

BOARD MINUTES FOR 04/26/07

APRIL 26, 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, PATE AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED THE WORKSHOP MEETING ON THE TRANSPORTATION-PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE TO ORDER.

LINDA WALLER, PLANNING DEPARTMENT, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE BEING AN ORDINANCE THAT IS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA UNDER THE NEW GROWTH MANAGEMENT LAWS. THEY HAD THE ORDINANCE DRAFTED, SENT IT TO ALL THE AGENCIES AND MORE OR LESS GOT A VOTE OF CONFIDENCE FROM ALL THE AGENCIES THE ORDINANCE WAS ADEQUATE. AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING WHEN THEY WERE GOING THROUGH THEIR FIRST REVIEW, THE COUNTY ENGINEER SUGGESTED THEY CONDUCT A WORKSHOP. SHE ADDRESSED THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS WERE INVITED TODAY AND THERE WERE TWO MEMBERS PRESENT AS WELL AS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

SHE SAID THE PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP WAS TO REVIEW THE ORDINANCE, THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ATTEMPT TO REACH THE POINT WHERE THEY CAN ADVERTISE THE ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION BY WASHINGTON COUNTY.

SHE INTRODUCED ANOCH WHITFIELD, A PROFESSIONAL PLANNER WITH FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, AND ADVISED ANOCH WOULD BE FACILITATING THE WORKSHOP AND TELL AND SHOW THE BOARD WHERE THEY NEED TO GO WITH THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE.

ANOCH ADDRESSED CONCURRENCY AND WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. THE CONCEPT FOR CURRENCY WAS CREATED IN 1985 THROUGH CHAPTER 163 FLORIDA STATUTES AND IT BASICALLY MEANS THAT A LOCAL GOVERNMENT COULDN'T ISSUE A DEVELOPMENT ORDER OR PERMIT WHICH RESULTS IN A REDUCTION IN THE LEVEL OF SERVICES FOR THE AFFECTED PUBLIC FACILITIES BELOW THE ADOPTED LEVELS OF SERVICE. SHE EXPLAINED CONCURRENCY DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF TEETH BEFORE; HOWEVER, SINCE THE PASSING OF SENATE BILL 360 IN 2005 BY THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE, IT HAS TEETH BEHIND IT. IT REQUIRES BY DECEMBER 10, 2006, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE TO ADOPT A PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT THEIR CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

SHE SAID THERE ARE NO COUNTIES AT THIS POINT WHO ARE NOW ADOPTING IT; BUT, THEY ARE STILL ENCOURAGED TO ADOPT IT AND THEY HAVE TO HAVE IT ADOPTED BY NOVEMBER 1ST.

SHE ADDRESSED WHAT PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE MITIGATION MEANS TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. IT BASICALLY IS A METHOD OF LEVERAGING TRANSPORTATION FUNDS SO THEY CAN USE PUBLIC FUNDS/PRIVATE FUNDS TO HELP MOVE FORWARD IN PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS.

WHAT PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE DOES FOR A DEVELOPER; IT IS A GREAT AVENUE ASSISTING THEM WHERE BUILDING A DEVELOPMENT, THE LAND USE CHANGE WOULDN'T ADVERSELY BE IMPACTING TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES. PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE WOULD ALLOW THE DEVELOPER TO WORK WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS ARE NEEDED AND THEN CALCULATE HIS FAIR SHARE HE CAN PUT TOWARD THESE IMPROVEMENTS. IF ESTABLISHED, IT HAS TO BE ESTABLISHED THROUGH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ADOPTING THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE; CALCULATIONS ARE DONE BY THE APPLICANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATUTORY FORMULA IN THE ORDINANCE AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WILL REVIEW THE CALCULATIONS. FOR SIS FACILITIES, FDOT MUST BE CONSULTED AS PART OF THE REVIEW OF THE CALCULATIONS.

SHE SAID ACTUAL PAYMENTS MAY BE MADE TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENTITY THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THOSE FACILITIES OR TO FDOT FOR SIS FACILITIES.

DISTRICT 3 HAS REQUESTED THEY BE CONTACTED FOR DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS FOR ALL SHS FACILITIES AND FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO COLLECT THE FUNDS INSTEAD OF FUNDS BEING TRANSMITTED TO FL-DOT.

WHEN DOES PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE APPLY. SHE SAID THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE HAS TO BE ADOPTED BY EACH LOCAL GOVERNMENT; BUT, THEY DON'T HAVE TO IMPLEMENT IT. IT APPLIES WHEN A ROADWAY SYSTEM FAILS TO MEET THE STANDARDS OR WHEN IT IS OPERATING AT OR ANTICIPATED OPERATING BELOW ITS ADOPTED LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARD.

ALL SMALL SCALE DEVELOPMENTS ARE NON-DRI. LARGE SCALE DEVELOPMENTS ARE APPLICABLE FOR PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE. IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE DEVELOPMENT'S PROP SHARE, YOU HAVE TO HAVE THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE FIVE YEAR SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OR THE NEXT UPDATE OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ELEMENT OR AS PART OF A LONG-TERM CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. THIS MEANS, IF A DEVELOPMENT OR SUBDIVISION IS ANTICIPATED TO IMPACT A ROADWAY FACILITY BUT THE COST TO IMPROVE THAT ROADWAY FACILITY IS GOING TO TAKE LONGER THAN FIVE YEARS, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS AN OPTION OF HAVING A LONG TERM CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR TEN YEARS OR FIFTEEN YEARS. BUT, THE FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY TEST STILL APPLIES; FOR THE FIRST THREE YEARS THE FUNDING HAS TO BE COMMITTED AND THEN YEARS 4-10 OR 4-15, FUNDING HAS TO BE ANTICIPATED. SHE EXPLAINED THIS MEANS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CAN ANTICIPATE THE DEVELOPMENT COMING IN AND USING PROP SHARE CALCULATIONS, THEY CAN COUNT ON GROWTH DEVELOPMENT IN A PROP SHARE FINANCING COMMUNITY THAT ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT.

SHE SAID THEY HAVE TO HAVE SERVED DEVELOPMENT ANTICIPATED FOR THAT FUNDING FOR IMPACT; FUNDING WITH USE OF IMPACT CAN BE BASED ON THE TEN YEAR PLAN.

OPTIONS FOR PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE MITIGATION-IT HAS TO BE IN THE FIVE YEAR SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, IN THE NEXT UPDATE OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ELEMENT, OR IN A LONG-TERM CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

SHE SAID IT WAS NOT MANDATORY; THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE TO IMPLEMENT PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE. IT IS AN AVENUE THAT HELPS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND DEVELOPERS TO MOVE THEIR DEVELOPMENTS FORWARD WITHOUT ACTUALLY HAVING TO HAVE A ROADWAY FACILITY ADVERSELY AFFECTED CONSTRUCTED BY THE TIME THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER IS ISSUED. IT IS A LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S OPTION TO IMPLEMENT PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE.

PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE MITIGATION IN WASHINGTON COUNTY-THERE AREN'T ANY ROADWAYS FAILING IN UNINCORPORATED WASHINGTON COUNTY. THERE ARE TWO SEGMENTS OF HIGHWAY 77 OPERATING BELOW THE ADOPTED LEVELS OF SERVICE AND ONE SEGMENT PROPORTION A LITTLE NORTH OF I-10 UP TO THE MIDDLE ARE ANTICIPATED TO FAIL BY 2015. SHE SAID IF THOSE TWO SEGMENTS ARE NOT WASHINGTON COUNTY ROADS, THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE ANY FAILED ROADWAYS. EVEN IF THEY DON'T HAVE ANY UPDATED FAILING OR ANTICIPATED FAILING ROADWAYS, THE COUNTY WOULD STILL HAVE TO ADOPT THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE; BUT, THEY DON'T HAVE TO IMPLEMENT IT.

TWO OTHER FACTORS THAT COULD COME INTO PLAY, FOR EXAMPLE DEPEND- ING ON THE COUNTY BECAUSE THE CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND HOW IMPACTS ARE HANDLED, IF A DEVELOPMENT COMES IN THAT IS OUTSIDE THE IMPACTED AREA HWY 77 AND CHIPLEY, THOSE TWO SEGMENTS IF YOU ARE INSIDE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY ARE OPERATING BELOW THE LEVEL OF SERVICES. IF THOSE ARE NOT WASHINGTON COUNTY ROADWAYS; BUT, WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS A DEVELOPMENT COME IN JUST SOUTH OF THAT AND SOUTH OF I-10 DEPEND- IMG ON HOW YOU TAKE THE CITY AREA, IF THAT DEVELOPMENT IMPACTS THOSE TWO SEGMENTS OF HWY 77, IT CAN AFFECT THE CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND WASHINGTON COUNTY MAY BE REQUIRED TO HAVE MITIGATION STRATEGY.

ANOTHER THING THAT COULD COME INTO PLAY IS AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR COMMON CONCURRENCY SYSTEMS. IF WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH A MUNICIPALITY WHEREBY THE COUNTY FOR SOME COMMUNITY IS MANAGING CONCURRENCY FOR THAT MUNICIPALITY, THEN ANY DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THAT MUNICIPALITY WOULD ALSO COME UNDER WASHINGTON COUNTY.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A SHORTFALL OCCURS-IF A DEVELOPMENT IS PLANNED AND THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE FUNDING ANTICIPATED TO BE COLLECTED BUT THE DEVELOPMENT

GOES AWAY, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHOULD CEASE ISSUING DEVELOPMENT ORDERS FOR THAT IMPACTED ROADWAY OR THEY CAN IDENTIFY OTHER REVENUE SOURCES TO MAKE UP THE SHORTFALL. OTHERWISE, THEY WOULD AMEND THEIR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO ENSURE FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY.

THE LEGISLATURE IS IN SESSION AND THERE ARE POTENTIAL CHANGES TO THE BILLS. FLORIDA DCA DOESN'T ANTICIPATE THAT THE CHANGES WILL PASS. QUESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN ASKED BY THE FLORIDA GROWTH DEPARTMENTS AND PRIVATE SECTOR ARE BEING EXAMINED BY FL-DCA AND FORWARDED TO THE LEGISLATURE. DUE TO RECENTNESS OF SB360/ PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE REQUIREMENTS, THERE IS VERY LITTLE OPERATING EXPERIENCE. SHE ENCOURAGED THE BOARD TO KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR THE CHANGES TO LEGISLATION.

TED EVERETT ADDRESSED ONE CONCERN HE HAS HEARD FROM OKALOOSA COUNTY ABOUT THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE IS THE FORMULA ITSELF IS VERY EXPENSIVE TO THE DEVELOPER AND IS NOT WORKING.

LINDA DUNCAN SAID IT IS REALLY UP TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT; IF THEY HAVE A GOOD PLAN AND YOU GET WHERE THE DEVELOPMENT WON'T WORK, THERE ARE ALREADY DOLLARS ON HAND FOR PAYING FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS. THAT IS WHY THEY TALK ABOUT THE COST FEASIBILITY PLAN. THEY DON'T WANT TO END UP LIKE WALTON COUNTY AND OKALOOSA COUNTY. SHE SAID FL-DOT DOESN'T HAVE THE FUNDING FOR IT AND THEY ARE LOSING MONEY EVERY DAY. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO COME UP WITH SOME INNOVATIVE SOLUTION. THIS IS WHERE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND FL-DOT WORK TOGETHER WITH THE DEVELOPERS WHO ARE UPPING THE MONEY ON THESE DEVELOPMENTS; YET, THEY NEED HELP.

LINDA WALLER POINTED OUT SOMETHING ANOCH HAD SAID; THE COUNTY HAS TO HAVE AN ORDINANCE IN PLACE. BUT, THAT IS JUST TO GIVE THE DEVELOPER THE OPTION OF HAVING SOME ROUTE OUT; IT DOESN'T MEAN THE COUNTY HAS TO REQUIRE ANYTHING OF THE DEVELOPER IF HE CAN MEET HIS CONCURRENCY IN SOME OTHER WAY.

LINDA SAID THIS DOESN'T KICK IN AT THE TIME UNLESS THE LEGISLATURE CHANGES; IT DOESN'T KICK IN UNTIL THE CAPACITY IS REACHED OR HIS DEVELOPMENT ASSISTED IN THAT POSITION.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED IF A DEVELOPER CHOOSES TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROJECT LIKE THAT, IT IS NOT REIMBURSABLE. IS IT LIKE THE DEVELOPER PAYING UP AHEAD AND QUESTIONED IF THE DEVELOPER WOULD BE REIMBURSED BY FL-DOT LATER. IS THAT SOMETHING NOT LIKE UPFRONT MONEY AND THE DEVELOPER IS GETTING IT BACK; THE DEVELOPER INVESTS JUST TO GET THEIR DEVELOPMENT GOING. HE WAS TOLD THAT WAS CORRECT. FINCH THEN SAID THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN AROUND WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THAT IS WHEN IT WOULD SLOW DOWN THE DEVELOPMENT WHEN THE ROADS ARE CAPACITATED AND DEVELOPMENTS WANTS TO STILL GROW, THEY WILL PAY FOR THE ROADS OR THEY DON'T DEVELOP DOWN HILL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE UP TO THE COMMISSIONERS TO WORK WITH FL-DOT TO GET THE PROJECT GOING.

LINDA SAID THE SOLUTION TO A ROAD THAT IS OVER CAPACITY MIGHT BE SOMETHING REALLY SIMPLE LIKE PUTTING IN A TURN LANE; THAT WOULD BE A MINIMAL EXPENSE TO A DEVELOPER. IT WOULD BE AN EXPENSIVE PROCESS; BUT, IF HE IS DEVELOPING AND MAKING A PROFIT ON HIS REAL ESTATE, HE CAN AFFORD TO PUT IN A TURN LANE. SHE SAID IT MIGHT BE JUST THAT SIMPLE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED ON HIGHWAY 77 BETWEEN GREENHEAD AND THE SUNNY HILLS AREA, THAT ROAD IS ALREADY OVER CAPACITY NOW. A LOT OF THE DEVELOPMENTS DOWN THERE THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN CHARTERED OR PASSED THROUGH THE PERMIT PROCESS ARE NOT BEING IMPLEMENTED. HE QUESTIONED WOULDN'T THERE SOMETHING THE BOARD COULD DO AND SAID HE FELT THERE SHOULD BE TIMEFRAMES. HE REFERENCED WHEN A DEVELOPER IS TYING UP THE ROAD OCCUPANCY WHERE IT IS SHUTTING DOWN OTHER DEVELOPMENTS AND THEY ARE SETTING ON THAT DEVELOPMENT AND NOT DOING ANYTHING WITH IT FOR THREE TO FIVE YEARS, THERE SHOULD BE SOME MEASURE THE BOARD SHOULD TAKE TO GO BACK AND REVOKE THAT DEVELOPMENT ORDER.

LINDA SAID THIS COULD BE DISCUSSED DURING THEIR EAR WORKSHOP. SHE SAID THEY NEED TO CLARIFY IF THERE IS A TIME LIMIT THE BOARD COULD PROVE ON A LAND USE CHANGE WHERE THE NUMBER OF TRIPS ARE TIED UP.

BRUCE STITT, WFRPC, ADVISED THERE WAS NOT A TIME LIMIT YOU CAN PUT ON A LAND USE CHANGE; ONCE A LAND USE CHANGE HAS GONE THROUGH THE PROCESS, IT IS ON THERE UNTIL THEY GO THROUGH ANOTHER LAND USE CHANGE. WHERE THE BOARD'S MECHANISM FOR CONTROLLING WHAT HAPPENS EXISTS IS AT THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER LEVEL. THEY WOULD PUT A "TO BE BUILT BY" KIND OF THING ON THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER. IF IT IS A PHASING TYPE OF PROJECT, BRUCE SAID THE BOARD WOULD WANT TO WORK WITH THOSE PHASES AND HAVE A TRIGGER IN EACH PHASE IF IT IS NOT COMPLETED OR ENACTED BY THAT DATE, THEN SOMETHING ELSE WOULD BEGIN TO COUNTERACT THAT.

LINDA STATED THE COUNTY DOES THE FLUME AND IT GOES THROUGH THE APPROVAL PROCESS; THE DEVELOPER SITS OUT THERE AND NEVER FILES ANY TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT ORDER AND THOSE TRIPS ARE JUST TIED UP.

BRUCE SAID IF THE DEVELOPER IS THE ONE DRIVING THE LAND USE CHANGE REQUEST AND RESPECTIVELY TYING UP THE TRIPS, THE OTHER THING THAT KICKS IN IS THERE COULD BE ANOTHER DEVELOPER, THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO CREATE A MECHANISM THAT IS OFTEN USED IN SOUTH FLORIDA THAT IS KIND OF FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS. THE BUYERS DOWN THERE ARE BUYING WHAT IS LEFT OF THE PROPERTIES; WHEN THEY COME IN WITH A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, THEY KNOW IF THEY DON'T HURRY UP AND GET IT DONE, SOMEBODY ELSE CAN COME ALONG AND TAKE THOSE TRIPS AWAY FROM THEM BY GETTING IT BUILT FIRST. HE SAID THERE ARE WAYS TO PUT IN MECHANISMS THAT WOULD TRIGGER SOME TYPE OF REACTION TO THE NO BUILT AREA.

LINDA DUNCAN SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE COMMENTS ABOUT BELOW THE INTERSTATE TO THE BAY COUNTY LINE. FL-DOT IS IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING RECOUNTS EVERY DAY NOW AND GETTING READY TO LET THE CONTRACT OR GET THE CONSULTANT TO UPDATE THE AEG'S AND LEVEL OF SERVICE ANALYSIS OF THOSE ROADWAYS AND THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED TO LOOK AT THOSE AREAS. THE CENTRAL OFFICE IS COMING OUT WITH NEW TABLES IN THOSE AREAS; UNFORTUNATELY, IT LOOKS LIKE THE RURAL UNDEVELOPED AREAS MAXED VOLUME ACCORDING TO THESE, EVEN LESS TO WHAT THEY WERE ORIGINALLY. THEY WERE ASKED TO LOOK AT THOSE AREAS TO SEE IF THEY THOUGHT THERE WAS ENOUGH DEVELOPMENT, SUNNY HILLS, ALL THOSE DEVELOPMENTS GOING OUTSIDE OF CHIPLEY WITH THE RESIDENTIAL OFF THE ROADWAY TO ALLOW THIS TO BE RURAL DEVELOPED INSTEAD OF RURAL UNDEVELOPED. THEY FEEL LIKE THERE IS ESPECIALLY TO ALONG HIGHWAY 20 INTERSECTION; THERE IS A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT GOING IN THERE. THEY ARE GOING TO BE RECOMMENDING PROBABLY THEY GO AHEAD AND SHOW THOSE RURAL DEVELOPED, WHICH IS A LITTLE BIT MORE MAXED VOLUME. IF THEY DON'T DO THAT, IT IS GOING TO BE EVEN WORSE THAN IT WAS WITH THE LAST ANALYSIS.

CARL SMITH, OPPORTUNITY FLORIDA, ASKED WHEN LOOKING AT SUNNY HILLS, IT IS ONE OF THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT HAS 30,000+ LOTS AND ONLY ABOUT 600 HOMES. HE QUESTIONED HOW DOES THIS AFFECT THE THIS WHOLE ISSUE WITH HIGHWAY 77. WILL THOSE 32,000 LOTS THAT MAY TAKE EIGHTY YEARS TO BUILD OUT OR TEN YEARS, WOULD THEY IMPACT THE COUNT THAT DUNCAN IS TALKING ABOUT.

DUNCAN SAID THOSE KIND OF THINGS ARE LOOKED AT; THE NUMBERS BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND RURAL DEVELOPED ARE NOT JUST REAL DEFINED UNLESS YOU HAVE A COMMUNITY AND IT IS INCORPORATED. OTHERWISE, IT COULD JUST BE USED IN RATES OF 5,000. IT IS SORT OF A DETERMINATION, AND THEY HAD BEEN ASKED TO LOOK AT THIS IN BAY COUNTY ALSO AND DETERMINE SOME OF THOSE SEGMENTS FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT TOO. THERE IS JUST A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT THAT MAY NOT NECESSARILY BE SEEN RIGHT ALONG THE CORRIDOR THAT IS DEVELOPMENT OFF THE ROADWAY.

CARL SMITH ASKED IF SOMEBODY FROM DUNCAN'S OFFICE COULD TELL HIM WHAT THE IMPACT SUNNY HILLS WILL HAVE ON ALL THIS. LINDA SAID MELBA COULD SHOW HIM WHAT THE LEVEL OF SERVICE HANDBOOK SHOWS AS FAR AS RURAL AND THE DETERMINATION OF A COMMUNITY IN THE RURAL DEVELOPED AND UNDEVELOPED WHICH INCLUDES THOSE DEFINITIONS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE THOUGHT WHAT CARL WAS TRYING TO ASK IF ALL THOSE NUMBERS IN SUNNY HILLS ARE ACCOUNTED FOR ON HIGHWAY 77; HAVE THEY APPLIED ALL

THOSE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS AND HAVE THEY BEEN TAKEN OFF THE NUMBERS THAT ARE LEFT ON HIGHWAY 77.

DUNCAN SAID WHAT THEY WOULD BE LOOKING AT COMING UP IS THE EXISTING ADT ON THAT ROAD; THEY DON'T GO OUT AND LOOK AT THE LOTS THAT ARE NOT BUILT OR HAVE BEEN KNOCKED OUT. THEY LOOK AT HOW DEVELOPED IT LOOKS AT THAT TIME.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID IF YOU HAVE A NEW 25,000 LOT DEVELOPMENT THAT COMES IN, THAT WILL TAKE AWAY SOME OF THE NUMBERS. LINDA SAID IT WOULD SHOW UP IN THE ADT FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THERE ARE "X" NUMBER OF CARS THAT ARE ALLOWED ON HIGHWAY 77 AND BASED ON DEVELOPMENT AND AS THEY DEVELOP, DOESN'T SOME OF THAT COME DOWN BELOW THE LEVEL OF SERVICE.

DUNCAN SAID IT WAS NOT BASED ON WHAT IS DEVELOPED NECESSARILY; BUT, IT IS BASED ON THE AREA TYPE OF THAT ROADWAY; WHETHER IT IS RURAL, RURAL DEVELOPED, IN A TRANSITIONING AREA, IN URBANIZED, IN A COMMUNITY, ETC. IT IS REALLY NOT DETERMINED BY THE TYPE OF LOTS THERE; BUT, IT IS DETERMINED WHETHER AN AREA IS UNDEVELOPED OR DEVELOPED.

BRUCE SAID THE AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC COUNTS FOR A RURAL AREA ARE VERY DIFFICULT TO CALCULATE; IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN PROBLEMATIC. IF YOU LOOK AT THE ITE GENERATION TRIP BOOK, RURAL IS A HARD THING TO GET A HANDLE ON. THE ISSUE OF LONG TIME STANDING PLATTED LANDS IS SOMETHING THAT ITE GENERATIONS DOESN'T TOUCH; THEY LOOK AT ACTUAL AVERAGE DAILY TRIPS ON THE ROAD. WHERE EXISTING LANDS AND PLATS HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED IS ON A LOCAL LEVEL; IF THEY ARE FRONTING A STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM LIKE HIGHWAY 77, IT WOULD THEN TAKE SOME COORDINATION BETWEEN COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND FL-DOT TO GET A TRUE ACCURATE PICTURE. TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERS LOOK AT THE FORMULAS OF HOW YOU CALCULATE THINGS; RURAL COMMUNITIES DON'T FIT FORMULAS SO WELL ESPECIALLY IF THEY ARE ON THE THRESHOLD OF SOMEWHAT DEVELOPED AND NOT.

IF YOU ARE NOT AN INCORPORATED COMMUNITY, YOU CAN'T REALLY PUT BOUNDARIES AROUND JUST TO SAY LETS CALCULATE EVERYTHING IN WITHIN THIS. YOU ARE SPREAD OUT. THAT IS THE JUSTIFICATION FOR CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM; YOU WANT SOMETHING THAT HELPS YOU TAKE INTO ACCOUNTS ALL THESE DIFFERENT FACTORS SO THEY CAN DO SOME REAL PROJECTING OUT THERE, WHAT DO THEY REALLY NEED TO PLAN FOR IN THE NEXT FIVE, TEN, FIFTEEN YEARS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID WITHIN SUNNY HILLS IT IS ACTUALLY MSBU AND THERE ARE DEFINED BOUNDARIES.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID BASICALLY WHAT IS BEING SAID IS, IF YOU TOOK THE DESIGN, ADT, ETC. HAVE FACTORS IN FOR HISTORICAL GROWTH IN THOSE AREAS PLUS SOME OF THIS PLANNING, A PLANNER WOULD HAVE TO TAKE THE DESIGN AND WORK IT ON OUT; THE DEVELOPER IS GOING TO HELP PAY FOR IT OR THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO FIND A WAY TO PAY FOR IT WHEN IT GETS HERE.

JIM TOWN SAID IT IS HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT 77, THE SEGMENT FROM WAUSAU SOUTH, IS A LEVEL OF SERVICE C AND IS IN AN ADT DESIGN RIGHT NOW AT 8600. IF IT GOES TO RURAL DEVELOPMENT, IT WILL GO TO 12,700. THIS ONLY INCREASES THE PEAK HOUR TRIPS BY 190. HE ASKED BRUCE TO ADDRESS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC COUNT AND PEAK TRIPS THAT SEEMS TO BE GOVERNING HIGHWAY 77.

BRUCE REFERRED JIM'S QUESTION TO FL-DOT. LINDA SAID THE CHANGING OF THE TABLES IS IN THE WORKS RIGHT NOW; SHE IS NOT GOING TO QUOTE JIM THAT NUMBER BUT WILL TELL HIM ON THE UNDEVELOPED, RURAL UNDEVELOPED MAXED VOLUME IS DECREASING SIGNIFICANTLY. UNTIL THEY ACTUALLY RELEASE THOSE NUMBERS AND A DECISION IS MADE THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE GOING WITH, IT MIGHT REMAIN THE 900 QUOTED. SHE ASKED HIM TO KEEP IN MIND ALSO THE FCS, FIS SYSTEM WAS USED AND YOU CAN HOLD TO THE LEVEL OF SERVICES C AS LONG AS IT IS TWO LANED; WHEN IT GOES TO BEING A FOUR LANE, THAT WILL REQUIRE A LEVEL OF SERVICE B AND THOSE NUMBERS ARE GOING TO GO UP. IT WILL HAVE TO BE A LITTLE BIT HIGHER STANDARD AT THAT TIME; BUT, UNTIL THAT TIME IT WILL BE A LEVEL B AND WHATEVER THE NEW TABLE SHOWS.

LINDA EMPHASIZED THIS IS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA THEY HAVE THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE ON THE COUNTY'S BOOKS; IT IS STRICTLY UP TO

THE DEVELOPER IF THE COUNTY EVERY INITIATES IT OR USES IT. SHE STATED IT WAS NOT SOMETHING THE COUNTY CAN FORCE THE DEVELOPER TO USE; BUT, IT IS THERE IF HE SO DESIRES AND HE HAS A VISION AND A DREAM BIG ENOUGH TO EXERCISE THAT RIGHT UNDER THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE.

BRUCE SAID THERE ARE TWO SIDES TO THIS; THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A FEAR IN RURAL COUNTIES AND COMMUNITIES, THEY HAVE TO ACCOMODATE GROWTH AT ANY COST. HE THINKS THAT MAY HAVE BEEN TRUE AT ONE POINT FOR THE SAKE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR BRINGING JOBS, BRINGING SERVICES; HOWEVER, HE THINKS THERE HAS BEEN A TURN OF THE TIDE AND NORTHWEST FLORIDA PARTICULAR HAS BEEN DISCOVERED IN SUCH A WAY THAT FOLKS REALIZE THE LAND OVER HERE IS RELATIVELY CHEAP AND AFFORDABLE FOR THEM AND THE DEVELOPER TO COME IN AND THAT IS WHY THEY ARE INTERESTED. HE SAID THERE IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE OF A POPULATION CENTER OVER THIS WAY; THEY HAVE THE INTERSTATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM. THERE ARE THINGS THAT ARE ATTRACTING DEVELOPERS TO COME THIS WAY AND HE DOESN'T THINK IT IS THE CASE ANY FURTHER, THE COUNTY HAS TO GIVE THEM EVERYTHING THEY WANT. THE OTHER SIDE TO THIS IS, THERE ARE CONSTRAINTS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING PROPOSED LEGISLATION RIGHT NOW THAT WILL IMPACT THE COUNTY'S BOTTOM LINES IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS THAT WILL ESSENTIALLY TAKE AWAY FROM THE COUNTY'S OPERATIONAL BUDGET. THEN IT COMES DOWN TO WHO IS GOING TO PAY; ARE THEY GOING TO TELL THE TAXPAYERS THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY FOR THE CONVENIENCE OR ARE THEY GOING TO ASK THE DEVELOPER TO COME UP WITH THE FUNDS TO DO IT ALL BY HIMSELF OR IS IT GOING TO BE A BALANCE OF THE TWO. HE SAID HE THOUGHT THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE WAS MEANT TO BE A BALANCE BETWEEN THE TWO; IT IS A COST SHARING MECHANISM. HOW THEY IMPLEMENT IT, IS REALLY UP TO THE BOARD.

ANOCH ADVISED CONCURRENCY IS REQUIRED. REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THE BOARD HAS A CONCERN FROM THE DEVELOPER'S STANDPOINT OF HOW PROP SHARE IS GOING TO IMPACT THESE, CONCURRENCY IS REQUIRED. THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND THE DEVELOPERS KNOW CONCURRENCY IS REQUIRED AND PROP SHARE IS BASICALLY A MECHANISM WHEREBY DEVELOPERS CAN USE IT TO MOVE THEIR DEVELOPMENT FORWARD. THE BOARD HAS TO ADOPT THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE; WHETHER OR NOT THE DEVELOPER USES IT IS AT THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S DISCRETION. BUT, THE DEVELOPER INTERESTED IN PROPORTIONATE SHARE CAN'T USE IT UNLESS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS ADOPTED IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID WHEN WALMART CAME IN, THEY PAID OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKETS FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS OUT THERE; IF WE GO TO PROP SHARE ON COUNTY ROADS ESPECIALLY, THEY BASICALLY ON THE BIG ONES REQUIRE THEM TO DO THIS. BUT, THIS GIVES THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO COME IN WITH THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE AND NOT HAVE TO DO ALL OF IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY LEVEL OF SERVICE NUMBER ON ANY OF THE COUNTY ROADS LIKE ELKCAM BOULEVARD. WHAT IS TO KEEP SOMEONE FROM COMING IN AND DEVELOPING A HUGE PIECE OF PROPERTY AND NOT ACCESS HIGHWAY 77 OR ANY OF THE ROADS THAT DO HAVE A LEVEL OF SERVICE AND YOU FEED THEM INTO THESE ROADS AND THEY END UP GOING UP TO HIGHWAY 77 AND DUMPING OUT.

LINDA SAID WHEN THEY DO THEIR TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSIS, THEY HAVE TO SHOW THE IMPACT ON HIGHWAY 77. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE DEVELOPER HAS TO MAKE IT LARGE ENOUGH SO THEY CAN SHOW WHAT IS GOING TO END UP ON HIGHWAY 77.

COMMISSIONER PATE GAVE AN EXAMPLE ON WHEN LENZY CORBIN WAS LOOK- ING TO GET HIS DEVELOPMENT DONE, HE HAD TO GO OUT AND SHOW HOW IT IMPACTED HIGHWAY 90, 77, ETC.

