS A LITTLE HEAVIER THAN THE KOMATZU AND A LITTLE LIGHTER THAN THE CAT.

IN LOOKING OVER THE MACHINES BID, COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE 1100 HOUR KOMATZU MACHINE WOULD PROBABLY BE THE BEST BUY BECAUSE IT IS \$80,000 CHEAPER THAN THE CATERPILLAR AND IS \$40,000 CHEAPER THAN THE KOMATZU NEW MACHINES AND IT ONLY HAS 1100 HOURS ON IT; THERE IS MORE MACHINE IN THE CATERPILLAR WITH THE 6,000 POUNDS BUILT UP IN THE MACHINE.

NO ONE FROM LINK BELT WAS PRESENT TO REPORT TO THE BOARD ON THEIR BID. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE LINK BELT WAS A GOOD MACHINE BUT THEY ARE PRICED TO HIGH.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF FEMA WOULD BE PAYING FOR THE EXCAVATOR. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM WOULD PAY FOR THE MACHINE AND THE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY THE EXCAVATOR IS USED WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT ON THAT PORTION OF THE RENT. HE ALSO SAID THIS EXCAVATOR WOULD BE REPLACING THE ONE ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE EXCAVATOR BEING SOLD IS A WHEELED EXCAVATOR AND THE ONE BID IS A TRACK EXCAVATOR. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE TRACK TYPE EXCAVATOR BEING NEEDED TO DIG OUT PITS AND DRAINAGE DITCHES.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP REITERATING HIS RECOMMENDATION IT WOULD BENEFIT THE COUNTY TO RENT THE 1100 HOUR KOMATZU MACHINE.

PARRISH TOLD THE BOARD HE WOULD RENT THE CATERPILLAR EXCAVATOR TO THEM FOR \$6,800 JUST TO SHOW THEM WHAT THE MACHINE WILL DO. CHAIRMAN SAPP ADVISED PARRISH THE BID PROCESS WAS OVER AND THEY COULDN'T ACCEPT THE OFFER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO RENT THE KOMATZU 300 LC-7L WITH 1100 HOURS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS LIASON, COMMISSIONER SAPP. CAREY SAID HE WOULD GUARANTEE THE MACHINE TO BE IN GOOD WORKING CONDITION WHEN THE COUNTY RENTED THE MACHINE AND THE WARRANTY IS FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE THE COUNTY PURCHASES IT; WHEN THE COUNTY RENTS THE MACHINE, ALL THEY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE

FOR IS THE DAILY MAINTENANCE AND ANY DAMAGE OF THE MACHINE. IF SOMETHING WERE TO BREAK DOWN ON THE MACHINE WHILE THE COUNTY IS RENTING IT, CAREY SAID TRACTOR EQUIPMENT COMPANY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE.

COMMISSIONER COPE REITERATED A LOT MORE DIRT COULD BE DUG WITH THE CATERPILLAR MACHINE; THEY MAY SAVE \$200 A MONTH RENT ON THE KOMATZU BUT THEY COULD DIG TEN TIMES THE AMOUNT OF DIRT WITH THE CATERPILLAR DUE TO THE SIZE OF THE BUCKET.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN EXPLAINED THE 3 YARD BUCKET MACHINE WOULD BE WAY TO MUCH MACHINE TO DO ANYTHING BUT DIG DIRT OUT OF THE PIT; THEY NEED A SMALLER TRACK TYPE EXCAVATOR TO WORK IN THE COUNTY AS FAR AS DIGGING IN DRAINAGE AREAS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE BOARD WAS LOOKING AT THE KOMATZU AS A RENTAL PROSPECT TO START WITH; IF THEY DECIDED THEY WANT THE MACHINE AFTER THE SIX MONTH RENTAL PERIOD, THEY COULD KEEP IT OR ADVERTISE FOR A SMALLER TYPE MACHINE, ETC. HE SAID HE FELT THE KOMATZU WOULD SERVE THE PURPOSE FOR WHAT THE COUNTY IS LOOKING AT DOING AS FAR AS DIRT PITS. HE ALSO POINTED OUT THE 6500 LB WEIGHT DIFFERENCE IN THE CAT EQUIPMENT WOULD SHOW UP ALOT WHEN MOVING THE EQUIPMENT; HE FEELS COMFORTABLE THE LOW BOY COULD MOVE THE KOMATZU BUT FEELS PRETTY CONFIDENT THEY COULDN'T MOVE THE CATERPILLAR.

JERRY SAPP PASSED HIS GAVEL AND SECONDED THE MOTION.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON THE CAT EXCAVATOR BEING ABLE TO DIG 10% TO 15% MORE DIRT THAN THE KOMATZU AND THAT WAS WHAT THEY WERE RENTING AN EXCAVATOR FOR.

