

BOARD MINUTES FOR 04/24/07

APRIL 24, 2007

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 HOLMAN, FINCH, SAPP, STRICKLAND AND PATE PRESENT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO PRESENT.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED THE WORKSHOP MEETING TO ORDER. HE ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT IF THERE WAS A LIST OF QUESTIONS FOR THE INTERVIEWING PROCESS. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THERE WERE NO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS OR SCORESHEETS FOR THE INTERVIEW. HE THOUGHT THEY WOULD TURN IT OVER TO THE BOARD AND LET THE BOARD ASK WHATEVER QUESTIONS THEY WANTED TO AND RANK THE TEN CANDIDATES. HE SAID THEY HAVE GOTTEN IN CONTACT WITH SIX OF THE CANDIDATES AND HAVE LEFT MESSAGES FOR FOUR CANDIDATES. THEY ARE ALSO RECALCULATING THE SCORESHEETS AND SOME OF THE TOP TEN MAY CHANGE. HE ASKED THE COMMISSIONERS TO RANK ALL THE CANDIDATES THAT ARE INTERVIEWED 1-10.

JANET JONES WAS THE FIRST CANDIDATE TO BE INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH BEGAN THE INFORMAL INTERVIEWING PROCESS. HE ASKED JANET TO GIVE THE BOARD HER IDEA OF WHAT SHE THOUGHT THE MSBU IS, WHAT ITS FUNCTIONS ARE AND HOW DOES IT SERVE SUNNY HILLS.

JANET EXPLAINED THE MSBU IS ACTUALLY A COMMITTEE THAT IS AN EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION. THE COORDINATOR, ALTHOUGH HE WAS SELECTED OR ELECTED BY THE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS THROUGH THE OLD PROCESS, IS THE DIRECT CONTACT FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSION. THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHOULD BE A COMMITTEE THAT LISTENS TO THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS TO TRY TO PUT TOGETHER A PLAN FOR THE EXPENDITURES OF THE TAXES; THEY NEED TO COME AND ASK THE BOARD FOR HIGH PRIORITY THINGS THEY NEED RATHER THAN INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTS COMING TO THE BOARD SAYING THEY NEED VARIOUS THINGS. SHE REITERATED THEY NEED TO HAVE A PLAN AND THAT IS THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S FUNCTION. SHE SAID THE COMMITTEE'S FUNCTION IS TO LISTEN TO THE RESIDENTS, HAVE ENOUGH BUSINESS SENSE TO BE ABLE TO GO AND SEE WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE AND PUT THOSE PRIORITIES ON THE LIST.

JANET SAID MSBU DOES COLLECT A TAX; SUNNY HILLS BASICALLY HAS SELF TAXES. EVEN THOUGH THAT IS A VERY SMALL PORTION, IT DOES GO TO HELP THE BOARD AND HELPS THE COMMISSION TO PLAN FOR WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE AND SORT OF TAKES THE BURDEN OFF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DETERMINE EVERYTHING FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY. BUT, IT ALSO LETS THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE COME TO THE BOARD AND ADVISE THEM OF WHAT MSBU NEEDS SO THE BOARD CAN MAKE THE ULTIMATE DECISION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED JANET HOW LONG HAD SHE SERVED AS AN OFFICER OR MEMBER OF THE EXISTING MSBU COMMITTEE. JANET SAID SHE HAS BEEN PRESIDENT SINCE JANUARY OF 2006 AND AS PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION, THAT HAS ALSO MADE HER AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED JANET HOW LONG SHE HAD BEEN A RESIDENT OF SUNNY HILLS. JANET ADVISED SHE HAD LIVED IN SUNNY HILLS FOR ALMOST THREE YEARS AND A PROPERTY OWNER ALMOST THAT LONG; IT TOOK A LITTLE WHILE TO PREPARE THE HOUSE TO GET INTO IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED JANET IF SHE HAD BEEN ACTIVE IN BOTH THE SUNNY HILLS AND MSBU SOMEWHAT SINCE SHE HAS LIVED IN SUNNY HILLS. JANET ADVISED SHE HAD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED JANET IF SHE WAS THE CHAIRPERSON ON THE MSBU COMMITTEE PRIOR TO THIS. JANET EXPLAINED SHE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION AND WHEN SHE WAS ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION THAT AUTOMATICALLY MADE HER A MEMBER OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE. SHE WAS NOT A MEMBER PRIOR TO THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED, AS A COMMITTEE MEMBER, DID SHE OR ANY OTHER MEMBER PERIODICALLY CHECK INVOICES FROM GLEN ZANETIC AND ASK QUESTIONS AS TO WHY IT WAS BEING SPENT, ETC. JANET SAID THE COMMITTEE ALWAYS HAVE A LOT OF INVOICES; THE BUDGETS THEY APPROVE, GLEN WORKS WITHIN THE BUDGET AND ALL THOSE BUDGET ITEMS ARE APPROVED BY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT. SHE SAID THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE DIDN'T GO AND LOOK AT EVERY SINGLE INVOICE GLEN SPENDS BECAUSE THEY ARE A SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE WHERE THEY ARE THERE TO LOOK AT THE BUDGET, TO MAKE SURE GLEN STAYS ON BUDGET AND TO LOOK AT WHAT THE PLANS WERE IN THE FUTURE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ADVISED THE REASON HE ASKED THAT, ACCORDING TO THE PREVIOUS BYLAWS, ETC. THAT WAS SET UP, NOT ONLY MR. ZANETIC, BUT THE SECRETARY AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE WERE SUPPOSE TO LOOK AT THE INVOICES AND SIGN OFF ON THEM BEFORE THEY CAME TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.

JANET SAID SHE DIDN'T RECALL THIS BEING IN THE BYLAWS LIKE THAT; BUT, IT MAY HAVE BEEN. SHE THEN ASKED IF HOLMAN WAS SAYING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION OR THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IT WOULD BE THE SECRETARY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE. JANET SAID THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS THE MSBU COORDINATOR. JUST BECAUSE SHE IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEANS SHE IS AN MSBU BOARD MEMBER; BUT, THEY DID NOT HAVE A COMMITTEE OR DIFFERENT OFFICES LIKE THEY DO IN THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED JANET WHAT KIND OF CHANGES SHE SEES NEED TO BE MADE TO THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO BETTER MANAGE AND HAVE A SMOOTHER RUNNING OPERATION OF THE MSBU FUNDS.

JANET SAID SHE THOUGHT THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE NEEDS SOME KIND OF POLICY MANUAL AND THINKS THIS IS CALLED FOR IN THE NEW MSBU ORDINANCE. AS FAR AS SHE KNOWS, THERE WAS NO REAL POLICY AS TO WHAT WAS EXPECTED OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE; THEY FELL INTO THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF AGO. SHE SAID IT HAS BEEN IN AFFECT ABOUT FIVE YEARS AND THERE HAS NOT REALLY BEEN ANY SET POLICY ON WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE OTHER THAN THE BUDGET WAS PLANNED EVERY YEAR. SHE SAID THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE DID TRY TO OVERSEE WHAT WAS IN THE BUDGET AND TO MAKE SURE THOSE THINGS WERE BEING DONE. THE IMPROVEMENTS SHE FEELS NEED TO BE MADE IS THE BIG STEP THEY HAVE JUST MADE IN SEPARATING THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION FROM THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE BECAUSE NOBODY UNDERSTANDS IT IS TWO SEPARATE ENTITIES BECAUSE THEY HAD THE SAME BASIC OFFICERS AND MEMBERS FOR THE TWO.

JANET ALSO FELT MORE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION WAS NEEDED FROM THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS; THAT WAS ALWAYS A PROBLEM. NOT REALLY WITH THIS BOARD, BUT WITH PRIOR BOARDS THEY DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF MEMBERS THAT ACTUALLY ATTENDED THE MEETINGS. LAST YEAR THEY TRIED TO SEPARATE WITH SOME COMMITTEES TO GO AND LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT THINGS THAT NEEDED TO BE DONE SUCH AS WHAT NEEDED TO BE DONE WITH THE PARKS, LIGHTING, DRAINAGE, ETC. SHE SAID THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE RIGHT NOW AND NEEDS TO BE ONGOING WHERE EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR A CERTAIN ITEM, THAT MEMBER GOES OUT AND SEARCHES FOR GRANT MONIES, ETC., WHAT MIGHT BE AVAILABLE AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED JANET IF THERE WAS ANY COMPENSATION FOR THE TIME AND EFFORTS, ETC. SHE PUT INTO THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE OR IS IT ALL VOLUNTEER. JANET ADVISED IT WAS ALL VOLUNTEER.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED WHAT REAL ESTATE COMPANY DID JANET WORK FOR. JANET ADVISED SHE WORKED FOR PENACLE PORT REALTY COMPANY THAT WORKS BOTH IN WASHINGTON AND BAY COUNTY; THEIR MAIN OFFICE IS AT PENACLE PORT IN PANAMA CITY BEACH. RIGHT NOW SHE HAD ABOUT TWENTY HOMES FOR TURNER HERITAGE BUILDERS LISTED FOR SALE; HER OFFICE AND THE SALES PEOPLE IN HER OFFICE SET UP IN A MODEL HOME AT SUNNY HOMES. THEY HAVE SOLD SIX OF THE NEW HOUSES SINCE THEY HAVE BEEN THERE; THEY SEE NEW PEOPLE COMING IN. STRANGELY ENOUGH, IT IS PEOPLE COMING THEY ARE ABLE TO TELL WHO IS ACTUALLY COMING TO SUNNY HILLS TO LOOK; A LOT OF THOSE PEOPLE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE OWNED LOTS IN SUNNY HILLS FOR YEARS AND ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IS GOING ON. BUT, WITH EVERY HOUSE THEY HAVE SOLD SO

FAR, IT HAS BEEN RESIDENTS FROM BAY COUNTY MOVING TO WASHINGTON COUNTY BECAUSE THEY CAN NO LONGER AFFORD HOUSING IN BAY COUNTY OR CAN'T AFFORD THE TAXES. EVEN THOUGH WASHINGTON COUNTY'S MILLAGE RATE IS COMPARABLE TO BAY COUNTY, WASHINGTON COUNTY'S ASSESSED VALUE IS A LOT LOWER BECAUSE THEIR HOUSING IS LOWER.