LINDA SAID SHE THOUGHT MR. FLEMING ON HIS RV PARK HAD TO SHOW THE IMPACT ON HIGHWAY 20 AND 77.

AMY WIWI, METRIC ENGINEERING, SAID WHAT DISTRICT III LIKES TO SEE IS FOR THE BOARD TO PASS THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE; BUT, WHEN YOU ENFORCE IT, FL-DOT WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSULTED ON IT. ESPECIALLY LIKE FOR THE HIGHWAY 77 CORRIDOR; HOW IT IS WRITTEN AND WHERE YOU ARE IMPACTED ON HIGHWAY 77. WHAT FL-DOT WOULD LIKE TO SEE IS A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE ENTIRE CORRIDOR; THAT WAY YOU DIVIDED THE COST ALL THE WAY DOWN THE CORRIDOR. IF SOMETHING IMPACTS SOMEWHERE ON THE HIGHWAY 77 CORRIDOR, IT MAY NOT FAIL THERE; THEY MAY BE ABLE TO

TIE THE FUNDING WHERE IT IS GOING TO FAIL. IF YOU DO A CORRIDOR ANALYSIS THEN YOU ARE DEALING WITH BREAKING IT UP INTO SEGMENTS; IF YOU JUST USE THAT SITE, THEY ARE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO MOVE THE MONEY AROUND AND MAKE IT FEASIBLE FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED. YOU CAN SPREAD IT OUT OVER THE NEXT FIFTEEN YEARS, DIVIDE IT UP OVER THAT TIME, WHERE THE DEVELOPERS ARE FIGHTING IT HAS A CERTAIN MESSAGE AS TO WHAT TO PLAN FOR. IT MAKES IT A LOT MORE FEASIBLE AND THEY WON'T END UP LIKE WALTON COUNTY. SHE SAID SHE HAS LIVED IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND DOESN'T WANT IT TO BE BUMPER TO BUMPER TRAFFIC.

JIM TOWN SAID THERE ARE PLACES IN THE COUNTRY THAT HAVE PROPORTIONATE SHARE WHERE YOU CAN GO IN AS A DEVELOPER AND DO A CALCULATION AND SAY THEIR IMPACT IS GOING TO ADD 10% TO THE TRAFFIC TO HIGHWAY 77; THERE IS A MECHANISM TO CALCULATE WHAT THAT COST IS IN TODAY'S DOLLARS AND YOU PAY IN WHATEVER THE NUMBER IS IN TODAY'S DOLLARS. IT GOES INTO A FUND AND IT SITS THERE FOR TEN YEARS UNTIL THE COUNTY SAYS NOW WE ARE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND IMPROVE THAT ROAD AND LOOK WE HAVE MONEY IN THE BANK ALREADY. THE COUNTY IS ABLE TO DO DEVELOPMENT IN A CURRENT SENSE, YOU PAY IN CURRENT DOLLARS BUT WHEN THE IMPROVEMENT IS DONE SOME YEARS DOWN THE ROAD, THE MONEY HAS GAINED IN VALUE BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT HELD IT. HE ASKED IF WE WERE MISSING SOME IN THE FLORIDA LAW OR IS THERE A WAY TO PAY IN CURRENT DOLLARS WITHOUT PAYING \$50,000,000 TO WIDEN 77 BETWEEN WAUSAU AND I-10.

BRUCE STITT SAID THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE IS A TEMPLATE TO ADDRESS A PROBLEM, AN ISSUE AND HOW THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT WANTS TO TWEAK IT FOR THEIR OWN NEEDS IS WHERE THIS WOULD BE ADDRESSED. THIS IS THE PROPER FORUM; THE STATE DID NOT WANT TO GET DOWN TO THAT LEVEL OF HOW YOU DEAL WITH. THEY CAME UP WITH THE PROGRAM AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CAN PLUG IT IN THE WAY THEY WANT TO. IF THE COUNTY WANTED TO WORK OUT SOMETHING TO WHERE THEY COULD DO THAT, IT IS UP TO THE COUNTY.

TOWN SAID IT IS DEVELOPING A COUNTY WIDE ROAD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM RIGHT NOW; CONCEPTUALLY, THEY WOULD KNOW FOR EXAMPLE IF A CERTAIN ROAD HAS TO BE WIDENED OR REPAVED FIVE YEARS FROM NOW. HE SAID THE QUESTION IN HIS MIND IS AND GAVE AN EXAMPLE USING ELKCAM. IF THEY ARE GOING TO DUMP AN EXTRA 10,000 CARS A DAY ON ELKCAM AND A PORTION OF THOSE ARE GOING TO FLOW TO HIGHWAY 77, HOW DO YOU SET WHERE THE MONEY IS APPLIED. SOME OF IT MAY NEED TO UPGRADE ELKCAM AND SOME MAY NEED TO GO IN A FUND TO HELP OFFSET THE STATE'S COST WHEN THEY UPGRADE THE LEVEL OF SERVICE ON HIGHWAY 77. HE QUESTIONED HOW DO YOU SPLIT THEM. HE SEES A LIGHT AT THE END OF A TUNNEL BUT QUESTIONED HOW DO WE DEAL WITH THIS DEVELOPMENT NOW BUT HAVE MONEY TO DO THE IMPROVEMENT LATER.

BRUCE ADVISED CONCURRENCY WOULD REQUIRE, WHEN THEY BUILT IT THEY WOULD HAVE FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID WITH ELKCAM, THEY WOULDN'T ONLY HAVE CONCURRENCY ON HIGHWAY 77; BUT, IT ACTUALLY GOES INTO ANOTHER COUNTY. IT COULD BE A REAL NICE MATHEMATICAL FORMULA.

DUNCAN SAID SOME OF THIS COULD BE HANDLED WITH IMPACT FEES IF THAT IS WHAT THE BOARD WANTED TO DO. FL-DOT WOULD ONLY GET INVOLVED ON THE STATE ROAD SYSTEM AND COORDINATE WITH US AS FAR AS THE COST OF THE ROADWAY. IF THEY HAVE ANY TYPE OF STUDY DONE ON A ROAD CALCULATION THE COUNTY CAN USE TO SET UP THEIR PROBABLE COST, THEY WOULD USE THAT ESTIMATE FOR PROBABLE COST WHICH THEY WOULD USE WHEN DOING THEIR PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE CALCULATIONS.

JIM SAID IF THE COUNTY ELECTS TO TAKE THAT APPROACH IN COLLECTING CURRENT DOLLARS, THERE IS A WAY TO DO THAT. LINDA SAID THAT IS CORRECT AND FL-DOT WOULD REVIEW THE CALCULATIONS TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE VALID.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, SAID HE WAS ACTUALLY PART OF THE SENATE BILL 360 HEARINGS WHEN IT WAS FIRST INTRODUCED TO THE LEGISLATURE. HE HAS HAD MANY MEETINGS WITH SENATOR CLEARY WHO WAS IN OFFICE AND VOTED TO APPROVE SENATE BILL 360 AND HAS ALSO HAD A NUMBER OF MEETINGS WITH SENATOR RAY HANSON, WHO IS SUPPOSE TO CURRENTLY BE ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE IN THE LEGISLATURE.

WHEN THIS SENATE BILL 360 WAS BROUGHT BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE, IT WAS A LAST MINUTE THING; IT WASN'T SOMETHING THAT HAD A LOT OF THOUGHT PUT INTO IT. IN FACT, IF YOU TALK TO SENATOR CLEARY, HE WILL TELL YOU HE VOTED ON IT TWO DAYS AFTER HE READ IT FOR THE FIRST TIME. THEY DIDN'T REALLY HAVE THE TIME TO THINK THROUGH ALL THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE BILL. THE CONCEPT OF THE BILL IS FANTASTIC; DEVELOPERS PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE WHEN THEY PUT A DEVELOPMENT INTO A COUNTY. THE PROBLEM IS AT THE TIME IT WAS PASSED, NOBODY UNDERSTOOD THE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE STATE INTERSTATE SYSTEM ROADS WOULD BE 100% OF THE COST. FOR INSTANCE, IF YOU ARE GOING TO DO A PROJECT ON HIGHWAY 77 THAT IS NOT CURRENTLY IN THE FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM, YOU WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR 100% OF FL-DOT'S COST ESTIMATE FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS ON THAT SEGMENT. THEORETICALLY THEY COULD HAVE A TEN MILE SUBDIVISION WITH \$8,000,000 WORTH OF IMPACT FEES BECAUSE THEY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING 100% OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ON THAT SEGMENT.

HE SAID THE COUNTY ROADS IS A ANOTHER WHOLE DEAL BECAUSE THE COUNTY ENGINEER IS GOING TO PUT TOGETHER A COST ESTIMATE AND THE COUNTY CAN NEGOTIATE WITH WHAT IS A FAIR IMPACT ON THAT ROAD IN THE COUNTY ROADWAY SYSTEM. THE FL-DOT ROADS DON'T WORK LIKE THAT; THE FL-DOT ROADS IS ANOTHER WHOLE ANIMAL ALTOGETHER. THAT IS WHAT HAS BEEN THE PROBLEM WITH THE WAY SENATE BILL 360 HAS BEEN PASSED AND THE WAY IT IS BEING ADDRESSED IN HIS OPINION.

HE GAVE THEM A FEW EXAMPLES FROM WALTON COUNTY; THE ROADS ARE PACKED AND THERE IS A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT GOING ON. THERE IS A NUMBER OF INSTANCES WHERE SOMEBODY WANTED TO PUT UP A 4000 SQUARE FOOT COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE WAS \$7,000,000. THAT IS MONEY YOU PAY BEFORE YOU GET APPROVAL TO MOVE FORWARD. THERE IS BASICALLY CORRIDORS GOING ALONG SIS HIGHWAY SYSTEMS THAT ARE ESSENTIALLY SHUT DOWN BECAUSE OF SENATE BILL 360 LEGISLATION. WALTON COUNTY WENT AND MET WITH FL-DOT MANY TIMES; HE PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE WALTON COUNTY FINALLY CAME UP WITH AND AGREED TO AFTER MONTHS AND MONTHS OF ATTORNEYS, PUBLIC MEETINGS, MEETINGS WITH FL-DOT, MEETINGS WITH DEVELOPERS, MEETINGS WITH OTHER AGENCIES, ETC.

CLIFF SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY NEEDS TO PROTECT ITS NATURAL RESOURCES AND DEFINITELY NEEDS TO WATCH OUT FOR DEVELOPMENT AS IT COMES IN TO MAKE SURE EVERYBODY PAYS THEIR FAIR SHARE. HE CAUTIONED THEM ABOUT SHUTTING DOWN ANY DEVELOPMENT ALONG STATE HIGHWAY CORRIDORS BECAUSE OF THAT LEGISLATION. MAYBE IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO HAVE LINDA AND OTHERS MEET WITH FL-DOT AND TALK ABOUT HOW THE BOARD COULD HANDLE THIS THEMSELVES BECAUSE THERE IS SOME LIBERTY TO KIND OF MAKE THEIR OWN ADJUSTMENTS TO THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE THE WAY THEY ADOPT IT. HE CAUTIONED THE BOARD AGAIN, BECAUSE THEY ARE GETTING TO BE IN A PERIOD OF TREMENDOUS GROWTH, AND BASICALLY TO HAVE ALL THEIR STATE HIGHWAYS SHUT DOWN IS GOING TO HURT THEM IN HIS OPINION.

ANOTHER BIG ISSUE THAT HAS COME UP IS MR. DEVELOPER YOU OWE US \$800,000 FOR YOUR IMPACT, GIVE US A CHECK. THE DEVELOPER GIVES THE COUNTY A CHECK FOR THE IMPACT. A YEAR LATER AFTER THE DEVELOPER GETS HIS PERMITS, HIS PROJECT IS NO LONGER WORTH DOING OR SOMETHING FALLS APART AND HIS PROJECT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN. HE ASKED WAS THE COUNTY GOING TO GIVE THE DEVELOPER HIS \$800,000 BACK OR IS THAT NON-REFUNDABLE, WHEN AND HOW ARE THEY GOING TO REFUND IT IS A BIG ISSUE WHEN TALKING ABOUT POTENTIALLY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

CLIFF SAID THE WAY THE COUNTY HANDLES THESE FUNDS AND THE OBLIGATIONS YOU MAKE IF YOU ACCEPT THEM ARE REALLY LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES. IF YOU ACCEPT A DEVELOPER'S MONEY TO DO IMPROVEMENTS ON A COUNTY ROAD AND PART OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS ARE SUPPOSE TO BE DONE BY THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY IS OBLIGATED TO MAKE THOSE IMPROVE- MENTS. IF THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE THAT PROJECT BUDGETED INTO THEIR PROGRAM OR SCHEDULED ON THEIR PROJECTS, POTENTIALLY THE DEVELOPER COULD SUE THE COUNTY FOR NOT DOING WHAT THEY WERE SUPPOSE TO DO AFTER THEY COLLECTED HIS MONIES.

CLIFF REITERATED THE BOARD HAD TO BE VERY CAREFUL HOW THEY GO INTO THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED CLIFF IF HE HAD ACTUALLY BEEN INVOLVED WITH SOME OF THE DEVELOPMENTS IN WALTON COUNTY IN FIGURING THEIR PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE.

CLIFF GAVE AN EXAMPLE; THERE WAS \$27,000,000 IN IMPACT FEES FOR A PROJECT JUST NORTH OF HIGHWAY 90 IN MOSSY HEAD. HE SAID THERE IS NOTHING IN MOSSY HEAD. HE EXPLAINED FOR A DRI CALLED BLACKSTAND; THEY HAD 1,000 RESIDENTIAL UNITS TO BE PUT IN OVER A TWELVE OR FIFTEEN YEAR PERIOD. THIS WAS \$27,000,000 UPFRONT NOW; SO, THEY COULD BASICALLY KILL THE PROJECT. HE WOULD SAY THERE HAS BEEN DOZENS OF THEM THAT HAVE BEEN IN THAT EXACT SITUATION ON HIGHWAY 98, 331 AND HIGHWAY 90. HE ADDRESSED THE KEY IS YOU ARE SUPPOSE TO CARRY THE TRAFFIC ANALYSIS OUT SO 1% OF THEIR TRIPS ARE AFFECTING THEIR ROADWAYS. IN WALTON COUNTY, YOU DON'T GO VERY FAR WITHOUT GETTING ON A STATE HIGHWAY; THOSE TRIPS YOU ARE PUTTING ON A STATE HIGHWAY AUTOMATICALLY YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR 100% OF THE IMPROVEMENTS TO MAINTAIN THAT LEVEL OF SERVICE. WHEN YOU START DISTRIBUTING YOUR TRIPS, YOU FIND OUT IN A HURRY YOU ALMOST CAN'T AVOID BEING ON A STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM WITH THOSE TRIPS IF YOU DISTRIBUTE THEM OUT PROPERLY. HE SAID THAT IS THE PROBLEM; IT IS NOT JUST A PROJECT THAT IS ON HIGHWAY 77. IT CAN BE SOMETHING THAT IS ALL THE WAY TO THE BACK OF SUNNY HILLS AND WHEN YOU DISTRIBUTE YOUR TRIPS OUT, THOSE TRIPS END UP ON HIGHWAY 77 AND THE DEVELOPER PAYS 100% OF FL-DOT'S COST ESTIMATE FOR 100% OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS. SOME OF THE IMPACT FEES PEOPLE ARE PAYING IN WALTON COUNTY ARE UNBELIEVABLE.

CLIFF SUGGESTED THE BOARD USE CAUTION, PROCEED CAREFULLY AND MAKE SURE THEY MEET WITH FL-DOT BEFORE THEY PUT TOGETHER THEIR RESOLUTION FOR THEIR PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE, MAKE SURE IT IS WORDED PROPERLY AND THEY DON'T GET THEMSELVES IN A BIND. HE SAID THE COUNTY OBLIGATES THEMSELVES TO A LOT OF THINGS, NOT JUST THE DEVELOPER, DEPENDING ON HOW IT IS SET UP.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID IT SOUNDED LIKE IT WAS NOT AN OPTION WHETHER THE COUNTY ADOPTS IT OR NOT ADOPT IT; HE THOUGHT IT WAS MANDATED.

CLIFF REITERATED IT IS MANDATED; BUT, THE WAY THEY WRITE THEIR RESOLUTION AND HOW IT IMPACTS THE COUNTY, THEIR ECONOMY, DEVELOPERS, ETC. IS VERY IMPORTANT. HE BROUGHT A COPY OF WALTON COUNTY'S ORDINANCE BECAUSE THEY WORKED FOR SEVEN TO NINE MONTHS PUTTING IT TOGETHER AND HAVE THOUSANDS OF HOURS INVOLVED IN IT. A LOT OF THE QUESTIONS THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED ARE ADDRESSED IN THIS DOCUMENT. HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR THE BOARD TO READ THROUGH IT, SEE WHAT THE IMPACTS ARE AND SEE WHAT THINGS NEED TO BE CONSIDERED BEFORE THEY JUMPED INTO IT.

CHAIRMAN SAPP EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EVERYBODY BEING PRESENT FOR THE PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE ORDINANCE WORKSHOP. HE CALLED FOR A SHORT RECESS BEFORE GOING INTO THE EAR WORKSHOP.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, THE EAR WORKSHOP WAS CONDUCTED BY LINDA WALLER; THE EAR IS DUE BY APRIL 2008.

SHE SAID WHAT THEY WANT TO KNOW IS HOW THEY CAN PROTECT THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES WHILE THEY STILL PROVIDE GROWTH AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE. SHE SAID THEY DO THIS BY THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. THIS IS A LIVING DOCUMENT THAT IS USED TO MANAGE THEIR GROWTH BY INCORPORATING THE FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS AND MELDING THEM WITH THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY AS DETERMINED BY COUNTY ORDINANCES. CHANGES CAN'T VIOLATE THE FEDERAL OR STATE LAWS; BUT, CAN ACTUALLY BE MORE RESTRICTIVE AND NOT LESS RESTRICTIVE.

AS FAR AS WHAT TOOL IS USED TO REVISE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND MAKE IT WORK BETTER, HOW DO THEY INCORPORATE THESE CHANGES AND HOW DO THEY INCLUDE THE CHANGES THAT ARE MADE BY ORDINANCES IN THE COUNTY, THEY USE THE EAR. IT SERVES AS A REPORT CARD ON HOW WELL WE ARE DOING IN PLANNING AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT.

LINDA STATED THE PURPOSE OF THE EAR IS TO IDENTIFY MAJOR CHANGES IN THE COMMUNITY. THEY WANT TO ANALYZE AND EVALUATE ACTIONS SINCE THE LAST EAR DONE IN 1998. THEY WANT TO ASSESS WHICH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OBJECTIVES HAVE BEEN MET AND WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN MET. THEY WANT TO EVALUATE BOTH SUCCESSES AND SHORTCOMINGS. THEY WANT TO IDENTIFY WAYS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SHOULD CHANGE TO REFLECT CHANGING CONDITIONS AND TRENDS IN THE COUNTY, RESPOND TO THE NEEDS

FOR NEW DATA AND RESPOND TO CHANGES IN THE STATE LAWS AND REGIONAL POLICIES. WITH THE END PRODUCT BEING A REVISED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; THAT IS THE WHOLE OBJECTIVE OF DOING THE EAR.

SHE WENT OVER THE STEPS THEY USE TO PREPARE THE EAR:

1. THEY NEED TO IDENTIFY THE EXPECTED RESULT SET IN THE ASSESSMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
2. THEY NEED TO COLLECT THE DATA AND INFORMATION FROM RECOGNIZED SOURCES AND THE PUBLIC
3. THEY NEED TO PREPARE THE EAR
4. THEY WANT TO SUBMIT IT TO FL-DCA FOR THE APPROVAL PROCESS
5. AFTER THE APPROVAL OF THE EAR, THEY PROCEED WITH THE UPDATING OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BASED ON THE EAR FINDINGS.

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING THE EAR? LINDA SAID BY STATUTE IT IS THE PLANNING COMMISSION. SHE EXPLAINED THE REPORT CAN BE PREPARED BY THE LOCAL PLANNING STAFF; BUT, THE PLANNING COMMISSION IS THE AGENCY ULTIMATELY RESPONSIBLE IN ASSURING THE EAR IS COMPLETED.

SHE SAID IT IS THE PLANNING COMMISSION THAT WILL MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO ADOPT THE EAR WITH AT LEAST ONE PUBLIC HEARING. THE ELECTED BODY MUST SUBMIT THE EAR TO FL-DCA 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DUE DATE FOR REVIEW.

WHO SHOULD BE INVOLVED? LINDA ADDRESSED THIS INCLUDES THE ELECTED BODIES OF GOVERNMENT/THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE LOCAL STAFF. SHE SAID THAT IS WHY THEY INVITED THE DEPARTMENT HEADS TODAY; THEY WILL BE A VITAL PART IN PREPARING THE EAR.

LINDA SAID THEY WOULD BE PARTICIPATING WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD AND THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL THE ADJACENT GOVERNMENTS; THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION, CIVIC GROUPS AND THE PUBLIC WILL BE INVOLVED WITH PROVIDING INPUT AS TO WHAT THEY WANT IN THE CHANGES TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

SHE WENT OVER THE AMENDMENT PROCESS. THEY DO THEIR PUBLIC INPUT HEARINGS; THIS MEETING TODAY WILL MEET THAT REQUIREMENT FROM FL-DCA. THOSE THAT WILL REVIEW THE AMENDMENT WILL BE THE PLANNING COMMISSION, BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE FINAL REVIEW AGENCY WILL BE THE FL-DCA.

HOW MUCH INFORMATION IS NEEDED FOR THE EAR? THEY NEED UP TO DATE INFORMATION ON POPULATION AND LAND USE CHANGES AND DETERMINE WHAT THE ISSUES ARE FOR THE COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY. THE SOURCES THEY WILL BE USING WILL BE THE STATE AND COUNTY AGENCIES, STATE UNIVERSITIES, ESPECIALLY THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA BUREAU OF ECONOMIC BUSINESS RESEARCH, WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL AND WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS, ETC.

ONCE APPROVED, LINDA ADDRESSED THE EAR WOULD THEN BE USED TO UPDATE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

SHE WENT OVER THE CONCEPT OF GROWTH IN A TEN YEAR PERIOD SHOWING THE PLAT MAP IN 1993 OFF OF HIGHWAY 77 AND THE SOUTH PART OF THE COUNTY AND SHOWED WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE IN 2003. SHE POINTED OUT THERE WAS A MASSIVE AMOUNT OF LAND DIVISION AND REAL ESTATE DEALINGS THAT WENT ON IN THIS AREA. FROM 2003 TO THIS YEAR, THERE IS NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE BECAUSE MOST OF THE LAND THAT WAS SHOWN BLANK OR VACANT IS NOW OWNED BY NWFWMDC.

SHE SHARED WITH THE COUNTY A PICTURE OF HER GRANDFATHER'S OLD FISHPOND STATING HE WAS A GOOD STEWARD OF THE LAND; FORTUNATELY DOWN THROUGH THE YEARS AS THAT PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD, THEY HAVE BEEN FORTUNATE TO HAVE OTHER GOOD STEWARDS OF THE LAND. SHE ADDRESSED WASHINGTON COUNTY HAVING A UNIQUE BEAUTY AND THEY WANT TO ENCOURAGE GROWTH; BUT, PROTECT WHAT PEOPLE COME TO SEE.

SHE SHOWED A PICTURE OF A TORTOISE AND ECONFINA CREEK; SHE DOESN'T THINK THERE IS ANYWHERE ON EARTH WHERE THEY HAVE ANYTHING THAT DEFINES GOOD LIVING ANY BETTER THAN THESE PICTURES.

THE EAR AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS CAN MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO PROMOTE THE OVERALL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTY WHILE STILL PROTECTING THE

PRESERVED AND PROTECTIVE SPACES THAT DO DEFINE THE COUNTY AS BEING SO SPECIAL AND UNIQUE. SHE SAID THAT IS WHAT THEY WANT TO CONCENTRATE ON AS THEY GO INTO THE EAR. SHE ASKED BRUCE STITT TO COME TODAY TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF IDENTIFYING WHAT THE COUNTY CONSIDERS ISSUES; CONSIDER ISSUES WITH TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, CONSERVATION AND RECREATION.

BRUCE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GET AN IDEA OF WHO WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING AND ASKED EVERYONE TO IDENTIFY THEMSELVES.

BRUCE ADDRESSED THIS PROCESS BEING MANDATED BY THE STATE EVERY SEVEN YEARS; THEY HAVE TO LOOK AT THEIR EXISTING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, THE DOCUMENT THAT DICTATES HOW YOU WILL GROW OR WON'T GROW IN THE FUTURE. IT IS NOT SO MUCH ABOUT HOW MUCH YOU ARE GOING TO ENJOY WHAT IS DECIDED TO DO; THEY ARE MAKING DECISIONS ON HOW THEY ARE GOING TO BE STEWARDS OF THE LAND IN THE COUNTY AND HOW THE YOUNG FOLKS ARE GOING TO ENJOY IT IN THE YEARS TO COME. THOSE FOLKS WHO ARE NOT HERE YET ARE GOING TO BE COMING TO THE COUNTY; THEY ARE GOING TO NEED TO KNOW WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH THE LAND THEY GET. HE SAID THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TELLS THEM WHAT THEY CAN AND CAN'T DO WITH THE LAND WITHIN WHAT DEFINED PERIMETERS THE BOARD SETS. HE SAID THE BOARD HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO REALLY SHAPE SOME THINGS FOR THE FUTURE; MAYBE TWEAK SOME THINGS FROM THE PAST THEY REALLY THOUGHT WERE GOOD IDEAS AND ADDRESS THEM. HE SAID THE COUNTY HAS BEEN DISCOVERED BY DEVELOPERS FROM ALL NATURE OF SOURCES FROM AROUND THE WORLD IT SEEMS AND QUESTIONED HOW THE COUNTY IS GOING TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT THEY EXPECT THE COUNTY TO LOOK LIKE IN THE FUTURE.

BRUCE SAID THEY HAD BEEN PRIVILEGED TO STAFF THREE COMMUNITY VISIONS PLANS AND WILL BE WORKING ON THEM AGAIN THIS YEAR WITH THE TOWNS OF WAUSAU, EBRO AND VERNON THROUGH A GRANT WITH THE FL-DCA. THIS PROCESS IS SIMILAR TO THAT; YOU LOOK TO DECIDE WHAT ARE THE MAIN ISSUES THEY WANT TO ADDRESS. WHEN THEY DECIDE THOSE, THEY LOOK AT THE COMPONENTS THEY NEED TO LOOK AT UNDERNEATH THOSE, THE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND SAY HOW DO WE NEED TO REWORD THOSE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AND WHATEVER PERIMETERS DO THEY NEED TO PUT IN THERE SO THEY END UP WITH WHAT THEY THINK THEY WANT. HE SAID THAT IS WHAT THE PROCESS IS ALL ABOUT. HE ASKED IF ANYBODY NOTED IN LINDA'S PRESENTATION THE EAR IS DUE 90 DAYS BEFORE THE DUE DATE; WASHINGTON COUNTY'S DUE DATE IS JULY 1, 2008. HE SAID IF YOU BACK THAT UP THREE MONTHS, IT WILL BE APRIL 2008; THAT IS EXACTLY A YEAR FROM NOW. HE EXPLAINED THE REASON THERE IS A SCHEDULE SET UP BY THE STATE FOR THE EAR PROCESS IS BECAUSE IT TAKES A LONG TIME TO GO THROUGH THE PROCESS.

HE ADDRESSED LINDA AND CONNIE WERE THE ONES WHO HAVE TO MANAGE THE DOCUMENT AND MAKE SURE PUBLIC INPUT, DEPARTMENT INPUT AND AGENCY INPUT ARE INCLUDED AND IT ALL WORKS OUT IN THE END. HE REITERATED THAT IS WHY WE ARE HERE TODAY.

BRUCE SAID WHAT THEY ARE PLANNING TO ACCOMPLISH TODAY IS AN AGREEMENT ON WHAT THE MAJOR ISSUES ARE TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE COMING YEAR AND THE LEVEL OF EFFORT IT WILL TAKE; HOW MUCH ARE THEY GOING TO WORK TOGETHER TO ACCOMPLISH WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES TALKED ABOUT. HE REQUESTED THE AGENCIES PRESENT, IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE THE POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE EAR PROCESS, PUT THIS BY THEIR NAME ON THE SIGN IN SHEET BEING PASSED AROUND.

BRUCE SAID WFRPC IS GOING TO FACILITATE THE EAR PROCESS AND THEIR STAFF WILL BE HELPING TO REWRITE, WRITE, CREATE AND BRING IN NEW INFORMATION AS IT IS NEEDED; THEY WILL BE WORKING CLOSELY WITH LINDA AND OTHERS IN THE COUNTY. HE SAID HE WOULD START TAKING INPUT.

JIM ACKERMAN QUESTIONED WITH ALL THE NEW DEVELOPMENT THAT IS PLANNED FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, IS THERE IN PLACE OR CAN IT BE PUT IN PLACE WHERE THE DEVELOPERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PRIOR TO DEVELOPMENT TO RELIEVE THE COUNTY FROM USING TAXPAYERS MONEY.

BRUCE EXPLAINED PRIOR TO THIS WORKSHOP, A WORKSHOP WAS HELD ON PROPORTIONATE FAIR SHARE; THAT ORDINANCE IS BEING DISCUSSED AT THIS POINT AND THE COUNTY WILL ADOPT SOME TYPE OF ORDINANCE ADDRESSING THAT. BRUCE SAID THEY WOULD GO AHEAD AND LIST IT ON MAJOR ISSUES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID ONE OF THE MAJOR ISSUES WOULD BE NATURAL RESOURCES; THE SUPPLY AND DEMAND IS WATER AND WITHOUT WATER YOU CAN'T SUSTAIN ANY TYPE DEVELOPMENTAL PROCESS OR GROWTH WITHOUT THE WATER SUPPLY.

BRUCE QUESTIONED IF THAT WOULD INCLUDE LOOKING AT PROTECTING THE WATER SUPPLY OR MAKING SURE THERE IS ENOUGH. SAPP SAID HE WAS REFERRING TO A FUTURE COUNTY WATER SUPPLY SUCH AS SPRINGS THAT ARE NOW AVAILABLE THAT MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE FIVE YEARS FROM NOW. HE SAID IF THERE WAS A WAY TO ACQUIRE ONE OF THE SPRINGS THAT COULD POSSIBLY SERVE THE COUNTY WATER SUPPLY IN THE FUTURE, THAT WOULD BE A GREAT COMMITMENT AS FAR AS THE COUNTY BUT NOT ONLY THE LONGEVITY OF THE WATER SUPPLY TO THE COUNTY.

MARTIN JACOBSON, BAY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, SAID HE HAD PROVIDED WRITTEN COMMENTS TO LINDA AS WHAT THEY THINK THE CONDITIONS ARE THAT AFFECT BAY COUNTY. WASHINGTON COUNTY'S EAR POINTS OUT FOR INCREASED DENSITIES IN RURAL AREAS IF THAT HAS ANY AFFECT ON THE AQUIFER OR CERTAIN WATERS THAT RECHARGE THE GROUND WATER. HE SAID ECONFINA CREEK IS THE SOLE SOURCE OF DRINKING SUPPLY FOR BAY COUNTY IN DEER POINT RESERVOIR. ANY ISSUES THAT WOULD AFFECT THE QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF WATER THAT EVENTUALLY LEADS TO DEER POINT RESERVOIRS WOULD BE A CONCERN FOR BAY COUNTY.