COMMISSIONER COPE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER CORBIN ON NOT NEEDING A MACHINE THE SIZE OF THE CAT EXCAVATOR AFTER THEY GET THROUGH DIGGING IN THE PIT. THE MOTION FAILED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH AND SAPP FOR AND COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND, COPE AND CORBIN AGAINST.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION TO LEASE THE CATERPILLAR EXCAVATOR FOR \$6,800 PER MONTH IF THE ATTORNEY SAYS THIS IS OKAY; PARISH SAID IT WAS JUST A TELEPHONE CALL AND NOT ACTUALLY A REQUEST FOR BIDS. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO GO WITH THE PRICE THOMPSON HAD ORIGINALLY SET AT \$7,000 PER MONTH. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION TO LEASE THE CATERPILLAR EXCAVATOR FOR \$7,000 PER MONTH FOR SIX MONTHS. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH AND SAPP OPPOSED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ASKED WHICH AUCTION TO SEND THE EXCAVATOR TO BE REPLACED, THE MARCH OR MAY AUCTION. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE COUNTY HAS PUT A LOT OF MONEY INTO THE EXCAVATOR BEING AUCTIONED AND FELT LIKE THEY SHOULD HOLD ONTO IT FOR A WHILE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD THEY HAD AWARDED IT TO DEANCO AUCTION AND DEANCO WOULD HAVE TO AGREE TO WITHDRAW THE EXCAVATOR FROM THE AWARD. DEANCO AGREED TO ACCEPT THE TRUCKS AND MOTORGRADERS FOR AUCTION AND ALLOW THE COUNTY TO KEEP THE M3 WHEEL TYPE EXCAVATOR.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REITERATED THERE WOULD BE EIGHT MACK TRUCKS AND TWO MOTORGRADERS SOLD AT THE MARCH AUCTION AND FOUR MOTORGRADERS SOLD AT THE MAY AUCTION.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, ATTORNEY HOLLEY BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BAY, GULF, HOLMES AND WASHINGTON COUNTY ON TRIP FUNDING; HOLLEY ADVISED HE SAW NOTHING WRONG WITH THE AGREEMENT BUT ASKED THE BOARD TO KEEP IN MIND THEY WILL HAVE TO PAY THEIR PRO RATA SHARE TO DEVELOP THE PLAN.

2. BOAT LAKE ORDINANCE-HOLLEY REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISING OF THE ORDINANCE TO BAN OUTBOARD AND INBOARD MOTORS ON BOATLAKE. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH TO APPROVE OF HOLLEY'S REQUEST.

HOLLEY QUESTIONED IF THEY WANTED TO BAN ELECTRIC MOTORS WITH THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS TO BAN ONLY INBOARD/OUTBOARD GASOLINE MOTORS.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED IF THEY COULD HAVE AN OUTBOARD MOTOR ON A BOAT; HOLLEY ADVISED IT COULD BE ON A BOAT BUT IT COULDN'T BE USED. COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CORBIN SAID THAT HAS BEEN THE UNDERSTANDING FOR YEARS. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADVERTISE THE BOATLAKE ORDINANCE.

3. DRIVEWAY POLICY AMENDMENT-HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD, PER THEIR REQUEST, ON HIM HAVING PREPARED A DRAFT POLICY TO CHANGE THE EXISTING POLICY TO ALLOW THE COUNTY TO MAINTAIN THE FIRST 50' OF A RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAY IN ORDER TO PROTECT AND SAFEGUARD THE COUNTY ROAD WHERE IT CONNECTS WITH THE DRIVEWAY. HOLLEY ADVISED THE POLICY WAS CHANGED FROM 25' TO 50' AND ASKED THEM TO KEEP IN MIND, THEY COULD IMPLEMENT THIS ON NEW DRIVEWAYS AND WHEN PEOPLE REQUEST A PERMIT, THEY NEED TO BE TOLD THEY WILL HAVE TO LET THE COUNTY MAINTAIN THE FIRST 50'; ON EXISTING DRIVEWAYS, THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO GET PERMISSION TO INCREASE THE 25' TO 50' AS THEY HAVE NO RIGHT TO MAINTAIN IT ARBITRARILY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE POLICY AMENDMENT ADDRESSED BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY.

4. PROJECT LUMBER COMPANY-HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON AN OPTION CONTRACT FROM EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER COMPANY ON INDUSTRIAL PARK PROPERTY. HE SAID THEY ARE PROPOSING TO PAY \$20,000 PER ACRE FOR THE PROPERTY; THERE WOULD BE A NINETY DAY OPTION. HE EXPLAINED THE PURPOSE OF THE OPTION WAS THE COUNTY AND CHAMBER HAD TO GET SOME FINANCING TO DO A RAILROAD SPUR AS IT WAS CONTINGENT ON THIS BEING DONE AS TO WHETHER THEY PURCHASE THE PROPERTY. HE SAID THE 90 DAY OPTION CAN BE EXTENDED IF MORE TIME IS REQUIRED FOR THE COUNTY TO SECURE TRANSPORTATION FUNDING FROM THE STATE ROAD FUND. EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER COMPANY PROPOSES TO PAY \$500 WHEN THEY SIGN THE OPTION TO PURCHASE; WHEN THEY EXERCISE THE OPTION, THE COUNTY WILL NEGOTIATE A SEPARATE SALES AGREEMENT AND NEGOTIATE A DOWN PAYMENT AT THAT TIME BUT EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER COMPANY WILL PAY CASH AT CLOSING.