JANET SAID THEY ARE FINDING PEOPLE ARE ASKING WHERE ARE THE SCHOOLS; RIGHT NOW THEY ARE HAVING TO TELL THEM THEY ARE ALL IN VERNON. SHE SAID THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO TELL THEM THEY HAVE SOME SCHOOLS ON HIGHWAY 77. PEOPLE ASK ABOUT IMMENITIES, WHAT THERE IS TO DO. SHE SAID THERE IS PROBABLY MORE TO DO IN SUNNY HILLS AND ALL COLLECTIVELY THAN A LOT OF OTHER AREAS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. PEOPLE ARE AMAZED AT THE NUMBER OF LAKES AND PARKS AVAILABLE FOR THE RESIDENTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO JANET HAVING MENTIONED THE NEED FOR A POLICY MANUAL. HE SAID THAT IS SOMETHING HE WOULD LIKE TO GET STARTED AS QUICKLY AS THEY CAN; WHETHER THE BOARD WRITES IT OR THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE WRITES IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE NEW ORDINANCE REQUIRES THE MSBU COMMITTEE TO PUT TOGETHER THE POLICY MANUAL AND THE BOARD HAS TO APPROVE IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED JANET, IF THEY APPOINTED HER TO THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE, WHAT WOULD SHE DO TO TRY AND SETTLE SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP BY RESIDENTS IN SUNNY HILLS.

JANET SAID HOPEFULLY THEY HAVE LAID A LOT OF THE GROUND WORK AND PEOPLE HAVE SEEN WHAT THE CURRENT CIVIC ASSOCIATION CAN DO. THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SINCE IT IS SPLIT OFF FROM THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION WILL HELP TREMENDOUSLY. THEY, AS A CIVIC ASSOCIATION, TRY TO KEEP THE NEWSLETTER OPEN FOR EVERYBODY TO COMMENT AND TO INFORM THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY OF WHAT IS GOING ON. SHE SAID THEY STILL INTEND TO DO THIS WITH THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE; IT IS IMPORTANT FOR MSBU TO TAKE ON THE ROLE AND TO LET PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON. SHE SAID THE NEWSLETTER IS THE MAIN COMMUNICATION TOOL PLUS BEING AT THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION MEETINGS. HAVING SOME NEW PEOPLE ON BOARD, SOME PEOPLE THAT HAVEN'T BEEN INVOLVED BEFORE; THEY HAVE TRIED TO GET THOSE PEOPLE INVOLVED BUT IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO GET VOLUNTEERS TO DO ANYTHING. THEY HAVE CONVINCED SOME OF THE BUILDERS AND BUSINESS PEOPLE IN SUNNY HILLS TO APPLY TO BE ON THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE. SHE THINKS THIS WILL HELP A LOT AS THEY NEED TO OVERCOME THE HE SAID SHE SAID BICKERING THAT GOES ON SO MUCH.

SHE SAID THE POLICY MANUAL WILL GO A LONG WAY IN THE INVOICES. SHE STILL BELIEVES MAYBE ONE OR TWO MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHOULD OVERSEE WHAT IS GOING ON OTHER THAN HAVING THE INVOICES BEING BROUGHT TO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT. SHE SAID BY THE SAME TOKEN, THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS THERE TO OVERSEE EVERYTHING; IF THEY HAVE A CERTAIN POLICY MANUAL IN LINE AND THEY KNOW THIS INVOICE HAS TO BE APPROVED BY FOUR PEOPLE ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THEY WILL DO THAT. SHE SAID THAT WILL PROBABLY HELP THE BIGGEST THING.

ANOTHER THING THEY NEED TO OVERCOME, AND SHE HEARS IT ALL THE TIME, IS THE MSBU HAS GOTTEN THE MSBU OR SUNNY HILLS IN DEBT. SHE SAID THEY NEEDED TO HAVE THE ROADS THEY PAVED AND THEY NEEDED TO HAVE THE COORDINATOR OR WHOMEVER DID IT THAT HAD THE VISION TO SEE TO BORROW MONIES SOMETIMES IN ORDER TO GET THINGS DONE. YOU CAN'T JUST GROW A LITTLE BIT; THEY HAVE TO PLAN OVER A FIFTEEN OR TWENTY YEAR PERIOD. SHE SAID SHE THINKS THAT HAS BEEN DONE; BUT, A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE IT AND DON'T REALIZE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ROADS THAT GOT PAVED, ETC. SHE SAID IT IS AN EDUCATION THING THE COMMITTEE NEEDS TO DO AND THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION STILL NEEDS TO BE AN ACTIVE PART OF THE MSBU AND THEY ALL INTEND TO GO TO THE MEETINGS. JANET SAID THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION ASK THE MSBU COMMITTEE FOR THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE AND THEN THE MSBU COME TO THE BOARD AND BRINGS THINGS TO THEM. THAT IS THE WAY THINGS SHOULD BE FUNNELLED THROUGH; THE BOARD DOESN'T NEED TO HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE COME BEFORE THEM EVERY MONTH BICKERING. SHE SAID THEY DON'T LIKE TO DO THAT; BUT, BY THE SAME TOKEN, THEY THINK THE BOARD NEEDS TO KNOW A LITTLE ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE COMMUNITY. HOWEVER THEY CAN DO THAT TO HELP THE BOARD, THEY WILL BE HAPPY TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT ONCE THEY GET THE POLICY MANUAL, IT WILL HELP SOME. HE DOESN'T KNOW AS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE THERE IS ANYBODY; BUT, SOMEBODY NEEDS TO CHECK ON WHAT IS GOING ON IN SUNNY HILLS. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF IT REALLY NEEDS TO BE SOMEBODY ON THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE BECAUSE THAT IS NOT REALLY THEIR JOB. HE SAID CHECKING INVOICES OR SIGNING OFF ON THINGS MAY BE SOMETHING ONE OF THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAY NEED TO GO ON A REGULAR BASIS AND CHECK THE INVOICES WITH GLEN.

PATE SAID HE WAS IMPRESSED WITH JANET'S APPLICATION, ETC. AND SHE HAS CERTAINLY DONE A PRETTY GOOD JOB; SHE WAS ALSO TO BE COMMENDED ON HER TOTAL SCORE. HE SAID HE HOPES WHEN THE NEW MSBU BOARD GETS APPOINTED, EVERYBODY WILL GET TOGETHER, WORK TOGETHER AND NOT SPEND AS MUCH TIME BEFORE THE BOARD BICKERING.

JANET SAID MAYBE THAT COULD BE IN THE POLICY MANUAL; ANY OBJECTIONS OR COMPLAINTS NEED TO BE FIRST ADDRESSED AT THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE LEVEL. SHE SAID THAT GOES FOR THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION; IF THEY HAVE A COMPLAINT, THEY NEED TO GO TO THERE AND NOT TO THE BOARD. SHE SAID THAT WOULD BE THE EASIEST AND BEST WAY TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IT WAS BETTER IF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION AND THE MSBU TAKES CARE OF PROBLEMS DOWN THERE INSTEAD OF COMING BEFORE THE BOARD AND TYING UP THEIR TIME; HE DOESN'T AGREE WITH THAT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY WANT TO DO THE RIGHT THING IN SUNNY HILLS; BUT, THEY DON'T WANT TO SPEND AS MUCH TIME ON SUNNY HILLS THEY COULD START DIRECTING SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTY.

JANET SAID THE MSBU IS AN EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION; THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHOULD BE THE VOICE TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION AND FAR THE MSBU.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ASKED JANET HOW SHE SEEN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE MSBU COORDINATOR AND HOW THEY WORK TOGETHER.

JANET SAID THE COORDINATOR SHOULD LISTEN AND BE RESPONSIVE TO THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE; IF HE HAS A PROBLEM OR A NEED, HE SHOULD BRING IT TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. SHE SAID SHE BELIEVES THE WAY THE ORDINANCE IS SET UP, THE MSBU ADVISORY COORDINATOR WILL NO LONGER BE A VOTING MEMBER UNLESS IT IS A TIE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ASKED JANET IF THEY WOULD HAVE LANGUAGE IN THE POLICY MANUAL THAT ALSO ADDRESSES GLEN ZANETIC'S ROLE. JANET SAID IT SHOULD BE. HOLLEY SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME INPUT IN THAT WHEN THEY START DOING THIS. JANET SAID THEY WOULD NEED DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD ON HOW THEY WANT TO SEE THE COORDINATOR. IN THE FUTURE, THE COORDINATOR'S POSITION WILL BE SELECTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

THIS CONCLUDED JANET'S INTERVIEW.

COMMISSIONER FINCH AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER PATE ON THE BOARD NEEDING TO THINK ABOUT HAVING SOMEBODY OVERSEEING THE MSBU; MSBU COME UNDER THE BOARD JUST LIKE PARK & RECREATION, ETC. AND THERE BE SOMEBODY TO ACTUALLY MANAGE THE MSBU. HE SAID MAYBE THAT WILL BE ANOTHER POSITION OR ADDED TO SOMEBODY ELSE'S DUTY. MSBU WOULD BE LIKE WORKING WITH ANY OTHER EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION AND MSBU BE A DEPARTMENT.