THE SECOND MAJOR ISSUE BAY COUNTY HAS A CONCERN WITH IS HIGHWAY 77; HIGHWAY 77 IS A HURRICANE EVACUATION ROUTE FOR BAY COUNTY AND DEVELOPMENT IS GOING TO IMPACT THAT.

BRUCE ADDRESSED THE REASON BAY AND JACKSON COUNTY IS REPRESENTED TODAY IS IT IS PRACTICE IN THESE TYPE OF WORKSHOPS TO HAVE INPUT FROM OTHER COUNTIES BECAUSE INCREASINGLY THEY ARE FINDING IT DIFFICULT NOT TO HAVE TO WORK WITH EACH OTHER. IN FACT THE COUNTY'S INTER- GOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REQUIRES THEY HAVE AGREEMENTS TO WORK WITH THEIR NEIGHBORING COUNTIES.

JACOBSON SAID THEY HAVE A CONTRACT OUT WITH A CONSULTANT WHO IS DOING A HYDRAULICAL STUDY OF BAY COUNTY AND WHERE THE AQUIFER EXTENDS UP INTO JACKSON COUNTY AND WASHINGTON COUNTY; THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS OF CONDUCTING THAT STUDY IN COORDINATION WITH THE WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY. HE SAID THEY WOULD BE HAPPY TO SHARE ANY INFORMA- TION THEY HAVE; THE STUDY SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITHIN SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS.

TODD ANDERSON SAID ALONG WITH THE WATER SUPPLY, IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO EXPAND THE COUNTY PARKS, BUY MORE LAND TO MAKE MORE COUNTY PARKS, ETC.

SOMEONE FROM FLORIDA FISH AND GAME COMMISSION WENT OVER SOME OF THE ISSUES DEALING WITH CONSERVATION:

1. SPRING PROTECTIVE ISSUES WITH POLICIES SURROUNDING THOSE AND POLLUTING WATER FLOW INTO THE SPRING SHED AND IN THE AQUIFER.
2. IDENTIFICATION AND PROTECTION OF NATURAL AMENITIES
3. CLUSTER CONSERVATION ZONES; BE AWARE OF THE DENSITY AROUND THOSE CONSERVATION AREAS AND CLUSTERING THOSE CONSERVATION ZONES WHENEVER POSSIBLE. LINKAGE AND THE DENSITY AROUND THESE AREAS
4. IDENTIFICATION OF EXISTING BUFFERS, NEW BUFFERS AROUND THE WATER AREAS AND CONSERVATION AREAS
5. CORPORATION OF FIREWISE COMMUNITY POLICIES AND HOW IT RELATES TO BE ABLE TO MANAGE PUBLIC LANDS
6. GOLF COURSES AND THEIR IMPACT ON WETLANDS, CONSERVATION AREAS AND AREAS THAT HAVE THESE PERMIABLE SOIL RELATES BACK TO THE SPRING, RUNOFF, RECHARGE
7. POLICIES AND INFORMATION CONCERNING THREATENING ENDANGERED SPECIES OF SPECIAL CONCERN
8. STORMWATER TREATMENT IN RELATION TO WETLANDS AND THE SPRING SHED
9. IDENTIFICATION AND CONSERVATION OF NATURAL AREAS FOR PARKS; IDENTIFY THE RESOURCES THAT ARE THERE THAT ARE EXISTING THAT ARE POTENTIAL NATURE BASED RECREATION AND THEN THE ECONOMIC POTENTIAL OF THAT NATURE BASED RECREATION

JIM TOWN SAID HE WAS GOING TO SUMMARIZE SOME OF WHAT HAD BEEN ADDRESSED; A COUNTY CONCEPT PLAN FOR SEWER, WATER, STORM WATER AND FIRE PROTECTION WHICH TIES INTO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP.

BRUCE ADVISED HE WOULD PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF EVERYTHING THAT IS BROUGHT UP AS AN ISSUE TODAY; THEY ARE GOING TO NEED TO PRIORITIZE THESE ISSUES ALSO.

AUBREY DAVIS ADDRESSED AN ISSUE WITH PROTECTING FARM LAND, HORTICULTURE USE LAND FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESTRICTING THE USE OF THAT WHERE THE FARMER CAN NO LONGER USE THAT. THE GOVERNMENT HAS DONE THAT IN ORDER TO SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT FOR DEVELOPERS; BASICALLY THEY ARE SHUTTING OUT THE FARMERS AND THE HORTICULTURE OPERATIONS. INVASIOUS SPECIES WAS ALSO AN ISSUE THAT WAS ADDRESSED.

ANDY ANDREASON, AG AGENT, ADDRESSED CONCERNS OF INDIVIDUALS THAT LEGISLATION IN THE FUTURE IS GOING TO LIMIT THEIR AGRICULTURAL LAND MORE. IF FARMERS ARE ON PROPERTY FIRST AND A SUBDIVISION MOVES ADJACENT TO THEM, THE DEVELOPER SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE AN ADEQUATE BUFFER SO THE FARMER COULD CARRY ON BUSINESS LIKE THEY NORMALLY DO. IF FARMERS ARE THERE FIRST, THEY SHOULD RECEIVE SOME KIND OF PROTECTION SO THEY CAN REMAIN IN BUSINESS RATHER THAN BEING FORCED OUT. HE ADDRESSED AG PRODUCTION WAS GOING TO CONTINUE TO BE VITAL AND THE NEED FOR SAFEGUARDS FOR EXISTING AGRICULTURE LAND.

ANDY GAVE AN EXAMPLE OF A SUBDIVISION MOVING OUT SIDE OF A CATTLE OPERATION, ETC. AND A TOWN GROWS AROUND THEM, THEY ARE GOING TO FORCE THE CATTLE OPERATION, ETC. TO BE ZONED OUT. HE SAID THE BUFFERS ARE IMPORTANT FROM THE STANDPOINT OF SPRAYING, ETC.; BUT, WE NEED TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT NORMAL PRODUCTION PRACTICES. IF SOME- THING IS NOT DONE TO PROTECT THESE PEOPLE, SOMEBODY IS GOING TO HAVE SOME SORT OF GRIEVANCE WHEN THEY TRY TO PREVENT THEM FROM DOING THAT.

BRUCE SAID SOUTH FLORIDA IS ALREADY ADDRESSING ISSUES SIMILAR TO THIS; THE BENEFIT TO WASHINGTON COUNTY IS THEY CAN LOOK TO SEE WHAT THE OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE HAVE DONE TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. ONE OF THE TOOLS USED TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE IS THE RURAL LAND STEWARD- SHIP PROGRAM; THERE IS A SET ASIDE OF A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF LAND THAT WOULD BE USED AS AG LAND. THE TRADE OFF WOULD BE THOSE LANDS WOULD NOT BE DEVELOPED ON; BUT, THAT DENSITY COULD BE USED SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTY SO THEY DO HAVE THE SEPARATION OF USAGE AND APPROPRIATE BUFFER.

ANDY SAID THE CONCERN FROM THOSE PEOPLE WHO OWN THE LAND IS THERE COMPENSATION FOR THAT IF THEY LOSE THEIR RIGHT TO DO WHAT THEY WILL DO. HE SAID THERE WERE SOME PROGRAMS WHERE PEOPLE SOLD THEIR DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS TO NFWFMD SO IT WOULD REMAIN IN AGRICULTURE. IF YOU ARE IN A SITUATION WHERE A FARMER HAS WORKED THEIR ENTIRE LIFE, THAT IS HIS SAVINGS AND TRUST FUND; IF HE HAS TO SELL OFF SOMETHING TO EXIST, THERE HAS TO BE SOME ALLOWANCE FOR THAT SO IT DOESN'T BECOME A TAKING. ANDY SAID THE COUNTY NEEDS TO TAKE INTO CONSIDER- ATION IN THEIR REGULATIONS THEY ARE DEVELOPING THEY DON'T CREATE A TAKING SITUATION; BUT, DEAL WITH PROTECTION FOR PEOPLE'S LIVLIHOOD.

BRUCE SAID THEY COULD GO AHEAD AND PUT THIS IN AS A CONCEPT POLICY ISSUE WHERE THEY WOULD ENCOURAGE THIS KIND OF ACTION; BUT, THE ACTUAL MECHANISM WOULD BE THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AND NOT THE EAR.

TODD ANDERSON ADDRESSED THE NEED TO SET ASIDE INDUSTRIAL LAND TO PROVIDE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; WE NEED GROWTH MECHANISM TO PROVIDE JOBS. (LAND USE ALLOCATION ISSUE)

ALSO ADDRESSED WAS THE NEED TO EVALUATE LAND USES, FIND OUT WHERE THE GAPS ARE AND WHERE THE OPPORTUNITIES ARE. ARE THERE AREAS YOU WANT TO STAY AG OR KEEP RESIDENTIAL OR ARE THERE AREAS WHERE LARGER DEVELOPMENTS, LIKE SUNNY HILLS, WHERE YOU WOULD WANT MIXED USE PUD.

JERRY BROCK SAID HE WAS IN FAVOR IF YOU OWN LAND, YOU SHOULD HAVE CERTAIN RIGHTS WITH IT; HOWEVER, HE THOUGHT THE NATURAL RESOURCES SHOULD BE PROTECTED. HE REFERRED TO CONDOMINIUMS BEING PLACED NEAR THE CREEKS, LAKES, ETC. AND PEOPLE GET TO THE POINT WHERE THEY ACT LIKE THEY OWN THE CREEKS AND LAKES. HE ADDRESSED WHEN YOU GO TO PANAMA CITY BEACH NOW, YOU DON'T SEE BEACH ANYMORE; YOU SEE PROPERTY AFTER PROPERTY AFTER PROPERTY. HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE NATURAL

BEAUTY OF THINGS PRESERVED. HE RECOMMENDED HAVING A LITTLE MORE SETBACK FOR PEOPLE BUILDING HOUSES ALONG CREEKS, LAKES, ETC.

BRUCE SAID THAT ALSO GOES TOWARD THE PUBLIC ACCESS PORTION OF THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC ACCESS PORTION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WHICH IS THEIR OPEN SPACE RECREATION ELEMENT.

JERRY SAID THEY ALSO NEED TO PROBABLY LOOK AHEAD FOR THE NEXT FIVE TO TWENTY YEARS TO HAVE SOME PROPERTY SET UP FOR SCHOOLS OR FOR A GOVERNMENT ANNEX, ETC. ALONG HIGHWAY 77 AND HIGHWAY 79. HE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE DEVELOPERS COME IN AND SAY THEY WAS NOT AWARE THERE WAS GOING TO BE A GOVERNMENT OFFICE THERE. IF THE COUNTY GOES AHEAD AND ZONES PROPERTY FOR SCHOOLS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICES ALONG THESE HIGHWAYS, THE DEVELOPER WOULD KNOW WHAT IS COMING THAT WAY IN THE FUTURE. (ZONE PROPERTY FOR FUTURE ISSUE)

JIM ACKERMAN SAID HE WAS SURE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DOES SPECIFY THE DEGREE OF INDUSTRIAL, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL, HEAVY INDUSTRIAL AND THE COUNTY NEEDS TO ADHERE TO THIS IN DEVELOPMENT. (ENFORCE THE CURRENT DEGREE OF INDUSTRIAL LAND USE REQUIREMENTS)

LINDA WALLER SAID THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE PRETTY WELL SPELLS OUT WHAT IS COMMERCIAL, GENERAL COMMERCIAL AND NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL. SHE THOUGHT THEY PROBABLY NEED TO LOOK AT THE OVERALL NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL AND POSSIBLY LEAVE OUT SOME OR MOVE OUT SOME OF THAT STUFF INTO GENERAL COMMERCIAL CATEGORIES. SHE POINTED OUT THIS WAS PUT TOGETHER IN 1990 OR SO WHEN THERE WAS PLENTY OF LAND AND THE FACT THAT YOU COULD HAVE A MORTUARY IN A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN MUCH OF AN ISSUE FIFTEEN YEARS AGO BUT WOULD BE MORE OF AN ISSUE TODAY.

DAVID CORBIN, PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, ADDRESSED RECHARGE AREAS, STORM WATER RUN OFF. WHERE GROWTH IS OCCURRING IS WHERE RECREATION SHOULD GO AND THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY NEEDS RECREATION TO FULFIL THE NEEDS THERE. HE SUGGESTED A STUDY TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES WOULD BE HELPFUL.

BRUCE SAID GENERALLY YOU USE THE CENSUS BUREAU, BUREAU OF ECONOMIC BUSINESS AND RESEARCH NUMBERS AND THE BUREAU OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING; TAKE ALL THESE NUMBERS AND DETERMINE THE GROWTH BEING LOOKED AT IN CERTAIN AREAS. HE SAID THIS PLANNING HAS TO BE DONE IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT, PUBLIC SCHOOLS FACILITIES ELEMENT, WHICH IS BEING WORKED ON NOW; IDENTIFYING WHERE SCHOOLS WOULD BE IN THE FUTURE ETC. HE EXPLAINED THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE A LARGE PLAY IN IDENTIFYING WHERE THE SCHOOLS GO; BUT, NOW WITH THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS FACILITIES ELEMENT, IT ALLOWS THE COUNTY, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPALITIES TO WORK WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD AND AGREE ON THE POPULATION PROJECTIONS AND IDENTIFY AREAS THAT ARE GROWING OR WILL BE GROWING, WHERE THE USE WILL BE APPLIED AND WHERE THE NEW SCHOOLS NEED TO GO.

SOMEONE ADDRESSED THAT BAY COUNTY GETS SOME OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY STUDENTS AND THIS MAY HAPPEN IN OTHER COUNTIES; BORDERS ARE BECOMING LESS AND LESS OF A BORDER THESE DAYS.

BRUCE SAID POPULATION PROJECTIONS AND WHERE IT IS GOING WILL BE PART OF THE DATA ANALYSIS THAT IS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THAT IS GENERALLY WHERE IT COMES FROM. HE SAID THERE WAS ALSO A LEVEL OF SERVICE ISSUE WITH PARKS AND RECREATION; HOW MUCH OPEN SPACE YOU NEED PER THOUSAND PEOPLE. IF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SAYS THEIR LEVEL OF SERVICE IS 100 ACRES PER THOUSAND PEOPLE, THEY THEN HAVE TO LOOK AT, AS PART OF THIS EVALUATION, IF THEY ARE WITHIN THEIR LEVEL OF SERVICE. (POPULATION PROJECTIONS AND LOCATION OF RECREATION CLOSE TO FUTURE GROWTH)

LINDA DUNCAN, FL-DOT, ADVISED THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE ENTIRE TRAFFIC CIRCULATION ELEMENT LOOKED AT AND USE THOSE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES IN POLICY; ANY SHORTFALLS, TRY AND COME UP WITH SOLUTIONS FOR DEFICIENCIES, LOOK AT THE PROP SHARE ISSUES.

SHE SAID THEY MAY NEED TO LOOK AT ANY KIND OF LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARD CHANGES THAT MAY NEED TO BE MADE ON THE ROADWAYS DUE TO CHANGES IN THE STANDARDS

THAT HAVE GONE OUT. THEY COULD UPDATE THE DATA AND ANALYSIS AND SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION.

SHE SAID IF THE COUNTY GETS ANY KIND OF TRIP FUNDS, WHEN THAT PROJECT IS CONSTRUCTED, THEY HAVE TO MEET THE TRIP STANDARDS.

LINDA WALLER ADDRESSED A LIST OF THE ACRONYMS ARE GOING TO BE INCLUDED IN THE UPDATED EAR; SHE REQUESTED EACH AGENCY TO SEND HER ACRONYMS THAT THEIR ELEMENT OR OPERATIONS IS INVOLVED WITH.

WALLER ALSO ADDRESSED HER HAVING SUBSCRIBED TO BEBR AND HAVE THE STATISTICAL DATA FOR 2005 ON DISK AND THEN THEY SUBSCRIBED TO A BULLETIN THEY GET MONTHLY OR SEMI-MONTHLY FOR POPULATION PROJECTIONS FOR FLORIDA.

BRUCE REITERATED THAT IS ONE OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE EAR IS TO UPDATE DATA. HE SAID ONE OF THE UNFORTUNATE THINGS ABOUT THAT IS AS SOON AS YOU PUT IT IN A REPORT, IT IS GOING TO BE OUTDATED IN THE NEXT DAY OR WITHIN SEVERAL MONTHS.

ROGER HAGAN, EOC DIRECTOR, SAID SOME OF THE THINGS HE ADDRESSED MAY BE MORE POLICY ISSUES OR MAY GO SOME PLACE BESIDES THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. HE FELT THEY NEED TO ADDRESS:

A. EMERGENCY SERVICES DELIVERY

B. COMP PLAN ALREADY REQUIRED DEVELOPERS TO PROVIDE FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM OR WATER SOURCE FOR FIRE SUPPRESSION; BUT, IN LIGHT OF RECENT TRAGEDIES, ENTERPRISE, ETC., IF THEY HAD A DEVELOPMENT THAT IS COMING IN THAT WAS GOING TO HAVE 200 TO 1,000 UNITS, THEY NEED TO HAVE SOME OUTDOOR WARNING SYSTEMS INSTALLED FOR LARGE SUBDIVISIONS. THIS WILL MAKE DELIVERY OR THE NEED FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES TO BE LESSENED.

C. FUTURE PLANNING FOR PLANNING FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SITES

D. THE HOSPITAL NEEDS TO BE INVOLVED IN THE PLANNING PROCESS; IF THEY ARE PLANNING FOR HOW MANY SCHOOLS, JAIL BEDS, ETC., THEY CERTAINLY NEED TO PLAN FOR HEALTH SYSTEM DELIVERIES IN THE COUNTY. SCHOOLS ARE AND NEED TO BE INVOLVED IN THE EAR PROCESS AND POSSIBLY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS.

E. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

F. PROCESS NEEDS TO BE MADE HARDER TO AMEND THE LAND USE MAP; SMALLER LAND OWNER THAT HAS RECREATIONAL AG NEEDS TO BE PROTECTED ALSO. BRUCE SAID HE WOULD PUT HOW EASY IT IS TO AMEND THE LAND USE PLAN UNDERNEATH THE EVALUATING OF CURRENT STANDARDS.

TODD ANDERSON SAID ANOTHER ISSUE THAT NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED IS A CONCERTIVE EFFORT TO GO TOWARD REDUCING WASTE AND THE USE OF RECYCLING.

BRUCE ASKED IF THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DIDN'T ALREADY ADDRESS SOLID WASTE USE. HE SAID IT IS A REQUIREMENT TO ADDRESS EVEN CAPACITY ISSUES.

LINDA WALLER SAID SHE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT ON CAPACITY FOR FUTURE USE OF THE LANDFILLS AND WAS TOLD THEY HAVE THE CAPABILITY OF PROCESSING THE COUNTY'S GARBAGE FOR FORTY SEVEN YEARS.

TONYA PIPPIN ADDRESSED THE FLORIDA GREEN BUILDING COALITION HAS CREATED LOCAL GOVERNMENT STANDARDS FOR BUILDING GREEN. SHE ADDRESSED ISSUES THAT NEEDED TO BE ADDRESSED IN TERMS OF PLANNING FOR GROWTH IN SUBDIVISION.

IN TERMS OF COUNTY GOALS FOR SCHOOLS, THEY NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE WAY STRUCTURES ARE BUILT; LIGHTING, HEATING & COOLING, WATER USAGE, USING DROUGHT RESISTANT PLANTS, SMART SITE SELECTIONS.

SHE ADDRESSED THERE BEING A NEW BUSINESS COMING INTO THE COUNTY THAT PLANS ON BUILDING GREEN HOMES; THEY WILL BE EMPLOYING 85 PEOPLE RIGHT AWAY. BUILDING GREEN IS OBVIOUSLY THE TREND AND SAID SOME OF THESE GREEN HOMES HAVE BEEN BUILT IN GAINSVILLE, SARASOTA AND OTHER PLACES IN FLORIDA. BUILDING GREEN IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR AREA AND THE COUNTY HAS TIME TO PLAN FOR IT.

TONYA ALSO AGREED THEY NEED TO INCREASE RECYCLING AND LOOK INTO GETTING MORE GRANTS FOR IT.

BRUCE SAID SOME OF THE ISSUES TONYA MENTIONED ARE GOING TOWARD THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE LEVEL OF IMPLEMENTATION; BUT, THE CONCEPT OF GREEN DEVELOPMENT CAN BE INCORPORATED INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

MARGARET RILEY, TOWN OF WAUSAU, SAID WATER QUALITY IS A CONCERN FOR WAUSAU BECAUSE THEY DRAW FROM THE AQUIFER FOR THEIR TWO WELLS. THE GROWTH AROUND THEM WILL AFFECT THE AQUIFER. SHE SAID THE NEW SUBDIVISIONS MAY BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A CENTRALIZED WATER SYSTEM; BUT, THE MAJORITY OF GROWTH IS IN THE RURAL AREAS AND ARE STILL ON SEPTIC TANKS AND SO IS THE TOWN OF WAUSAU, EBRO, CARY- VILLE. OTHER THAN CHIPLEY, VERNON AND SUNNY HILLS, THERE IS NO SEWER SYSTEM; THIS IS GOING TO BE A BIG ISSUE IN THE FUTURE.

ANDY ANDREASON SAID AS FAR AS WASTE MANAGEMENT, MOST GROWTH AREAS NEEDS SOME SORT OF SPRAY FIELD OR ACQUISITION HAS TO OCCUR TO DISPOSE OF GRAY WATER IN A FLOOD; THERE SHOULD BE SOME PROVISION NEAR THE GROWTH AREAS WHERE THERE SHOULD BE SOME LAND SET ASIDE FOR GRAY WATER SO IT WON'T IMPACT THE AQUIFER. HE SAID THIS NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED FAIRLY EARLY, LOCATED AND SECURED WHILE IT IS AFFORDABLE AND AT THE SAME TIME THEY WILL NEED SOME STANDARDS FOR WHATEVER MAY BE REQUIRED OF THE STATE.

BRUCE SAID THAT ISSUE PROBABLY DEALT WITH A PREVIOUS ISSUE OF IDENTIFYING THINGS NOW, IDENTIFY LANDS NOW THAT ARE GOING TO BE WHERE THE POPULATION IS GOING TO BE IN THE FUTURE.

CARL SMITH SAID HE WAS WITH A COMPANY THAT HAS 107 WATER AND WASTE WATER SYSTEMS IN THE STATE. IT GETS DOWN TO WHAT THE COUNTY IS APPROVING AND NOT APPROVING WITH REGARDS TO DEVELOPMENT, SPECIFIC- ALLY RESIDENTIAL. HE SAID THEY NEED TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT THE STATE HAS UNDER THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WHAT IS CONTROLLABLE, WHAT IS NOT.

CARL SAID HE TRAVELLED THE STATE LOOKING AT PURCHASING PLANS AND TRY AND WORK WITH DEVELOPERS; ONE OF THE THINGS HE SEES IS GETTING UNDER THE RADAR OF REGULATIONS. A LOT OF ISSUES BEING BROUGHT UP TODAY AS FAR AS WHO IS BUILDING THESE PLANTS, NOT BUILDING THESE PLANTS, HOW THEY ARE ABLE TO GET OUT FROM UNDER REGULATION OTHER THAN THE STATE REGULATION WHICH DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH AT TIMES WITH REGARDS TO MAINTENANCE, WATER QUALITY, ETC. WHEN LOOKING AT THIS, THERE IS PROBABLY MORE IN THEIR APPROVAL PROCESS WITH THE COMMISSION OF WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE AND WHAT IS NOT IN REGARDS TO CENTRALIZED WATER, SEWER, RUNOFF, ETC. EVEN WITH THE GREEN SPACE, WHAT ARE THEIR STANDARDS FOR DEVELOPMENT ONCE THEY SAY THE LAND IS DEVELOPED. THEY WILL PUT THE DEVELOPMENT FORTH AND THEN IDENTIFY WHAT STANDARDS THE COUNTY WOULD WANT TO ENFORCE IN THAT. WHETHER THAT IS IN THEIR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR IF IT GOES IN THE DIRECTION OF WHAT THE COUNTY REGULATES AT THAT LEVEL. HE SAID A LOT OF THE ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT FOR INSTANCE IS: ARE YOU GOING TO ALLOW THE COUNTY TO START TRANSPORTING WATER IN OR OUT, LOOK AT A REGIONAL CONCEPT FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT OR FOR WATER MANAGEMENT.

CARL SAID IN THE CENTRAL PART OF FLORIDA AND SOUTH FLORIDA, IT IS GOING AWAY; IT IS GETTING INTO THE ASPECT NOW OF SURFACE WATER. HE SAID IF YOU THINK WATER CAN'T BE EXPENSIVE, WAIT UNTIL YOU START READING THE PAPERS ON THAT; EVENTUALLY IT IS GOING TO BE LIKE NATURAL GAS WHERE THEY WILL BE BRINGING IT OUT AND TRANSPORTING IT INTO THE STATE.

HE ADDRESSED WASHINGTON COUNTY HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO FIGURE OUT WHERE THEY ARE GOING; IF YOU DON'T HAVE WATER OR WASTE WATER DISPOSAL IN A CONTROLLABLE MANNER, YOU ARE NOT GOING TO HAVE DEVELOPMENT DOWN THE ROAD. THE ABILITY FOR SOME INDIVIDUAL TO PUT IN A FOUR INCH WELL FOR DEVELOPMENT WHERE THERE IS NO CENTRALIZED WATER, WHERE THERE IS SEPTIC, WHAT THE COUNTY IS ALLOWING BY THAT. IN THE STATE, IT IS NOW YOU DO NOT HAVE CONTROL BECAUSE THERE IS NO REGULATION OVER AN INDIVIDUAL'S SEPTIC OR WITH AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER A FOUR INCH WELL; SO WHAT THEY HAVE DONE IS GIVEN UP THE CONTROL OF THEIR RESOURCES.

BRUCE SAID HE WOULD PUT WHAT CARL ADDRESSED UNDER STANDARDS FOR DEVELOPMENT REGARDING INFRASTRUCTURE.

LINDA WALLER SAID URBAN SPRAWL IS AN ISSUE; DEVELOPERS COMING OUT TEN MILES IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE AND USING THE CLUSTERING PROVISIONS OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODES TO BUILD SUBDIVISIONS WHERE THERE ARE NO URBAN SERVICES AVAILABLE; THERE IS NO FIRE PROTECTION, AMBULANCE, CENTRAL WATER OR SEWAGE AND

IT IS EVEN DIFFICULT FOR SCHOOL BUSES TO GET TO. SHE SAID SHE WOULD LIKE TO RE-EVALUATE THE CLUSTERING PROVISION OF THE COMP PLAN AND URBAN SPRAWL.

BRUCE SAID THE STATUTES DOESN'T ALLOW URBAN SPRAWL AND DIS- COURAGE IT; A LOT OF WHAT LINDA SAID IS THE IDEA BEHIND THAT IS THE COST FOR GETTING THOSE SERVICES OUT THERE FALL BACK ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND LOCAL PROVIDER. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING THE NON-TANGIBLE COST OF HAVING THAT SEPARATION; THEY WOULD HAVE TO CREATE MORE ROAD TRIPS, STRESS ON THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT CLUSTERING THOSE NATURAL RESOURCE USES TOGETHER, ETC. IF PEOPLE WANT TO MAINTAIN WHAT THEY KNOW OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, NOT ONLY LIFESTYLE BUT IN QUALITY, THEY HAVE TO PURPOSELY IDENTIFY THOSE ISSUES AND THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE DOING TODAY. BUT, THEY ALSO HAVE TO PURPOSELY KNOW WHAT YOU WANT IT TO LOOK LIKE. HE SAID HE WAS HEARING THE PEOPLE SAY THEY WANT TO KEEP THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, BE ABLE TO HAVE THEIR OPEN SPACE, BE ABLE TO HAVE THEIR TRADITIONAL WAY OF LIFE; BUT, THEY ALSO NEED DEVELOPMENT, JOBS AND WANT TO MAKE SURE THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROVIDES FOR BOTH OF THOSE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE COUNTY ALSO WANTS TO MAINTAIN INDIVIDUALITY OF OUR KIDS AND OUR KIDS KIDS THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO MOVE INTO TOWN AND GET INTO A FOUR LOT SUBDIVISION ON AN ACRE TO BE ABLE TO LIVE. IF THEY WANT TO BUY TWO ACRES, FIVE ACRES OR WHATEVER THEY CAN, AND IF THAT IS ALL THEY CAN AFFORD TO DO, AND LIVE IN THE COUNTY RURAL AREA VERSUS LIVING UP TOWN. IF YOU GET AWAY COMPLETELY WITH URBAN SPRAWL, IF YOU HAVE TO OWN FORTY ACRES OR TEN ACRES, OR MOVE INTO A SUBDIVISION, THEY ARE PUTTING SOME CRITERIA ON OUR KIDS AFTER US THAT CAN'T LIVE UNLESS THEY HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY TWENTY OR FORTY ACRES OF PROPERTY. THERE IS GOOD AND BAD ABOUT THE CAN AND CAN'T USE URBAN SPRAWL; HE AGREES WITH URBAN SPRAWL AS FAR AS PUTTING A SEWAGE SYSTEM IN AND HAVING URBAN SPRAWL IN AN AREA THAT IS VERY REMOTE THATS AGAINST THE CRITERIA. GENERALI- ZATION OF BEING ABLE TO BUY A TWO ACRE PARCEL OF GROUND TO BE ABLE TO LIVE ON THAT LITTLE SPREAD BY YOURSELF VERSUS LIVING RIGHT UP TOWN. HE SAID YOU CREATE SOME OTHER PROBLEMS WHEN YOU PUT TOO MANY PEOPLE IN ONE PLACE; THERE IS MORE CRIME, THEFT, ETC. THEY WOULD ALSO BE CREATING AN ENVIRONMENT THAT DOES GENERATE MORE CRIME NATURED TYPE INDIVIDUALS. HE THINKS YOU GROW A BETTER PERSON IF YOU CAN ALLOW THEM TO HAVE SOME ELBOW ROOM VERSUS TRYING TO CONCENTRATE THEM ALL IN ONE SPOT AND STILL HELP CONSERVE NATURAL RESOURCES.

BRUCE CLARIFIED URBAN SPRAWL REALLY IDENTIFIES THOSE INITIATIVES THAT WOULD TAKE EXISTING OPEN SPACE, GREEN SPACE THEY CALL IT, AND POP IN A 5,000 UNIT SUBDIVISION BETWEEN CHIPLEY AND NOWHERE. THE IDEA IS THAT YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOUR GROWTH WHERE YOUR GROWTH ALREADY IS. IF YOU ALREADY HAVE MUNICIPALITIES, YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE THE MUNICIPALITIES TO HANDLE GROWTH. IF CHIPLEY IS THE COUNTY SEAT AND CHIPLEY IS GOING TO GROW, A PERSON WHO WANTS TO LIVE IN THAT KIND OF ENVIRONMENT, LET THEM LIVE THERE, PROVIDE FOR THAT AND PROVIDE FOR THOSE FOLKS THAT WANT TO LIVE OUT IN THE INNER LANDS, HAVE THEIR TWO ACRES OR FIVE ACRES, ETC. IT ALL COMES DOWN TO THE LAND USES THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT. HE SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY IS A LARGE ENOUGH COUNTY THEY CAN ACCOMODATE DIFFERENT LIFE STYLES WITHOUT HAVING TO ENCROACH UPON EACH OTHER.