HOLLEY ADVISED EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER COMPANY HAD GIVEN THE COUNTY AN OPTION FOR HARDY MANAGEMENT COMPANY, OR ITS ASSIGNEE; A PARAGRAPH WAS ADDED NOT WITHSTANDING THE ASSIGNMENT LANGUAGE IN THE OPTION TO PURCHASE, THIS OPTION MAY ONLY BE ASSIGNED TO A RELATED COMPANY OF THE BUYER. THE SELLER RETAINS THE RIGHT TO APPROVE ANY OCCUPANT OF THE LAND OTHER THAN EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER. HOLLEY SAID THE LAND WOULD BE OWNED BY A COMPANY OTHER THAN EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER BUT THE OCCUPANT HAS TO BE EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER OR THE COUNTY HAS TO APPROVE OF ANY OTHER OCCUPANT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE \$500 BINDER WAS NOT MUCH OF A DEPOSIT. HOLLEY SAID THAT WAS DISCUSSED; HOWEVER, EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER WAS READY TO GO AHEAD AND PURCHASE THE PROPERTY BUT THE COUNTY HAS TO HAVE TIME TO OBTAIN THE FUNDING FOR THE RAILROAD SPUR.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THE ACREAGE FOR EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISING THE CONTRACT SAYS 13 ACRES MORE OR LESS BUT ALL THAT HAS BEEN AGREED ON IS SELLING THEM 12 ACRES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE OPTION TO PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD SHOULD WAIT UNTIL SOMETHING WAS RECEIVED FROM THE OTHER TWO PROSPECTS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE PRINCIPAL OWNER OF EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER IS GOING TO COME TOMORROW TO LOOK AT ISSUES BEING TALKED ABOUT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH INFORMED CORBIN EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER WAS A LOT FURTHER ALONG THAN THE OTHER TWO PROSPECTS. COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHERE THE 12 ACRES FOR EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER IN THE INDUSTRIAL PARK WAS LOCATED.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER HAD IT LAYED OUT SO THE 12 ACRES WOULD TOUCH THE RAILROAD SPUR. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE SITES FOR THE OTHER TWO HAD ALREADY BEEN DIVIDED OUT WHERE EACH OF THE PROJECTS IS GOING TO BE LOCATED WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISING HE DIDN'T FEEL THERE WAS GOING TO BE A PROBLEM WITH THE OTHER TWO PROJECTS ON THE SITE SELECTED BY EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER.

THE MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE OPTION TO PURCHASE CONTRACT WITH EIGHTY FOUR LUMBER.

5. GRIEVANCE ON JACOB STRICKLAND-HOLLEY REPORTED ON HIM HAVING BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD A RECOMMENDATION ON A COUPLE OF GRIEVANCES AT A PREVIOUS MEETING; THEY ACTED ON ONE GRIEVANCE RECOMMENDATION BUT NOT ON THE OTHER.

HE REPORTED THAT ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAD REQUESTED INFORMATION FROM ONE OF STRICKLAND'S PREVIOUS EMPLOYERS, CHANDLEY GILBERT, WHO WAS IN RIGHT OF WAY MAINTENANCE. GILBERT RESPONDED SAYING STRICKLAND WAS AN EMPLOYER OF HIS FROM 1993 TO 1998; HIS JOB DUTIES INCLUDED OPERATION OF EQUIPMENT WHICH WAS TRACTORS, MOWERS, WEEDEATERS, CHAINSAWS, ETC. NEEDED FOR HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY MAINTENANCE ON COUNTY ROADS IN BAY COUNTY AND ALONG THE I-10 CORRIDOR IN FLORIDA. DURING THIS TIME, HE WAS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISION OF A SMALL CREW AS WELL AS THE TRANSPORTING AND MINOR MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT. GILBERT WROTE HE HAD ALWAYS FELT STRICKLAND PERFORMED HIS JOB DUTIES IN A RESPONSIBLE, RESPECTFUL AND CONSCIENTIOUS MANNER.

HOLLEY REPORTED ON MATERIALS HE HAD GOTTEN ON HIS MILITARY SERVICE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED STRICKLAND'S MILITARY SERVICE INCLUDED INFANTRY TRAINING, MOTOR VEHICLE TRAINING AND HE RELATED A LOT OF THIS TO WHEN HE DID HIS INMATE SUPERVISION FOR THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED WHAT STRICKLAND'S GRIEVANCE WAS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED HE WANTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET AN INCREASE IN SALARY BECAUSE OF HIS PRIOR WORK EXPERIENCE; THAT POLICY WAS DISCONTINUED WHILE HE WAS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY AND WHEN HE CAME BACK THAT POLICY WAS NO LONGER IN EFFECT. HOLLEY SAID THE REASON HE HAD NOT RECOMMENDED APPROVING OF STRICKLAND'S GRIEVANCE WAS DUE TO STRICKLAND WORKING FOR THE COUNTY FOR A PERIOD OF MONTHS WHILE THE POLICY WAS IN EFFECT AND NEVER PURSUED IT WHILE HE WAS HERE. STRICKLAND'S REPLY WAS HE WAS TOO MUCH INVOLVED IN THINKING ABOUT HAVING TO GO TO IRAQ. HE WANTED A RAISE FOR HIS PRIOR SIMILAR EXPERIENCE THE COUNTY GAVE DURING THAT TIME PERIOD.