JIM TOWN SAID HE WOULD THINK THAT AUDIT FUNCTION WOULD BE PART OF THE COUNTY'S INTERNAL CONTROLS; WHATEVER THEY DO TO COMPLY WITH THEIR ANNUAL FINANCIAL AUDIT REQUIREMENTS, THEY WOULD BE SAMPLING DURING THE YEAR FOR INTERNAL PURPOSES ALL THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS THEY BUDGET FOR. HE SAID THE MSBU WOULD BE PART OF THAT SAMPLING PROCESS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID IT IS VERY CRUCIAL THE MSBU SPENDS THE MONEY THAT IS ASSESSED FOR THE APPROPRIATE EXPENDITURES; THE COUNTY CAN GET IN BIG TROUBLE IF THEY DON'T DO THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE WAS NOTICING THE NAMES GIVEN TO THE BOARD; THERE IS TWO THINGS HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE MENTION OF BEFORE ANYONE ELSE IS BROUGHT BEFORE THEM:

1. JANET AND RON JONES ARE HUSBAND AND WIFE; HE DOESN'T FEEL BOTH OF THEM NEED TO BE ON THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE DUE TO THEM BEING HUSBAND AND WIFE AND IT WOULD BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

2. DAVID BROADFOOT, WHICH IS COMMISSIONER FINCH'S SON IN LAW, SHOULDN'T BE ON THE COMMITTEE DUE TO THE FACT OF HIM BEING FINCH'S SON IN LAW; THAT WOULD BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD SOMEWHAT CHALLENGE THAT IN THE FACT THAT WAS NOT BROUGHT UP IN THE ADVERTISEMENT IF YOU ARE A RELATIVE OF A COUNTY COMMISSIONER, ETC.; ALL THE ADVERTISEMENT SAID WAS YOU HAD TO BE A RESIDENT OR LANDOWNER OF SUNNY HILLS. HE SAID IT DOESN'T MATTER TO HIM; BUT, THAT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP EARLIER. HE POINTED OUT YOU DON'T START CHANGING THE RULES ONCE THE GAME STARTS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID EVERYONE WAS ALLOWED TO TURN IN AN APPLICATION; HE IS NOT CHANGING THE RULES. HE SAID HE WAS JUST VOICING HIS OPINION AS TO WHO SHOULD BE ON THE COMMITTEE. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAS TOO.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED IF THE SCORE SHEET THEY HAD WAS A NEW SCORE SHEET; HE ASKED IF IT WAS THE SAME TOTAL. HERBERT SAID THE ONES ON THIS LIST THEY HAVE A SCORE SHEET FROM ALL FIVE COMMISSIONERS; HOWEVER, THERE IS PROBABLY ABOUT TEN MORE THAT ARE MISSING SOME OF THE SCORE SHEETS THEY WANTED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED IF THE ONES ON THE MSBU SET ON THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION ALSO. COMMISSIONER FINCH ADVISED THIS IS WHAT IS BEING DONE NOW; BUT, THEY ARE SEPARATING THE TWO BOARDS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID AFTER INTERVIEWS, THE BOARD WILL VOTE ON EACH ONE OF THE CANDIDATES INDIVIDUALLY AND SELECT THE ONES TO SERVE.

THE BOARD THEN BEGAN THE INTERVIEWING PROCESS WITH GARY HARTMAN, 2150 SUNNY HILLS BOULEVARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REQUESTED GARY GIVE THE BOARD AN OVERVIEW OF HOW HE SEES THE MSBU IN SUNNY HILLS, WHAT ITS FUNCTION IS AND WHAT THE REAL INTENTION OF HOW THE FUNDS CAN BE SPENT.

GARY SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THE MSBU IS A SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT THAT IS UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. IT IS TO PROVIDE CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS, NEW ROADS, WATER, FIRE HYDRANTS, DRAINAGE AND THE NEW INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE REPAIR OF THE OLD INFRASTRUCTURE FOR SUNNY HILLS. THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL BE ADVISING THE BOARD IN HOW TO SPEND THAT MONEY AND COME UP WITH WAYS OF OBTAINING THAT MONEY. THEY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR LOOKING FOR GRANT MONEY FROM VARIOUS LOCATIONS AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE FINANCING AND THE PROPER WAY TO SPEND THE MONIES.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED GARY IF HE WAS SERVING ON ANY COMMITTEE AT SUNNY HILLS NOW.

GARY ADVISED HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE; BUT, IS NOT AN OFFICER OF THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED GARY IF HE COULD DEVOTE HIS FULL TIME AS FAR AS OVERSEEING THE MSBU AND WHAT GOES ON IN SUNNY HILLS AS FAR AS THE FINANCES.

GARY SAID HE DOES HAVE A FULL TIME JOB; BUT, HE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE MEETINGS AND DOING WHATEVER IS NECESSARY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRED TO GARY'S APPLICATION SHOWING HE WAS A NATIONAL SALES MANAGER RESPONSIBLE FOR SALES AND CUSTOMER SERVICE AND THERE IS SOME OF THE AREAS WITHIN THE MSBU THAT NEEDS SOME TROUBLE SHOOTING DONE. HE SAID THEY REALLY NEED THE PROBLEMS GOING ON FIXED AND NEED SOME GOOD SOLID ANSWERS. HE FEELS A PERSON THAT IS ON THE LEADERSHIP ROLE OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WOULD NEED TO BE A PERSON THAT WOULD UNDERSTAND, RELATE TO AND FIND A WAY TO PROPERLY EXTINGUISH A PROBLEM. HE ASKED GARY HOW WOULD HE SOLVE SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT ARE THERE NOW. HE EXPLAINED THAT IS WHY THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS THEY ARE IN NOW BECAUSE IT IS NOT RUN AS SMOOTHLY AS IT SHOULD BE. HE QUESTIONED GARY ON WHAT HE WOULD DO TO BETTER THINGS IN SUNNY HILLS.

GARY SAID HE HAD ONLY LIVED IN THE AREA FOR ABOUT SEVEN MONTHS NOW; SO, HE HASN'T GOTTEN HEAVILY INVOLVED IN SOME OF THE PROBLEMS SAPP IS SPEAKING ON. TO START WITH, A PROCEDURE MANUAL THAT WOULD DEFINE EXACTLY THE ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE, HOW IT WORKS AND THE RULES IT ABIDES BY WOULD BE A GOOD START SO EVERYONE WOULD KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IS EXPECTED OF THEM. HE WOULD HOPE PERSONALITIES WOULD STOP PLAYING A ROLE AND COMMON SENSE AND GOOD JUDGMENT WOULD PREVAIL. HE WOULD TRY HIS BEST TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN; HE HAS TRIED NOT TO ALIGN HIMSELF AT ALL AND WOULD CONTINUE TO DO THAT. HE WOULD JUST DO WHAT IS BEST FOR THE MSBU; HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT THE NEEDS ARE AND WOULD TRY TO DEDICATE HIMSELF TO DOING THAT JOB.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED GARY IF HE SELLS REAL ESTATE NOW. GARY SAID HE WORKS FOR COMMERCIAL PROPERTY INVESTMENTS AND IS IN THE BUSINESS OF LISTING AND SELLING COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE SPECIFICALLY IN THE SUNNY HILLS AREA.

GARY MENTIONED HE WAS ON A HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE DURING ONE OF HIS STAYS IN NEW JERSEY SO HE HAS A LITTLE EXPERIENCE WITH THIS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY COMMENTED ONE OF THE THINGS THE BOARD IS IN THE PROCESS OF DOING IS DRAFTING A POLICY GOVERNING THE WORK OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR. THE NEW ORDINANCE MANDATES THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE ADOPT OR DRAFT A POLICY MANUAL FOR THEM TO OPERATE UNDER; HE WOULD LIKE SOME INPUT FROM THE COMMITTEE WHEN THEY START THIS PROCEDURE AS TO WHAT THE ROLE OF THE COORDINATOR WILL BE.

GARY SAID HE AGREES THAT WOULD BE A VERY GOOD THING TO DO AND HE WOULD WORK TOWARD THAT.

DAVID BROADFOOT WAS THE NEXT APPLICANT INTERVIEWED. COMMISSIONER FINCH INFORMED DAVID IT HAD ALREADY BEEN MENTIONED THIS MORNING THE RELATIONSHIP OF DAVID BEING HIS SON-IN-LAW. HE ASKED DAVID IF HE SEEN THAT BEING A PROBLEM IN MAKING A DECISION BASED ON THEM FORMATTING A POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR THE MSBU BOARD. HE ASKED DAVID IF HE COULD GO BY THE MANUAL AND NOT BE INFLUENCED BY THE RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM AND ASKED IF DAVID SEEN IT BEING A PROBLEM FOR HIM TO INTERPRET THE MANUAL AND IF HE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE ADVERSE FROM WHAT HE SEES HIS OPINION MIGHT BE. WOULD HE GO BY THE MANUAL AS BEST HE COULD WITHOUT HAVING ANY PERSONAL AGENDA.

DAVID SAID HE DIDN'T SEE THAT AS A PROBLEM. AS A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD, HIS POSITION WOULD BE TO TRY AND BEST REPRESENT THE INTEREST OF THE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS OF WHICH HE IS A RESIDENT. HE SAID THERE ARE PLENTY OF OTHER PEOPLE ON THE BOARD WITH WHOM THESE ISSUES WILL BE DISCUSSED AND HE IS SURE THE BOARD WILL BE ABLE TO REACH A CONSENSUS. WHATEVER DISCUSSIONS HE AND COMMISSIONER FINCH HAVE IN PRIVATE WILL BE JUST ON EXTREMELY SMALL THINGS IN COMPARISON TO ALL THE OTHER GOINGS ON WITH THE BOARD. HE REALLY DOESN'T SEE THAT AS BEING A PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED DAVID HOW HE SEEN THE MSBU OPERATING IN SUNNY HILLS AND WHAT HIS INTERPRETATION WAS AS TO MSBU'S FUNCTION AND HOW IT IS SUPPOSE TO SERVE SUNNY HILLS. HE ASKED DAVID TO GIVE A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF WHAT HIS INTERPRETATION IS OF WHY THE MSBU EXISTS AND WHAT BENEFITS THE PEOPLE AND PROPERTY OWNERS IN SUNNY HILLS WOULD GET FROM THE MSBU.