ANOCH COMMENDED THE COUNTY FOR STARTING ON TIME WITH EAR. SHE LIKES WHAT SHE IS HEARING; WHAT THE CITIZENS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS ARE EXPRESSING ARE THINGS WHEN LINDA SENDS FL-DCA COMP PLAN AMENDMENTS, FL-DCA WILL HAVE TO ADDRESS THEM. SHE ADDRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF SPRING SHED PROTECTION, AQUIFER PROTECTION. AFTER REVIEW OF THE COUNTY'S COMP PLAN, SHE SAID THE ELEMENTS THAT NEED THE MOST WORK ARE THE CONSERVATION ELEMENT, RECREATION ELEMENT AND TRAFFIC ELEMENT.

SHE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAVING VERY GOOD NATURAL RESOURCES; SHE ENCOURAGED THE BOARD NOT TO BE AFRAID TO PUT INTO POLICY TO PROTECT THOSE NATURAL RESOURCES. SHE POINTED OUT, WHEN THE COUNTY DOES THEIR POPULATION PROJECTIONS TO ASSESS THEIR LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS ALL THEIR CURRENT ADOPTED LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARDS IS A REFLECTION OF WHAT THEIR ANTICIPATION OF POPULATION COMING IN. SHE ADDRESSED THE NEED TO EVALUATE THEIR LEVEL OF SERVICES BASED ON ALL THE DATA ANALYSIS.

ON URBAN SPRAWL, IT IS NOT LIMITED TO RESIDENTIAL; YOU CAN ALSO HAVE COMMERCIAL URBAN SPRAWL. ANOCH RECOMMENDED THE BOARD LOOK AT BOTH KINDS OF URBAN SPRAWL.

IN REGARDS TO PROTECTING AG AND HORTICULTURE USES, ANOCH ASKED IF THE COUNTY HAS A UTILITY SERVICE MAP AND SAID THAT MAY BE SOME- THING THEY WANT TO LOOK AT. THEY MAY WANT TO LOOK AT URBAN SERVICE AREAS THAT GO WITH POTENTIAL GROWTH.

SHE ADDRESSED FL-DCA HAS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND SPRING SHED PROTECTION.

JERRY BROCK ADDRESSED AN ISSUE OF RIGHT OF WAY UTILITIES AND FELT THE COUNTY OUGHT TO LOOK AT THE USE OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES.

LINDA ADDRESSED THE ISSUE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. STACY WEBB, COUNTY GRANTSPERSON, SAID THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

LINDA SAID THE COUNTY NEEDED TO LOOK AT INCENTIVES, TAX BREAKS, ETC. OR WHATEVER IT TAKES TO GET THE DEVELOPERS TO BUILD AFFORDABLE HOUSES.

BRUCE INDICATED THIS WAS A STATE WIDE ISSUE; BUT, IT IS A HARD THING TO ADDRESS ON A VERY WIDE BASIS. BRUCE SAID HE WAS NOT TRYING TO DISCOURAGE ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE; BUT, JUST KNOW IT IS NOT NECESSARILY GOING TO BE TAKEN CARE OF IN THE FIRST TIME THEY TRY TO ADDRESS IT.

STACY ADDRESSED FLORIDA HOUSING DOES ENCOURAGE DEVELOPERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM WHERE THEY HAVE A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF DISCOUNT ON THEIR TAXES. THEY ARE A LOT OF THOSE DEVELOPERS APPLYING IN THOSE PROGRAMS DOWN SOUTH; HOWEVER, SHE CAN'T GET ANY INTEREST HERE.

ANOCH ADDRESSED AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITH BRUCE SUMMARIZING IT AS THEY COULD UTILIZE THE MEDIUM INCOME, LOW/MEDIUM INCOME LEVELS AS THEIR THRESHOLD TO DEFINE AFFORDABLE; SO, WHAT THEY CAN AFFORD WITHIN THEIR INCOME LEVEL WOULD BE THAT AND THEN THEY WOULD USE THAT. ANOCH SAID THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME POLICY FOR FL-DCA TO LOOK AT BASED ON THESE CRITERIA FOR THE THRESHOLD.

BRUCE SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY WOULD PUT IN THE COUNTY'S POLICY, THE THRESHOLD AMOUNTS RATHER THAN THE DEVELOPER COMING IN AND DETERMINING WHAT LEVEL OF INCOME SOMEONE HAS. THE COUNTY COULD ESTABLISH THEIR DATA SOURCE FOR MAKING THE DETERMINATIONS OF THRESHOLD INCOME AMOUNTS.

BRUCE SUMMARIZED THE ISSUES THAT WERE ADDRESSED:

- A. LAND USE
- B. WATER
- C. TRANSPORTATION
- D. OPEN SPACE RECREATION
- E. INFRASTRUCTURE
- F. AFFORDABLE HOUSING

HE SAID THE COUNTY WOULD BE LOOKING AT EVALUATING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT, CONSERVATION ELEMENT, RECREATION ELEMENT, HOUSING ELEMENT AND TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT. HE AGREED TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN SUMMARY TO LINDA TO DISBURSE AND ASKED EVERYONE PRESENT TO SIGN THE EAR WORKSHOP SIGN IN SHEET.

THE EAR WORKSHOP WAS CONCLUDED. ATTEST: _____

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

APRIL 26, 2007

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS SAPP, STRICKLAND, HOLMAN, FINCH AND PATE PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK CARTER WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

SHERIFF HADDOCK PROCLAIMED THE MEETING. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER OFFERED PRAYER AND COMMISSIONER HOLMAN LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 16, NOVEMBER 21, DECEMBER 21, 2006 AND JANUARY 16, 2007.

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

A. FLORIDA INTEROPERABILITY NETWORK TO ALLOW COMMUNICATIONS TO CONTINUE WITHOUT INTERRUPTION DURING EMERGENCIES OR ACROSS JURISDICTIONS.

B. N.I.T.V. INVOICE FOR \$7,795 FOR A COMPUTER VOICE STRESS ANALYZER II FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT; COST TO COME FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT III

C. WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING, WIND RETROFIT CONTRACT FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING

D. 2007 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PREPAREDNESS ASSISTANCE BASE GRANT MODIFICATION TOTTALLING \$11,193

E. FLORIDA MEDIA, INC. INVOICE FOR \$10,213.98 FOR TDC ADVERTISEMENTS

G. PURCHASE 2007 CHEVROLET TRAILBLAZER FOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; ADMINISTRATOR'S EXPEDITION WAS TRANSFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS SHOP AND A FOUR WHEEL DRIVE PICK-UP WAS THEN TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW SPECIAL PROJECTS SUPERVISOR.

H. CHANGES TO COUNTY MAINTAINED ROADS LIST; WEBB WAY AND GODWIN LANE NEED TO BE REMOVED FROM COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD LIST.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ITEM F ON THE CONSENT AGENDA PURSUANT TO A REQUEST FROM COMMISSIONER FINCH. FINCH THOUGHT THE FEMA GRANT FOR NWFCH WAS FOR \$1,000,000. THIS FIGURE IS \$1,210,694 UNDER ITEM F AND HE QUESTIONED IF THIS WAS WHAT THE FEMA GRANT AMOUNT HAD BEEN THE WHOLE TIME.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT THOUGHT THE ACTUAL FEMA PART WAS 75%, WHICH WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$900,000 AND THE 25% WOULD BRING IT UP TO \$1.2 MILLION. FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE 25% MATCH WAS COMING FROM THE LOAN NWFCH HAD RECEIVED A WHILE BACK. HE WAS ADVISED THE MATCH WAS COMING FROM THE LOAN FOR NWFCH THE BOARD HAD PREVIOUSLY APPROVED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ITEM F ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

F. NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, WIND RETROFIT PROJECT

WILLIAM CUSHMAN-SUNNY HILLS DEPENDENT DISTRICT: MR. CUSHMAN OWNED A LOT IN THE DEPENDENT DISTRICT IN UNIT 12, WHICH IS ADJACENT TO A 160 ACRE PARCEL HE ALSO OWNS THAT IS ZONED AGRICULTURE. HE BOUGHT THE LOT FOUR YEARS AGO WHEN THEY BOUGHT THE PROPERTIES FROM ST. JOE LAND COMPANY IN ORDER TO OBTAIN LEGAL ACCESS TO THE ACREAGE. HE CAME BEFORE THE WCPC IN APRIL 2003, EXPLAINED THE SITUATION TO THEM AND THEY AGREED TO AUTHORIZE A DRIVEWAY ACROSS THE SUNNY HILLS LOT AT THAT TIME. HE HAS RECEIVED A BILL FOR \$18,000+, WHICH IF HE PAYS IT OFF YEARLY, IT ADDS UP TO \$41,000+ OVER THE NEXT THIRTY YEARS.

MR. CUSHMAN REQUESTED THE LAND USE DESIGNATION ON THE LOT IN THE SUNNY HILLS DEPENDENT DISTRICT BE CHANGED TO AGRICULTURE BECAUSE IT IS ADJOINING THE AGRICULTURE LAND HE OWNS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE CHANGE IN THE LAND USE DESIGNATION WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AND PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD.

LINDA WALLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON SUCH REQUESTS HAVING BEEN DENIED IN THE PAST BY THE WCPC IN THE PLATTED SUBDIVISION WHERE SOMEONE IS TRYING TO AVOID PAYING TAXES OR SOME TYPE OF ASSESSMENT ON IT. SHE EXPLAINED PLAT VACATION FOR THAT PURPOSE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE CONDUSIVE TO GOOD SUBDIVISION PLANNING; ANYONE WHO OWNED A LOT IN A SUBDIVISION COULD COME IN AND REQUEST A VACATION OF PLAT BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO PAY THEIR TAXES ON IT OR THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION FEES, ETC.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THIS BEING PART OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SUNNY HILLS DEPENDENT DISTRICT. AT THAT TIME, HE SAID THERE WERE OTHER PEOPLE THAT HAD THE SAME SITUATION. THE PEOPLE THAT WERE SPEAKING ON FLOATING THE BOND

AND DOING THE DEVELOPMENT HAD TOLD THE PEOPLE TO MEET WITH THEM; HE TOOK IT THEY WOULD BUY THE PEOPLE OUT IF THAT IS WHAT THE PEOPLE WANTED.

MR. CUSHMAN REITERATED THE LOT IN THE DEPENDENT DISTRICT WAS HIS ONLY LEGAL ACCESS. COMMISSIONER FINCH FELT LIKE NRPI WOULD WORK SOMETHING OUT WITH MR. CUSHMAN IF HE WOULD GO AND TALK WITH THEM.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED COULDN'T MR. CUSHMAN SALE THE LOT TO NRPI AND STILL MAINTAIN THE ACCESS TO HIS PROPERTY. LINDA REPORTED THAT IS AN AGREEMENT MR. CUSHMAN AND THE DEVELOPER OR BUYER WOULD HAVE TO WORK OUT. THEY COULD BUY THE LOT AND STILL GRANT MR. CUSHMAN AN EASEMENT TO CROSS THE PROPERTY; THE PLAT WOULD STILL REMAIN IN TACT.

WHEN MR. CUSHMAN SAID THE LOT WAS ONLY 80' WIDE AND WOULD BE PRETTY USELESS FOR ANYTHING ELSE AND HE DOESN'T KNOW IF NRPI WOULD BUY IT. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID NRPI COULD PROBABLY ADD THE LOT TO THE GREEN SPACE THEY ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID PROBABLY THE BEST THING TO DO WOULD BE TO SELL IT TO THE DEVELOPER OR DONATE IT TO A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION AND RETAIN HIS EASEMENT TO GET TO HIS OTHER PROPERTY. IT PROBABLY SEEMS LIKE AN ENDLESS ROAD TO TRY AND REACH TO GET A LAND USE CHANGE ON IT; AN ALTERNATE ROUTE WOULD PROBABLY BE THE BEST SOLUTION.

SHERIFF HADDOCK ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE OLD WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL BEING DELAPIDATED AND AN EYE SORE. THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAS LOOKED AT IT AS FAR AS THE HISTORICAL VALUE AND SENT A LETTER SAYING IT WAS NOT FEASIBLE FOR THEM TO DO WHAT THEY COULD DO WITH IT. HADDOCK SAID IT WAS NOT STRUCTURALLY SOUND FOR THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT TO DO ANYTHING WITH IT.

HADDOCK HAD A U.S. MARSHAL FROM TALLAHASSEE TO COME AND DO A WALK THROUGH AND A STUDY OF THE COURTHOUSE AND SAFETY. THE MARSHAL SAID THE OLD COUNTY JAIL WAS A SAFETY ISSUE AS FAR AS THE SECURITY FOR THE COURTHOUSE.

HADDOCK SAID THEY WERE TRYING TO WORK WITH THE JUDGES, COURT ADMINISTRATOR AND CLERK COOK TO PURSUE GRANTS TO SECURE THE COURT- HOUSE. HE REQUESTED NOW OR IN THE FUTURE, A PLAN CAN BE DEVELOPED TO DEMOLISH THE OLD COUNTY JAIL.

COMMISSIONER SAPP FELT HADDOCK'S REQUEST WAS A VERY GOOD IDEA; IT IS REALLY A HAZARD WHERE IT IS AT AND IS USING UP SPACE NEEDED TO UTILIZE TO PROVIDE JAIL SERVICES.

HADDOCK ADDRESSED THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY HAD REQUESTED THE BRICKS BE SAVED IF POSSIBLE. HADDOCK AGREED SAVING THE BRICK WAS A GOOD IDEA SHOULD THEY DECIDE TO FACADE THE COURTHOUSE. HE ALSO ADDRESSED MAKING A PLAQUE OUT OF SOME OF THE BRICKS BECAUSE IT WAS ONE OF THE OLDEST WORKING JAILS WHEN IT WAS SHUT DOWN ABOUT SEVEN YEARS AGO.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE BOARD THEY WOULD NEED TO DEVELOP A PLAN ON HOW TO DEMOLISH THE OLD JAIL; THEIR VOTE WOULD BE TO DEVELOP A PLAN AND DEMOLISH IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO DEMOLISH THE OLD WASHINGTON COUNTY JAIL AND IF FEASIBLE, SALVAGE THE BRICK.

PASTOR JAMES BARWICK WAS ON THE AGENDAED AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE INTERSECTION AT ORANGE HILL AND PIONEER HIGHWAY; BUT, WAS NOT PRESENT.

ITEM D-CRYSTAL VILLAGE ROAD-VERONICA GRANT WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.

CAROL GRIFFIN, SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER HAVING VERY RECENTLY REPLACED PART OF THEIR VOTING EQUIPMENT WITH TOUCH SCREEN AS THEY WERE MANDATED TO PROVIDE TOUCH SCREENS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE HANDICAP, THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. SHE EXPLAINED THEY DID THAT WITH A TOUCH SCREEN THAT DID NOT HAVE A VOTER VERIFIABLE PAPER RECEIPT ON THE SIDE OF IT. THAT WAS BECAUSE FLORIDA DID NOT HAVE ONE CERTIFIED AND WOULD NOT ALLOW ONE TO BE CERTIFIED IN THE STATE. THE STATE HAS GONE BACK NOW AND HAS MANDATED THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS HAS TO HAVE A PAPER RECEIPT. THE COST TO HAVE THE THIRTY TOUCH SCREEN UNITS RETROFITTED WOULD BE \$1200 PER UNIT. BECAUSE IT IS MANDATED, THE STATE WILL PAY FOR ONE UNIT PER PRECINCT; THAT WILL LEAVE THE COUNTY WITH ELEVEN UNITS WHICH WILL NEED TO BE RETROFITTED AT A COST OF \$13,200.

CAROL SAID THE POSITIVE SIDE OF THAT IS THEY MADE A DECISION TO KEEP THEIR PAPER BALLOT READER AND THEIR TOUCH SCREEN; SOME COUNTIES OPTED TO MOVE FORWARD SINCE THAT WAS WHERE TECHNOLOGY WAS GOING AND DID A COMPLETE EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT. THE CURRENT VENDOR WHO PROVIDES THEIR PAPER BALLOT SCANNER IS NO LONGER GOING TO SUPPORT THESE; THEY ARE ANEQUATED IN THEIR BOOK AND DO NOT SALE THE EQUIPMENT ANYMORE. THEY SOLD THEIR RIGHTS TO THE EQUIPMENT TO ANOTHER VENDOR WHO OPTED TO NO LONGER PRODUCE THEM AND PRODUCED SOMETHING VERY SIMILAR. THEREFORE, THE PAPER BALLOT SCANNERS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE REPLACED AT THE END OF 2008; THE NEW UNITS WILL COST \$5,775 PER UNIT FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$173,250.

CAROL EXPLAINED THERE WAS SOME BAD PUBLICITY OUT THERE; THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE RUDIO ISSUED A PUBLIC STATEMENT SAYING THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS MADE THESE PURCHASES VERY HASTILY AND MADE SOME BAD JUDGEMENT CALLS. HE FAILED TO TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY THE HOUSE AND SENATE MANDATED THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS HAD TO PURCHASE THE TOUCH SCREENS. CAROL SAID AS A STATE, THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS DID WHAT THEY HAD TO DO; IT WAS WHAT WAS MANDATED AT THE TIME AND NOW THERE ARE CHANGES THAT ARE IN PLACE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF THERE WERE GRANTS THAT COULD POSSIBLY COVER ANY OF THIS. CAROL REITERATED THE ONLY THING THE STATE IS GOING TO PAY FOR IS WHAT IS MANDATED AND EVEN WHEN IT IS MANDATED, LIKE THE TOUCH SCREENS, WAS FUNDED AT 50%. SHE STATED AGAIN THE STATE WOULD FUND \$1200 PER UNIT FOR ONE UNIT PER PRECINCT; WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS THIRTY UNITS SO THE STATE WILL PAY FOR NINETEEN UNITS. SHE SAID THEY DON'T HAVE TO REPLACE THE PAPER BALLOT READERS FOR THE NEXT ELECTION CYCLE; BUT, WILL HAVE TO DO IT BEFORE THE 2010 ELECTION. THE COST MAY INCREASE IF THE COUNTY DECIDES TO WAIT.

SHE SAID THE FIRST PRICE QUOTE THEY RECEIVED WAS \$7200 PER UNIT; BUT, BECAUSE THE STATE AS A WHOLE WILL BE REPLACING THEM AT THE SAME TIME, THEY HAD OFFERED THE STATE A DISCOUNT IF THEY WANTED TO PURCHASE THEM WITHIN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS AT \$5,775 PER UNIT. SHE STATED SHE COULDN'T TELL THE BOARD WHAT THOSE UNITS WILL COST IF THEY CHOOSE TO WAIT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED HOW MANY MORE CHANGES WERE THERE GOING TO BE BETWEEN NOW AND 2010. CAROL SAID EVERYTIME THERE IS A NEW GROUP OF LAWMAKERS GOING IN SESSION, IT IS ANYBODY'S GUESS ON WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN. SHE WAS EXTREMELY SHOCKED BECAUSE ALL THE ADVOCATES WHO WERE OUT THERE SCREAMING FOR THE TOUCH SCREENS HAVE SUDDENLY FALLEN OFF THE FACE OF THE EARTH; THEY ARE NO LONGER THERE FIGHTING FOR WHAT THEY HAD WANTED. THERE IS A NEW GROUP NOW SAYING THEY WANT THESE PAPER RECEIPTS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID WITH THE UNCERTAINTY OF WHERE OUR TAX SYSTEM IS GOING AND WHAT MIGHT OR MIGHT NOT BE AVAILABLE, THE BOARD DOESN'T NEED TO OBLIGATE \$173,000. LIKE COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAD SAID, THEY MAY PURCHASE THESE AND THE STATE CHANGE THEIR MIND AND WANT SOMETHING DIFFERENT NEXT YEAR. EVEN THOUGH IT MIGHT COST MORE IF THEY WAIT, FINCH SAID THEY NEED TO WAIT AS LONG AS THEY CAN TO SEE EXACTLY WHAT IT IS AND BITE THE BULLET AT THAT TIME. HE SAID HE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW IF THEY WOULD EVEN HAVE THE MONEY.

CAROL SAID LOOKING AT A BIGGER PICTURE, SHE THOUGHT THIS FISCAL YEAR WOULD BE A BETTER TIME TO PURCHASE THE EQUIPMENT; BUT, THAT IS THE BOARD'S CALL TO MAKE. SHE SAID AS TO WHAT THEY THINK THE FINANCING WILL BE IN THE FUTURE, SHE THOUGHT THEY HAD SOMETHING COLLECTED THIS YEAR THEY LIKELY WON'T BE COLLECTING IN THE FUTURE AND CERTAINLY NOT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED CAROL HAVING SAID THE PRICES SHE QUOTED WOULD BE GOOD FOR TWELVE MONTHS; SO, THEY HAVE TIME TO BUDGET IT IN THE UPCOMING BUDGET YEAR.

CAROL ASKED THE BOARD TO TAKE IT INTO CONSIDERATION TO DO A PARTIAL PURCHASE OF THE EQUIPMENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED THE COUNTY GETTING MANDATES TO DO DIFFERENT TYPE OF VOTING MACHINES, ETC.; BUT, THE STATE DOESN'T LET THEM HAVE A SAY SO ON HOW THE TAXES ARE GOING TO WORK.

CAROL AGREED AND REFERRED TO THEM HAVING SPENT ABOUT \$180,000 FOR THE TOUCH SCREENS BUYING WHAT THEY BASICALLY HAD TO HAVE AS A MINIMUM AND THE STATE SUBMITTED THEIR FUNDING, WHICH CAME TO AROUND \$85,000.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE COULD PROBABLY SEE FUNDING THE \$13,200; BUT, THE NEW PAPER BALLOT SCANNERS WOULD BE UP IN THE AIR UNTIL THE BOARD MAKES A LATER DECISION ON IT. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD REVISIT CAROL'S REQUEST IN A COUPLE OF MONTHS SO THEY WILL HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THEY HAVE IN THEIR BUDGET. CAROL AGREED TO REVISIT THE BOARD AFTER THE SESSION IS OVER ON MAY 4TH.

COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT:

1. HENRY LANE-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING RECEIVED APPROVAL FROM VMS IN MARIANNA FOR THE LAST PART OF THE NORTHERN TRUST AGREEMENT. BRUCE SMITH WHO LIVES ON THE CORNER THERE HAS CALLED HIM SEVERAL TIMES AND EVERYTIME THEY TALK, BRUCE SAYS HE WILL CALL HIM WHEN HE GETS A BREAK AND MEET AT HENRY LANE TO GO OVER THE INTERSECTION ALIGNMENT. IT IS GOING TO BE MUCH BIGGER THAN WHAT IS DOWN THERE NOW.

2. SCRAP AND SCOP PROJECTS-CLIFF REPORTED THE BOARD HAS TO TURN IN TWO SCRAP AND TWO SCOP PROJECTS; SCRAP IS 100% GRANT AND SCOP IS 75%/25% MATCH. FL-DOT WAIVED THE 25% MATCH FOR THE COUNTY LAST FUNDING CYCLE; BUT, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THEY WILL WAIVE THE MATCH ON THE FUTURE PROJECTS. HE SUGGESTED IF IT IS A LARGE PROJECT WITH SUBSTANTIAL COST, THEY WANT TO APPLY UNDER THE SCRAP PROJECTS SO IT WILL BE FUNDED AT 100%; THE SMALLER PROJECTS SHOULD BE FUNDED UNDER SCOP BECAUSE THEY MAY BE REQUIRED TO FUND THE 25% MATCH.

CLIFF SAID HE HAD TALKED WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND, COMMISSIONER PATE AND A LITTLE WITH COMMISSIONER HOLMAN; BUT, HE HAS NOT TALKED WITH COMMISSIONER FINCH OR SAPP. HE WAS BEGINNING TO GO OVER THE ROADS THAT HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED SO FAR WHEN COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED HIM WHAT HE WAS TALKING ABOUT. WHEN CLIFF SAID THE SCRAP AND SCOP PROJECTS, FINCH SAID HE THOUGHT THEY WAS GOING TO GET THE LIST FROM CECELIA AS SHE WAS GOING TO GET THE ROUGHNESS ON THE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID SHE HAD GOTTEN IT ON HIGHWAY 279 YESTERDAY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THEY WERE HOPING THE MATRIX WOULD BE READY FOR THE BOARD TO LOOK AT; BUT, THE ROADS THAT WERE AT THE TOP OF THE LIST, THERE WERE SOME PROBLEMS WITH THE NUMBER OF HOUSES A MILE.

CLIFF SAID THERE ARE TWO LISTS; A PAVED ROAD AND AN UNPAVED ROAD LIST. CECELIA HASN'T STARTED DOING HER RATINGS FOR THE PAVED ROAD LIST.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND THAT; SHE HAS HAD THAT MACHINE FOR A YEAR NOW AND ASKED WHY DIDN'T THEY HAVE SOMETHING FROM CECELIA.

CLIFF ADDRESSED HER HAVING GONE AND DONE THE ROADS THEY HAD TALKED ABOUT ON WEDNESDAY. IF THE BOARD COMES UP WITH A LIST, THEY CAN GET HER TO RUN THE ONES THEY COME UP WITH. COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL UNDER THE SCRAP AND SCOP PROGRAMS. CLIFF ADVISED IT WAS NEXT TUESDAY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD UNDERSTOOD CECELIA WAS CONTINUOUSLY OUT RUNNING THE ROADS AND DETERMINING WHAT WAS ROUGH, ETC. AND THOUGHT THAT WAS WHAT THEY HAD PURCHASED THE TRUCK FOR. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID IT WAS; SHE HAS BEEN DOING A LOT OF TRAINING ON IT, CELEBRATING IT, ETC.; BUT, THERE ARE ONLY A FEW ROADS THAT HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN RUN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE CALLED IN AT 8:00 A.M. YESTERDAY MORNING AND CECELIA GOT THROUGH ABOUT 6:30 P.M. FOR THREE MILES OF ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE WHOLE IDEA BEHIND BUYING THAT TRUCK FOR CECELIA WAS SHE WAS GOING TO DO THE COUNTY ROADS AND THEN GO OUT AND CONTRACT WITH OTHER COUNTIES TO DO THEIR ROADS. HE ADDRESSED THEM HAVING SPENT \$70,000+ FOR THAT TRUCK.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WAS COMING BACK FROM GILBERTS MILL PIT AND MET CECELIA GOING DOWN ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY ONE DAY.

CLIFF SAID THERE WERE ABOUT 400 TO 500 PAVED ROADS CECELIA IS GOING TO HAVE TO DO AND IT IS GOING TO TAKE A LONG TIME. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY WOULDN'T GET ANY ROADS DONE IF SHE DIDN'T GET STARTED; COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAD TO ASK FOR HER TO DO HIS ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THIS WAS SUPPOSE TO BE A TWO YEAR PROJECT AND THEY WOULD BE THROUGH WITH THAT.

CLIFF SAID THE ROADS THAT HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION THUSFAR WERE:

1. HWY 279 FROM I-10 SOUTH THREE MILES WHICH TAKES YOU ALMOST TO CEDAR ROAD. CECELIA RAN IT AND THE RESULTS SHOW IT RANKS HIGHER COMPARED TO THE SCRAP PROJECTS THE STATE AWARDED LAST YEAR FOR THE ROUGHNESS THEY USED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAD SUGGESTED, SINCE HIGHWAY 279 GOES ALL THE WAY TO HIGHWAY 77, MAYBE THEY SHOULD PICK UP WHERE THE CONSTRUCTION STOPPED IN FRONT OF THE BALLFIELDS ON 279 AND RUN IT 7.3 MILES FROM THERE TO HIGHWAY 77. THAT WOULD MAKE THAT PROJECT 10.3 MILES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT WOULD PROBABLY BE A GOOD ROAD TO SUBMIT BECAUSE THERE IS GOING TO BE A LOT MORE TRAFFIC UTILIZING IT. HE QUESTIONED HOW WIDE WAS THAT ROAD. CLIFF SAID THE SECTION THEY MEASURED YESTERDAY WAS 22'; THE REST OF THE SECTION HE DOESN'T KNOW BECAUSE IT HASN'T BEEN MEASURED YET.

2. SMALL SECTION ON OLD BONIFAY HIGHWAY FROM GRIFFIN ROAD BACK TO THE EAST TO THE CITY LIMITS; THIS PROJECT WOULD BE SMALL AND MIGHT BE BETTER TO SUBMIT FOR SCOP FUNDING. COMMISSIONER PATE HAD MENTIONED THIS PROJECT.

3. STATE PARK TO HIGHWAY 77-THEY PREVIOUSLY APPLIED FOR STATE PARK ROAD FROM THE PARK ALL THE WAY OUT TO HIGHWAY 77 AND IT RANKED VERY LOW. THE COUNTY WAS LIKE 12 TO 13 PLACES BELOW IN THE RANKINGS TO BE ABLE TO GET FUNDING. HE WASN'T SURE IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO SUBMIT IT AGAIN. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN HAD SUGGESTED SUBMITTING THIS ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH REITERATED HE THOUGHT THEY WERE GOING TO RUN ALL THE ROADS AND KNOW IN ADVANCE WHAT THE ROUGHNESS WAS AND SEND IN THE ONES THAT WOULD MOST LIKELY BE FUNDED.

CLIFF SAID THEY ARE SORT OF DOING THAT; BUT, SORT OF IN A RUSH METHOD.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR CECELIA TO RUN THAT STRETCH OF BONNET POND FROM MUD HILL WHICH IS ONLY ABOUT A MILE. CLIFF SAID THAT WAS PIONEER ROAD TO MUD HILL BASICALLY; THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD SCOP PROJECT ALSO.

CLIFF SAID THE TWO SCOP PROJECTS WOULD BE OLD BONIFAY AND BONNET POND; THE SCRAP WILL BE HIGHWAY 279 AND THEY NEED ONE MORE. HE TOLD THE BOARD THEY SUBMIT TWO PROJECTS FOR EACH; HOWEVER, THE COUNTY WILL ONLY BE AWARDED ONE PROJECT. HE SAID AS LONG AS HE KNOWS WHAT THE TWO SCRAP PROJECTS ARE, HE CAN START PUTTING HIS INFORMATION TOGETHER FOR SUBMITTAL ON TUESDAY. IF THE BOARD WANTS TO DECIDE ON AN ALTERNATE FOR SCRAP, GET WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND LET HERBERT ADVISE HIM OF WHAT THEIR ALTERNATE FOR SCRAP IS, HE CAN ADD IT TO THEIR LIST; ON SCOP, HE CAN START WORKING TOMORROW TO GET THE COST ESTIMATES TOGETHER.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO SUBMIT OLD BONIFAY ROAD AND BONNET POND ROAD UNDER SCOP, 10.3 MILES ON HIGHWAY 279 AND AN ALTERNATE ROAD THE COMMISSIONERS IS TO ADVISE ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND HERBERT IS TO ADVISE CLIFF UNDER SCRAP.