HERBERT REPORTED THE MOST RAISE STRICKLAND COULD HAVE GOTTEN WAS FIVE STEPS ON THE PAY SCALE; AN EMPLOYEE COULD GET ONE STEP FOR EVERY TWO YEARS EXPERIENCE. HE ADVISED FOR THE FIVE YEARS WITH GILBERT AND ONE YEAR OUT OF HIS MILITARY, THIS WOULD PROBABLY GIVE STRICKLAND SIX YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND THREE STEPS ON THE PAY SCALE WHICH WOULD BE A \$.47 AN HOUR INCREASE.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO GRANT STRICKLAND THE \$.47 PER HOUR INCREASE. COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID HE APPRECIATED STRICKLAND GOING TO IRAQ, HE IS A GOOD EMPLOYEE AND CAN OPERATE ANY PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THE COUNTY HAS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE INCREASE. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD IN THE PAST, AN EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN GIVEN BACK PAY TO THE DATE THEY CAME OFF OF PROBATION. AFTER CONTINUING DISCUSSION ON STRICKLAND HAVING WORKED WITH PARK AND RECREATION FOR ABOUT FOUR MONTHS BEFORE HE LEFT FOR IRAQ, HE WAS GONE FOR ABOUT A YEAR AND IT WASN'T MUCH LONGER AFTER HE RETURNED THAT HE STARTED WORKING WITH PUBLIC WORKS, COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO MAKE STRICKLAND'S SALARY INCREASE RETROACTIVE TO THE DATE HE STARTED WORKING AT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ON EQUIPMENT.

6. NORTHERN TRUST SUIT-HOLLEY REPORTED HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM NORTHERN TRUST STATING THEY HAD INSPECTED AND APPROVED THE CLEANUP REQUIRED BY THE NORTHERN TRUST SETTLEMENT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT BEGAN WITH HIS REPORT:

1. JANITORIAL SERVICES-HERBERT REPORTED PATSY JUSTICE WITH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAD RECEIVED NOTIFICATION THEY WERE GOING TO HAVE AN INCREASE IN THEIR CLEANING CONTRACT WITH USSI. JUSTICE ASKED IF THE COUNTY CREWS COULD DO THE CLEANING OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHETHER THE INMATE CREWS COULD TAKE ON CLEANING ANY MORE BUILDINGS. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE THOUGHT THE CREWS COULD DO THE

CLEANING OF ALL THE COUNTY BUILDINGS IF THEY WERE LEFT ALONE TO DO THE CLEANING AND DIDN'T GET PULLED TO DO OTHER JOBS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO LET THE INMATE CREWS CLEAN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL REIMBURSE THE COUNTY THE SAME RATE THEY HAVE BEEN PAYING TO USSI.

2. HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT CONTRACT AMENDMENT-HERBERT REPORTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY NEEDED TO REVIEW THIS BEFORE THE BOARD ACTS ON IT; HE WILL BRING THIS BACK UP AT THE FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING.

3. EARLY LEARNING COALITION MATCH WAIVER-HERBERT REPORTED WASHINGTON/HOLMES COUNTY WAS INVOLVED WITH A SCHOOL READINESS PROGRAM AND IN ORDER FOR THE PROGRAM TO GET THEIR GRANT, IT REQUIRES MATCHING FUNDS BE PROVIDED. HERBERT HAD PREPARED A LETTER REQUESTING A MATCH WAIVER AND REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE LETTER. COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE MATCH WAIVER FOR THE EARLY LEARNING COALITION GRANT.

4. TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY-HERBERT REPORTED THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY WAS REQUESTING THE BOARD CONSIDER FUNDING ASSISTANCE OF \$5,000 TO HELP WITH OPERATING EXPENSES. COMMISSIONER CORBIN ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR FUNDING REQUESTS TO BE MADE DURING BUDGET TIME.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE THOUGHT THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY WOULD SUBMIT A BUDGET REQUEST NEXT YEAR. HE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY IS SUPPOSE TO BE PART OF THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND THEY HAVE NOT DONE ANYTHING TO HELP THEM IN YEARS. WHEN HE ATTENDED AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY MEETING, HE TOLD THE AUTHORITY THE COUNTY HADN'T DONE ANYTHING BECAUSE THEY HAD NOT BEEN ASKED. THE AUTHORITY SAID THEY WOULD SUBMIT A REQUEST WITH FINCH TELLING THEM HE DIDN'T KNOW IF FUNDING WOULD BE PROVIDED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO CONSIDER FUNDING TRI-COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY \$2,000 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND AND COME BACK DURING BUDGET TIME FOR FUTURE REQUESTS.

5. CHIPOLA REGIONAL WORKFORCE BOARD-HERBERT REPORTED ON TARA FINCH NO LONGER BEING ABLE TO SERVE. THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS RECOMMENDING TED EVERITT FILL FINCH'S POSITION. COM- MISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

6. ROCHE ROAD-HERBERT REPORTED ON A BUDGET AMENDMENT ON THE NRCS PROJECT DONE ON ROCHE ROAD. NRCS HAS AN AMENDMENT TO INCREASE THE GRANT AMOUNT TO \$61,000; THIS WOULD INCREASE THE 75% GRANT TO \$45,000 AND THE FULL AMOUNT OF \$45,000 WOULD BE REIMBURSED TO THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMIS- SIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE NRCS BUDGET AMENDMENT ON THE ROCHE ROAD PROJECT.

7. FIVE POINTS RECREATIONAL FACILITY-HERBERT REPORTED HE, COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND DAVID CORBIN HAD WENT TO THE PARK AND MET WITH A REPRESENTATIVE THAT PARK AND RECREATION HAS WORKED WITH ON PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, ETC. AT THE PARKS. THE REPRESENTATIVE INFORMED THEM THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT THE FIVE POINTS FACILITY DIDN'T MEET CODES, WAS DANGEROUS, WAS OUTDATED, ETC. AND RECOMMENDED ALL THE EQUIPMENT BE TAKEN DOWN.