DAVID SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING IS THE MSBU WAS FORMED SO THE LOCAL AREA CAN RAISE ADDITIONAL TAXES TO SPEND ON MUNICIPAL SERVICES. ALTHOUGH THE MSBU WAS FORMED BEFORE HIS TIME, HE CAN SEE WHY THE PEOPLE OF SUNNY HILLS DECIDED IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA. HE SEES SUNNY HILLS AS A COMMUNITY WITH A GREAT FUTURE AHEAD OF IT AND IT WILL REQUIRE QUITE A BIT OF HARD WORK TO GET IT THERE. HAVING THAT LITTLE BIT OF EXTRA TAXING TO SPEND ON THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES TO TRY AND IMPROVE THE AREA, HE CAN ONLY SEE IT AS BEING A GREAT BENEFIT TO THE AREA AND SOMETHING THAT IS GOING TO HELP THE COMMUNITY PROSPER AND MOVE FORWARD. HE CAN HARDLY THINK OF A COMMUNITY IN WASHINGTON COUNTY THAT COULD BENEFIT MORE THAN THE MSBU IN SUNNY HILLS; IT SEEMS LIKE A PERFECT FIT TO HIM. HE SAID HE WAS ALL FOR HELPING THE MSBU AND LOOKED FORWARD TO DEVELOPING THAT AREA AND SEEING INVESTMENTS COMING INTO SUNNY HILLS AND SEEING THE AREA PROSPER.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED ONE OF THE THINGS THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL BE DOING SHORTLY IS COMING UP WITH AN OPERATIONS MANUAL POLICY THAT WILL INCLUDE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR. HE ASKED DAVID HOW BROAD WOULD HE LIKE TO SEE THAT POLICY WRITTEN OR WOULD HE LIKE TO HAVE SPECIFIC DUTIES THE COORDINATOR GOES BY IN ORDER TO OPERATE THE MSBU.

DAVID SAID HE HAS BEEN ON THE CURRENT MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ONLY A FEW MONTHS. ALTHOUGH THE MSBU DOES HAVE A BROAD MANDATE, THE DAY TO DAY RUNNING OF MSBU SEEMS TO BE QUITE FOCUSED. HE SAID THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS THE MSBU GETS INVOLVED WITH AND THE MEMBERS ALL KNOW WHAT THEY ARE AND THEY HAPPEN ON A REGULAR BASIS. HE SAID HE WOULDN'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM IN KEEPING THE OPERATIONAL MANUAL QUITE FOCUSED WHEN IT COMES TO THESE ISSUES. HE SAID AS LONG AS THERE IS A LITTLE WIGGLE ROOM LEFT IN THERE FOR THINGS THAT MAY OCCUR IN THE FUTURE. HE SAID A CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR MSBU FOR UNFORESEEN EVENTS MSBU MAY NEED TO TACKLE; HE SAID IT IS GETTING THE BALANCE RIGHT WILL BE THE KEY TO THE MANUAL. HE SAID THINGS THAT THEY KNOW AND CAN PREDICT, CERTAINLY KEEP IT FOCUSED SO EVERYONE KNOWS WHAT THEY ARE DOING; BUT, KEEP A CONTINGENCY FOR UNFORESEEN EVENTS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED DAVID WHAT KIND OF WORK HE DID. DAVID SAID HE WORKED IN ADVERTISING FOR AN ADVERTISING AGENCY IN TALLAHASSEE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED DAVID IF HE WOULD BE ABLE TO DEVOTE TIME TO THE MSBU MEETINGS AND ATTEND THE MEETINGS IF HE IS SELECTED AS A MEMBER OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE; DOES HE SEE IT BEING A PROBLEM WITH FITTING INTO HIS JOB.

DAVID SAID FORTUNATELY HE IS ONE OF THE LUCKY INDIVIDUALS WHO GET TO WORK FROM HOME; THEREFORE, HE CAN PRETTY MUCH MAKE HIS OWN HOURS AND HE IS IN SUNNY HILLS 24-7 MORE OR LESS. THE MEETINGS AND MSBU WILL NOT BE A PROBLEM FOR HIM TO HAVE HIS FULL FOCUS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED BY THE BOARD TO HELP WORK ON THE DUTIES OF THE COORDINATOR. HE TOLD DAVID IF HE WAS CHOSEN TO BE ON THE COMMITTEE, HE WOULD LIKE SOME INPUT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON WHAT THEY FEEL SHOULD BE THE DUTIES OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR.

DAVID AGREED IT SOUNDED LIKE SOMETHING THAT IS CERTAINLY IMPORTANT AND SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE ON THE MSBU COMMITTEE'S AGENDA FOR THEIR FIRST MEETING. HE SAID HE DOESN'T THINK IT WOULD BE PROPER NOW TO START THROWING IDEAS AROUND.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED HE WAS WANTING THE COMMITTEE'S INPUT AS QUICKLY AS HE COULD GET IT. DAVID SAID THAT IS CLEARLY THE MOST IMPORTANT THING THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE HAS TO ADDRESS AS SOON AS THEY CAN.

RON JONES WAS THE NEXT APPLICANT INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID ONE THING THAT NEEDED TO GET CLEARED UP TO BEGIN WITH AND IT IS CERTAINLY A LEGITIMATE CONCERN WITH THE BOARD MEMBERS THAT BOTH RON AND HIS WIFE IS APPLYING TO BE ON THE MSBU COMMITTEE. HE ASKED RON'S THOUGHTS AS TO HOW HE FEELS THAT RELATIONSHIP MIGHT WORK IF THEY ARE BOTH SITTING MEMBERS OF THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE. HE ASKED RON IF HE FELT LIKE HE COULD STILL USE A NEWLY DEVELOPED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL OR WHATEVER KIND OF DOCUMENT THAT IS DEVELOPED AND GO BY IT AND NOT BE TOTALLY INFLUENCED BY HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS WIFE.

RON SAID AS HUSBAND AND WIFE, THEY DON'T ALWAYS AGREE ON THINGS OR ALWAYS DISAGREE ON THINGS. HE SAID THEY BOTH PRETTY MUCH USE COMMON SENSE AND WITH THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL, IT WILL MAKE THINGS BETTER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED RON WHAT HIS THOUGHTS WERE ON HOW THE MSBU COMMITTEE IS SUPPOSE TO BE SERVING SUNNY HILLS AND THE TYPE OF THINGS THE FUNDS COULD BE USED FOR AND NOT BE USED FOR. HE ASKED RON TO GIVE THE BOARD AN IDEA OF HOW HE SEES THE MSBU WORKING IN SUNNY HILLS AND HOW HE THINKS IT SHOULD BE SERVING SUNNY HILLS.

RON SAID HE FELT IT WAS INEVITABLE THAT SUNNY HILLS IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO GROW AND PROSPER AS WELL AS WASHINGTON COUNTY AS A WHOLE. HAVING SAID THAT, HE DIDN'T WANT THEM TO BE LEFT BEHIND AND HAVING TO CATCH UP; WHATEVER THEY CAN DO TO UTILIZE THEIR EFFORTS AND MONIES TO DO WHATEVER THEY NEED TO DO TO KEEP

IMPROVING THE SUNNY HILLS AREA, THE COMMITTEE NEEDS TO DO THIS. AGAIN, THEY NEED TO USE A COMMON SENSE APPROACH TO THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED RON IF HE FELT LOOKING BACK THERE WAS THINGS THE PREVIOUS MSBU BOARD COULD HAVE DONE TO MAKE THINGS BETTER AND TO ILLIMINATE SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT HAVE BEEN GOING ON WITHIN SUNNY HILLS.

RON SAID HE WAS SURE THEY COULD; IT IS SET UP AS AN ADVISORY BOARD AND THE ADVISORY BOARD IS TO ADVISE THE COORDINATOR. HE SAID HE HAS NOT BEEN TO ALL THE MSBU MEETINGS; BUT, HE KNOWS THERE ARE CERTAIN THINGS THEY CAN DO WITHOUT AND CERTAIN THINGS THEY CAN'T DO WITHOUT. AGAIN, HE SAID IT ALL FALLS BACK TO A COMMON SENSE APPROACH. HE SAID HE WASN'T SITTING ON THE BOARD WHEN THOSE DECISIONS WERE MADE AND DIDN'T HAVE A WHOLE LOT OF INPUT AS FAR AS THAT WAS CONCERNED. HE SAID WE ALL MAKE MISTAKES.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED RON HOW HE FELT ABOUT THE BACKSTABBING GOING ON IN SUNNY HILLS WITH MSBU AND STATED THIS DOES HAVE AN AFFECT ON THE MSBU COMMITTEE AND IT DOES HAVE AN AFFECT WITH THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

RON SAID IT WOULD ALL GO BACK TO COMMON SENSE; YOU TAKE A COMMON SENSE APPROACH TO THINGS GOING ON. IF THINGS ARE DONE THAT PEOPLE DON'T LIKE, THE COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE TO LOOK AT IT WHETHER IT WAS RIGHT OR ACTUALLY WRONG OR WHETHER IT WAS WRONG OR ACTUALLY RIGHT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED RON, AS A MEMBER OF THE MSBU COMMITTEE, HE WOULDN'T CATCH HIMSELF GETTING CAUGHT UP IN THE BICKERING AND CONFUSION GOING ON WITH EITHER SIDE. HE ASKED RON IF HE WOULD JUST STRICTLY GO BY THE POLICIES AND RULES SET FORTH FOR HIM TO GO BY.

RON SAID IF THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE DOING, THAT IS WHAT THEY WILL DO.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED, IN GOING BACK TO THE DISSENTION IN SUNNY HILLS, WHAT HE THINKS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CAN DO TO TRY AND START BRINGING THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY TOGETHER. HE SAID HE HAS SAID SEVERAL TIMES HE HOPES THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE WILL HELP SOLVE SOME OF THE PROBLEMS AND GET EVERYBODY WORKING TOGETHER. HE SAID HE WAS NOT FOOLISH ENOUGH TO THINK EVERYBODY IS GOING TO WORK TOGETHER; JUST LIKE HE WOULDN'T FOOLISH ENOUGH AWHILE AGO TO THINK RON WOULD SAY HE AND HIS WIFE GET ALONG 100% WHEN RON WAS ASKED ABOUT HE AND HIS WIFE SITTING ON THE COMMITTEE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE DOES HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN SUNNY HILLS AND IT IS ONLY GOING TO HURT SUNNY HILLS IF THEY DON'T FIGURE OUT SOME WAY TO PULL THIS TOGETHER. HE SAID THEY CAN'T FORCE ALL SIDES DOWN THERE TO WORK TOGETHER.

RON SAID IF THE MEMBERS FOLLOW THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL AND USE COMMON SENSE WHEN THEY DO THAT, HE CAN'T SEE WHERE THERE WILL BE A LOT OF BACKSTABBING GOING ON.

COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED THE POLICY MANUAL IS NEEDED; THEY JUST NEED TO TAKE THEIR TIME WHEN WRITING THE MANUAL TO MAKE SURE EVERYTHING IS WRITTEN.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID ONE OF THE THINGS HE WOULD REQUEST IF RON IS CHOSEN TO SET ON THE COMMITTEE, ONE OF THE FIRST DUTIES THE COMMITTEE OUGHT TO DO IS TO MAKE SOME RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ROLE OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR. HE SAID THE BOARD WANTS TO DRAFT A POLICY OR A JOB DESCRIPTION THAT DESCRIBES EXACTLY WHAT THE MSBU COORDINATOR'S DUTIES ARE AND WANTS A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE COMMITTEE ON THAT.

RON SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT AND FELT THAT WAS NEEDED.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED RON WHO HAD THE MOST TIME TO WORK ON THE MSBU COMMITTEE, HE OR HIS WIFE, SHOULD THE BOARD CHOOSE BETWEEN THE TWO OR CHOOSE THEM BOTH.

RON SAID HE PROBABLY WOULD HAVE MORE FLEXIBLE TIME THAN HIS WIFE DOES. SHE CAN PUT IN HER OWN HOURS AND DO WHAT SHE NEEDS TO DO; BUT, HE PROBABLY IS A LITTLE MORE FLEXIBLE THAN SHE IS. HE SAID SHE HAD A LOT GOING ON TODAY; BUT, SHE TOOK THE TIME TO COME FOR THE INTERVIEW AND HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS SHE CANCELLED TO BE HERE BECAUSE THE MSBU IS IMPORTANT TO HER AND TO HIM.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.



PURSUANT TO A RECESS, MS. BETTY WEEKLY WAS INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED MS. WEEKLY WHAT HER IDEA ON THE FUNCTIONS OF THE MSBU WAS AND HOW SHE SEES IT SERVING SUNNY HILLS, THE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF THE MSBU, ETC. HE REQUESTED SHE GIVE THE BOARD AN OVERVIEW OF HOW THE MSBU SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT OPERATE IN SUNNY HILLS AND SOME OF THE THINGS THE MSBU FUNDING SHOULD BE USED FOR AND NOT USED FOR.

BETTY SAID SHE THOUGHT THE MSBU IN SUNNY HILLS SHOULD BENEFIT ALL THE PEOPLE IN SUNNY HILLS, WHICH IS WHAT IT WAS ORIGINALLY SET UP FOR. IT SHOULD BE USED FOR THINGS THAT WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY. SHE REFERRED TO THEM NOT HAVING A COMMUNITY BUILDING RIGHT NOW; THAT IS SOMETHING EVERYBODY COULD USE, ETC. SHE THOUGHT THE PARK WAS A GOOD IDEA BECAUSE IT IS AN IMPACT THAT WOULD BENEFIT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED BETTY WHAT KIND OF WORK SHE DID.

BETTY ADVISED SHE WORKS AT BAY MEDICAL AND HAS WORKED THERE FOR TWENTY YEARS; SHE IS A DISBURSEMENT SUPERVISOR AND HANDLES SPENDING MONEY. SHE SAID SHE WAS IN CHARGE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND PAYROLL. THEY PAY OVER 2000 EMPLOYEES EVERY TWO WEEKS; THEY HAVE A \$3,000,000 PAYROLL EVERY TWO WEEKS AND PUTS OUT AT LEAST A \$1,000,000 IN ACCOUNTS PAYABLE EVERY WEEK AND DO ALL THE CHECKS AND BALANCES.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED BETTY WHAT HER EDUCATION WAS AT GULF COMMUNITY COLLEGE. BETTY SAID SHE TOOK ACCOUNTING COURSES, WRITING COURSES, MANAGEMENT COURSES, ETC.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED BETTY IF HER TIME SCHEDULE WOULD ALLOW HER TO WORK ON THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE AS FAR AS ATTENDING THE MEETINGS, ETC. BETTY ADVISED SHE COULD ATTEND THE MEETINGS AS LONG AS THEY ARE PRETTY MUCH AT A SET TIME AND SET DATE. SHE SAID HER BOSS WAS PRETTY FLEXIBLE IN LETTING HER TAKE TIME OFF.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IN THE PAST THERE HAS BEEN ADVERSITY AND A LOT OF DIFFERENT OPINIONS IN SUNNY HILLS AND MAYBE PEOPLE WITH DIFFERENT AGENDAS. IT HAS BEEN TALKED ABOUT THAT ONE OF THE MAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE IS TO SET UP A POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL THAT WOULD BASICALLY DICTATE WHAT THE MSBU COMMITTEE WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR AND MORE IMPORTANTLY WHAT THE MSBU COORDINATOR WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR AND THE THINGS HE OR SHE SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT DO. HE ASKED BETTY, IF SHE WAS CHOSEN TO SIT ON THE NEW MSBU BOARD, IF SHE COULD SEE HERSELF FORGETTING ABOUT THE PAST AND WORK TOWARD THE FUTURE AND BE ABLE TO MAKE DECISIONS BASED ON WHAT THE PRESENT POLICIES ARE AND TRY TO REMOVE THE BICKERING, ETC. THAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE PAST.

BETTY SAID SHE COULD. SHE SAID SHE WAS AWARE THERE IS POLITICS INVOLVED IN EVERYTHING AND SHE WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND DEAL WITH IT. SHE HAS ALSO LEARNED OBJECTIVITY; YOU HAVE TO NOT FOLLOW THE CROWD BUT DO WHAT YOU FEEL IS RIGHT AND WHAT THE NUMBERS TELL YOU ARE RIGHT. THEY NEED TO FOLLOW THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. SHE SAID HER DEPARTMENT HAS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND THEY HAVE TO FOLLOW THEM; THEIR AUDIT IS GETTING BROADER SO THEY HAVE TO HAVE THEIR I'S DOTTED AND THEIR T'S CROSSED.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID ONE OF HIS PET PEAVES AT SUNNY HILLS IS THERE IS A LACK OF GETTING ALONG. IT IS HIS GREAT DESIRE WHEN THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE IS SELECTED AND THEY GET THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL, THINGS WILL WORK A LOT SMOOTHER AT SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF BETTY WAS ON SHIFT WORK AT BAY MEDICAL. BETTY SAID SHE WORKED FROM 6:30 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. SHE ADDRESSED HER BEING AWARE THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF CONFLICTING AGENDAS; SHE FEELS THEY NEED TO KIND OF GO BACK AND NOT DO THEIR OWN AGENDAS AND DO WHAT IS BEST FOR THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE AND THAT IS WHY SHE APPLIED FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WANTED EVERYONE TO REALIZE THIS IS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY INFORMED BETTY ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS THE BOARD WOULD LIKE FOR THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO DO IF THEY ARE CHOSEN TO BE ON THE

ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS TO GIVE HIM SOME INPUT ON THE ROLE OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN ASKED TO DRAFT A CONTRACT FOR THE COORDINATOR AND WANTS TO SPELL OUT SPECIFIC DUTIES HE NEEDS TO PERFORM. HE REQUESTED INPUT FROM THE COMMITTEE.

BETTY ADVISED SHE WORKS CLOSELY WITH THE HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT; THEY ALL JUST HAD TO DO THEIR OWN JOB DESCRIPTION AND ANYTIME THEY HAVE A NEW POSITION, THEY HAVE TO DO A POSITION DESCRIPTION ON WHAT THEIR GOALS, REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS ARE.

TONY RAY WAS THE NEXT APPLICANT INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED TONY TO GIVE THE BOARD AN OVERALL VIEW OF WHAT HE THINKS THE MSBU COMMITTEE'S INTENTION AND THE REAL WAY THE COMMITTEE SHOULD BE SERVING SUNNY HILLS; THINGS HE FEELS SHOULD BE IMPORTANT AND HOW MSBU FUNDING SHOULD AND SHOULDN'T BE USED.

TONY SAID MSBU'S FUNCTION IS TO PROMOTE GROWTH IN SUNNY HILLS. HE IS PROGROWTH DOWN THERE AND HAS SPENT \$3.5 MILLION INVESTED MONEY THE LAST SEVENTEEN MONTHS IN SUNNY HILLS; HE IS PROGROWTH AND HE THINKS THE COMMITTEE HAS TO GO IN THAT DIRECTION. THEY HAVE TO MAINTAIN THE ROADS IN SUNNY HILLS, THE APPEARANCE OF IT, ETC. TO BRING A NEW INVESTMENT. THE BIGGEST PROBLEM HE SEES THE MSBU HAS HAD SINCE IT HAS BEEN FORMED IS THERE IS A LOT OF CONTROVERSY. HE SAID HE HAS BEEN TO SEVERAL MEETINGS AND CAME AWAY UNIMPRESSED BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF BACK BITING THAT GOES ON DOWN THERE AND PEOPLE HAVE ISSUES THAT REALLY SHOULDN'T BE BROUGHT UP IN THE MEETINGS. THE COMMITTEE HAS A FUNCTION AND THEY NEED TO KEEP THEIR EYE ON THE FUNCTION; HE IS ANO NONSENSE KIND OF GUY AND FEELS HE CAN BRING SOME GOOD IDEAS FORWARD.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF CONTROVERSY IN SUNNY HILLS AND IT HAS BEEN A SORE SPOT SINCE HE COME ON BOARD ABOUT ALL THE BACK BITING, ETC. ONE OF THE THINGS HE HOPES TO COME OF THIS IS FOR THE NEW MSBU BOARD TO WORK TOGETHER AND EVERY ASSOCIATION IN SUNNY HILLS MAKE THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE BRING IT TO THE BOARD. HE REITERATED HE WAS NOT FOOLISH ENOUGH TO THINK EVERYBODY IS GOING TO GET ALONG DOWN THERE; BUT WOULD LIKE FOR IT TO COME DOWN TO A LOWER LEVEL. HE ASKED TONY HOW HE THOUGHT HE COULD HELP BRING THIS TOGETHER.