3. SEWELL FARM ROAD PAVING CONTRACT-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON A PRICE THEY RECEIVED FROM ANDERSON COLUMBIA TO PAVE THE ENTIRE 10,800 LINEAR FEET WITH 1.5" ASPHALT; THE QUOTE CAME IN AT \$144,000 TO GO TO ROCK HILL CHURCH ROAD. HE WAS ASKED TO GO BACK TO ANDERSON COLUMBIA TO SEE WHAT IT WOULD COST TO GO FROM BRICKYARD ROAD TO THE END WHICH IS ABOUT 7500 LINEAR FEET; THE QUOTE CAME IN AT \$96,000.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE HAD \$57,000 TO GO TOWARD THE SEWELL FARM ROAD PAVING PROJECT. CLIFF SAID THE PAVING CREW HAD GONE IN AND WIDENED IT WHERE THEY CAN, DONE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND ARE STILL GOING TO DO A FINISH CLIP ON IT AND GET DENSITY ON IT. ORIGINALLY THE INTENT WAS TO GO PAVE WHAT WAS OUT THERE WITH AN INCH OF ASPHALT; THEY HAVE GONE IN AND MIXED IT SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO WASTE ASPHALT ON THE ROUGH SURFACE, STABILIZED IT, WIDENED IT AND WORKED ON COMPACTING IT. WHEN THEY DO GO PAVE IT, THEY WILL HAVE A PRETTY GOOD ROAD COMPARED TO WHAT THEY WOULD HAVE HAD OTHERWISE. ONE REASON THERE IS A DIFFERENCE IN THE COST IS ORIGINALLY THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT AN INCH OF ASPHALT. IF THEY PUT DOWN AN 1.5", THEY WILL BASICALLY HAVE THE SAME THING THEY WILL HAVE

ON NEW CONSTRUCTION JOBS AND HAVE SOMETHING THAT IS GOING TO BE THERE FOR A WHILE AS OPPOSED TO A PATCH OVER A PATCH.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THERE WERE TWO CHURCHES OUT THAT WAY; ROCK HILL CHURCH AND WHAT USE TO BE THE OLD CALVARY TEMPLE. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO PAVE SEWELL FARM ROAD TO ROCK HILL CHURCH ROAD AND FROM THERE TO THE CHURCH IS MILLED ASPHALT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE ROAD BED OUT THERE NOW IS IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE. CLIFF AGREED SINCE IT HAS BEEN MIXED, IT IS IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE; THEY HAD PLASTIC CLAYS THAT WERE REMOVED IN TWO LOCATIONS THAT HAD ALSO BEEN A PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRED TO PRIOR COMMISSIONER CORBIN HAVING STARTED THAT PROJECT A WHILE BACK AND PUT MILLED ASPHALT ON IT; IF YOU INCORPORATE THE MILLED ASPHALT COST AND TODAY'S PRICE FOR PAVING IT, INSTEAD OF MILLED ASPHALT, THEY PROBABLY COULD HAVE PAVED IT. HE SAID HE CAN'T RECOLLECT ANY MONIES BEING USED FOR PAVING OTHER THAN \$27,000 THEY HAD THERE AND PART OF THAT HAD TO BE SPENT FOR DRAINAGE IMPLEMENTATION ON ROCHE ROAD. IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO TAKE MONIES OUT OF SOMETHING AS FAR AS ONCOMING USES OUT OF LAND SALES, SAPP SAID TO GO AHEAD AND DIVIDE OUT THOSE MONIES BETWEEN ALL FIVE DISTRICTS AND LET IT GO AS FAR AS IT GOES. WHEN HE GETS READY TO DO SOMETHING, HE WILL HAVE SOMETHING TO DO SOMETHING WITH. BUT, IF THEY KEEP DIVIDING IT OUT HERE AND THERE AND A DISTRICT NEVER GETS ANY OF THESE MONIES AND IT ALL GOES TO ONE DISTRICT OR ANOTHER, THAT DISTRICT HAS BEEN SHORTCHANGED. IF THEY ARE GOING TO TAKE IT OUT OF LAND SALES AND THEY HAVE "X" NUMBER OF DOLLARS IN THERE TO USE FOR PAVING, DIVIDE IT UP BETWEEN THE DISTRICTS AND EACH COMMISSIONER CAN DO WHAT THEY WOULD WITH THEIR MONEY WITH BOARD APPROVAL. EACH COMMISSIONER WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOMETHING TO WORK WITH THEMSELVES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH NOTED HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY FUNDS BECAUSE HE SPENT ALL OF HIS ON ROLLING PINES, LEISURE LAKES AND SEVERAL LITTLE PROJECTS HE HAD.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO TAKE THE LAND SALES MONIES, HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT MONEY GO FOR AN AMBULANCE STATION. HE FEELS AN AMBULANCE STATION IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN DIRT ROADS THAT HAVE BEEN THERE FOR A WHILE. HE STATED THEY NEED AN AMBULANCE STATION ON THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY; WITH THE MONIES THE STATE MAY GIVE THE COUNTY THIS YEAR, THEY WOULD HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO DO SOMETHING WITH INSTEAD OF DIVIDING OUT THE MONEY BETWEEN ALL FIVE OF THEM.

CLIFF SAID THEY ARE PUTTING TOGETHER THIS ROAD PAVING PROGRAM SO THEY WOULD HAVE AN IDEA; IF THE BOARD IN THE BUDGET PROCESS ALLOCATED A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF FUNDS TO THE PAVING PROGRAM, THEY MAY BE ABLE TO GET SOME THINGS DONE. UNFORTUNATELY, THEY ARE A LITTLE BIT AHEAD OF HAVING THE PAVING PROGRAM READY AND THE BUDGET PROCESS TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR THE PAVING PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS IN LAND SALES NOW. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE LAST FIGURE HE HAD FOR UNOBLIGATED FUNDS WAS \$339,000. HE SAID TURNER HOMES HAD TWO YEARS TO BUILD A NEW HOUSE ON THE PROPERTY THEY PURCHASED IN ORDER TO GET REIMBURSED; THEY HAVE UNTIL THE END OF MAY TO HAVE THEM BUILT. FROM WHAT HE UNDERSTANDS, THEY HAVE ONLY BUILT A COUPLE OF HOUSES. SOME OF THAT MONEY THAT WAS SET ASIDE TO REIMBURSE TURNER WILL NO LONGER BE OBLIGATED FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WEREN'T THERE OTHER THINGS THEY HAD BORROWED MONEY OUT OF LAND SALES THEY WERE SUPPOSEDLY GOING TO PAY BACK. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE JAIL RENOVATIONS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER REPORTED OBLIGATED EXPENSES INCLUDED \$141,850 FOR REIMBURSEMENT, TURNER LANDS WAS \$431,097.50 OBLIGATED FOR REIMBURSEMENT IF THEY HAD THEIR HOMES BUILT BY MAY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED DELTONA HAD TURNED IN THEIR CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY ON ALL THEIR LOTS THEY PURCHASED AND THEY BUILT THEM WITHIN THE TWO YEAR TIME FRAME. HOWEVER, THE BOARD IS WAITING ON THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE TO ASSESS THE NEW HOUSES TO SEE IF THEY ASSESS OVER \$100,000.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER CONTINUED WITH OBLIGATED FUNDS OUT OF THE LAND SALES; THERE IS \$495,532 LEFT THAT IS OBLIGATED TO THE NEW EOC. CASH IN BANK TOTALS \$1,400,515; OBLIGATED EXPENDITURES TOTAL \$1,075,043. IF THEY DON'T HAVE TO HAVE THE \$431,000 TO REIMBURSE TO TURNER LAND, THEY WILL HAVE THIS MUCH FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED WHAT IF THEY HAVE SOME TYPE OF STORM THIS YEAR AND NO MONEY TO DO ANYTHING WITH. HE ADDRESSED THIS BEING ANOTHER THING TO LOOK AT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID AS FAR AS AN EMS STATION, IF THERE ARE FUNDS AVAILABLE, IT WOULD COME OUT OF AD VALOREM; IF IT IS ROAD PAVING, YOU CAN'T PAY FOR ROAD PAVING OUT OF AD VALOREM. HE SAID THEY WOULD MESS UP IF THEY SPEND THE LAND SALES MONEY ON AN EMS; THEY CAN USE IT ON THE ROADS BUT NOT ON EMS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID APPARENTLY HE IS THE ONLY PERSON THAT HAS ANY MONIES IN HIS DISTRICT ROAD PAVING FUNDS; MOST OF THEM ARE ALREADY COMMITTED FOR MILLED ASPHALT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE WOULD'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH PAVING SEWELL FARM ROAD TO BRICKYARD ROAD AND LOOK AT PAVING FURTHER LATER ON AS FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE. HE SAID TO KEEP UP WITH THE AMOUNT THAT HAS BEEN RELEASED TO HOLMAN'S DISTRICT AND THE NEXT TIME, IT WILL BE THE NEXT FOUR DISTRICTS TURN TO PULL ON THE LAND SALES MONEY TO DO A PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IT WOULD BE FINE WITH HIM IF THE BOARD WILL APPROVE OF HIM PAVING SEWELL FARM ROAD TO BRICKYARD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF HOLMAN PAVING SEWELL FARM ROAD TO BRICKYARD ROAD WITH THE ADDITIONAL FUNDING NEEDED TO COME FROM LAND SALES; THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING GIVEN HOLMAN WILL BE KEPT UP WITH AND WHEN THE OTHER DISTRICTS NEED ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PROJECTS, THEY CAN GET THAT SAME AMOUNT FROM LAND SALES.

4. CDBG QUAIL HOLLOW-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON C. W. ROBERTS BEING UP AND RUNNING ON QUAIL HOLLOW. THE ROAD CREW SUPERVISOR AND THE ROAD CREW HAVE DONE A PRETTY GOOD JOB GETTING A STOCKPILE OF THE SANDCLAY TOGETHER. FENCES ARE ALL MOVED AND THE PROJECT LOOKS LIKE IT IS FINALLY GOING TO GET STARTED.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CDBG PROJECT STARTED AT THE CHURCH WHERE BUCKHORN CUTS OFF FROM QUAIL HOLLOW; RIGHT NOW THERE IS A GAP BETWEEN WEHRE BUCKHORN CUTS OFF FROM QUAIL HOLLOW AND THE PAVING THAT WAS GOING TO BE DONE FOR UNIT 14 BY THE NRPI GROUP. THIS WAS .2 OF A MILE, A LITTLE OVER 1,000 FEET. HE TOOK THE CONTRACT THEY HAD WITH C. W. ROBERTS, ESTIMATED THE COST OF THE ASPHALT FOR THE .2 OF A MILE AND IT CAME OUT TO ABOUT \$25,500. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT RELAYED THIS BACK TO NRPI AND NRPI HAS AGREED TO PAY FOR THIS AS LONG AS THE COUNTY DID THE PREP WORK; THE PREP WORK IN THAT SECTION IS GOING TO BE PRETTY SIMPLE BECAUSE THE ROAD BED IS ALREADY 60' TO 70' WIDE. HE SAID THE DESIGN WAS ALREADY DONE BECAUSE WHEN HE DID THE DESIGN FOR QUAIL HOLLOW, HE WENT AHEAD AND DESIGNED IT ALL THE WAY TO ORANGE HILL.

CLIFF SAID THEY WON'T HAVE TO HAVE A CHANGE ORDER TO C. W. ROBERTS TO BUILD THE REST OF THAT SECTION. HE FEELS THE BOARD CAN TAKE CARE OF IT AND NRPI IS GOING TO PAVE IT; THE ONLY PROBLEM HE SEES RIGHT NOW IS THE TIME FRAMES AREN'T GOING TO BE THE SAME.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT QUESTIONED IF THEY DIDN'T WANT C.W.ROBERTS TO PAVE THAT SECTION WHILE THEY ARE DOING THE QUAIL HOLLOW GRANT PROJECT.

CLIFF SAID C. W. ROBERTS WON'T HAVE TO PREP IT; BUT, THEY WILL PAVE IT WITH NRPI'S MONIES. THE COUNTY WILL DO THE PREP WORK FOR IT SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO WRITE A CHANGE ORDER TO C. W. ROBERT'S CONTRACT FOR EARTHWORK, SODDING, ETC. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THIS REQUIRED ANY TYPE OF BOARD ACTION OR NOT; IT WILL END UP BEING A CHANGE ORDER TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR ABOUT \$25,500 WORTH OF ASPHALT THAT NRPI HAS AGREED TO PAY FOR.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF WRITING A CHANGE ORDER TO C.W. ROBERTS TO ADD \$25,500 TO THEIR QUAIL HOLLOW CONTRACT TO ADD .2 MILE OF ROAD WITH THIS AMOUNT BEING PAID BY NRPI.

COMMISSIONER FINCH MENTIONED THAT GLEN ZANETIC HAD TALKED WITH NRPI ABOUT PAYING FOR THE PAVING TO FILL IN THE GAP ON QUAIL HOLLOW BOULEVARD.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PAVING FOR UNIT 14 WILL HAPPEN SOMETIMES AFTER THE QUAIL HOLLOW PAVING; THEY ARE JUST NOW ADVERTISING FOR FOR CONTRACTORS, ETC. HE SAID MORE THAN LIKELY THE COUNTY'S SECTION WILL BE DONE BEFORE NRPI'S IS; WHEN THEY GET STARTED UP, THEY WILL BE TYING IN TOGETHER.

5. ROLLING PINES ROAD-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING ANOTHER COMMUNITY MEETING AT THE FIREHOUSE. THEY HAD QUITE A FEW PEOPLE SIGN FOR DONATION OF RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE PROJECT; HOWEVER, THERE ARE STILL QUITE A FEW SIGNATURES MISSING. SOME OF THOSE DISAPPEARED ON THE SECTION THAT WENT BEYOND WHERE THEIR EDGE OF PAVEMENT WOULD END UP; THEY ARE IN THE 40+ ON SIGNATURES NEEDED. EVERYBODY THAT CAME TO THE COMMUNITY MEETING SIGNED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THREE OR FOUR. THEY MET WITH SOME OF THOSE AFTER THE MEETING AND THEY SOUNDED LIKE THEY WOULD PROBABLY COME AND SIGN. HE IS HOPING THEY CAN GET ALL THE SIGNATURES ON THE LAST MILE UNDER CONTROL, GET A CREW STARTED WORKING DOWN THERE AND WORK ON GETTING THE REST OF THE SIGNATURES AS THEY WORK THEIR WAY OUT. THERE IS ONE OR TWO THAT HAVE COME FORTH AND SAID THEY WERE NOT GOING TO SIGN; HOWEVER, HE THINKS THEY CAN STILL BUILD WHAT THEY NEED TO BUILD AND THEIR PROPERTY LINES THE WAY THEY END UP IS NOT GOING TO AFFECT THE PROJECT. HE REITERATED THERE IS STILL QUITE A FEW THEY NEED TO GET SIGNED THAT HAVE ALREADY TOLD THEM THERE WAS NO PROBLEM; BUT, THE WRONG PEOPLE CAME TO THE MEETING. HE REFERRED TO A GUY COMING TO THE MEETING THAT WAS REPRESENTING HIS FATHER; HIS FATHER IS A VETERAN, IN POOR HEALTH AND LIVES SOMEWHERE ELSE AND SENT HIS SON TO SIGN FOR HIM. DUE TO THE SON NOT HAVING A POWER OF ATTORNEY, HE COULDN'T SIGN FOR HIS FATHER. THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO SHOWED UP TO SIGN WHERE IT WAS THE WRONG SPOUSE THAT WAS LISTED ON THE DEED. THERE WAS PROBABLY ABOUT FIFTEEN WHO WAS READY TO SIGN; BUT, THEY COULDN'T SIGN WHAT THE COUNTY HAD PREPARED BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T THE RIGHT PERSON FOR THE DEED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED HOW THEY WERE MOVING FORWARD TAKING CARE OF THAT SORT OF SITUATION.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED SUSAN LAWSON, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, IS CALLING THEM AND ASKING IF THEY COULD COME BY THE OFFICE TO SIGN IT, NOTARIZE IT; IF THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO GET THEM TO COME BY THE OFFICE, THEY WILL HAVE TO GO OUT IN THE EVENING OR ON A WEEKEND AGAIN AND TRACK THEM DOWN. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY NEEDED TO GO AHEAD AND ACT ON THAT.

ON ROLLING PINES ROAD, CLIFF SAID THERE NEEDED TO BE RIGHT OF WAY STAKES PUT UP FOR THE WHOLE THREE MILES SO THE CLEARING CREW CAN GET STARTED CLEARING RIGHT OF WAY. HE REFERRED TO THEM DOING THIS EARLY ON WITH THE QUAIL HOLLOW PROJECT; THEY HAVE NOT MARKED IT OUT ON ROLLING PINES YET BUT IT NEEDS TO BE DONE PRETTY SOON.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHO WAS GOING TO DO THE STAKING OUT. CLIFF SAID HE COULD DO IT OR THE BOARD COULD HAVE THEIR THREE SURVEYORS GIVE THEM A BID ON IT. SOUTHEASTERN DID THE ORIGINAL BOUNDARY SURVEY FOR THE RIGHT OF WAY AND BROKE DOWN THE SECTIONS. HE GUESSED THE SURVEY WOULD BE IN THE \$4,000 TO \$5,000 RANGE; SOUTHEASTERN WOULD HAVE A LEG UP ON ANYBODY ELSE BECAUSE THEY ALREADY HAVE ALL THE CONTROLS AND THEY DID THE SECTION BREAKDOWNS FOR THE THREE SECTIONS THE ROAD CROSSES.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THERE WAS \$100,000 PUT INTO THE ROLLING PINES PROJECT TO COVER ALL THE SURVEYING COST, ETC. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THAT WAS THE MONEY THEY WERE USING TO RENT THE BULLDOZER AND EXCAVATOR; THAT MONEY WILL BE USED UP PRETTY QUICK.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE LINES HAVE TO BE MARKED; WHEN THEY RUN OUT OF THAT MONEY, THEY WILL QUIT MARKING OR FIND ANOTHER SOURCE.

CLIFF SAID THEY ALSO HAVE TO SET GRADE STAKES AND A LOT OF TIME YOU CAN SET YOUR RIGHT OF WAY WITH THE CUT AND FILL ON THE RIGHT OF WAY STAKES AS THEY COME THROUGH. THE ONLY THING IS IN THIS CASE, IF THEY GET SOUTHEASTERN TO SET GRADE STAKES AND RIGHT OF WAY STAKES AT THE SAME TIME, IF THEY HIT ANY OF THEM WHEN

CLEARING, THEY WILL LOSE ALL THE GRADES. HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE BOARD WANTED TO SPEND THE MONEY TO SET THE GRADES RIGHT NOW OR GET THE RIGHT OF WAY STAKES OR GET A CLEARING CREW TO CLEAR FIRST.

COMMISSIONER FINCH THOUGHT IF THEY COULD GET THE RIGHT OF WAY STAKES IN, THEY MIGHT COULD SET THE GRADE IN HOUSE; HE DOESN'T THINK THEY NEED TO HIRE THAT DONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO GET SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS TO SET THE RIGHT OF WAY STAKES FOR THE ROLLING PINES PROJECT.

6. NEW EMS/WAUSAU-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON A MEETING HE HAD WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, ROGER HAGAN AND THE EOC STAFF ON THE EOC GRANT THE COUNTY WAS AWARDED. HE HAS MET WITH A STRUCTURAL ENGINEER, A MECHANICAL ENGINEER, ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING OUTFIT AND HE BELIEVES HE CAN HANDLE THE ENTIRE PROJECT FOR 10% OF WHAT THE BOARD HAS ALLOCATED FROM THE EOC GRANT. HE WAS PRETTY SURE THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY LESS IF THEY PUT AN RFQ OUT AND GOT AN ARCHITECT ON BOARD AND THEN HIRED EVERYTHING OUT SEPARATELY. HE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY, BOUNDARY SURVEY, THREATEN AND ENDANGERED SPECIES SURVEY AND STORM WATER PERMITS, WATER & SEWER EXTENSION PERMITS, ALL THE SITE WORK DESIGNS AND WITH THE BUILDING THERE IS SOME CRAZY REQUIREMENTS. BECAUSE IT IS AN EOC, IT HAS TO BE DESIGNED FOR A 175 MPH WINDS; HE HAS A STRUCTURAL PERSON LINED UP TO BE ABLE TO HANDLE THAT PART OF IT. AS FAR AS THE BUILDING DESIGN, LAYOUT, ETC. BETWEEN D.E.C. ENGINEERING AND HIMSELF, THEY CAN COME UP WITH A FLOOR PLAN AND A SET OF BUILDING PLANS THAT WOULD BE PLEASING TO THE EYE AND FIT THE NEEDS THE EOC HAS FOR THE PROJECT. HE REITERATED HE WOULD LIKE TO DO THE PROJECT FOR 10% OF THE CONSTRUCTION COST.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED HADN'T THE BOARD TALKED ABOUT GETTING A PRICE TO DO THE SURVEY FOR THE EOC PROJECT FROM SOUTHEASTERN SURVEYORS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED CLIFF HAS SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO HAVE HIS SURVEYORS GO OUT AND DO THE BOUNDARY AND TOPO SURVEY LOCATE AND LENIATE WETLANDS FOR \$10,300 AND AN ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION AND ASSESSEMT FOR \$3,800 FOR A TOTAL OF \$14,100.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF THIS WOULD BE PART OF THE TOTAL COST CLIFF WAS REQUESTING. CLIFF ADVISED IT WOULD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE ONLY PROBLEM HE HAS IS HOW THIN CAN CLIFF BE STRETCHED AS IT SEEMS LIKE HE IS GETTING A LOT OF PROJECTS. IS THIS GOING TO BE SOMETHING HE COULD KEEP ON A TIMELY BASIS AND REFERRED TO ROGER HAGAN GIVING THE BOARD A DATE WHEN THE EOC HAS TO BE IN PLACE AND IF NOT, THE COUNTY WOULD LOSE THE GRANT.

CLIFF SAID THE SITE WORK PORTION OF THE JOB, THE STORM WATER PERMITTING AND THE WETLAND PERMITTING IS PROBABLY A SMALLER PORTION OF THE JOB THAN THE BUILDING PART IS. HE IS TEAMING UP WITH D.E.C. ENGINEERING TO DO THE STRUCTURAL AND DESIGN FOR THE EOC BUILDING AND THEY WILL BE HANDLING THE MAJORITY OF THE BUILDING OBLIGATIONS. HE WOULDN'T BE DOING EVERY FACET OF THE ENTIRE JOB; BUT, WOULD BE SUBBING OUT TO AN ENVIRONMENTAL FIRM TO DO THE THREATENING AND ENDANGERED SPECIES SURVEY. HIS SURVEY CREW WOULD BE DOING THE WORK, HANDLE THE SITE WORK AND COORDINATE ALL THE BUILDING STUFF; THEN WHEN CONSTRUCTION STARTS, ABOUT \$50,000 OF WHAT THE BOARD WAS TALKING ABOUT ALLOCATING TO HIM WOULD BE SET ASIDE FOR A CONSTRUCTION MANAGER DURING CONSTRUCTION WHO HE WOULD HIRE OUT. THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGER WOULD BE IN A TRAILER EVERYDAY ON THE JOB WHEN THE EOC IS BEING BUILT. HE DOESN'T PLAN ON HAVING HIS GUYS ON SITE EVERYDAY; BUT, IS PLANNING ON HIRING SOMEBODY THAT WILL BE A CONSTRUCTION MANAGER FOR THE JOB, TO OVERSEE IT AND BE THERE ON A DAILY BASIS.

SY CHANCE WITH GREENHORN AND OMARA, A CONSULTING FIRM IN THE PANHANDLE OF FLORIDA, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR FIRM DOING EOC WORK, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STUDIES AND OFFERED THE COUNTY THEIR SERVICES AND WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO THEM ABOUT WHAT THEY DO. THEY ARE DEEP INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND DEEP INTO BUILDING SUCH FACILITIES AS CLIFF HAS MENTIONED. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR AN

OPPORTUNITY TO RETAIN EITHER WITH CLIFF OR WORK WITH THE COUNTY ITSELF AND DO THE EOC PROJECT FOR THE SAME AMOUNT OF FUNDING CLIFF IS ASKING FOR. HE SAID IT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT IS MAGICAL; BUT, IT IS SOMETHING THE STAFF THEY HAVE IN THEIR FIRM DO ON A REGULAR BASIS AND DO IT TO THE STANDARDS REQUIRED.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED 10% OF THE GRANT COMES TO \$150,000 AND QUESTIONED CLIFF IF THAT COVERED THE SURVEYING, ETC. OR WOULD THE SURVEYING EXPENSE THEY TALKED ABOUT BE ON TOP OF THIS. CLIFF SAID THE 10% WOULD COVER EVERYTHING.

CLIFF SAID A LARGE PORTION OF WHAT THE BOARD IS TALKING ABOUT IS GOING TO BE IN THE BUILDING STRUCTURAL DESIGN AND THE BUILDING DESIGN ITSELF. HE WISHED HE COULD GET 10% JUST TO DO THE SITE WORK ON A JOB LIKE THE EOC; BUT, THE SITE WORK IS A SMALL PORTION OF THE PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED WHAT THE LEGAL STATUS OF CLIFF DOING THE WORK OR DOES IT NEED TO BE BID OUT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THEY CHECKED ON THIS WHEN THEY GOT THE FUNDING AGREEMENTS FOR THE EOC GRANT. ROGER CALLED AND CHECKED ON THIS MATTER AND WAS TOLD IF THE COUNTY HAS AN ENGINEERING FIRM THEY ARE CONTRACTED WITH, THEY CAN TURN THE PROJECT OVER TO THEM.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED CLIFF IF HE WAS GOING TO TEAM UP WITH SOMEONE TO DO THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORK. CLIFF SAID HE ALREADY HAD A PROPOSAL FROM AN ENVIRONMENTAL COMPANY TO HANDLE ALL THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORK. THE PERSON HE IS TEAMING UP WITH THE EOC BUILDING ON USE TO RUN THE EOC FOR THE FL-DOT FOR MANY YEARS AND HAS HIS OWN FIRM NOW. THAT WOULD BE WHO WOULD BE IN RESPONSIBLE CHARGE TO HELP PUT THE BUILDING PLANS TOGETHER.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED IF THERE WAS NOTHING WRONG WITH THE BOARD USING CLIFF FOR THE EOC PROJECT WITHOUT HAVING TO ADVERTISE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REITERATED IT IS LEGAL FOR THE BOARD TO USE CLIFF IF THEY CHOOSE TO DO SO; IF THEY CHOSE TO ADVERTISE FOR THESE SERVICES, THEY COULD GO THAT ROUTE TOO.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED IF CLIFF WAS CONFIDENT HE COULD GET THE EOC BUILDING COMPLETED FOR UNDERNEATH THE PROPOSED AMOUNT OR WITHIN BUDGET.

CLIFF SAID THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS THAT WAS ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY FOR THE EOC BUILDING WAS BASED ON A SQUARE FOOTAGE PRICE THEY PUT EOC BUILDINGS TOGETHER IN SOUTH FLORIDA; IT WAS ABOUT \$374 A SQUARE FOOT. HE KNOWS THEY CAN PUT TOGETHER ONE FOR A LOT CHEAPER THAN THAT. THE QUESTION WAS DID THE COUNTY WANT TO TRY AND BUILD A 4,000 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING; THE GRANT CALLS FOR 3,000+ SQUARE FEET.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID 2,800 SQUARE FEET IS WHAT IS REQUIRED IN THE GRANT.

CLIFF SAID HE AND ROGER HAD DISCUSSED BUILDING A 4,000 OR 5,000 SQUARE FOOT EOC FACILITY FOR THE FUNDING SET UP BASED ON THE SOUTH FLORIDA SQUARE FOOT PRICE. AS LONG AS THE COUNTY DOESN'T TRY AND BUILD A 10,000 SQUARE FOOT BUILDING, HE FELT THEY WOULD BE FINE AS FAR AS THE BUDGET GOES.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ADDRESSED ON A BUILDING LIKE THAT, HE ASSUMES THEY ARE TELLING THE BOARD THEY ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE "X" NUMBER OF SQUARE FEET. HE QUESTIONED IF THEY BUILT A LARGER FACILITY, COULD THEY LEGALLY PUT SOME OTHER GOVERNMENTAL OFFICES THERE IF THEY DECIDED TO DO SO.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID ROGER HAD CHECKED INTO THAT; THEY CAN HAVE OFFICES AND MOVE THE EOC OR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICES TO THAT BUILDING. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED, FOR EXAMPLE, IF THEY WANTED TO SET THEIR BUILDING DEPARTMENT UP AT THE NEW EOC BUILDING, WOULD THAT BE LEGAL.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID HE THOUGHT IT HAD TO PERTAIN TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. WITH THE MONEY THEY SET ASIDE FOR THE MATCH, THEY PROBABLY COULD WORK IT OUT WHERE THE MATCH MONEY COULD PROVIDE THAT ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW WHY THEY WOULD WANT 4,000 SQUARE FEET IF THEY CAN'T USE IT FOR ANYTHING OTHER THAN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF BUILDING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED IT WOULD ALLOW THEM TO LOOK DOWN THE ROAD FOR GROWTH.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE DECISION BEING MADE IS DOES THE BOARD WANT TO USE THE ENGINEERING FIRM, THEY WILL ADDRESS THE ISSUES FROM THERE AND COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH DIFFERENT PROPOSALS ON SITE PLANS, COSTS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN TO ACCEPT PREBLE RISH ENGINEERING FIRM PROPOSAL ON THE EMS FACILITY FOR 10% OF THE CONSTRUCTION COST. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THAT WOULD INCLUDE THE SURVEY, GRADE WORK, HAVING A CONSTRUCTION MANAGER, ETC. CLIFF ADVISED IT WOULD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THEY BUILT THE NEW EOC LARGER THAN WHAT WAS ASKED FOR IN THE GRANT, WAS THAT GOING TO BE A PROBLEM. CLIFF SAID NOT THAT HE WAS AWARE OF; THEY JUST HAD SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT MAKING IT BIGGER THAN ALLOCATED BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS THE COUNTY WAS GOING TO HAVE FOR THE PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER PATE REQUESTED CLIFF MAKE SURE HE DON'T GET TOO LARGE WITH THE PROJECT AND WIND UP WITH OVERRUN WITH THE COUNTY HAVING TO FUND THE DIFFERENCE. CLIFF SAID THERE WAS A WATER LINE EXTENSION THAT WAS GOING TO HAVE TO BE DONE AS WELL.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. ELKCAM BOULEVARD EXTENSION PROJECT-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON FL-DOT HAVING AWARDED THE COUNTY APPROXIMATELY \$370,000 TO DO A STUDY FROM HIGHWAY 231 TO HIGHWAY 77. THE BORDERS OF THE CORRIDOR THEY ARE LOOKING AT FOR THE STUDY IS FROM 3000' NORTH OF THE JACKSON BAY COUNTY LINE TO 3000' SOUTH OF THE JACKSON BAY COUNTY LINE. IT WILL BASICALLY BE ABOUT A YEAR TO A YEAR AND A HALF PROJECT. IT HAS TO BE COMPLETED BY JUNE 2008. THE PROJECT IS A FEASIBILITY STUDY AND IS PRETTY COMPLICATED. HE HAS ALSO PUT TOGETHER A TEAM OF PEOPLE TO HANDLE THAT PROJECT FROM START TO FINISH; THERE IS A COUNTY MATCH ON THE PROJECT. THE COUNTY MATCH CAN BE DONE WITH A LOT OF RESOURCES THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS; THEIR PICTOMETRY WILL BE HELPFUL AS AN INKIND MATCH ON THE PROJECT. THE FEASIBILITY STUDY INCLUDES DOING AN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY FOR THAT ENTIRE STRETCH, A THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES, WETLANDS, NWFWMND SENSITIVE RECHARGE AREAS, FLY AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY TO COVER AREAS BEYOND WHAT THE COUNTY HAS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEYS OFF OF THE AERIALS FOR THE SECTIONS BEYOND WASHINGTON COUNTY. THE AERIALS AND TOPOGRAPHIC MAPPING IS APPROXIMATELY \$75,000 OF THE OVERALL PROJECT COST; THE ENVIRONMENTAL ON THE PROJECT IS GOING TO BE IN THE RANGE OF \$40,000 TO \$50,000 OF THE COST. THERE IS SURVEYING AND TRAFFIC ANALYSIS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED ON BOTH HIGHWAY 231, HIGHWAY 77 AND THE INTERIOR OF SUNNY HILLS ALL THROUGH THE ELKCAM BOULEVARD AREA. HE HAD A TEAM READY TO GO ON THIS PROJECT; BUT, UNTIL HE GETS AUTHORIZATION FROM THE BOARD, THERE IS NOT A WHOLE LOT THAT CAN BE DONE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THEY HAD RECEIVED A NOTICE TO PROCEED FROM FL-DOT ON THE PROJECT. CLIFF ADVISED THEY DID.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED FOR THE NAMES OF CLIFF'S TEAM FOR THE PROJECT. MIKE DENTZAU WITH BOSSO, DENTZAU AND IMHOFF WILL BE DOING THE THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES AND THE WETLAND MAPPING. HE IS A VERY WELL KNOWN ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGIST AND AN EXPERT IN THE FIELD OF JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS FOR THE ARMY CORP AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS. THE TRAFFIC IMPACTS AND TRAFFIC ANALYSIS WILL BE DONE BY GREENHORN OMARA. THE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY AND THE AERIAL MAPPING WILL BE DONE BY SOUTHERN RESOURCES MAPPING. THEY HAVE DONE A LOT OF WORK IN THE SUNNY HILLS WORK ALREADY DOING TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEYS. THE SURVEY WORK WILL BE DONE BY PREBLE-RISH. THE OTHER PARTS OF THE FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS SUCH AS THE ROUTE STUDIES AND PROPOSED CORRIDORS WILL BE DONE BY PREBLE-RISH. HE SAID HIS COMPANY HAS DONE QUITE A FEW PD & E STUDIES; THEY HAVE DONE THEM IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER FIRMS AND ALSO DONE THEM BY THEMSELVES. HE SAID HE HAD ABOUT SIXTY PEOPLE IN HIS PANAMA CITY OFFICE THAT WILL BE HELPING WITH THE PROJECT AND WILL BE DOING A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THE WORK.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE TO ALLOW CLIFF TO GET STARTED ON THIS PROJECT; IT IS FUNDED BY FL-DOT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT THOUGHT THE GRANT WAS FOR \$650,00 AND IT IS A 50/50 MATCH; THE COUNTY'S 50% MATCH WAS WAIVERED AND THEY WERE AWARDED \$325,000 FROM FL-DOT.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE OVERALL PROJECT BEING APPROXIMATELY SEVEN MILES. WHEN TALKING ABOUT THE MILEAGE THROUGH JACKSON COUNTY OR THE MILEAGE THROUGH BAY COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHICH COUNTY IT IS GOING TO END UP IN YET, IT VARIES BECAUSE THE JACKSON COUNTY LINE JOGS A PRETTY GOOD WAY TO THE EAST COMPARED TO THE BAY COUNTY LINE. IF IT WAS DONE THROUGH THE JACKSON COUNTY PORTION, IT WOULD BE ABOUT 2.5 MILES TO THE HIGHWAY 231 LINE; IF IT CAME THROUGH THE BAY COUNTY LINE PORTION, IT WOULD BE MORE LIKE FIVE MILES. THE CONCEPT IS TO TIE INTO WHERE ELKCAM BOULEVARD IS ALREADY A BOULEVARD AND EXTEND IT TO HIGHWAY 231 TO HELP DISTRIBUTE TRAFFIC FROM HIGHWAY 231 THROUGH WASHINGTON COUNTY AND FROM HIGHWAY 77 DIRECTLY TO HIGHWAY 231. THEY HOPE TO COME UP WITH, WHEN THEY ARE DONE, A FEASIBLE CORRIDOR THROUGH BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PARTICIPATION; THEY CAN MAKE IT A REALITY. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON HAVING RECEIVED THE FUNDING AGREEMENT FROM NWFWMDC ON RIVER ROAD AND LEISURE LAKE BRIDGE PROJECTS. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THESE FUNDING AGREEMENTS IS NEEDED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE FUNDING AGREEMENTS FROM NWFWMDC ON RIVER ROAD AND LEISURE LAKE BRIDGE PROJECTS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID FOR THE PURPOSES OF GETTING IT IN THE MINUTES, HE HAD A LETTER FROM CLIFF ON KEIRSTON HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION SAYING HE DONE THE FINAL INSPECTION AND EVERYTHING IS IN ORDER TO ACCEPT IT AS A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD. HERBERT SAID THEY DIDN'T NEED ANY ACTION ON THIS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S REPORT:

1. FL-DOT IS REQUESTING A SMALL PIECE OF PROPERTY NORTH OF HOLMES CREEK BRIDGE THE COUNTY OWNS ON THE RIGHT OF WAY OF CREEK ROAD.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THIS WAS AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF CREEK ROAD AND PATE POND ROAD. WHEN THEY DO THE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, THEY ARE GOING TO NEED THOSE SMALL PARCELS. THE STATE SUBMITTED A RESOLUTION THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO APPROVE TO DEED THOSE PARCELS TO FL-DOT. HE HAD CHECKED WITH ROBERT HARCUS AND HE DIDN'T SEE ANY PROBLEM WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED HOW CLOSE THAT WOULD BE TO SAM MITCHELL'S HOUSE. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID IT WOULD BE RIGHT THERE AT THAT INTERSECTION RIGHT BY MITCHELL'S HOUSE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE DEEDING THE PROPERTY NORTH OF HOLMES CREEK BRIDGE TO THE STATE PER THEIR REQUEST AND AUTHORIZE THE SIGNING OF THE RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY THE STATE.

2. PROPOSED LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON THE PROPERTY THE BOARD HAD AGREED FOR THEM TO RELOCATE TO. HE SAID THE TERM OF THE LEASE AND THE CHARGE FOR THE LEASE NEEDED TO BE FILLED IN. IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO LEASE IT TO TRI-COUNTY FOR NO MONEY, THE BLANK NEEDS TO READ ANYWHERE FROM \$1 TO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO CHARGE THEM.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE TERM OF THE LEASE TO BE 99 YEARS OR UNTIL TRI-COUNTY NO LONGER EXISTS WITH THE MONEY PRICE BEING \$1.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED PARAGRAPH 5 OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT. IF TRI-COUNTY CHANGES THE NATURE OF THEIR BUSINESS OPERATIONS TO THE EXTENT THEY SEEK TO NO LONGER PROVIDE SERVICES TO LOW INCOME PERSONS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND NO LONGER DOES BUSINESS FOR NOT FOR PROFIT ENTITIES, THE LESSORS HAVE A RIGHT TO TERMINATE THE LEASE UPON THREE MONTHS WRITTEN NOTICE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL WITH THE TERM OF THE LEASE BEING FOR 99 YEARS AND THE MONEY AMOUNT BEING \$1.00.

3. PROPOSED ORDINANCE DEALING WITH PEOPLE PUTTING ENCROACHMENTS ON COUNTY RIGHT OF WAYS. HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ORDINANCE BASICALLY DEEMS IT

ILLEGAL FOR ANYONE OTHER THAN THE COUNTY, ITS EMPLOYEES OR ROAD CREWS, ETC. TO PUT ANY KIND OF POSTS, FENCE, OR OTHER OBSTRUCTION WITHIN 3' EITHER ON THE RIGHT OF WAY OR WITHIN SIDE 3' FROM THE EDGE OF RIGHT OF WAY. HE SAID THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS A POLICY THEY ADOPTED ABOUT THE 3'; BUT, IT DOESN'T HAVE ANY TEETH IN IT LIKE AN ORDINANCE DOES. HE REQUESTED THE BOARD TO REVIEW THE ORDINANCE AND IF THEY WANT TO PROCEED WITH IT, THEY WOULD NEED TO MAKE A MOTION TO ADVERTISE IT FOR A PUBLIC HEARING.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED WHAT KIND OF LEGAL ACTION WOULD BE IN PLACE IF SOMEBODY VIOLATED THE ORDINANCE. HOLLEY SAID THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZED THE COUNTY TO IMMEDIATELY REMOVE THESE THINGS PLACED IN VIOLATION OF THE ORDINANCE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID A RIGHT OF WAY LINE WOULD BE SOMEBODY'S PROPERTY LINE TOO AND QUESTIONED HOW COULD THE COUNTY MAKE THEM STAY 3' AWAY FROM THE PROPERTY LINE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE COUNTY HAS A POLICY THEY ALREADY ADOPTED SAYING THAT SAME THING; IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE FOR HIM TO CHANGE IT THAT IS FINE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE 3' OFF THE RIGHT OF WAY LINE IS VIOLATED ALL OVER THE COUNTY RIGHT NOW. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IT WOULD ONLY BE EFFECTIVE FROM THIS POINT FORWARD IF THE BOARD ADOPTS THE 3'; IT WON'T BE RETROACTIVE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE THOUGHT IT IS GOOD IF IT IS ENFORCEABLE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS GOOD AND REFERRED TO IT BEING THE SAME SITUATION THEY HAD AT UNION HILL.

COMMISSIONER SAPP VOICED HIS CONCERN WITH THE NEED TO HAVE SOME KIND OF IMPLEMENTATION IN PLACE TO HANDLE SECOND AND THIRD TYPE OFFENSES RATHER THAN A REPETITIOUS TYPE THING. HE REFERRED TO INSTANCES WHERE THE COUNTY HAS WENT OUT AND REMOVED THINGS FROM THEIR RIGHT OF WAY AND SOMEONE PUT IT BACK WITHIN A FEW HOURS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE COUNTY HAD THE AUTHORITY TO ADOPT A CRIMINAL ORDINANCE; BUT, HE WILL TAKE A LOOK AT IT TO SEE WHAT THEY CAN DO. SAPP SAID HE WOULD LIKE SOMETHING IN THE ORDINANCE TO TAKE THE PRESSURE OFF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

HOLLEY SAID HE THOUGHT ABOUT PUTTING SOMETHING IN THE ORDINANCE THAT WOULD ALLOW THE BOARD TO ASSESS A COST AGAINST A PERSON IF THEY PUT AN ENCROACHMENT IN THE ACTUAL ROAD RIGHT OF WAY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY TOOK THEM DOWN AT THEIR EXPENSE THE FIRST TIME AND THE PERSON PUTS THEM BACK UP, THE PERSON WILL BE ASSESSED THE COST TO HAVE THEM REMOVED THEREAFTER.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON CHANGING THE 3' FROM THE OUTSIDE EDGE TO 2' FROM THE OUTSIDE EDGE. ATTORNEY HOLLEY TOLD THE BOARD THIS WOULDN'T GIVE THE COUNTY THE RIGHT TO MAINTAIN THAT 2'; THE REASON FOR DOING THIS IS TO PREVENT SOMEBODY FROM RUNNING INTO THAT OBSTRUCTION THAT CLOSE TO THE RIGHT OF WAY. THE PERSON CAN GIVE THE COUNTY THE USE OF THAT 2'.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THESE OBSTRUCTIONS IN THE RIGHT OF WAY WHEN THE COUNTY IS TRYING TO MAINTAIN THE ROADS GET TO BE A PROBLEM. THE REVISITATION OF THESE ISSUES GETS TO BEING A JOB FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES; THEY ACT LIKE THEY ARE POLICEMAN ALMOST INSTEAD OF HAVING TO DO THEIR REGULAR MAINTENANCE WORK. SOME KIND OF ORDINANCE OR POLICY TO GET AWAY FROM THAT ISSUE SO THEY WON'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH IT OVER AND OVER AGAIN IS NEEDED. PERHAPS THE PERSON MAY REALIZE THE COST IS TOO GREAT TO DO THAT; ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, THEY WON'T KEEP STICKING STAKES IN THE ROAD OR CAUSE OBSTRUCTION. ONE DAY IT WILL WIND UP BEING AN INJURY LAWSUIT CIRCUMSTANCE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WOULD THINK ANY MONETARY PENALTY WOULD ONLY APPLY IF PEOPLE PUT OBSTRUCTIONS IN THE ACTUAL RIGHT OF WAY. SAPP SAID THE MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAY IS ALL THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT. WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING IS GETTING 2' OVER IN THE MAINTAINED RIGHT OF WAY AND STICKING UP A STOB OR TWO OR THROWING TRASH IN THE RIGHT OF WAY TO TRY TO MOVE TRAFFIC OVER, ETC.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE KNEW OF SOME ROADS WHERE THEY HAVE PUT THINGS UP RIGHT AT THE EDGE OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OR IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO IT TO KEEP THE

COUNTY FROM WIDENING THE ROAD. THIS MAKES THE COUNTY WORKERS HAVE TO BACK OFF TO KEEP FROM KNOCKING THOSE STOBS DOWN OCCASIONALLY. HE SAID THEY CAN'T GRADE UP TO THE EDGE OF THE RIGHT OF WAY WHEN SOMEONE HAS STOBS IN THE RIGHT OF WAY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY AGREED TO ADD SOME THINGS TO THE ORDINANCE AND BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD.

4. DEEDS ON CHESTNUT PROPERTY--ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING EXECUTED A COUPLE OF DEEDS CECELIA HAD ASKED HIM TO DO ON CHESTNUT ROAD AT CHESTNUTS PROPERTY. APPARENTLY THE DESCRIPTIONS WERE NOT RIGHT AND HE HAD PREPARED A CORRECTED DEED TO CORRECT THE DESCRIPTION. HE ALSO HAD A CORRECTED DEED FOR CHESTNUT TO SIGN HE WILL GIVE TO CECELIA FOR HER TO GET SIGNED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE CORRECTED DEED FOR F.D. CHESTNUT.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, DAVID CORBIN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. THE BOARD ALLOTTED \$30,000 FOR THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY; THERE HAS BEEN ABOUT \$28,700 SPENT. THEY HAVE GOTTEN THE LIGHTS UP THIS WEEK AND GOT THE SIGN ORDERED. THEY STILL HAVE TO GET WATER TO THE FACILITY.

DAVID SAID THE BOARD HAD APPOINTED MR. WAYNE PURDUE TO OVERSEE THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY PROJECT AND STATED WHAT A FINE JOB PURDUE HAD DONE. HE VOLUNTEERED A LOT OF HOURS AND HELPED TREMENDOUSLY.

MR. PURDUE SAID THEY ARE NEARLY COMPLETE WITH THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY PROJECT. ALL THEY REALLY NEED BEFORE THEY CAN HAVE AN EVENT IS THE WATER AND AN ARENA RAKE TO PREPARE THE SOIL.

COMMISSIONER SAPP EXPRESSED THE BOARD'S APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK MR. PURDUE WAS DOING AND ALL THE SUGGESTIONS WORKED OUT PRETTY WELL FOR THE MOST PART. HE, PURDUE AND DAVID WENT BACK AND FORTH SOMEWHAT AND COME UP WITH A GOOD SOLUTION IN ALL THINGS; HE FELT LIKE IT HAS BEEN A GOOD CORPORATE BODY WORKING TOGETHER AS A WHOLE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND THANKED MR. PURDUE FOR ALL HE HAS DONE WITH THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AND QUESTIONED HOW MUCH DID AN ARENA RAKE COST.

MR. PURDUE SAID HE HAD LOOKED AT ONE AT AN EVENT HE HAD WENT TO; A TR-3 RAKE, WHICH IS PROBABLY THE NICEST AND DOES THE BEST JOB, WOULD COST ABOUT \$4,000 FOR A 6' WIDE ONE. HE SAID THE COUNTY COULD GET BY WITH ONE THEY ARE CAPABLE OF BUILDING AND IT WOULD DO JUST ABOUT AS GOOD OF A JOB. HE SAID THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING TO PREPARE THE SURFACE AND ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE A TRACTOR.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY BATHROOM PLANS FOR THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. DAVID SAID THEY HAD TWO PORTALETTS TO BE SET UP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THAT IS THE WORST THING IN THE WORLD; THEY NEED A BATHROOM FACILITY. DAVID SAID HE WAS ALL FOR IT IF THE BOARD COULD PROVIDE THE FUNDING.

DAVID CHECKED ON SEVERAL DIFFERENT AVENUES TO PIPE THE WATER TO THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY; MR. REGISTER TURNED IN A PRICE OF \$4,500 TO RUN THE WATER LINE. THE COUNTY CAN PURCHASE THE PIPE NEEDED, WHICH IS 2000', FOR \$1.00 A FOOT AND USING INMATE LABOR CAN RUN THE WATER TO THE FACILITY FOR \$2,000. THE WATER IS CHLORINATED AND THERE IS PLENTY OF CAPACITY.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THE WELL IS ALREADY A TESTED WELL AT DANIELS LAKE AND IT WOULD BE EASIER AND CHEAPER TO PIPE IT TO THERE. IF THEY EVER NEED ONE FURTHER DOWN AT THE END OF THE ROAD AT DANIELS LAKE, THAT WOULD BE TOO FAR TO PIPE IT.

DAVID SAID THE BOARD NEEDED TO SET UP A COMMITTEE TO SET SOME RULES ON THE GROUNDS; PEOPLE ARE GOING TO WANT TO RENT IT. COMMIS- SIONER SAPP SAID THEY NEED TO START BEING READY TO GET SOME USAGE AT THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY; GET SOME INCOME COMING BACK FROM IT AND A FEE SET FOR THE RENTAL OF IT FOR AN EVENT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED WHY THEY DIDN'T BORROW ABOUT \$10,000 FROM LAND SALES TO FINISH THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY USING INMATE LABOR TO RUN THE PIPE FOR THE WATER, PURCHASE THE RAKE AND PUT IN BATHROOM FACILITIES.

CLIFF SAID THEY COULD USE THE BATHROOM DESIGN THEY HAVE ON SOME OF THE OTHER COUNTY PARKS AND IF THE PLANS NEED TO BE CERTIFIED, HE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HANDLE THAT.

CLIFF SAID HE HAD DONATED THE SURVEY TIME, ALL THE ENGINEERING, ETC. AND TO GO THIS FAR AND END UP WITH A COUPLE OF PORTALETTS WOULD BE KIND OF SILLY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO BORROW \$10,000 FROM LAND SALES TO FINISH THE THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE AT THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE BOARD ALREADY HAD A COMMITTEE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION AND QUESTIONED WHY THEY COULDN'T FIX THE GUIDELINES FOR THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AND BRING THEM TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

DAVID SAID THAT WOULD BE FINE; BUT, HE WOULD LIKE TO ADD SOMEBODY THAT HAS A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE WITH HORSES; YOU HAVE TO KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING ON THE RENTALS. DIFFERENT EVENTS DO DIFFERENT THINGS AND THEY WANT TO KEEP IT BROAD FOR DIFFERENT EVENTS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SUGGESTED DAVID, MR. PURDUE, COMMISSIONER SAPP AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SET ON THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE. DAVID SAID THE PARKS COMMITTEE WAS GREAT; IF THE BOARD WANTED TO INSTITUTE ONE OR TWO OF THE ONES STRICKLAND SUGGESTED WITH THE PARKS COMMITTEE, THAT WOULD BE GOOD.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE FELT LIKE THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY WOULD BE MORE IN DAVID'S, MR. PURDUE'S AND COMMISSIONER SAPP'S FIELD THAN HIS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THEY PROBABLY NEED TO DEVELOP A COMMITTEE SPECIFICALLY FOR THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AND LEAVE THE PARKS COMMITTEE JUST LIKE THEY ARE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE AGREED WITH WHAT COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAD SAID; BUT, THEY NEED TO PICK SOMEONE ELSE TO SIT ON THE COMMITTEE BESIDES ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT. HE REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING PETE ON EVERYTHING AND HE KNOWS HE IS GETTING TIRED OF COMMITTEES.

DAVID SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GET CLIFF ON THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE. HE ALSO REFERRED TO MR. PURDUE AND COMMISSIONER SAPP BEING KNOWLEDGABLE ABOUT EQUESTRIAN EVENTS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF CLIFF COULD HANDLE BEING ON THE COMMITTEE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON DAVID, MR. PURDUE, GLEN SHEFFIELD, COMMISSIONER SAPP AND ALBERT DAVIS SERVING ON THE COMMITTEE. DAVID, MR. PURDUE AND COMMISSIONER SAPP AGREED TO SERVE ON THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE. COMMISSIONER SAPP REQUESTED DAVID ASK GLEN SHEFFIELD AND ALBERT DAVIS IF THEY WOULD SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHEN TO HOLD THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE MEETINGS. THE COMMITTEE AGREED TO MEET ON THE 1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 4:00 P.M. AT THE COUNTY ANNEX. EVENTUALLY, THEY WOULD HOLD THEIR MEETINGS AT THE BUILDING THAT IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED AT THE OPEN ARENA.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON DAVID HAVING SPONSORED A GOLF TOURNAMENT A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO TO RAISE MONIES FOR A NEW BUILDING FOR ANIMAL CONTROL. THE BOARD THEN ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT WITH DR. ANDERSON FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES. THERE IS \$8,900 THAT WAS RAISED FROM THE GOLF TOURNAMENT THAT IS JUST SETTING IN A BANK ACCOUNT. THE FINANCE COMMITTEE WANTED TO SEE IF THIS MONEY COULD BE TRANSFERRED TO THE REGULAR OPERATING BUDGET FOR ANIMAL CONTROL.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF TRANSFERRING THE \$8,900 TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL OPERATING BUDGET.

DAVID THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN LETTING SOME OF THEIR CREWS HELP ON THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY PROJECT.

LEAH LUNKAR ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO SEE IF THEY HAD PURSUED THE 20% DISCOUNT ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ANY FURTHER SINCE SHE SPOKE TO THEM LAST MONTH.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED HE HAD MADE SOME CALLS AND DONE SOME CHECKING. HE GOT A MESSAGE FROM THE PHARMACY AT BAY MEDICAL TODAY. HOWEVER, HE HASN'T TALKED WITH THEM YET.

GLEN ZANETIC ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING SOME CONFUSION AS TO WHAT THEY WERE DOING WITH THEIR PUMPER AT THE LAST MEETING. HE SAID THEIR OLD PUMPER IS SLATED TO GO TO COUNTRY OAKS AT THIS TIME; IF SUNNY HILLS GETS A REPLACEMENT, THEIRS GOES OUT TO THE EAST SIDE WHICH IS COUNTRY OAKS.

HE EXPLAINED WITH PUMPERS IT IS A LONG DRAWN OUT PROCESS; YOU KIND OF LOCK DOWN AN ASSEMBLY LINE FOR AN ENGINE AND FOR A CONTRACT PRICE, THEY NEED TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER. FROM THERE, THEY GO INTO A DRAWING PHASE THAT HAS TO BE APPROVED AND THEY DON'T MAKE A A FINAL DECISION ON THE VEHICLE UNTIL IT IS ALMOST READY WHICH IS SOMETIMES IN NOVEMBER. HE SAID HE IS AWARE THE MSBU PART WILL BE GOING THROUGH SOME CHANGE NOW; BUT, THIS WILL GIVE THE NEW COMMIT- TEE TIME TO ACTUALLY LOOK AT EVERYTHING TOO. HOWEVER, HE WOULD REQUEST THEY GO AHEAD AND ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER AND LOCK EVERYTHING DOWN.

ED PELLETIER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PRICE HE HAD FOR A TANKER HE DISCUSSED WITH THEM PREVIOUSLY IS STILL ON HOLD; BUT, HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER THEY ARE GOING TO KEEP IT AT THAT PRICE.

ED ADDRESSED THE ISO RATING FOR COUNTRY OAKS HAS BROUGHT THEIR INSURANCE RATES DOWN AND WILL BENEFIT EVERYBODY IN THE COUNTRY OAKS AREA. IF HE DOESN'T GET A NEW TANKER AND THEY COME AROUND AND FIND THEY DON'T HAVE A TANKER, IT COULD AFFECT THE ISO RATING. HE JUST WANTED TO BRING THIS TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION. THE NEW TANKER IS ALMOST AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID HE DOESN'T SEE THE BOARD TAKING ACTION ON EITHER OF THESE REQUEST TODAY. THE NEW MSBU BOARD WILL BE IMPLEMENTED TUESDAY; HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT BOARD IN PLACE AND LET THEM DO A REVIEW OF THE COST AND WHAT MONIES ARE AVAILABLE TO WORK WITH AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD.

LOU TRACY SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH EXPERTISE. AS ASSISTANT CHIEF TO ONE OF THE LARGEST VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOR EIGHTEEN YEARS, HE FELT HE COULD SPEAK TO THE NEED OF THE FIRETRUCK. HE ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING A COUPLE OF OPTIONS:

1. IF THEY DON'T BUY THE TRUCK, THE ISO RATING GOES BACK TO A TEN AND THE PEOPLE IN THE FIRE AREA ARE ASSESSED AN ADDITIONAL \$60 TO \$80 A YEAR IN INSURANCE FEES.

2. IF THEY BUY THE NEW PUMPER, THEY REDUCE THE ISO RATING FROM SEVEN TO FIVE AND REDUCE THE PEOPLE IN THE FIRE AREA'S INSURANCE RATINGS BY \$60 TO \$70 A YEAR.

HE SAID THE NEED IS THERE AND YOU CAN'T TAKE A THIRTY YEAR OLD PUMPER TRUCK AND EXPECT A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO FIGHT FIRES IN THE ENTIRE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY. A PIECE OF FIRE APPARATUS IS BUILT AND OPERATED EIGHT TO TEN MILES; IT IS NOT BUILT TO RUN AROUND ALL OVER THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY WHICH THE ORGANIZATION IN SUNNY HILLS HAS BEEN EXPECTED TO DO AND HAS BEEN DOING. HE SAID YOU WEAR OUT THE PIECE OF EQUIPMENT. THE BOARD HAS A SITUATION NOW AND IMPROVE IT FOR EVERYBODY AND WITH THE MSBU FUNDING THE COST OF THE NEW TRUCK, WASHINGTON COUNTY IS NOT OUT A LOT OF MONEY. HE SAID THIS HAS BEEN IN THE PROCESS FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND NOT SOMETHING THAT HAS JUST COME UP. HE FEELS LIKE THE MSBU BOARD HAS WORKED ON IT, APPROVED THE APPARATUS AND HE DOESN'T SEE ANY REASON WHY NOW ISN'T THE TIME TO MOVE ON IT. HE APOLOGIZED FOR NOT BEING AT LAST MONTH'S MEETING; IF HE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN A PROBLEM SEEING THEY WOULD ALL BENEFIT BY SUNNY HILLS HAVING A NEW TRUCK AND PASSING THEIR OTHER TRUCK TO ANOTHER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO USE, HE DOESN'T SEE A REASON TO DELAY PURCHASING THE TRUCK. IT IS SOMETHING THEY NEED AND IT WILL SAVE PEOPLE IN THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DISTRICT \$60 TO \$70 A YEAR AND HE DOESN'T SEE ANYONE OUT THERE THAT WILL COMPLAIN ABOUT THAT. HOWEVER, HE FEELS THE BOARD IS GOING TO GET A LOT OF COMPLAINTS IF FOR SOME REASON THEIR PRESENT RATING GOES UP BECAUSE OF THE BOARD'S DECISION NOT TO DO ANYTHING.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED DIDN'T GLEN JUST STATE IT WOULD BE TWO YEARS BEFORE THEY WOULD GET THE TRUCK IF THEY ORDERED IT TOMORROW. TRACY SAID THAT WAS CORRECT; BUT, YOU HAVE TO START THE PROCESS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID ALL HE WAS SAYING IS ANOTHER THIRTY DAYS AT THE MOST WOULDN'T MATTER THAT MUCH.

TRACY SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING IS THE PRICE OF THE APPARATUS WOULD GO UP A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF MONEY IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME IF THE TRUCK WASN'T ORDERED. IF THEY ARE INTENDING TO ORDER THE TRUCK AND IT TAKES SIXTEEN TO EIGHTEEN MONTHS TO GET IT, THEY ARE STILL IN A SITUATION OF WAITING MONTH AFTER MONTH AFTER MONTH. HE QUESTIONED WHY WAIT.

GLEN SAID HE THINKS THAT MIGHT BE CONFUSION. WHAT HE IS ASKING FOR IS TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER WHICH LOCKS PRICES AT THIS TIME. THE FINAL DECISION CAN BE MADE BY THE NEW MSBU BOARD LATER ON BECAUSE UNTIL THEY ACTUALLY APPROVE A SET OF DRAWINGS AND UNTIL THEY ACTUALLY GO THROUGH PAYING FOR THE MACHINE, YOU ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO ACCEPT THAT MACHINE. A LOT OF MACHINES ARE NEVER TAKEN WHEN THEY ARE ORDERED. BUT, YOU DO LOOK AT A NINE MONTH TIME FRAME. HE SAID THE ONLY PROBLEM HE HAS WITH THE FOLKS HE IS DEALING WITH, AND BEING TURNED DOWN IN THE LAST MEETING, HE GOT THE BIDS EXTENDED UNTIL THE END OF THIS MONTH. AT THAT POINT, THE BIDS DO GO UP.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WAS ONE OF THE ONES WHO VOTED AGAINST IT LAST TIME WITH THE REASON BEING HE DIDN'T REALIZE IT WAS GOING ANYWHERE NEAR COUNTRY OAKS OR ANYTHING AND THEY HAD JUST TURNED THEM DOWN OR PUT THEM OFF. HE COULDN'T SEE, EVEN IF MSBU HAD THE MONEY, IT WAS RIGHT TO PURCHASE IT. HE HAS TALKED TO GLEN AND ED PELLETIER TODAY AND HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY OBJECTIONS NOW. HE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER SAPP THE NEW MSBU BOARD WILL TAKE OFFICE ON TUESDAY. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THE BOARD NAMES THE NEW MSBU BOARD MEMBERS, THEY COULDN'T HAVE A QUICK MEETING TO DECIDE WHAT THEY WANT TO DO. OTHER- WISE, IT MAY COST MORE MONEY.

GLEN SAID HE WOULD ALSO LIKE THE NEW BOARD TO HAVE A SAY IN IT; THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE SOME IMMEDIATE ISSUES TO ADDRESS ONCE THEY DO MEET. THIS IS JUST TO LOCK DOWN SOME CONTRACT PRICES SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO INCUR ANOTHER \$25,000 FOR THE SAME MACHINE.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THE NEW MSBU BOARD DECIDES NOT TO PURCHASE THE PUMPER RIGHT NOW, THEN THAT IS FINAL. GLEN SAID THEN THEY COULDN'T FOLLOW THAT PATH, NO.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD APPROVED THE PURCHASE ORDER RIGHT NOW FOR GLEN TO GO AHEAD WITH THE PROCEDURE; BUT, THE NEW MSBU BOARD SAYS NO TO IT, THAT WOULD BE THE END OF IT.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER QUESTIONED IF THE COMPANY WOULDN'T HOLD GLEN TO A PURCHASE ORDER; IF YOU ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER, THAT USUALLY MEANS YOU ARE ORDERING SOMETHING.

GLEN SAID THE PURCHASE ORDER WAS TO RESERVE ALL BIDS; THAT IS THE WAY THEY OPERATE. THEY HAVE A WRITTEN PROPOSAL; BUT, THEY DON'T HAVE A SET OF SHOP DRAWINGS YET WHICH IS ANOTHER 60 TO 90 DAYS BEFORE THEY PROVIDE THAT. AFTER YOU APPROVE A SET OF SHOP DRAWINGS, THEY START GETTING SERIOUS ABOUT IT. WITH CONSTRUCTION TIME OF THE MACHINE, PHYSICAL PAYMENT OF THE MACHINE AND PHYSICAL DELIVERY OF THE MACHINE, THEY WOULD BE LOOKING AT AROUND DECEMBER.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED HOW COULD THE COMPANY HAVE IT ALL PRICED OUT AND NOT HAVE A PARTICULAR DRAWING OF WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE BUILDING. IT LOOKS LIKE THAT WOULD BE HARD TO DO.