HERBERT REPORTED THAT DAVID CORBIN HAD WRITTEN A LETTER RECOMMENDING THE EQUIPMENT BE TAKEN DOWN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND INFORMED THE BOARD ALL THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT WAS MADE OUT OF WOOD AND IT HAS ROTTED; THE SLIDE IS UNSAFE BECAUSE IT HAS GAPS IN IT. HE SAID AS SOON AS THE PARK IN COMMISSIONER SAPP'S DISTRICT GETS DONE, HE IS NEXT ON THE LIST TO GET FUNDING. HE HAS TOLD THE COUNTY GRANTS PERSON, STACY WEBB, RATHER THAN GETTING A NEW PARK, HE WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE NEW PLAY- GROUND EQUIPMENT, PUT SIDING ON THE BUILDING AND PUT A NEW TOP ON THE FIVE POINTS

FACILITY. HE SHOWED THE BOARD SOME PICTURES OF THE PROPOSED PLAYGROUND FOR FIVE POINTS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO TAKE DOWN THE OLD PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT FIVE POINTS RECREATIONAL FACILITY.

8. FL-DCA GRANTS-HERBERT REPORTED ON THE BOARD HAVING RECENTLY APPROVED OF TWO GRANTS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS; ONE WAS FOR CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ONE FOR THE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITY PLANNING. AS PART OF THE GRANT AGREEMENTS, HERBERT ADVISED THE COUNTY WAS ALLOWED TO SUBGRANT THIS; RANDY PARKER AND LINDA WALLER HAS TALKED WITH WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL ABOUT SUBCONTRACTING WITH THEM TO DO THE GRANTS.

HERBERT SAID HE HAD A SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL FOR THE CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM GRANT TOTTALLING \$15,000; WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL FEELS THEY CAN DO THE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE \$15,000 BUT THERE MAY BE SOME SMALL COSTS INVOLVED FOR COPYING, ETC. ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS REVIEWED THE SUBCONTRACT AND DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT.

HERBERT SAID THE WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL WAS SENDING THE BOARD A SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENT ON THE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITY PLANNING GRANT TOTTALLING \$17,000. HERBERT REQUESTED AFTER RECEIVING THE SUBCONTRACT FROM WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL ON THE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITY PLANNING GRANT AND ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED IT, THE BOARD AUTHORIZE THE SIGNING OF THE SUBCONTRACTS FOR BOTH THE CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND THE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITY PLANNING GRANTS WITH WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT'S REQUEST.

9. NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT-HERBERT REPORTED ON COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAVING ASKED HIM FOR A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ALBERT DAVIS TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE NFWMD BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO REPLACE HULAN CARTER, WHO WILL BE LEAVING THE BOARD SOON. COM- MISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF SENDING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ALBERT DAVIS TO SERVE ON THE NFWMD BOARD OF DIRECTORS. 10. BEEF UNIT PROPERTY-HERBERT REPORTED A PROBLEM WITH THE SEPTIC TANK AT THE HOUSE THE COUNTY OWNS ON THE BEEF UNIT PROPERTY. THE AGREEMENT THE COUNTY HAS WITH DEREK HAYES, PERSON STAYING IN HOUSE, WAS NOT SPECIFIC ABOUT WHO WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAJOR ITEMS SUCH AS THE ROOF, SEPTIC TANK, ETC. HE SAID IN ORDER TO FIND OUT IF A NEW SEPTIC TANK IS NEEDED, A PERMIT WOULD HAVE TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR AL CLEVELAND TO GO OUT AND INSPECT IT AND TELL THEM WHAT IS NEEDED. HE SAID A QUESTION HAD COME UP WHETHER DEREK HAYES SHOULD PAY FOR THE PERMIT OR THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY THE COUNTY HAD TO PAY FOR SEPTIC TANK PERMITS WHEN THEY SPEND A LOT OF TIME WORKING ON BUILDINGS FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED FOR COMMISSIONER FINCH TO MEET WITH AL CLEVELAND TO ASK WHY THE COUNTY HAS TO PAY FOR PERMITS AND SEE IF HE CAN GET THE PERMITS FOR FREE.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID HE HAD TALKED WITH LLOYD BRUNER, BUILDING MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR, ABOUT THE HOUSE AT THE BEEF UNIT, AND HE SAID POSSIBLY THE ROOF COULD BE POSTPONED A LITTLE LONGER; HOWEVER, THE SEPTIC TANK NEEDS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF. COPE SAID THAT BRUNER DIDN'T HAVE ANY MONIES IN HIS BUDGET TO TAKE CARE OF THE SEPTIC TANK.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COPE AND CARRIED TO DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO CORRECT THE PROBLEM WITH THE SEPTIC TANK AND TAKE THE FUNDING FROM CONTINGENCY. 11. CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD-HERBERT REPORTED THERE WAS A CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD MEETING ON MONDAY NIGHT AND THERE WERE CONCERNS THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD HAD WHICH HE HAS PASSED ON TO THE COMMISSIONERS.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REPORTED THAT JIM ACKERMAN HAD ADVISED HIM HE WAS READY FOR THE BOARD TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT CODE ENFORCEMENT. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE METHOD THE COUNTY HAD WAS NOT ENOUGH AND THEY MAY NEED TO TAG TEAM WHAT IS IN PLACE WITH THE CITATION METHOD.

COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THE METHOD IN PLACE HAS WORKED IN THE PAST AND QUESTIONED WHY IT COULDN'T WORK NOW; IT WORKED ON GRIFFINS JUNKYARD.

LINDA WALLER ADVISED TIME WAS THE REASON; SHE SAID SHE DESPERATELY NEEDED HELP, REFERRED TO THE SALES FIGURES PARKER PRESENTED TO THEM AND ESTIMATED THAT 80% OF THOSE SALES PASSED THROUGH HER OFFICE FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER.

COMMISSIONER COPE SAID THE BOARD HAD FILLED POSITIONS ALL OVER THE COUNTY AND WALLER NEEDED HELP AS BAD AS ANY OTHER DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD HASN'T DONE ANYTHING FOR THAT DEPARTMENT.

JIM ACKERMAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING ASKED THE BOARD TO LOOK AT A RESOLUTION; HE SAID HE HAS KEPT TELLING THE BOARD HE IS TRYING TO SELL HIS PROPERTY BUT CAN'T; HE DON'T WON'T TO PUT IT ON THE MARKET. HE SAID THERE WAS PROBABLY ONLY FIVE PLACES THEY WOULD HAVE TO USE THE CITATION METHOD; HE ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ISSUING A CITATION METHOD FOR THOSE FIVE. HE SAID IF MATTERS COME BEFORE THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD AND THEY HAVE LIKE CASES, THEY COULD BRING THEM BACK BEFORE THE COMMISSIONERS. ONCE THE WORD GETS OUT, ACKERMAN FELT PEOPLE WOULD START CLEANING UP THEIR PROPERTY VOLUNTARILY.

ACKERMAN SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THE PERSONS WHO WERE SENT A CERTIFIED LETTER TO CLEAN UP THEIR PROPERTY RESPONDED TO IT; THEY JUST IGNORED IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE LETTERS SENT OUT GAVE THE PROPERTY OWNERS A CERTAIN TIME FRAME TO RESPOND; THE COUNTY WOULD THEN FILE A FORECLOSURE AGAINST THE PROPERTY.

ACKERMAN SAID THE PROPERTY WAS HOMESTEADED WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISING IF IT IS HOMESTEAD PROPERTY, THE COUNTY CAN'T FORECLOSE ON IT BUT CAN FILE A LIEN ON IT; IF THEY EVER SELL THE PROPERTY, THE COUNTY COULD GET PAID IF THEY DIDN'T CLEAN THE PROPERTY UP.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THE LIEN WAS ALREADY FILED; HOLLEY ADVISED THE CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDER IS FILED AND IT BECOMES A LIEN. HOLLEY SAID THE COUNTY COULDN'T FORECLOSE FOR 90 DAYS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID A PROBLEM HE SEES IS NOT KNOWING IF THE COUNTY COULD ADOPT A CITATION METHOD AND APPLY IT RETROACTIVE TO THE PROJECTS IN VIOLATION NOW.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED WHAT THE DIFFERENCE WOULD BE IN A JUDGE BEING ABLE TO FORECLOSE ON IT VERSUS THE METHOD THE COUNTY HAS NOW IF IT IS HOMESTEAD PROPERTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE CITATION METHOD WOULD APPLY WHETHER IT IS HOMESTEAD PROPERTY OR NOT; THE JUDGE WOULD FINE THE PERSON. HOLLEY SAID THE PROPERTY OWNER COULD BE FINED WITH THE METHOD THE COUNTY HAS NOW BUT THE COUNTY COULDN'T FORECLOSE IF IT IS HOMESTEAD PROPERTY.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID THE ONLY WAY TO BRING THIS MATTER TO A CONCLUSION IS TO HAVE SOME INPUT, GET A RECOMMENDATION FROM ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AFTER DISCUSSING IT WITH THE CODE ENFORCEMENT BOARD, PUT IT IN THE COMMISSIONERS BOX, ANNOUNCE IT AT THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING AND HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO LOOK AT IT AGAIN.

ACKERMAN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD APPROVED THE CITATION METHOD, WOULD THIS MAKE THE PROPERTY OWNERS CLEAN UP THEIR PROPERTY. HOLLEY SAID IF THE JUDGE MAKES THE FINE HEAVY ENOUGH, IT WOULD MAKE PEOPLE CLEAN UP THEIR PROPERTY.

ACKERMAN QUESTIONED IF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUE HE IS HAVING A PROBLEM WITH COULD BE A CIVIL MATTER. HOLLEY ADVISED ANY OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS WHO HAVE NOT COMPLIED WITH THE CODE ENFORCEMENT REQUIREMENT TO CLEAN UP THEIR PROPERTY COULD BE HANDLED BY A CIVIL LAWSUIT.