TONY SAID SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THEY HAVE HAD DOWN THERE IS GLEN AND THE WAY HE CONDUCTS HIMSELF SOMETIMES. HE TALKS TO GLEN ABOUT WHEN HE SPEAKS BEFORE THE BOARD AND TALKS ABOUT THE MSBU, HE SAYS EVERYTHING IN HIS OWN CONTEXT AND PUTS HIMSELF IN A FIRST PRETENSE ALL THE TIME. HE HAS TOLD GLEN HE HAD TO SPEAK AS AN MSBU BOARD; THIS IS NOT YOU, THIS IS NOT YOUR MONEY, IT IS THE COUNTY'S MONEY AND SUNNY HILLS MONEY AND IT HAS TO BE SPENT THAT WAY. HE SAID WHEN GLEN ADDRESSES THE PUBLIC, HE HAS TO ADDRESS IT THAT WAY. HE SAID SOME OF THAT KIND OF THINKING IF THEY COULD GET A NEW MSBU ADVISORY BOARD ON THERE, PUT SOME PEOPLE TOGETHER THAT CAN WORK TOGETHER FOR THE GOOD OF SUNNY HILLS AND NOT FOR THE GOOD OF INDIVIDUALS.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED WHO OWNED THE GOLF COURSE. TONY SAID HE DID AND AT THIS POINT, IT IS A LOSING PROPOSITION. HE IS THERE TO SUBSIDIZE OPERATIONS FOR ANOTHER FEW YEARS, HOPING GROWTH WILL COME AND HE WILL SOMEDAY BE ABLE TO BREAK EVEN. HE IS NOT GOING ANYWHERE AND HE IS GETTING INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY TO SEE WHAT HE CAN DO TO HELP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED TONY, AS A MEMBER OF THE MSBU ADVISORY BOARD, WOULD HE TAKE THE TIME, EVER WHO THE COORDINATOR MAY BE, TO OVERSEE THE INVOICES AND WHAT IS BEING SPENT.

TONY SAID HE COULD AS HE HAS TIME; HE WOULDN'T GET INVOLVED WITH THIS IF HE DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO PROMOTE IT. HE SAID HE HAD ANOTHER BUSINESS IN PANAMA CITY THAT SUPPORTS HIM AND HOPES ONE DAY TO MOVE IT TO WASHINGTON COUNTY; THAT WOULD BE A GREAT THING. HE ALSO ADDRESSED HIM HAVING OTHER BUSINESS INTERESTS HE WOULD LIKE TO BRING TO WASHINGTON COUNTY BECAUSE IT IS A PRIME PLACE RIGHT NOW FOR GROWTH; BUT, THEY HAVE PROBLEMS AND THEY HAVE TO GET THEM FIXED. HE REITERATED HE WOULD DEVOTE HIS TIME, WHATEVER IT TAKES AND WILL BE AN ON HANDS KIND OF GUY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY TOLD TONY IF HE WAS CHOSEN TO SET ON THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE COMMITTEE TO DO IS COME UP WITH SOME INPUT TO GIVE TO HIM TO ENABLE HIM TO DRAFT A CONTRACT FOR THE MSBU COORDINATOR AND SOME SPECIFIC DUTIES THE COORDINATOR IS SUPPOSE TO DO.

TONY ASKED IF THERE WERE NO GUIDELINES FOR THE COORDINATOR NOW. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THERE ARE NO WRITTEN GUIDELINES NOW. TONY SAID THERE NEEDS TO BE A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR WHAT THE COORDINATOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO DO.

TONY ASKED IF GLEN ZANETIC WAS UP FOR REAPPOINTMENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE THOUGHT THE NEW MSBU ORDINANCE REQUIRES THE COUNTY TO ADVERTISE FOR A COORDINATOR; HE DOESN'T KNOW WHEN THAT WILL KICK IN.

TONY SAID HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO WORK ON THE GUIDELINES FOR THE COORDINATOR; GUIDELINES ARE NEEDED SO IT CAN STOP SOME OF THE CONTROVERSY.

KEVIN LANGSWORTHY WAS THE NEXT APPLICANT INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED KEVIN TO GIVE THE BOARD A GENERAL IDEA OF WHAT HE THINKS THE MSBU COMMITTEE AND MSBU PROGRAM ITSELF OPERATES IN SUNNY HILLS, HOW HE THINKS IT SHOULD FUNCTION AND SOME OF THE THINGS HE FEELS THE FUNDING SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE USED FOR.

KEVIN SAID THE MSBU IS AN EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHOULD BE THERE TO OVERSEE FUNDS THAT ARE BEING SPENT BY MSBU; THEY SHOULD BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE FUNDS AND HOW THEY ARE SPENT. AS TO WHAT THEY SHOULD BE SPENT ON, THEY SHOULD BE SPENT ON THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. HE WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE AND HELP SPEND FUNDS PROPERLY TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE NOT MISUSED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED KEVIN WHAT KIND OF WORK DID HE DO NOW. KEVIN SAID HE WAS A WELDER.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED KEVIN IF HE WAS INVOLVED WITH THE PAST MSBU COMMITTEE AS FAR AS GOING TO THE MEETINGS. KEVIN SAID HE HAD BEEN TO A COUPLE OF MEETINGS; BUT, HE IS NOT REAL BIG ON CONTROVERSY AND THERE IS A LOT OF CONTROVERSY GOING ON THERE HE DIDN'T HAVE THE PATIENCE FOR IT. HE DON'T FEEL THERE IS ANY PLACE FOR THAT IN GOVERNMENT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED KEVIN IF HE WOULD HAVE TIME TO SPEND TO ATTEND MSBU MEETINGS, ETC. AND BE AVAILABLE.

KEVIN SAID ABSOLUTELY; IF HE DIDN'T WANT TO MAKE THIS COMMITMENT, HE WOULDN'T HAVE PUT HIS APPLICATION IN.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THE CONTROVERSY GOING ON IN THE PAST WITH THE MSBU; AS OF TODAY, HE HOPES MOST OF IT IS OVER. HE REITERATED HE WAS NOT FOOLISH ENOUGH TO THINK THAT IT IS ALL GOING TO BE OVER WITH. HE ASKED KEVIN WHAT HE THOUGHT HE COULD ADD TO THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE THAT WILL HELP BRING SOME KIND OF CONSENSUS IN SUNNY HILLS SO THERE WILL BE LESS CONTROVERSY GOING ON.

KEVIN SAID HE WOULD USE A LEVEL HEAD APPROACH, COMMON SENSE AND DOWN TO EARTH APPROACH AND TAKE SEVERAL POINTS OF VIEW AND MAKE SOMETHING WORTHWHILE OUT OF IT. HE WILL DO HIS BEST TO BRING WHATEVER HE HAS GOT AND WHATEVER HE HAS LEARNED IN HIS YEARS OF BUSINESS AND BRING IT TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER PATE INFORMED KEVIN THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY BOARD WAS JUST AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE; EVERY ASSOCIATION OR COMMITTEE IN SUNNY HILLS BASICALLY NEEDS TO FEED INTO THE MSBU ADVISORY BOARD AND THE MSBU ADVISORY BOARD BRING IT BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED HE HAD BEEN ASKED TO DRAFT A CONTRACT FOR THE MSBU COORDINATOR AND ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS HE WILL NEED IF KEVIN IS CHOSEN TO SERVE IS RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOW THEY SEE THE DUTIES OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR, ETC. HE ASKED THE COMMITTEE DO THIS EARLY ON.

KEVIN ASKED IF THERE WAS CURRENTLY A JOB DESCRIPTION OR A LINE OF STANDARDS OR CRITERIA THE MSBU COMMITTEE SHOULD BE FOLLOWING. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THERE WAS A SCOPE OF WORK DOCUMENT; BUT, NOT A SPECIFIC DUTY DOCUMENT.

KEVIN SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SOMETHING POSITIVE OUT OF THE MSBU.

VERNON ANDERSON WAS THE NEXT APPLICANT TO BE INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED VERNON HOW HE FELT THE MSBU COMMITTEE SHOULD BE OPERATING IN SUNNY HILLS/OAK HILLS. HE POINTED OUT HE DIDN'T KNOW IF SOME OF THE APPLICANTS WERE AWARE OAK HILLS WAS PART OF THE MSBU AREA. HE ASKED VERNON HOW HE FELT THE MSBU FUNDING SHOULD BE USED OR SHOULD NOT BE USED.

VERNON SAID HE THOUGHT IT SHOULD BE OPERATING FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF THE MAJORITY. HE SAID HE DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO SERVE ON THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE UNTIL HE HAD TALKED WITH SOME OF HIS NEIGHBORS AND THEY FELT LIKE SOMEBODY FROM OAK HILL SHOULD MAKE AN APPLICATION. HE SAID HE HAD THE TIME TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE; HE IS A RETIRED GENERAL CONTRACTOR AND STILL WORKS PART TIME OUT OF HIS HOME. SINCE HE HAS BEEN IN OAK HILLS THREE AND A HALF YEARS, HE KNOWS THERE HAS BEEN A DIVISION AND HAS EXPLAINED TO HIS NEIGHBORS IF HE SERVED ON THE COMMITTEE, HE WOULDN'T TAKE SIDES WITH ANYBODY. HE ADDRESSED HIM WANTING TO BE FAIR, HONEST AND EQUITABLE; THE MAIN REASON HE APPLIED WAS FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF HIS COMMUNITY WHICH IS SUNNY HILLS/OAK HILL AND HIMSELF.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE APPRECIATED THE FACT VERNON, AS A MEMBER OF THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE, WOULD BE STANDING ON HIS OWN AND WOULDN'T BE TRYING TO SIDE WITH ANYONE.

VERNON SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY KIN FOLKS THAT LIVE IN SUNNY HILLS; BUT, HAVE THEM THAT LIVE ALL OVER WASHINGTON COUNTY AND HE DIDN'T WANT TO BE EMBARRASSED.

COMMISSIONER PATE DIDN'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED IF VERNON SOLD ANY REAL ESTATE IN SUNNY HILLS. HE SAID HE HAD TWO OPTIONS IN OAK HILLS; ONE IS HIS AND THE OTHER ONE IS A CLIENT'S AND HE IS TRYING TO GET SOME IN SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED VERNON IF HE SOLD HIS PROPERTY, WOULD HE STILL LIVE IN SUNNY HILLS. HE SAID HIS HOME IS ON THE ONE HE LIVES IN; HE HAS TWO OTHERS THERE. HE SAID HE CONTRIBUTED TO THE MSBU.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY TOLD VERNON IF HE WAS CHOSEN TO SET ON THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE COMMITTEE TO DO IS TO PROVIDE SOME INPUT TO HIM. HOLLEY SAID HE WAS GOING TO BE WORKING ON A CONTRACT FOR THE MSBU COORDINATOR'S POSITION AND HE NEEDS SOME INPUT FROM THE COMMITTEE AS TO HOW THEY SEE WHAT HIS DUTIES WOULD BE AND WHAT HIS ROLE WILL BE. HE REQUESTED THE COMMITTEE PROVIDE INPUT TO HIM EARLY ON.