GLEN SAID THEY DID SPECIFICATIONS ON COMPONENTS.

SAL ZURICA REFERRED TO GLEN HAVING SAID HE WAS GOING TO PUT IT OUT ON THE EAST END OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND QUESTIONED IF THAT PROPERTY WAS ON THE NRPI LAND OR IS IT IN COUNTRY OAKS LAND. GLEN SAID IT WAS ON UNIT 14 IN SUNNY HILLS. SAL ASKED AGAIN IF THAT WAS NRPI PROPERTY AND WASN'T UNIT 14 SOLD TO THEM.

GLEN SAID THAT WAS COUNTY PROPERTY IN UNIT 14 WHICH IS SUNNY HILLS. SAL QUESTIONED AGAIN IF IT WASN'T SOLD TO NRPI WITH GLEN ADVISING IT WAS.

SAL ASKED IF GLEN WANTED TO PUT A FIREHOUSE OUT THERE TO. GLEN SAID YES. SAL ASKED WHERE WAS THE MONIES COMING FROM FOR THE FIREHOUSE. GLEN SAID THEY WERE WORKING WITH PRIVATE PARTIES LIKE THEY WORKED WITH THEM ON THE ROAD.

SAL ASKED WOULD MSBU FUND THE FIRETRUCK GLEN IS REQUESTING. GLEN SAID THIS FIRETRUCK IS GOING IN THE EXISTING END OF THE DEVELOPMENT CURRENTLY. SAL QUESTIONED WAS GLEN WANTING MSBU TO FUND THIS AND NOT THE COUNTY FUNDING IT WITH GRANTS. GLEN SAID YES.

SAL SAID THE MSBU WAS STRAPPED NOW AS IT IS; BUT, GLEN WANTS THE MSBU TO FUND IT. HE SAID MSBU HAS A \$2,100,000 NOTE TO MAKE NEXT YEAR, WHICH THEY HAVE GOT TO REFINANCE. THEY HAVE PAID \$700,000 IN INTEREST AND THE NOTE HAS NOT GONE DOWN AND GLEN WANTS TO ADD ANOTHER \$350,000 TO THAT WHICH PROBABLY COMES UP TO ABOUT \$600,000 PLUS EXTRAS. SAL ASKED GLEN HOW MUCH DID HE THINK THE PEOPLE IN SUNNY HILLS COULD SPEND.

SAL AGREED WITH GLEN COUNTRY OAKS NEEDS A FIRETRUCK; BUT, I THINK IT SHOULD WAIT AND NO PURCHASE ORDER SHOULD BE GIVEN UNTIL THE NEW MSBU COMES IN.

GLEN SAID AS A MATTER OF ECONOMICS, IF YOU TOOK THE CURRENT 800 HOUSES AT A \$50 SAVINGS FROM ISO RATING OF SEVEN INSTEAD OF EIGHT, THAT GENERATES \$40,000 A YEAR VERSUS A \$35,000 A YEAR PAYMENT ON THE TRUCK. ACTUALLY PEOPLE WILL START GAINING A BENEFIT IMMEDIATELY JUST OFF OF COST SAVINGS TO THE HOMEOWNERS.

GLEN SAID THE OTHER FACT IS THEY WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE THE MSBU ASSESSMENT EVERY YEAR NOW; NEXT YEAR, IT IS GOING UP BY \$52,000 AND WILL CONTINUE TO RISE BY A VERY SIMILAR AMOUNT FOR THE NEXT FOUR TO FIVE YEARS.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED WHEN NRPI MOVES FORWARD, HOW MANY PLATTED UNITS WILL THERE BE. GLEN SAID NRPI WOULD PUT ON LINE RESIDENTIAL PARCELS OVER 8,000. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID NRPI IS GOING TO BE LIABLE FOR AN ASSESSMENT AND THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT ADVERTISING FOR CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW FOR THAT SECTION THAT HAS ALREADY GOT PLANNED. JUST THE ASSESSMENT ALONE FOR THAT AREA IS GOING TO BE TREMENDOUS NEXT YEAR IN ADDITION TO WHAT HE HAS GOT NOW.

COMMISSIONER FINCH WANTED TO GIVE A LITTLE HISTORY ON THE MSBU WHEN IT WAS FIRST CREATED. THEY HAD FORESIGHT TO GO OUT AND BORROW THE \$2.1 MILLION AND PEOPLE SAY YOU GO IN DEBT FOR \$2.1 DOLLARS. FINCH SAID THAT WAS THE SMARTEST THING THAT EVER HAPPENED WITH THE PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, ASPHALT, ETC. THEY WERE ABLE TO CAPTURE SO MANY MORE MILES OF ROAD. HE ASKED THEM TO REMEMBER THAT AND THINK ABOUT THE PRICE OF ASPHALT IN 2001-2002 VERSUS WHAT IT IS NOW. BY UTILIZING THE MSBU AND PLEDGING THE FUTURE FUNDING FOR THE MSBU ASSESSMENT AGAINST THAT LOAN WAS THE SMARTEST THING THAT EVER HAPPENED. HE SAID SURE THEY ARE IN DEBT; BUT, THEY COULD HAVE JUST HAD TEN MILES OF ROAD PAVED TODAY FOR WHAT THEY GOT FORTY PAVED FOR. HE THINKS SOMETIMES GLEN FAILS TO MARKET SOME OF THE THINGS THEY HAVE ACCOMPLISHED AND EVERYBODY NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND THAT. IT WAS A WISE THING AND WHETHER THE BOARD AGREES WITH HIM TODAY OR NOT, THERE WAS SOME SMART THINKING PUT INTO IT AND GLEN NEEDS CREDIT FOR IT. BASED ON WHAT GLEN SAID AND THEY NEED IT IN THE MOTION IF THE PURCHASE ORDER IS NOT APPROVED BY THE NEW MSBU BOARD, IT IS OUT, HE DOESN'T SEE WHY THE BOARD COULDN'T PUT IT IN A MOTION TODAY AND IF THE NEW MSBU BOARD PULLS IT OUT NEXT WEEK, SO BE IT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID AT LAST MONTH'S MEETING, THEY AGREED WITH THIS ISSUE. HE AGREES WITH COMMISSIONER PATE AND THE REST OF THEM ON WHAT THEY MADE COMMENTS ABOUT; BUT, THEY DID MAKE A MOTION AND AN AGREEMENT THEY WOULD HOLD OFF THIS UNTIL THE NEW MSBU BOARD WAS IMPLEMENTED. HE REFERRED TO CHAIRMAN SAPP HAVING REITERATED THAT; THE BOARD NEEDS TO STAND BY THAT RULING. IF THEY DON'T, THEY MIGHT AS WELL GO BACK AND LISTEN TO EVERYBODY ELSE THAT WANTS CHANGES AND DO IT. HE AGREES WITH THE CHAIRMAN THEY NEED TO HOLD OFF UNTIL THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE IS PUT IN AND GO FROM THERE WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS SPECIFICALLY SAID THEY WOULD WAIT UNTIL THE NEW MSBU COMMITTEE WAS IN; HE KNEW IT DIDN'T PASS LAST MONTH AND THEY SAID THEY WOULD REVISIT IT. HE SAID THAT WAS FINE AND HE DIDN'T CARE. AGAIN, HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND NOT LETTING PEOPLE USE THEIR MONEY; IT WAS SET UP TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS AND THEY ARE NOT DOING IT.

GLEN SAID IF THEY WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THE NEW MSBU BOARD IS APPOINTED, HE CAN LIVE WITH THAT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID TUESDAY, MAY 1ST, THEY WOULD CROSS THAT BRIDGE; THE NEW MSBU BOARD WILL BE PUT IN PLACE. IF THEY SAY GO AHEAD WITH IT, HE THINKS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL AGREE WITH IT.

ED SAID GLEN'S PRICE RUNS OUT NEXT MONDAY; IF THEY ARE GOING TO MEET NEXT WEEK AND THIS ENDS UP ANOTHER \$25,000, MSBU HAS THE MONEY; IT IS NOT LIKE COUNTRY OAKS CASE.

GLEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT HAVING A COUNTY VEHICLE THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS SURPLUSED; THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT MOVED UP TO WAUSAU.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED IT WAS A 1980 TRUCK THEY WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO SURPLUS AND TRANSFER TO WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TO TRANSFER THE TRUCK TO WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IT IS IN WAUSAU NOW AND QUESTIONED IF GLEN IS GOING TO COME BACK TWO OR THREE MONTHS DOWN THE ROAD AND SAY THEY NEED A BRUSH TRUCK. GLEN SAID NO. HE SAID THERE IS NO USE IN SUNNY HILLS HAVING TWO PIECES OF APPARATUS ROLLING OUT OF THEIR DEPARTMENT AND THEY HAVE TO GO TO WAUSAU WITH IT. IT IS A LOT EASIER TO HAVE IT IN WAUSAU TO START WITH AND LET THEIR DEPARTMENT HAVE IT. WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO IS HAVE EVERYBODY ENDING UP WITH THE SAME PIECE OF EQUIPMENT EVERYWHERE, SO IF THEY CAN HANDLE IT THEMSELVES, THEY CAN HANDLE IT. BUT, IF THEY NEED SOMETHING COMING, EVERYBODY ELSE IS USING THEIR PERSONNEL AND THEIR RESOURCES AND BRINGING IT BACK TO THEM.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER'S REPORT:

A. VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2007 TALLING \$1,540,745.35. COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO PAY THE VOUCHERS.

DEPUTY CLERK CARTER READ INTO THE MINUTES COMMISSIONER SAPP'S MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING OF VOTING CONFLICT ON ACTION ON THE FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF PAVED ROADS AND COUNTY EASEMENTS TO TRANSFER TO COUNTY MAINTENANCE ON KIERSTON HEIGHTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED IF ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAD CHECKED ON WHETHER CERTAIN PEOPLE ARE COVERED OR NOT COVERED UNDER WORKERS COMPENSATION. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED HEATHER WAS CHECKING WITH PGIT ON THIS MATTER.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF CLIFF COULD GIVE THEM AN IDEA OF WHEN THEY ARE GOING TO GET THE FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM SQUARED AWAY SO THEY CAN START BUDGETING. CLIFF WASN'T PRESENT AT THE TIME TO ANSWER.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REPORTED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY HAD SENT THE BOARD A LETTER STATING TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILL BE KICKED OUT OF THEIR OFFICE LOCATION AUGUST 31, 2007.

COMMISSIONER FINCH ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER MAKING THE MSBU CREATED AND ANY OTHER MSBU THAT IS CREATED SUBJECT TO SOMEONE WITH THE COUNTY THAT GIVES IT SOME DISCIPLINE; SOME PLACE THAT WHOMEVER IS INVOLVED WITH THE MSBU CAN COME TO WITH THE COUNTY. HE REFERRED TO SOMETHING LIKE THE DEPARTMENT HEADS OF THE COUNTY; DAVID LOOKS AFTER THE PARKS AND RECREATION. HE SAID IF THE MSBU IS GOING TO BE AN ENTITY OF THE COUNTY, LET SOMEONE MAKE A REPORT THAT IS DRAWING A COUNTY SALARY. THEY CAN MAKE THE MSBU REPORT, THE COORDINATOR CAN REPORT TO THEM AND THE MSBU COMMITTEE CAN REPORT TO THEM; THEY WILL BE SOMEWHAT RESPONSIBLE TO MAKE SURE MSBU OPERATES. HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE ALL THE AGGRAVATION AND TALKING BACK AND FORTH TO CEASE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF THE POLICY FOR THE MSBU IS SET UP RIGHT, IT SHOULD CUT DOWN ON A LOT OF THE BICKERING AND THAT IS WHAT EVERYBODY WANTS. IT MAY NEVER WORK 100% SMOOTH; BUT, IT HAS TO BE IMPROVED.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE IS NOT TOTALLY CONVINCED THAT EVERYBODY WANTS TO WORK SMOOTH; BUT, HE DOES KNOW SOMETHING NEEDS TO HAPPEN.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR HELP ON SEWELL FARM.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THAT STACY WEBB WAS WORKING ON COMPLETING A SHUTTERING GRANT FOR THE ROULHAC MIDDLE SCHOOL; IT IS A \$88,100 GRANT TO MAKE IT A HURRICANE SHELTER. WALTON COUNTY IS DOING A SIMILAR GRANT ON THEIR SCHOOLS; THE COMPANY THAT IS DOING THEIR SHUTTERS HAS MADE A PROPOSAL TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. THE PROPOSAL IS WITHIN BUDGET AND STACY IS REQUESTING THE COUNTY PIGGYBACK ON WALTON COUNTY'S PROJECT AND CONTRACT WITH THE SAME COMPANY. SHE HAS TALKED WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY ABOUT IT AND HE HAS SAID IT WOULD BE LEGAL TO PIGGYBACK OFF WALTON COUNTY'S CONTRACT. THE COMPANY'S NAME IS KANES SCREEN THAT IS CURRENTLY INSTALLING HURRICANE SCREENS IN WALTON COUNTY SCHOOLS. THEY HAVE SUBMITTED QUOTES TO WASHINGTON COUNTY TO COMPLETE THEIR PROJECT FOR THE SAME PRICE AS WALTON COUNTY AND IT IS WITHIN THE BUDGET OF THE \$88,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO PIGGY BACK OFF OF WALTON COUNTY'S CONTRACT FOR THE HURRICANE SHUTTER PROJECT AT ROULHAC MIDDLE SCHOOL.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A LETTER FROM DON WALTERS, CHAIRMAN OF THE ORANGE HILL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT. THEY HAVE RECEIVED A FLORIDA FOREVER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANT THROUGH NFWFMD TO IMPROVE STREAM CROSSING AND LOWER CHOCTOWHAT- CHEE RIVER WATER SHED. THE GRANT IS DESIGNED TO STABILIZE UNPAVED ROADS IN ORDER TO REDUCE CONTAMINATION OF CREEKS AND RIVERS COMING OFF THESE ROADS WHICH HAVE A PROFOUND EFFECT ON WATER QUALITY AND EXTREME HABITAT. THERE ARE SEVEN SITES LOCATED IN WASHINGTON COUNTY THAT WERE CHOSEN BY NFWFMD FOR IMPLEMENTATION. THEY ARE READY TO TO START WORK ON THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THEIR WORK, THEY NEEDED THE COMMISSIONERS TO AUTHORIZE THE FL-DOT TO ISSUE 525 LOADS OF MILLED ASPHALT WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE. IN ADDITION TO THESE SEVEN STREAM CROSSINGS, THEY WERE ALSO REQUESTING THE COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE 125 LOADS OF MILLED ASPHALT TO IMPROVE TWO STREAM CROSSINGS ON PEEL ROAD. THE ROAD IN QUESTION WOULD COVER FROM HIGHWAY 77 TO ITS DEAD END AT BUDDY ROAD. THE CONTRACT OHSCD HAS SIGNED WITH NFWFMD SPECIFIES THE SITES THEY DEEM THE MOST CRITICAL AND THEY WERE NOT IN A POSITION TO NEGOTIATE A CHANGE IN THEIR DECISION. THE SEVEN SITES NFWFMD SELECTED ARE:

1. KENT ROAD STREAM CROSSING AT HARD LABOR CREEK
2. FIRE TOWER ROAD AT REEDY CREEK
3. OLD MILL ROAD AT HARD LABOR CREEK
4. ARMSTRONG MILL ROAD TRIBUTARY TO HOLMES CREEK IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
5. JACKSON COMMUNITY ROAD NORTH TRIBUTARY TO HOLMES CREEK IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
6. JACKSON COMMUNITY ROAD SOUTH TRIBUTARY TO HOLMES CREEK IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
7. DUNCAN COMMUNITY ROAD AT BROCK MILL BRANCH

HERBERT ASKED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO REQUEST THIS ADDITIONAL MILLED ASPHALT FOR OHSCD TO DO THESE PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF FL-DOT HAD 500 LOADS OF MILLED ASPHALT THEY ARE WANTING TO GIVE AWAY.

HERBERT SAID NOT RIGHT NOW THEY DON'T; IT MAY BE ON INTO THE FALL OR THE END OF THE YEAR BEFORE THE MILLED ASPHALT IS AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THAT WOULD TIE UP A LOT OF TRUCKING TIME TO EVEN HAUL THAT MUCH MILLED ASPHALT. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THE COUNTY WOULD BE GETTING A LOT OUT OF IT AND OHSCD HAS DONE GOOD ON THE PLACES THEY HAVE FIXED. HE ASKED IF WALTERS HAD A GRANT COMING TO THEM OR IS THE GOVERNMENT PAYING FOR THIS.

HERBERT REITERATED OHSCD HAD THE FLORIDA FOREVER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANT THROUGH THE NFWFMD. FINCH QUESTIONED HOW MUCH WAS THE GRANT FOR. HERBERT ADVISED THE LETTER DIDN'T SAY HOW MUCH THE GRANT WAS FOR.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT WALTERS HAD TOLD HIM THE GRANT WAS FOR \$400,000+.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED DIDN'T WALTERS HAVE THE HAULING OF MATERIALS CONTRACTED OUT BEFORE. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT ALL THE ROADS; BUT, HE DID ON DUNCAN COMMUNITY ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY WAS GOING TO HAVE TO BE INVOLVED WITH THEIR TRUCKS, ETC. WITH HAULING MATERIALS.

HERBERT SAID WALTERS WAS NOT REQUESTING THE TRUCKS; BUT, HE HASN'T TALKED TO WALTERS ABOUT THAT PART. HE SAID HE DIDN'T THINK HE WAS ASKING THE COUNTY FOR THE TRUCKS; BUT, TO MAKE A REQUEST TO FL-DOT FOR THE MILLED ASPHALT. FL-DOT HAD SOME CHANGES IN THEIR PROCEDURES ON MILLED ASPHALT; THEY WANT ALL THE REQUESTS TO COME THROUGH ONE PLACE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID ON THE DUNCAN COMMUNITY ROAD, OHSCD USED THE COUNTY'S VIBRATOR ROLLER AND THE WATER TRUCK. HE SAID THAT WAS THE ONLY INVOLVEMENT THE COUNTY HAD; THE BOARD HAS TO AUTHORIZE FOR OHSCD TO WORK ON THOSE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IT LOOKED LIKE IF THEY GET THESE OTHER PROJECTS FIXED, THEY WILL HAVE TO FUND IT OUT OF SOME OTHER SOURCE AND BUY THE ASPHALT. OHSCD WILL HAVE PROJECTS ONGOING EVERY YEAR AND THE COUNTY WILL NEVER GET ANY MILLED ASPHALT FROM FL-DOT ABOVE AND BEYOND THE STORM WATER CROSSINGS. HE SAID IT WAS GOOD OHSCD WAS FIXING THE STORM WATER CROSSINGS AND THEY ARE GOOD AREAS TO FIX; BUT, IT IS A LOT OF MILLED ASPHALT. HE SAID OHSCD PROBABLY WOULD RUN INTO SOME PROBLEMS WHEN THEY GET IN THE AREA ON MILL ROAD WITH PEOPLE NOT WANTING ANYTHING PUT ON THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO SEND THE LETTER TO FL-DOT REQUESTING THEY PROVIDE THE MILLED ASPHALT REQUESTED BY OHSCD TO DO THE STORM WATER PROJECTS ON THE SITES SELECTED BY NFWFMD.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY HAD PROMISED PEOPLE SOME OF THE PLACES THEY ARE GOING TO PUT MILLED ASPHALT; HE WOULDN'T REQUEST IT AGAIN AFTER THIS YEAR.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE INTERVIEWS FOR THE MSBU COMMITTEE MEMBERS; ALL THE SCORES HAVE BEEN TALLIED AND THERE ARE SEVEN INTERVIEWS SET UP FOR TUESDAY:

1. ANDREW SHEROD
2. TYLER PIERCY
3. FRED SAXON
4. JUSTIN MORROW
5. ROGER NORRIS
6. SAL ZURICA
7. GEORGE WEEKLY

ONE OF THESE HAS REQUESTED THEY DO THEIR INTERVIEW BY TELEPHONE AND THEY WILL TRY AND HAVE A TELEPHONE SET UP.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED ON MALCOLM GAINNEY HAVING DONE SOME RESEARCH ON IMPROVING THE BACKUP SYSTEMS FOR THE COUNTY COMPUTER SYSTEM. HERBERT SAID HE THOUGHT SOME OF THE COMMISSIONERS WERE VERY INTERESTED IN TAKING A LOOK AT EVALUATING HOW THEY BACK UP THE COMPUTER DATA.

MALCOLM ADDRESSED THE BOARD, AT PETE'S REQUEST, ON AN INDEPENDENT PERSON COMING IN AND DOING AN EVALUATION ON WHAT IS BEING DONE AS FAR AS THE BACKUPS. THE QUOTE HE PROVIDED THE BOARD IS FOR THE EQUIPMENT TO DO WHAT THE PERSON RECOMMENDED AS FAR AS A BACKUP SYSTEM. HE SAID ONE OF THEM WAS FOR AN OFF SITE WHICH THEY WILL STORE AT THE COURTHOUSE AND THE OTHER ONE IS FOR AN ON SITE. THE TOTAL FOR THE TWO EQUALS \$7,964.26.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THIS WAS STILL COMPUTERS TALKING TO EACH OTHER HOOKED UP AND THERE WOULD STILL BE NO BACKUP HERE AND CARRIED SOMEWHERE ELSE.

MALCOLM SAID THE COMPUTER WOULD BE TALKING TO ANOTHER COMPUTER AT THE COURTHOUSE AND WILL NOT BE ON SITE. PATE SAID THAT WAS SORT OF WHAT THEY HAD WHEN THE COMPUTERS CRASHED; COMPUTERS TALKING TO ONE ANOTHER.

MALCOLM SAID IT WAS A TAPE BACKUP SYSTEM THEY HAD. ADMINISTRAT- OR HERBERT SAID THEY HAD THE TAPE BACKUP SYSTEM AND THIS WILL ADD SOME DESK TOP COMPUTERS IN THE COUNTY ANNEX WHICH WILL BE A SECOND FORM OF BACKING IT UP AND A THIRD PLACED AT THE SITE AT THE COURT- HOUSE. MR. PROVASI CAME OVER FROM VO-TECH AND RECOMMENDED REDUNDANCY TO THE BACKUP SYSTEM; THIS WAY IT WILL BE BACKED UP THREE TIMES AND ONE TIME OFFSITE.

MALCOLM SAID IN THE LONG TERM THING THEY ARE LOOKING AT IS MOVING THE OFFSITE BACKUP TO THE LIBRARY AND HOOKING THEM UP TO THEIR ACTUAL OFFICE. THEY WOULD GET A 75% DISCOUNT OF WHAT LINDA NORTON'S ON THEIR CONNECTION BETWEEN HERE AND THERE; THEY WILL ACTUALLY WIND UP SAVING MONEY COMPARED TO THE CONNECTION THEY HAVE TO THE COURTHOUSE NOW. THEY WILL BE ABLE TO DO AWAY WITH IT SINCE THEY NO LONGER TRANSFER ANYTHING BACK AND FORTH TO THE COURTHOUSE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF THEY GO AND HOOK ALL THESE COMPUTERS UP AND THEY PROBABLY WILL BE BETTER IN BACKING UP AND ALL, WHAT IS TO PREVENT THE SAME THING HAPPENING THAT HAPPENED BEFORE AND MESSING UP THE LIBRARY. HE QUESTIONED WHEN MALCOLM LOST ONE BACKUP, DIDN'T HE LOSE BOTH OF THEM.

MALCOLM SAID THEY ONLY LOST ONE. COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED WHICH BACKUP DID THEY LOSE WHEN THE SYSTEM WENT DOWN. MALCOLM SAID THEY LOST THE DOMAIN CONTROLLER WHICH CONTROLS EVERYTHING; NOW, THEY HAVE A SECONDARY DOMAIN CONTROLLER WHICH WAS PURCHASED OUT OF HIS BUDGET TO KEEP THAT SITUATION FROM EVER HAPPENING AGAIN. ALSO, THEY HAVE A PRIMARY AND A SECONDARY DOMAIN CONTROLLER WHERE THEY ONLY HAD A PRIMARY BEFORE.

COMMISSIONER HOMAN ASKED IF SOMETHING OUT OF THE BLUE HAPPENED AGAIN SIMILAR TO THE LAST TIME, THE INFORMATION THEY MIGHT LOSE AT THE COUNTY ANNEX WILL BE IN A DIFFERENT LOCATION STORED WHICH WHAT HAPPENS HERE WON'T AFFECT ALL THE INFORMATION THERE. MALCOLM SAID THAT WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO TAKE MALCOLM'S WORD BECAUSE HE DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT. HE SAID THE BOTTOM LINE IS \$8,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF ANYONE KNEW WHAT THE COMPUTER CRASH HAS COST THE COUNTY IN GETTING THE INFORMATION LOST ALL BACK IN. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID MOSTLY OVERTIME IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

MALCOLM SAID HE THOUGHT CLIFF COULD GIVE THE BOARD AN IDEA ON WHAT IT JUST COST THEIR OFFICE IN PANAMA CITY BECAUSE THEY HAD A SIMILAR SITUATION TO GO DOWN.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE WOULD HATE TO SPEND \$8,000 NOW AND A MONTH FROM NOW IT BLOWS UP AGAIN. MALCOLM SAID DOING THIS WOULD GIVE THEM MORE REDUNDANCY AND IS JUST ANOTHER WAY TO BACK UP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR REDUNDANCY OF BACKUP.

ROGER HAGAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON AN E-MAIL HE RECEIVED FROM RANDY MCDANIEL, EM DIRECTOR FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY. THE DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE FEMA TRAILERS AND THE COUNTY CAN GET THEM FOR \$1500 A PIECE. IF THE COUNTY WANTS TO PURCHASE ANY OF THE TRAILERS, THEY WILL NEED TO E-MAIL THEM AS EARLY AS TOMORROW STATING THEY HAVE AN INTEREST AND LET THEM KNOW HOW MANY THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE. THEY ARE MOBILE HOME TYPE, 64' LONG AS WELL AS TRAVEL TRAILER TYPES THAT ARE KIND OF PULL BEHINDS. THEY COULD BE USED FOR OFFICE BUILDINGS; THERE IS SOME TIME RESTRAINTS ON HOW TO USE THEM; INDIVIDUALS CAN'T GET THEM. THEY HAVE ALREADY PROCESSED SOME OF THEM AND HE HAS BEEN TOLD THEY ARE LIKE BRAND NEW AND DON'T LOOK LIKE THEY WERE EVER LIVED IN HARDLY.

ROGER REFERRED TO MR. BARNES HAVING SAID SOMETHING ABOUT ONE COULD BE USED TO IN THE EBRO AREA, MAYBE A SATELITE OFFICE FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ONE MAY BE USED AT PUBLIC WORKS, ETC. HE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT IN SERVICE WITHIN EIGHTEEN MONTHS AND THERE WILL BE TRANSPORTATION COST. THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO SET UP THE TRAILERS, OCCUPY THEM, THE STATE WILL INSPECT THEM AS BEING OCCUPIED AND AFTER FIVE YEARS, THE BOARD COULD DO SOMETHING ELSE WITH THEM.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE WOULD TAKE TWO OF THE TRAILERS OUT OF HIS MATERIALS BUDGET AT ROAD AND BRIDGE. IT WAS QUESTIONED IF HE COULD TAKE HIS MATERIALS BUDGET TO PURCHASE THE TRAILERS. DEPUTY CLERK CARTER ADDRESSED THEM HAVING USED TRANSPORTATION MONIES TO PUT UP A SHED AT PUBLIC WORKS. ROGER SAID AT THIS TIME, ALL HE NEEDS TO KNOW IS THE NUMBER OF TRAILERS THEY WANT AND IF THEY WANT THE MOBILE HOMES OR THE PULL BEHIND TRAILERS. HE EXPLAINED HOLMES COUNTY USES A PULL BEHIND TRAILER FOR THEIR COMMAND POST; WASHINGTON COUNTY EOC STAYS AWAY FROM THAT. THEY TRIED AT ONE TIME TO USE AN OLD BUS FOR THEIR COMMAND POST AND TO OUTFIT IT, ETC; IT BECAME COST PROHIBITIVE. THEY LATER SURPLUSED THE BUS AND SOLD IT.

ROGER SAID JACKSON COUNTY ALSO HAS A PULL BEHIND FOR A COMMAND POST AND IF THE BOARD FEELS LIKE THE EOC NEEDS ONE, THEY WOULD TAKE IT AND PUT VIDEOS, DESK, ETC. THE ONLY THING THEY WOULD NEED ONE FOR IS IF THEY HAD FIRES AND WAS GOING TO BE AT A SITE FOR A FEW DAYS. THEY PROBABLY COULD GET SOMEBODY TO BRING THEM ONE THEN CHEAPER THAN THEY COULD LET ONE SET UP FOR YEARS HOPING THEY HAD A FIRE, FLOOD, ETC. HE SAID HE WAS NOT TRYING TO DISCOURAGE HAVING A MOBILE COMMAND POST; BUT, IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IT, HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THEY SOMETIMES WOULD HAVE A USE FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER HOLMAN HAVING SAID HE WOULD TAKE TWO MOBILE TRAILERS IF THEY NEED THEM AT PUBLIC WORKS. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IF THEY COULD FIGURE OUT WHERE THEY NEEDED THEM, IT WOULD BE A GOOD THING. HE ADDRESSED THE EXPENSE INVOLVED OF MOVING THE TRAILERS; IT WOULD PROBABLY COST \$2,000 OR MORE TO MOVE THE 12'X 64'.

ROGER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT OTHER AGENCIES THE COUNTY UMBRELLAS FOR THAT MIGHT NEED ONE OR WHAT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS NEEDS ARE.

CLERK COOK SAID SHE COULD USE ONE AT THE COURTHOUSE FOR STORAGE FOR RECORDS. ROGER SAID HE HAD BEEN TOLD IF IT WAS PUT IN SERVICE IN A GOVERNMENT USE, IT SOUNDED LIKE AN ELIGIBLE USE.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID THEY MAY COULD PUT ONE AT THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AND AT THE SOD FARM FOR OFFICE SPACE. COM- MISSIONER SAPP SAID THEY COULD PURCHASE TWO WITH THE FUNDS SET ASIDE IN THE BUDGET FOR THE SOD FARM AND THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. SAPP RECOMMENDED GETTING THREE OF THE 12' X 64' TRAILERS AND USE ONE AT THE SOD FARM, EQUESTRIAN FACILITY AND ONE FOR STORAGE FOR MS. COOK.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT IF PUBLIC WORKS COULD USE A TRAILER. HERBERT ADVISED THEY HAD THREE DOWN THERE AND ONE IS BEING USED FOR THE SIGN TRAILER, ETC. THE BEST HE CAN REMEMBER THEY ARE ALL IN PRETTY BAD SHAPE.

ROGER SAID ONE OF THESE TRAILERS POSSIBLY COULD REPLACE THREE OF THOSE DOWN THERE NOW OR AT LEAST TWO OF THESE TRAILERS COULD REPLACE THE THREE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP RECOMMENDED GETTING FOUR TRAILERS AND PUTTING ONE AT PUBLIC WORKS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FINCH AND CARRIED TO PURCHASE FOUR OF THE 12'X64' TRAILERS; ONE FOR THE SOD FARM, ONE FOR THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY, ONE FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND ONE FOR STORAGE FOR CLERK COOK.

THE MEETING WAS RECESSED UNTIL THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AT 5:00 P.M.

SANDRA COOK UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE TDC; THEY NOW ARE ON THE OFFICIAL 2007 FLORIDA STATE MAP. MARY RICHMOND WITH THE EBRO HOTEL WILL NOW BE A MEMBER OF THE TDC. THE NEXT TDC MEETING WILL BE APRIL 30TH.