ACKERMAN SAID WHAT HE WAS TRYING TO AVOID, IF HE FILES A CIVIL SUIT AGAINST THE PROPERTY OWNER, HE IS GOING TO COME BACK AND SUE THE COUNTY FOR HAVING A BUSINESS IN A LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AREA. HE SAID HE DIDN'T WANT TO SUE BUT ONLY WANTED TO GET THE PROPERTY CLEANED UP.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED WHAT COULD THE BOARD DO ABOUT GETTING THE PROPERTY CLEANED UP. ACKERMAN SAID IF HE GOES TO COURT AND THE JUDGE RULES IT IS A NUISANCE, THE JUDGE WOULD PROBABLY TELL THE PROPERTY OWNER TO CLEAN IT UP. HE SAID HE THOUGHT HE HAD BEEN TOLD HE COULD COME BACK ON THE COUNTY FOR LETTING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT VIOLATION CONTINUE UNTIL THEY GET IT CLEANED UP BECAUSE THEY ARE DOING BUSINESS IN A LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AREA. HE REITERATED IT WAS NOT ZONED FOR A JUNK YARD. ACKERMAN TOLD THE BOARD THEY HANDLE IT THE WAY THEY DID WITH ANOTHER ISSUE WHERE CATS WERE INVOLVED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THERE WAS MORE OF A HISTORY WITH THE LADY AND THE CATS; THERE WAS HOLES IN THE FLOOR, SEWAGE PROBLEMS, THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT GOT INVOLVED AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT GOT INVOLVED.

ACKERMAN SAID THE PROPERTY NEXT TO HIS PROPERTY WAS A BUSINESS OF SALVAGE; ALL THE STUFF IS SELLABLE AND IF THE COUNTY CAME IN AND TOOK IT, THEY COULD SELL EVERYTHING THAT IS THERE EXCEPT THE TIRES.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THEY COULD AUTHORIZE THE CITATION METHOD FOR THE INDIVIDUAL WHO LIVES NEXT TO ACKERMAN. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE COUNTY HASN'T ADOPTED THE CITATION METHOD.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON BRINGING UP THE CITATION METHOD AT THEIR SECOND MEETING IN FEBRUARY; AFTER HEARING FROM MS. WALLER, SHE HAD TEN LAND USE HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE SECOND MEETING IN FEBRUARY, THE BOARD DECIDED TO HOLD THE DISCUSSION ON THE CITATION METHOD AT THEIR FIRST MEETING ON FEBRUARY 9TH.

MARY JANE NELSON INFORMED THE BOARD THIS WOULDN'T BE FAIR TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTY TO HOLD IT DURING THEIR DAYTIME BOARD MEETING; SHE FELT THIS BIG OF AN ISSUE NEEDS TO BE HELD IN AN EVENING MEETING. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AGREED.

THE BOARD AGREED TO HOLD THE DISCUSSION ON THE CITATION METHOD AT THEIR MARCH 23RD MEETING.

GLEN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD REQUESTING PURCHASE OF INVENTORY FOR MOWING EQUIPMENT FOR THE MSBU; THEY HAVE \$27,000 BUDGETED THAT COULD BE USED TO PURCHASE THE INVENTORY. HE ADVISED THE MSBU COMMITTEE HAD APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF \$16,647.67 FOR THE INVENTORY AND THIS AMOUNT IS OVER THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S LIMIT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO APPROVE OF ACQUIRING THE INVENTORY FOR THE MSBU MOWING EQUIPMENT. COMMISSIONER COPE QUESTIONED THE REASON FOR STOCKING THE MOWER PARTS AS LANE'S KEEPS A GOOD INVENTORY ON HAND.

ZANETIC ADVISED MSBU BASICALLY RUNS SIX MACHINES, 600 HOURS A YEAR EACH AND WITH HAVING THE INVENTORY ON HAND, THEY HAVE ALMOST ZERO DOWN TIME. HE AGREED LANE'S HAD A GOOD STOCK ON HAND; HOWEVER, BY GETTING THE INVENTORY AHEAD OF TIME, IF THEY WERE DOWN, THEY COULD SEE WHERE THEY WERE IN THE MOWING SEASON AND REPLENISH THE STOCK IF NECESSARY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THIS INVENTORY WAS SORT OF IN LINE WITH THE INVENTORY ORDERED LAST YEAR. ZANETIC ADVISED IT WAS AND SAID THEY BUDGETED \$27,000 FOR INVENTORY PURPOSES AND THEY ARE ORDERING APPROXIMATELY \$16,000 OF INVENTORY NOW AND WILL SEE HOW FAR THAT TAKES THEM. THE MOTION APPROVING THE MSBU INVENTORY PURCHASE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ZANETIC REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE AN F350, ONE TON FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE TRUCK AT STATE BID PRICE FROM ORVILLE BECKFORD FOR \$39,400. ZANETIC SAID THE TRUCK HE HAS NOW IS A 3/4 TON, TWO WHEEL DRIVE WHICH WILL GO BACK INTO THE FLEET FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE. HE POINTED OUT HE NEEDED A FOUR WHEEL DRIVE WHEN HE GOES OUT FOR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS; THE TRUCK IS EQUIPPED FOR FIRE AND RESCUE.

HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON WHAT THE TRUCK WAS EQUIPPED WITH HE WAS REQUESTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE AND REITERATED IT WAS EQUIPPED PRIMARILY FOR FIRE AND RESCUE BUT WOULD BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES ALSO.