VERNON SAID HE WOULDN'T WANT THE COORDINATOR'S JOB; BUT, HE DON'T MIND SITTING ON THE COMMITTEE AND UNDERSTANDS WHAT ATTORNEY HOLLEY IS REQUESTING.

VERNON SAID IF THERE IS SOME OTHER RESIDENT IN OAK HILLS THAT WANTS TO SERVE, IT DON'T MATTER TO HIM. HE SAID HE LOVES HIS FAMILY AND LOVES HIS NEIGHBORS; HE HAS MADE SOME REAL GOOD FRIENDS IN OAK HILL AND SUNNY HILLS AND THERE IS SOME GOOD PEOPLE THERE. HE SAID AT ONE TIME COMING INTO AMY LANE, HE WAS THE ONLY HOUSE ON THE RIGHT AND NOW AFTER THREE AND A HALF YEARS, THERE IS FOUR. HE SAID HE WASN'T PLANNING ON MOVING.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE MSBU IS NOT ONLY TO REPRESENT THOSE PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE; BUT, THOSE PEOPLE WHO DON'T LIVE THERE THAT ARE ABSENTEE LANDOWNERS TO GET THEIR SHARE OF BENEFITS FROM THE MSBU.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED FRED SAXON WAS SCHEDULED TO INTERVIEW AT 10:00 A.M. AND LUNELL DOCCIO AT 10:15 A.M. HE SAID MESSAGES HAVE BEEN LEFT FOR THEM; BUT, THEY HAVEN'T HEARD BACK.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DOUBTS FRED SAXON IS GOING TO BE HERE BECAUSE HE LIVES IN TALLAHASSEE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IF SAXON DIDN'T SHOW UP, THEY SHOULD GIVE HIM THE BENEFIT OF THE DOUBT AND DON'T NEED TO CLOSE OUT ON HIM YET.

MR. TOWN SAID HE THOUGHT SAXON WAS IN NEW MEXICO AT THE MOMENT; HE IS NOT IN THE STATE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REQUESTED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TRY AND CONTACT LUNELL DOCCIO AGAIN.

WHILE WAITING ON DOCCIO, COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED AFTER THE INTERVIEWS TODAY, IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO SELECT SEVEN PEOPLE OR HOW ARE THEY GOING TO DO THAT.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF EVERYBODY WAS PRESENT EXCEPT LUNELL AND SAXON. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID SAXON HAD CALL BACK AND LEFT A MESSAGE; HE IS IN ARIZONA. SUSAN IS GOING TO CALL LUNELL AGAIN; BUT, LUNELL HAD CALLED AND SAID SHE WOULD BE HERE AT 10:15 A.M.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID NO ONE CAN HOLD IT AGAINST MR. SAXON THAT HE IS NOT HERE BECAUSE IT WAS SUCH A HURRIED SET UP; HE WAS ALMOST ASTONISHED AT THE ONES THAT COULD COME TODAY.

LUNELL DOCCIO ARRIVED AND THE BOARD BEGAN HER INTERVIEW.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED LUNELL HER IDEA OF WHAT SHE THINKS THE MSBU IS AND HOW SHE FEELS THE MSBU COMMITTEE SHOULD BE WORKING WITHIN SUNNY HILLS; BASICALLY, GIVE AN IDEA OF WHAT SHE FORESEES THE NEW COMMITTEE, THE CHALLENGES IT MAY HAVE, THE THINGS THAT IT SHOULD BE CONCERNED WITH AND MAYBE NOT CONCERNED WITH.

LUNELL SAID HER OPINION WAS ALL THE MONEY SHOULD GO TOWARD IMPROVING SUNNY HILLS AND THAT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AFTER CAREFULLY; SHE SAID IT IS THE TAXPAYERS MONEY AND IT SHOULD BE SPENT TO IMPROVE SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED LUNELL IF SHE WAS AWARE OF THE FACT, EVEN THOUGH SOMEONE MAY NOT LIVE IN SUNNY HILLS, IF THEY OWNED LAND IN SUNNY HILLS BUT LIVED IN CHIPLEY AND DOESN'T HAVE A HOUSE OR ANYTHING BUT IS PAYING THEIR PART OF THE MSBU ASSESSMENT, THEY SHOULD BE GETTING THE SAME BENEFIT AS ANYONE ELSE LIVING IN SUNNY HILLS.

LUNELL SAID ABSOLUTELY AS THEY PAY THE SAME AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE THINGS THAT SHOULD BE GOING ON IS INFRASTRUCTURE AND NOT NECESSARILY SOMETHING THAT WOULD PERSONALLY BENEFIT SOMEONE LIVING IN SUNNY HILLS BUT SOMEONE THAT OWNS LAND IN SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED LUNELL WHAT WOULD SHE DO TO HELP ELIMINATE THE PROBLEM OF BACKBITING, FUSSING GOING ON IN SUNNY HILLS. LUNELL SAID MORE PEOPLE SHOULD BE INVOLVED THAT IS NOT ON THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD AND SHE DOESN'T THINK ANY ONE PERSON SHOULD GET EVERYTHING THEY WANT, A BLANK CHECK. SHE FELT IT SHOULD BE MONITORED; THE MONEY SHOULD BE SPENT TO IMPROVE SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED LUNELL IF SHE HAD AMPLE TIME TO WORK WITH THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE. LUNELL SAID SHE JUST RETIRED THE FIRST OF THE YEAR SO SHE HAS TIME TO GET INVOLVED WITH HER COMMUNITY.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED LUNELL HER EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND.

LUNELL SAID SHE GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND HAS TAKEN SOME COLLEGE COURSES IN PERFECTIVE WRITING AND BUSINESS MANAGEMENT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND COMMISSIONER PATE DIDN'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY CLARIFIED WHEN LUNELL SAYS SUNNY HILLS, HE ASSUMES SHE IS INCLUDING OAK HILL IN THAT TOO. LUNELL SAID SHE WAS INCLUDING OAK HILL BECAUSE THEY PAY THE SAME AMOUNT OF ASSESSMENT.

HOLLEY TOLD LUNELL IF SHE WAS CHOSEN TO SERVE ON THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE, ONE OF THE THINGS THE BOARD NEEDS THEM TO DO EARLY ON IS TO GIVE SOME INPUT BACK TO HIM SO HE CAN GIVE IT TO THE BOARD ON WHAT THE ROLE AND THE DUTIES OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR SHOULD BE. HE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING BEEN ASKED TO DRAFT A CONTRACT FOR THE COORDINATOR AND HE WANTS TO PUT SPECIFIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE CONTRACT.

LUNELL SAID SHE WAS WORKING WITH DELTONA WHEN THE MSBU FIRST BEGAN; THE COORDINATOR WAS SUPPOSE TO BE VOLUNTEER AND SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW IT GOT THE WAY IT IS WHERE MSBU FURNISHES A NEW TRUCK, ALL THESE COMPUTERS AND THINGS THEY DON'T NEED. SHE SAID THAT DOESN'T IMPROVE SUNNY HILLS OR HELP THE TAXPAYER; IT HELPS ONE PERSON.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THAT IS THE KIND OF INPUT HE WANTS FROM THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE; HOPEFULLY, HE WANTS THE COMMITTEE TO BE ABLE TO COME TO A CONSENSUS ON WHAT THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MSBU COORDINATOR ARE.

LUNELL SAID HOPEFULLY THEY CAN GET SOME UNBIASED PEOPLE ON THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE WHO HAS NOT SERVED ON THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION BOARD SINCE THE INCEPTION OF MSBU. SHE SAID SHE HAS BEEN TO THOSE MEETINGS AND HAVE SEEN EVERYTHING THAT WAS ASKED FOR, VOTED FOR AND ACCEPTED WITHOUT EVEN ASKING IF IT WAS NEEDED, ETC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED LUNELL WHAT IS SOME OF THE THINGS SHE IS REFERRING TO. LUNELL SAID ONE THING IS THE NEW TRUCK; THE BIGGEST TRUCK FORD HAS. SHE SAID SHE JUST MET HIM GOING DOWN THE STREET; HE GOES UP AND DOWN THE ROAD. SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHO IS SUPPOSE TO MONITOR HOW THE MSBU TAX MONIES ARE BEING SPENT AND QUESTIONED IF IT WAS THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT IS WHERE THE BUCK STOPS BASICALLY. LUNELL SAID SHE HAS NOTHING PERSONAL AGAINST ANYONE; SHE JUST WANTED TO SEE THE MSBU MONIES SPENT ON IMPROVEMENTS AND THINGS MSBU NEEDS AND NOT THINGS THEY DON'T NEED. SHE DIDN'T FEEL THE COORDINATOR'S JOB IS A YEAR ROUND PAID JOB; THERE IS NO PROJECTS GOING ON NOW AT ALL. SHE ASKED WHY SHOULD MSBU FURNISH THE COORDINATOR A TRUCK AND GAS TO RIDE UP AND DOWN THE ROAD AND COMPUTERS AND OFFICE SUPPLIES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING TOO WITH THE DIRECTION OF THE ADVISORY BOARD TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THEY WOULD MAKE THAT DECISION IF THAT POSITION WOULD BE A PAID OR NON PAID POSITION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THAT WAS CORRECT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE BOARD CERTAINLY WANTED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

LUNELL REITERATED SHE HAD BEEN TO THE MSBU ADVISORY MEETINGS AND HAS SEEN GLEN BRING UP SOMETHING AND ONE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS WOULD SAY "I MAKE A MOTION WE DO THAT, SOMEBODY SECONDS IT AND THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT IS THERE. SHE ASKED WHAT IS THE MONEY GOING TO BE SPENT ON, WHAT IS THE INTEREST ON IT AND HOW MUCH ARE THEY MORTGAGING THEIR PROPERTY FOR YEARS TO COME.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THAT IS A GOOD INSIGHT TO HAVE; THE LONGEVITY OF COST OF DOING SOMETHING. LUNELL AGREED AND SAID THEY ARE MORTGAGING THEIR CHILDREN'S PROPERTY AND PUTTING THEM IN DEBT. SHE SAID SHE DIDN'T LIKE THAT; SHE LIKED TO PAY CASH AS SHE GOES. BUT, SHE DOES UNDERSTAND.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID GOOD BUSINESS MANAGEMENT PRACTICES NEED TO FOLLOW SUIT WITH WHAT IS OUTLINED TO PAY AND DO WITH.