WHEN COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE MSBU BOARD HAD APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF THE TRUCK, ZANETIC ADVISED THEY HAD. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A

MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN FOR DISCUSSION TO APPROVE OF THE PURCHASE OF THE TRUCK.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID IT SEEMED LIKE AN AWFUL LOT OF MONEY TO SPEND FOR THE TRUCK WHEN THE ORIGINAL PRICE OF THE VEHICLE WAS \$18,400.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE DIESEL ADDED ABOUT \$6,000 WITH ZANETIC SAYING THE FOUR DOORS ADDED \$5,000. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE KNEW THE PEOPLE IN SUNNY HILLS WANTED THE BOARD TO UTILIZE THE MONIES THEY ARE PAYING AS GOOD STEWARDS OF THE COUNTY JUST LIKE IT WAS COUNTY FUNDS; HE SAID THEY NEEDED TO SPEND THE MONEY WISELY. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP OPPOSED.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER BEGAN WITH HER REPORT:

1. REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN UP A NEW ACCOUNT FOR THE COUNTY CDBG GRANT-COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE REQUEST TO OPEN UP A NEW ACCOUNT FOR THE CDBG GRANT.
2. REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET SUPPLEMENT FOR FY ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2006. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER SAID SHE HAD PROVIDED THE BUDGET SUPPLEMENT AND AMENDMENTS FOR FY ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2006 TO THE BOARD PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET SUPPLEMENT FOR THE FEBRUARY 9TH MEETING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER TRANSITIONING ROGER HAGAN OUT OF PUBLIC WORKS SOMEWHAT AND WORK TOWARD CREATING A NEW DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH PERMITS, PLANNING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT, ETC. HE SAID THE COUNTY WAS GETTING MORE AND MORE THINGS COMING TO A POINT; THEY NEED TO BE ADDRESSED AND THEY NEED SOMEONE WITH LEADERSHIP TO BE OVER THAT.

HE SAID HE ALSO THOUGHT THE COUNTY NEEDED TO PUT ON A NEW BUILDING INSPECTOR OR AN ADDITIONAL BUILDING INSPECTOR; HE REFERRED TO THE MAN THAT HAD COME BEFORE THE BOARD PREVIOUSLY BEING READY TO APPLY FOR THE JOB AND HE HAS SOME CREDENTIALS THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK AT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD NEEDED HELP WITH CODE ENFORCEMENT WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH SAYING ROGER COULD BE INVOLVED WITH CODE ENFORCEMENT AND ALL THE OTHER ASPECTS OF PLANNING AND THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED THE BOARD CONSIDER ADVERTISING FOR A PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AND REFERRED TO CLIFF HAVING SAID THEY NEEDED TO START LOOKING AT AN ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT AND THIS MIGHT COULD BE COMBINED WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER FINCH HAVING SAID AT THE LAST MEETING HE HAD TALKED TO SOMEONE WHO HAS RETIRED FROM FL-DOT ABOUT WORKING WITH THE COUNTY. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD TALKED WITH THE PERSON BUT THEY HAVE NOT COMMITTED YET.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO KNOW WHAT THEY HAD PAID CLIFF KNAUER LAST YEAR AND USE IT AS A STARTING POINT IN WHAT THEY COULD USE IN HIRING A FULL TIME ENGINEER.

COMMISSIONER SAPP UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING A LITTLE BIT OF EROSION ON THE ROCHE ROAD PROJECT THAT ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION DID FOR THE COUNTY. HE SAID HE HAD MET WITH BOB BOOTH AND DON WALTERS THERE AT THE PROJECT SITE; IT NEEDS A LOAD OF TOP SOIL, MESH PULLED BACK OFF OF THE LAST 50', A LOAD OF DIRT PUT BACK IN THERE, PACKED BACK OUT, IT SODDED, THE SCREEN PUT BACK OVER IT AND IT STAPLED BACK DOWN TO GIVE IT TIME TO MAKE A BED OF GRASS BEFORE IT ERODES AGAIN.

SAPP SAID HE HAD SPOKE WITH WALTERS ABOUT THE WARRANTY ON THE PROJECT; WALTERS HAD THE ONE PAGE CONTRACT AND IT DIDN'T COVER ANY WARRANTIES. HOWEVER, SAPP SAID ALL THE BID SHEETS SENT OUT HAD THE ONE YEAR WARRANTY APPLIED IN SEVERAL PLACES ACCORDING TO THE COUNTY ENGINEER.

SAPP SAID THE COST TO DO WHAT HE IS SPEAKING OF WILL NOT BE THAT GREAT; HOWEVER, IF SOMETHING WENT WRONG WITH THE MAIN STRUCTURE, THERE WOULD BE A LOT OF COST INVOLVED. HE SAID HE WOULDN'T MIND THE COUNTY DOING THE MINOR REPAIR HE IS RECOMMENDING BEING DONE TODAY; HOWEVER, IF THERE IS FURTHER MAJOR DAMAGE TO THE WHOLE SYSTEM, THE BOARD MAY WANT TO LOOK AT THE WARRANTY WORK FROM THE PEOPLE WHO INSTALLED IT.

COMMISSIONER CORBIN QUESTIONED IF THE WORK COMMISSIONER SAPP IS WANTING TO DO TODAY WAS WORK THAT ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION HAD DONE. COMMISSIONER SAPP ADVISED THE ENTIRE ROCHE ROAD PROJECT WAS DONE BY OHSCD AND BRIEFED THE BOARD ON WHAT HAD BEEN DONE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THEY WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO ASK GARY FULMAR TO GO ON HIS PROPERTY TO DO THE NECESSARY WORK, TAKE SOME INMATE CREWS, 15 TO 20 LOADS OF SOD, A LOAD OF DIRT AND IT COULD PROBABLY BE FIXED IN A COUPLE OF DAYS.

COMMISSIONER COPE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF SAPP FIXING THE PROBLEM ON THE ROCHE ROAD PROJECT.

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

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

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