LUNELL SAID ANOTHER THING SHE DOESN'T LIKE IS TOO MANY PEOPLE ON THE MSBU BOARD THINKS EVERYBODY IN WASHINGTON COUNTY IS STUPID; SHE SAID SHE IS FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY AND SHE IS NOT STUPID. NOW THAT SHE IS RETIRED, SHE WANTS TO GET INVOLVED AND LET THEM KNOW SHE IS NOT STUPID.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE BOARD NEEDS TO LOOK OVER THESE INTERVIEWS TODAY. HE ASKED IF THE BOARD NEEDED TO RATE THE INTERVIEWS OR CHOOSE A CHAIRMAN OF THESE AND NOMINATE SEVEN OF THE TEN FOR THE PROCEDURE TODAY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO INTERVIEW FRED SAXON; HE DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO GET HERE TODAY BUT HE WAS A HIGHLY RATED APPLICANT. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO INTERVIEW HIM BEFORE THEY SELECT THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID, IF ANY OF THE OTHERS WANTS TO GET ALL FIVE OF THE SCORE SHEETS TALLIED UP, THEY HAVE FIVE SCORE SHEETS ON ALL OF THE APPLICANTS INTERVIEWED TODAY. HOWEVER, THERE ARE OTHER CANDIDATES THEY DON'T HAVE ALL FIVE SCORE SHEETS ON YET. HE SAID IT IS POSSIBLE, SOME OF THOSE SCORES COULD ADD UP TO 195. HE THOUGHT ANYBODY'S SCORE THAT IS 195 OR ABOVE, THE BOARD SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF THERE IS SOMEONE THAT COMES UP IN THE 195 RANGE, INSTEAD OF INTERVIEWING TEN, THEY WILL INTERVIEW FIFTEEN OR WHATEVER AND CHOOSE SEVEN OUT OF THAT. HE FELT THEY ALL SHOULD STILL BE LOOKED AT EQUALLY SINCE THEY HAVE INTERVIEWED THESE PEOPLE. HE SAID 195 SHOULD BE THE CUT OFF.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED ABOUT THE HUSBAND AND WIFE SITTING ON THE COMMITTEE. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE KNEW BOTH HAD PUT THEIR APPLICATIONS IN; BUT, MOST LIKELY PERHAPS ONE WILL GET CHOSE OUT OF THE TWO FOR THE INTERVIEW

SHOULD THEY SCORE HIGH ENOUGH. HE SAID BOTH OF THEM SCORED HIGH. HIS OPINION IS THE MEMBERS SHOULD BE SPREAD OUT THROUGH THE COMMUNITY MORE RATHER THAN JUST HAVING THEM IN ONE HOUSEHOLD; THIS WILL GIVE THEM A BETTER DIVERSIFIED OPINION ON THE BOARD. IF THEY DECIDE ON SOMETHING AND WANT TO TRY TO SPLIT AN OPINION, THEY MAY GO HOME AND TAKE IT PERSONAL AT HOME. HE REITERATED IT OUGHT TO BE ONE OR THE OTHER IF THEY ARE GOING TO CHOOSE EITHER OF THEM.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE OTHER POINT IS IT IS LIMITING THE PROPERTY OWNERS; IF THEY HAVE A HUSBAND AND WIFE THAT JOINTLY OWNS A PIECE OF PROPERTY, THAT IS ONE PROPERTY OWNER.

PATE SAID BOTH OF THEM WAS WELL QUALIFIED; BUT, THEY WANT TO GET A BROAD MIX TO HOPEFULLY SETTLE SOME OF THE THINGS GOING ON. HE SAID RIGHT NOW HE DOESN'T KNOW WHICH ONE HE WOULD PICK.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE ONLY PROBLEM HE HAS WITH THAT IS THE BOARD HAS ASKED BOTH THE HUSBAND AND WIFE TO COME BEFORE THEM WITH THE IDEA THEY COULD BE CHOSEN TO BE ON THE COMMITTEE. THEY HAVE TAKEN THEIR TIME TO COME UP HERE. HE SAID THIS DECISION SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE PRIOR TO EVER CALLING THEM.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE BOARD COULDN'T HAVE PICKED BETWEEN THE TWO HAD ONLY ONE OF THEM COME. THEY HAD TO INTERVIEW BOTH OF THEM IN ORDER TO SELECT ONE OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER PATE HAVING SAID BOTH OF THEM ARE FINE AND ASKED HOW WERE THEY GOING TO PICK BETWEEN THEM.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WAS GOING TO PICK ONE OF THEM; BUT, HE IS NOT VOTING FOR TWO COMMITTEE MEMBERS FROM THE SAME HOUSEHOLD BECAUSE HE WANTS TO AT LEAST CARRY IT OUT BROADLY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT; HOWEVER, HE FELT THAT DECISION SHOULD HAVE BEEN MADE BEFORE THEY ASKED THEM TO COME UP HERE AND SPEND THEIR TIME THIS MORNING. THEY SHOULD HAVE TOLD PEOPLE IF THEY WERE MARRIED, ONE OF YOU IS NOT GOING TO BE ON THE COMMITTEE. THEY WASTED THEIR TIME BY BEING HERE TODAY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID IF YOU DON'T GET THE INPUT FROM BOTH OF THEM, NEITHER ONE OF THEM SERVES SO THEY WOULDN'T GET INPUT AT ALL. HE SAID HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT COMMISSIONER FINCH IS SAYING; BUT, HE DOESN'T FEEL THIS PARTICULAR COUPLE WILL HAVE A PROBLEM WITH ONLY ONE OF THEM SERVING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T EITHER; HE JUST DOESN'T THINK THE BOARD WENT ABOUT IT THE WAY THEY SHOULD HAVE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF THEY ARE GOING TO THROW HIS SON-IN-LAW OUT, AGAIN, THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN BROUGHT ABOUT TO START WITH; HE IS A PROPERTY OWNER AND HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM. HIS SON-IN-LAW IS A PROPERTY OWNER IN SUNNY HILLS AND SHOULD BE EVALUATED BASED ON WHAT HE TOLD THE BOARD HERE TODAY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IT STILL DON'T LOOK GOOD. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THERE WERE A LOT OF THINGS THAT DON'T LOOK GOOD. FINCH REITERATED HE DIDN'T THINK IT WAS BEING QUITE FAIR; THE BOARD SHOULD HAVE EITHER MADE THOSE RULES UPFRONT OR MORE THOUGHT PUT INTO IT. HE STATED HE WAS NOT SAYING THAT IS THE WAY IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN; HE IS JUST SAYING THE BOARD IS COMING IN CHANGING THE RULES AFTER THE GAME STARTED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED HOW THE BOARD WAS TO KNOW WHO THE TOP TEN WAS GOING TO BE. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WASN'T ARGUING ABOUT THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID NOBODY IS CHANGING THE RULES. FINCH SAID THEY HAVE HAD SOME COMMISSIONERS THIS MORNING THAT SAID THEY WERE NOT GOING TO VOTE FOR ONE OR THE OTHER OF THE HUSBAND AND WIFE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THAT IS NOT CHANGING THE RULES. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW HOLMAN COULD SAY ITS NOT. HOLMAN SAID THE TOP SCORES WERE BROUGHT IN; BUT, THAT DON'T MEAN THEY ARE GOING TO GET VOTED IN FOR THE COMMITTEE. HE SAID HE WAS NOT VOTING FOR A HOUSEHOLD AND WOULDN'T VOTING FOR FINCH'S SON-IN-LAW EITHER FOR THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT WAS HOLMAN'S DECISION AND IT MIGHT COME ON DOWN TO HIM TO.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ADDRESSED ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS ADVISED THE BOARD TO HAVE ANOTHER INTERVIEWING DAY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE THINKS THE BOARD OWES IT TO SOMEONE THAT COMES IN AT 195 OR MORE ON THE NEW SCORE, THEY OWE IT TO THEM AND THEY OWE IT TO FRED SAXON. OBVIOUSLY, SAXON DIDN'T GET NOTICE IN TIME TO BE PRESENT TODAY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED WHEN IT WOULD BE A GOOD DAY TO COME BACK AND DO INTERVIEWS AGAIN. COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED ABOUT DOING A TELECONFERENCE WITH SAXON IF HE WASN'T GOING TO BE IN THE COUNTRY FOR A WHILE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID HE WASN'T SURE WHAT THE MESSAGE SAYS THAT HE LEFT; HE WILL CHECK WITH SUSAN TO SEE IF HE SAID A DATE HE WOULD BE BACK IN THE COUNTRY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THERE WERE STILL THE OTHER APPLICANTS THAT MAY COME IN WITH SCORES OF 195 OR ABOVE. HE SAID THEY COULD DECIDE THE NEXT INTERVIEWING TIME AT THEIR APRIL 26TH BOARD MEETING. IF THEY DO HAVE A NEED TO HAVE ANOTHER MEETING TO INTERVIEW APPLICANTS FOR THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THEY WILL HAVE IT NEXT TUESDAY AT 8:00 A.M.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THAT WOULD BE THE FIRST OF MAY AND HE THINKS THAT IS WHEN THEY WANTED TO HAVE THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE BOARD COULD APPOINT THE NEW MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE THE MORNING OF MAY 1ST.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THEY WILL TRY TO GET IN TOUCH WITH MR. SAXON AND HAVE THE LIST OF THE OTHER CANDIDATES THAT ARE WANTING THAT ARE 195 OR ABOVE. THE BOARDS' CONSENSUS WAS TO HOLD THE THE NEXT INTERVIEWING MEETING ON MAY 1ST AT 8:00 A.M.

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

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 04/24/07