THE PUBLIC HEARING PORTION OF THE MEETING BEGAN:

A. VACATION OF A PORTION OF GREENHEAD PLAT, RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENTS, PORTION OF 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD STREETS, WOOD AND JOHNSON AVENUE AND A 20' ALLEYWAY.

LINDA WALLER, IN KEEPING WITH THE REQUEST OF THE BOARD, ADVISED THEY ARE ENCOURAGING PROPERTY OWNERS THAT LIVE WITHIN THE GREENHEAD PLAT TO CLOSE THE OLD PLATTED RIGHT OF WAY.

THIS WAS BROUGHT TO THE OFFICE BY EDWARD AND LOU ELLA ROGERS ON BEHALF OF THE OTHER PROPERTY OWNERS IN THAT AREA; THE RODRIGUEZS, THE YOUNGS, THE VATTERS AND THE CLACKS. THIS STARTED OUT TO BE A SIMPLE PLAT VACATION; IT GOT KIND OF COMPLICATED BECAUSE MR. ROGERS FELT HE WAS ENTITLED TO ALL THE LAND SINCE HE HAD DONE THE LEG WORK ON IT. HE DIDN'T SEEM TO WANT TO ACCEPT THE EXPLANATION THAT UNDER THE FL-STATUTE, 30' GOES TO EACH ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNER; THEY SPLIT THE WIDTH OF THOSE EASEMENTS EQUALLY AMONG PROPERTY OWNERS. WHEN HE LEFT THE MEETING, HE DID TELL HER, HE WAS WITHDRAWING HIS APPLICATION; HOWEVER, IN THIS INSTANCE, HE WOULD REQUIRE A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF WITHDRAWAL AND THAT HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED. HOWEVER, THE OTHER APPLICANTS HAVE INDICATED THEY WISH TO PROCEED WITH THE CLOSURE AND SHE SEES NO REASON AT THIS TIME NOT TO PROCEED WITH THE VACATION OF THE PLAT.

GINGER COLE, DAUGHTER OF LEWIS AND BETTY CLACK, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CLACKS ADJOINING THIS ROAD AND HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH IT BEING CLOSED. HOWEVER, THE PROBLEM THEY DO HAVE IS MR. ROGERS OR SOMEONE FOR HIM HAS PUT A FENCE ON BOTH SIDES TO PREVENT THEM FROM ENTERING THEIR PROPERTY; NOT ONLY DID HE PUT A FENCE DOWN BUT ALSO PUT DOWN TREES AND PILED UP A LOT OF BRUSH. HER PARENTS NEED TO HAVE THIS CLEARED BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT PHYSICALLY ABLE TO DO IT. SHE REQUESTED SOMEONE TO CLEAR THE TREES AND BRUSH UP ON HER PARENTS SIDE OF THE PROPERTY AND DO SO IN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF TIME.

LINDA SAID IT WOULD SEEM THE TREES WERE CUT PRIOR TO THE APPLICATION FOR VACATION OF PLAT. SHE HAD RECEIVED A COUPLE OF CALLS FROM DIFFERENT PEOPLE IN THAT AREA WHERE THE ROGERS HAD PUT UP A FENCE ALSO BLOCKING OFF THE EASEMENT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY QUESTIONED LINDA IF THE ROGERS OWN SIDE OF THE ROAD. LINDA SAID HE WOULD OWN ONE SIDE AND THE CLACKS WILL OWN ONE SIDE.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HALF OF THE ROAD WILL STILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE CLACKS TO COME IN TO THEIR PROPERTY. HOWEVER, THE CLACKS ARE SAYING ROGERS HAS TREES ALL CUT DOWN IN THE ROAD AND A FENCE UP BLOCKING THEM.

LINDA SAID THAT WOULD NEED TO BE REMOVED TO PROVIDE THE CLACKS WITH ADEQUATE ENTRY. COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF THE BOARD VACATES THE PLAT, THE COUNTY CREWS COULDN'T GO BACK WITHOUT AN INGRESS OR EGRESS EASEMENT.

LINDA SAID THE CLACKS HAVE A COUNTY ROAD TO GET TO; THEY COULD GO IN THROUGH BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE BOARD COULD MAKE IT CONTINGENT UPON THE FENCE BEING TAKEN DOWN AND TREES BEING TAKEN DOWN ON THE SIDE THEY ARE GOING TO BE ON.

BONNIE VATTER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER BEING INTERESTED ON WHICH PROPERTY WAS BEING TALKED ABOUT. SHE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM MS. WALLER AND CONNIE ANDERSON ON APRIL 11TH. SHE CALLED MS. ANDERSON TO FIND OUT WHICH PROPERTY IT WAS AND SHE INFORMED HER IT WAS ADJOINING HER BLOCK 9 AND 10. SHE IS READING ON THE AGENDA, THEY HAVE SOMETHING ABOUT 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD STREET.

AFTER LINDA SHOWED HER WHAT WAS BEING VACATED, BONNIE ADVISED SHE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT BEING VACATED; HOWEVER, SHE WOULD WANT HER 30'.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO VACATE THE PLAT CONDITIONED ON THE FENCE BEING TAKEN DOWN AND THE TREES BEING CLEARED ON THE CLACK'S HALF OF THE ROAD.

LINDA ASKED IF THE CLACKS COULD HAVE THE FENCE REMOVED IF THEY SO DESIRE BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T THINK MR. ROGERS WOULD REMOVE IT.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID THEY JUST WANTED IT IN THE MOTION TO HAVE THE POWER TO REMOVE IT; THEY COULD STILL GET ON THE PROPERTY AND MOVE IT.

B. SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO ALLOW EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING MINING STATE ROAD 77 AND STATE ROAD 20 LAMAR SIKES.

LINDA ADVISED SHE WAS GOING TO ALLOW MR. SIKES TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TONIGHT; BUT, SHE WANTED TO CLARIFY THE ZONING ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP. THIS IS REALLY NOT A ZONING ISSUE; IT IS AN ACTIVITY THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE APPROPRIATE FOR AN AREA. THE PROPERTY MR. SIKES PIT IS LOCATED ON IS AGRICULTURAL/SILVACULTURE AND UNDER THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, THEY ARE ALLOWING

OR ALLOW MINING OPERATIONS AS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TYPE V. THIS IS WHY THEY DO THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION PROCESS; IT IS AN INSTRUMENT THE COUNTY HAS ALWAYS USED.

COMMISSIONER SAPP MADE MENTION THERE WERE SEVERAL PEOPLE ON THE SIGN IN SHEET TONIGHT; THE PERSON ON THE AGENDA, MR. SIKES HIMSELF, WILL BE ALLOWED 15 MINUTES OF AGENDAED TIME AND EACH INDIVIDUAL PERSON WOULD BE LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES DUE TO THERE NOT BEING AMPLE TIME FOR EVERYONE HERE TO SPEAK 15 MINUTES.

LISA MINCHEW, ATTORNEY REPRESENTING MR. SIKES AND SIKES SAND COMPANY, QUESTIONED IF THEY COULD SAVE A COUPLE MINUTES OF THEIR 15 MINUTES AS REBUTTAL AT THE END SO THEY CAN ADDRESS SOME QUESTIONS.

SHE SAID SHE WAS SURE MOST OF THEM WERE FAMILIAR WITH THIS PROPERTY. IT IS ABOUT A 200 ACRE SAND MINE THAT HAS BEEN IN OPERATION IN WASHINGTON COUNTY FOR OVER 20 YEARS. IT IS THE LARGEST SUPPLIER OF RAW MATERIALS IN THE COUNTY WHICH SUPPLIES SAND FOR CONCRETE, MASONRY SAND SUPPLIES, WHITE SAND FOR BEACH RENOURISHMENT AND IS A LARGE OPERATION BUT IS RUN BY ESSENTIALLY THREE OR FOUR EMPLOYEES BECAUSE OF THE WAY THE SYSTEM IS SET UP. IT IS VERY EFFICIENT. SHE HAD A DRAWING SHE PUT UP OF THE ACTUAL APPLICATION TO SHOW THE BOARD THE AREA THAT IS ALREADY PERMITTED. THE AREA THAT WAS PERMITTED WAS SHADED IN BLUE WHICH IS ABOUT 200 ACRES; IT WAS COMPLETELY PERMITTED BY THE COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. MR. SIKES HAS THE ABILITY TO MINE THAT COMPLETELY UP TO THE BUFFERS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY WHICH IS 22'. THAT IS ALREADY COMPLETED FROM THE PERMITTING PROCESS. THE AREA THAT IS ON THE MAP THAT SHOWS THE CIRCLE IS THE EXTENT OF THE MINING CURRENTLY; THE AREA THEY HIGHLIGHTED AND CROSSETCHED IN YELLOW IS THE AREA THEY ARE REQUESTING TO EXPAND INTO. IT IS ALL SOUTH OF THE CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD AND ALL EAST OF AMETHYST ROAD. MR. SIKES HAS PURCHASED SOME OF THE INFIELD PARCELS IN THAT BLOCK OF LAND AND IS REQUESTING THE COUNTY ALLOW HIM TO EXPAND HIS MINING OPERATION INTO THOSE PARCELS. THOSE TWO PARCELS ARE ABOUT THIRTY ACRES EACH APPROXIMATELY. THE MINE THAT STARTED AT ABOUT 200 ACRES GOES TO ABOUT 260.

SHE SAID A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT WERE BROUGHT UP AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION THEY WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS SPECIFICALLY; BUT, JUST FOR THE RECORD TONIGHT SHE HAS TALKED WITH MS. WALLER ABOUT THIS AND THINKS THIS IS A CORRECT PROCEDURE. THERE ARE SEVERAL DOCUMENTS THAT WERE PUT INTO THE RECORD EARLIER AND SHE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THEY WERE ALL IN THERE AGAIN. THE FIRST DOCUMENT WAS A NORTHWEST FLORIDA MANAGEMENT APPROVAL DATED 1998, WHICH IS THE ORIGINAL PERMIT FOR THOSE MINES WHICH IS STILL IN AFFECT. THERE IS A DEP APPROVAL DATED OCTOBER 5, 2006 FOR THIS EXPANSION SO DEP HAS APPROVED IT. THERE IS ALSO A STUDY THAT HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY FROM FEBRUARY 2007 TO VERIFY THE EXISTING MINE DOESN'T VIOLATE ANY OF THEIR NOISE REGULATIONS. IN MARCH OF 2007, DEP CAME AND DID A COMPLETE COMPLIANCE INSPECTION OF THE MINE AND FOUND IT TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH ALL REGULATIONS. THERE IS ALSO A LETTER FROM MARCH 2007 FROM DEP THAT PROVIDED THERE HAVE BEEN NO DUST COMPLAINTS. IN 04-24-07, THERE ARE WATER WELL PERMITS THAT HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE, SITE DEVELOPMENT PLANS THAT HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY MR. MORGAN HURST, WHO IS THEIR ENGINEER, WHO IS ALSO HERE TONIGHT. THEY ALSO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL REPORT SHE WOULD LIKE TO PUT INTO THE RECORD. SHE SAID THE BOARD MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH MR. WALT HUMPHREY AND HIS COMPANY; HE IS A REAL ESTATE APPRAISER FOR SOME THIRTY YEARS IN THIS AREA AND A REAL ESTATE BROKER AND HE HAS ISSUED AN OPINION ON THE COMPATIBILITY ON THE EXPANSION OF THE MINE. THEY ALSO HAVE MRS. NORA CLARK HERE THIS EVENING, WHO IS A HYDROGEOLOGIST, AND SHE IS GOING TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES OF THE WATER THAT COMES IN AROUND THE MINING OPERATIONS AND HOW IT AFFECTS OR DOES NOT AFFECT CRYSTAL LAKE OR OTHER WELLS.

LISA SHOWED THEM ANOTHER DRAWING WHICH WAS A BLOW UP OF THE RIGHT OF WAY OF CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME QUESTIONS THAT MR. SIKES IS MINING RIGHT UP TO THE RIGHT OF WAY. THEY HAD IT SURVEYED AND BLOWN UP; THE ROAD PAVEMENT ACTUALLY DIVERTS TO THE NORTH AWAY FROM THE PROPERTY LINES AND KIND OF CURVES NORTH WAYS. THE DRAWING SHOWED THE DISTANCE OF HOW FAR BACK THE MINING OPERATION IS FROM THE EXISTING ROAD. THIS IS ALREADY A PERMITTED AREA AND IS

NOT SUBJECT OF THE EXPANSION; BUT, THEY WANTED TO SHOW THE BOARD BECAUSE THAT IS A QUESTION.

LISA SHOWED A BLOWUP OF THE BUFFER; THE COUNTY REQUIREMENTS, AND SHE THINKS MS. WALLER CAN VERIFY THIS FOR THE BOARD, HAVE ALL BEEN INCLUDED WITHIN THE APPLICATION AND SHE BELIEVES IT IS 22' OF BUFFER. IN ADDITION TO THAT, MR. SIKES HAS VOLUNTEERED TO ADD BEHIND THE BUFFER A BERM 6' HIGH WHICH WILL BE PLANTED WITH TREES AND VEGETATION. THAT IS A WIDTH OF ABOUT 55' IN ADDITION TO THE 22'. IT IS BASICALLY TRIPPLING THE REQUIRED BUFFER AND ALSO PUTTING IN A BERM, WHICH IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE COUNTY'S CODE, AT 6' HIGH, A 6' MAN STANDING ON THE STREET COULD NOT BE ABLE TO SEE INTO THE PIT. MR. SIKES VOLUNTEERED TO PROVIDE THAT ALL ALONG CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD, EMERALD DRIVE.

SHE SAID THEY HAD A MEETING SCHEDULED WITH THE NEIGHBORS MONDAY NIGHT; THERE WERE FOUR OR FIVE NEIGHBORS THAT SHOWED UP. AT THAT TIME, MR. SIKES ALSO OFFERED TO PROVIDE A 100' BUFFER ALONG AMETHYST ROAD BEHIND THOSE HOMES. THEY DIDN'T HAVE A RESPONSE TO THAT; BUT, SHE THINKS COMMISSIONER FINCH WAS THERE TO HEAR THAT ALSO.

SHE HAD MORGAN HURST PRESENT AND SHE BELIEVES FROM MS. WALLER'S REPORT, THE TWO ISSUES THAT CAME UP AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION WERE THE COMPATIBILITY TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD, THE WATER QUALITY AND WATER ISSUES. SHE BELIEVES THOSE OTHERS HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED AND ARE IN THE RECORD. SHE WOULD LIKE TO USE THE TIME THEY HAVE LEFT TO LET MS. NORA TALK TO THEM ABOUT WATER. IT IS VERY INTERESTING; SHE HAS BEEN TALKING WITH HER ALL DAY AND LEARNED MORE ABOUT AQUIFERS THAN SHE EVER IMAGINED. SHE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL FOR THE BOARD.

NORA CLARK, A PROFESSIONAL HYDROGEOLOGIST WITH MALLORY INC. AND ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL OWNERS, ADVISED SHE WAS HERE TO ADDRESS ANY ISSUES ABOUT THE WATER QUALITY OR BASICALLY HOW THE AQUIFER SYSTEM WORKS IN RELATION TO THE SAND PIT AND CRYSTAL LAKE. SHE PRESENTED A BASIC DESCRIPTION OF WHAT THEY HAVE OUT THERE:

1. BASICALLY THE AREA OF CRYSTAL LAKE AND THE SAND PIT AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES CONSIST OF THE THREE AQUIFER SYSTEMS. THE SURFICIAL AQUIFER IS FROM GROUND SURFACE DOWN AND CONSISTS OF 100% SAND. THERE IS A MIDDLE AQUIFER THAT IS CALLED INTERMEDIATE AQUIFER AND THAT IS CONPRISED MOSTLY OF SHELL BEDS AND CLAYS. IT DOESN'T ALLOW THE MOVEMENT OF WATER VERY MUCH SO IT KIND OF ACTS TO RECHARGE WATER THAT IS COMING FROM THE SURFACE DOWNWARD. THE LAST AQUIFER IS CALLED THE SORBEM AQUIFER AND THAT IS A VERY EXPANSIVE, DEEP AQUIFER OF LIMESTONE. THAT IS THE AQUIFER THAT THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF DRINKING WATER WELLS ARE PLACED. CRYSTAL LAKE IS A SINKHOLE FORMATION THAT IS FUELED BY WATER THAT IS PRESENT IN THE FLORIDA AQUIFER. SHE SHOWED A PICTURE OF CRYSTAL LAKE AND HOW IT GOES THROUGH THE THREE AQUIFER SYSTEMS; THE WATER SOURCE FOR CRYSTAL LAKE IS AT DEPTH IN THE LIMESTONE OF THE FLORIDA INAQUIFER. SHE HAS DONE SOME RESEARCH AND HASN'T FOUND ANYONE THAT COULD TELL HER, AND SHE HAS ASKED THE NWFWMND WHO HAS DONE THE MOST EXTENSIVE WORK IN THE AREA OF SPRINGS, SINKHOLES, AND NO ONE HAS THE EXACT DEPTH OF CRYSTAL LAKE. IT HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO BE PINNED DOWN TO A NUMBER; BUT, THEY DO KNOW IT IS IN EXCESS OF 125'.

2. SHE DEPICTED ON A MAP THE HOMES THAT SURROUND CRYSTAL LAKE; THE BROKEN LINE ADJACENT TO THAT REPRESENTS ONE OF THE WELLS. EACH HOME OWNER AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE IS SERVICED BY A PRIVATE WELL. SHE LOOKED AT WELL INVENTORY NWFWMND HAS AND IT STATES ALL THE WELLS AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE RANGE IN DEPTH OF 135' TO 300' DEEP WHICH MEANS THEY ARE ALL DRAWING WATER FROM THE FLORIDA INAQUIFER. THIS IS THE SAME SOURCE THAT CRYSTAL LAKE IS. TO THE SOUTH IS THE SIKES SAND PIT AND THE WATER TABLE THAT IS PRESENT IN THE SURFICIAL SAND IN THE UPPER AQUIFER IS WHERE ALL THE MINING ACTIVITY AT MR. SIKES FACILITY TAKES PLACE. THE WATER SHOWING ON SIKES PROPERTY IS THE WATER TABLE SURFACE WHICH IS AT AN AVERAGE ELEVATION OF 45' IN THE SURROUNDING AREA; THAT IS AN AVERAGE OF ALL OF CRYSTAL LAKE AND ALL THE SURROUND- ING LAKES AROUND THERE. THE CURRENT PLAN IS TO PHYSICALLY EXPOSE THE SURFACE OF THE WATER TABLE IN ORDER TO CREATE THE POND; THAT WATER IS ONLY COMING FROM THE SUFFICIAL AQUIFER. NOTHING IN SIKES

OPERATIONS PENETRATES FROM THE INTERMEDIATE AQUIFER OR ANYWHERE CLOSE TO THE FLORIDA INAQUIFER. WHAT SHE WAS TRYING TO SHOW THE BOARD IS THIS IS AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE SYSTEM FROM THE CRYSTAL LAKE SITUATION. SHE SAID THERE WOULD BE NO ISSUES OF SIKES MINING ACTIVITIES IMPACTING THE HOMEOWNERS AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE OR THE WATER QUALITY OF CRYSTAL LAKE BECAUSE THEY ARE TWO SEPARATE SYSTEMS ALTOGETHER AND THEY ARE NOT HYDROLOGICALLY CONNECTED.

LISA SAID AT THIS POINT THEY WOULD TURN IT OVER TO THE PUBLIC AND THEN HAVE A COUPLE OF MINUTES TO REBUT.

GEORGE E. BELL, RESIDENT OF CRYSTAL LAKE ON AMETHYST LANE FOR APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN YEARS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD. HIS HOME IS ACROSS THE PAVED ROAD FROM WHERE MR. SIKES WANTS TO COME ON HIS EXPANSION OUT TO EMERALD LANE. THEIR OBJECTION TO THE EXPANSION IS WHERE SIKES WANTS TO COME TO IS AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE. ACROSS THE ROAD IS RESIDENTIAL AND IN AN AREA HE SHOWED THE BOARD, HE SAID SIKES WANTED TO GO AROUND THREE SIDES OF A HOME. IN ANOTHER AREA, SIKES WANTS TO GO WITHIN 125' OF THE NEW BRICK HOME. WITHIN THESE TWO HOMES, MR. BELL SAID THERE WERE SIX CHILDREN FROM AGES TWO TO LESS THAN TEN. THE BUFFER BEING TALKED ABOUT IS ALL WELL AND GOOD; BUT, IN TWENTY FIVE YEARS OF MINING, THE PEOPLE HAVEN'T GOTTEN A DECENT BUFFER YET. NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN SIKES IS TALKING ABOUT A BUFFER. HE SAID THE BUFFER IS NOT GOING TO BE IN PLAY UNTIL THE MINING IS DONE. WHY ARE THEY WORRIED ABOUT THE BUFFER? MR. BELL SAID TO HAVE A 6' BUFFER THAT A 6' MAN CAN'T SEE OVER, IS THAT RIGHT FOR A RESIDENTIAL AREA; THEY HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING THEY ARE TRYING TO HIDE. THE BUFFER IS ONE THING; BUT, IF YOU NOTICE WHERE SIKES IS MINING AT NOW, YOU WILL FIND SIKES HAS A FOUR STRAND BARB WIRE FENCE, A RUSTED BARB WIRE FENCE WITH POSTED SIGNS. HE SAID THAT IS WHAT IS BEING BROUGHT DOWN TOWARD THE RESIDENTIAL AREA. NONE OF THIS IS MENTIONED WHEN IT COMES TO THE BEAUTIFYING OF THIS BUFFER; PUTTING THE BUFFER UP HERE, THERE IS GOING TO BE SODDED, GRASSED AND TREES PLANTED ON IT. HE QUESTIONED WHAT CHILD IS GOING TO WANT TO KNOW WHAT ELSE IS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT BUFFER AND WHAT ADULT. IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO SELL PERMITS TO PUT HOMES ON THE AGRICULTURAL SIDE OF THAT ROAD, THEY HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO THE RESIDENTS FOR SOME OF THEIR WELFARE, THEIR SAFETY AND THE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY. IF THEY WOULD TAKE AND MAKE A FORM UP AND PUT ON THE FORM, I AND THE PERSON'S NAME, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHILDREN'S WELFARE AND SAFETY, HE DOESN'T THINK THERE WOULD BE A BOARD MEMBER THAT WOULD SIGN THAT FORM OR ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE THAT WOULD SIGN IT WITH JUST A BUFFER AND A FOUR STRAND BARB WIRE FENCE. THIS IS NOT WHAT IS NEEDED IN A COMMUNITY. HIS THREE MINUTES OF SPEAKING WAS UP; BUT, THE NEXT PERSON ON THE AGENDA TO SPEAK GAVE HIM THEIR THREE MINUTES.

HE SHOWED THE BOARD THE PINE FOREST SIKES WAS WANTING TO COME THROUGH; TO COME THROUGH IT, SIKES IS GOING TO BE WITHIN 750' OF THE HIGH WATER MARK. FROM AMETHYST LANE TO CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, THERE IS 58 HOMES IN IT. THAT IS PRETTY HIGH DENSITY FOR THAT AREA TO COME RIGHT UP TO. HE SHOWED WHERE HOMES WERE LOCATED ALL AROUND; CRYSTAL LAKE COMMUNITY HAS 167 HOMES WITH FOUR OF THEM UNDER CONSTRUCTION RIGHT NOW. HE REITERATED THAT WAS PRETTY HIGH DENSITY FOR THAT AREA.

AS FAR AS THAT BUFFER, WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO FIND HERE IS IT IS NOT SAFE FOR CHILDREN, ADULTS, PETS, WILDLIFE OR ANYTHING ELSE. IT IS TOO CLOSE TO A COMMUNITY OF THIS SIZE. WHEN THESE PEOPLE ARE BUYING PERMITS FOR THEIR HOMES, THE COUNTY GAVE THEM PERMITS UNDER GOOD FAITH THAT THEY ARE PROTECTED AND THE WELFARE AND THE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY IS GOING TO BE OKAY FOR YEARS TO COME. YOU TALK ABOUT A LONG TIME PROGRAM HERE, SIKES HAS BEEN THERE FOR TWENTY FIVE YEARS; TWENTY FIVE YEARS FROM NOW THE CHILDREN WILL BE ADULTS WITH CHILDREN PROBABLY IN MIDDLE SCHOOL. THEY NEED TO PROTECT THIS COMMUNITY NOW, PROTECT THE RESOURCES THEY HAVE, PROTECT THE WATER AND AIR. HE SHOWED THE BOARD A PICTURE AND SAID IN TALKING ABOUT HAVING AIR QUALITY UNDER CONTROL, THREE OF THE COMMISSIONERS WERE HERE WHEN THEY STOOD UP THERE AND TALKED A FEW MONTHS AGO. HE SHOWED A PICTURE OF A YEAR AGO AND ONE TAKEN THE 1ST OF MARCH AND QUESTIONED

IF THEY CALLED THAT BEING UNDER CONTROL. IN MR. SIKES MEETING, SOMEBODY BROUGHT UP THAT THERE IS NO MORE NOISE AT THAT PIT THAN IT IS A FREEWAY OR INTERSTATE. HE SAID THE RESIDENTS DIDN'T MOVE TO AN INTERSTATE AND DON'T LIVE ON AN INTERSTATE; THEY LIVE IN A COMMUNITY THAT IS SUPPOSE TO BE PROTECTED IN EVERY WAY AND IF THEY WILL LOOK AT SOME NOTES HE GAVE THEM A LITTLE WHILE AGO THAT IS HIGHLIGHTED, EVERYTHING THAT IS RIGHT AND EVERYTHING THAT IS WRONG IS COVERED IN THOSE NOTES. HE SAID THEY ARE ASKING THE BOARD TO PROTECT THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD. THESE PEOPLE WILL GET WITH THEM ON THE WATER END OF IT; THEY LIVE ON THE LAKE AND HE DOESN'T. HE WOULD LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO KNOW THE FIRST TIME THAT ONE OF THEM RIDES DOWN THAT ROAD ANYBODY IN THE MEETING, AND SEES A BICYCLE LAYING ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD NEAR THAT RUSTED FOUR STRAND FENCE, THEY ARE GOING TO GET A COLD FEELING OF WHERE IS THAT CHILD. THERE IS NOT A PERSON IN THIS ROOM THAT HASN'T GONE OVER SOMEBODY'S FENCE. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO LET THE RESIDENTS TELL THEM THE REST OF THE STORY AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE BOARD'S TIME AND THE FACT THEY ARE LISTENING TO THE VOTERS AND THE PERMANENT TAXPAYERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

WALTER BRYAN YIELDED HIS TIME TO JERRY WALDEN. MR. WALDEN, PROPERTY OWNER ACROSS THE STREET FROM SIKES, 3044 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN OPPOSITION TO THE EXPANSION OF SIKES PIT AND EXPRESSED SOME OF HIS CONCERNS. HE REFERRED TO THE PICTURES MR. BELL HAD USED; THEY SAY 10,000 WORDS AND HE HOPED THE BOARD WOULD TAKE TIME TO LOOK AT THEM.

HE ADDRESSED THE PEOPLE USE TO WALK, JOG AND RIDE THEIR BICYCLES UP AND DOWN CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD; FOR THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE, THEY ARE NOT DOING THAT ANYMORE. HE SAID THE REASON WHY WAS WHAT THE BOARD WAS SEEING IN FRONT OF THEM. THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE, THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE LAND AND THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE ANIMALS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED; THEIR RIGHTS HAVE BEEN VIOLATED IS HOW A PERSON THINKS. HE SAID THEY WERE NEVER GIVEN A SPECIAL EXCEPTION OF BEING NOTIFIED OF THIS HAPPENING TEN YEARS AGO; IF THIS HAD BEEN BROUGHT BEFORE THEM TEN YEARS AGO, HE WAS SURE THEY PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN HERE TONIGHT. IF THEY WERE, IT WOULD BE IN A GOOD THING.

WHEN YOU VALUE YOUR LAND, MR. WALDEN SAID YOU WERE GOING TO PROTECT IT THE BEST YOU CAN. THE PEOPLE HERE ARE TRYING TO PROTECT THEIR LAND AS THEY HAVE WORKED WAY TOO HARD FOR WHAT THEY HAVE.

HE ASKED THE BOARD IF FOR WHATEVER REASON THEY OKAY SIKES PERMITS TO EXPAND THE PIT, HE KNOWS HE AND PROBABLY EVERYBODY ELSE HERE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THEIR REASONS WHY THEY WERE GOING TO OKAY ANY MORE PERMITS TO EXPAND THE PIT.

FROM THIS POINT ON, THERE NEEDS TO BE SOMETHING PUT IN PLACE TO PROTECT THEIR COMMUNITY, CRYSTAL LAKE AND CRYSTAL VILLAGE. ENVIRONMENTALLY, THEY ARE LOOKING AT THE BEGINNING OF A LONG TERM ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM WHETHER THEY BELIEVE IT OR NOT. HE HAS HEARD SUB SURFACE AND MUFFLED EXPLOSIONS AND QUITE A FEW PEOPLE THERE TONIGHT HAVE HEARD THEM GOING ON AT THE PIT AND SOMETHING HAS BEEN HAPPENING UP THERE. HE IS NO EXPERT; BUT, HE IS JUST TELLING THE BOARD WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN HEARING UP THERE.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, THEY ARE JUST DARING THE SOIL TO GO BEYOND WHAT THE EYES CANNOT SEE. HE SHOWED THEM WHERE THEY ARE RIGHT NOW AND WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT NWFWD, HE PERSONALLY CALLED THEM AND THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON UP THERE. HE ENCOURAGED EVERYONE TO COME AND LOOK AT IT ALSO.

JOANN AULT CONCEIVED HER TIME TO MR. BELL FOR THREE MORE MINUTES. CHAIRMAN SAPP ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THIS WAS PERMISSABLE OR NOT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IT WAS UP TO THE BOARD WHETHER THEY WANTED TO ALLOW PEOPLE YIELDING THEIR TIME TO SOMEONE ELSE OR NOT.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID THEY HAD ALL THESE DIFFERENT PEOPLE AND HE HAD RATHER HEAR FROM EACH ONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK VERSUS ONE PERSON DOING THE WHOLE PROGRAM. ATTORNEY HOLLEY TOLD THE CHAIRMAN HE COULD DO IT HOWEVER HE SAW FIT AS IT IS THE BOARD'S PREROGATIVE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP ASKED MS. AULT TO ADDRESS THE BOARD. MS. AULT, 3275 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, SAID THEY HAVE HAD A HOME THERE SINCE 1983. SHE HAS SEEN FOR THE

LAST TWO YEARS THE QUALITY OF THE LAKE DECLINE; THEY HAVE LESS WILDLIFE THERE AND THE WATER IS GOING DOWN RAPIDLY EVERY SINGLE DAY. SHE SAID SHE REALIZED THEY WERE IN A DROUGHT; BUT, SHE SEES IT GOING DOWN EVERY DAY. THE FISH BEDS ARE ALL EXPOSED AND YOU CAN HARDLY GET A BOAT IN THERE. SHE SAID SHE SEES THIS DAMAGE DONE EVERY SINGLE DAY; THERE IS NO PROTECTION. THIS SYSTEM HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO GO ON; THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS ARE THERE AND THEY NEED SOME HELP. THEY NEED TO HAVE THIS PREVENTED AND HAVE A BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO LIVE, NOT WHERE YOU HAVE ALL THESE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES RIGHT THERE. THE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTIES IS DECREASING. THE PEOPLE ARE MOVING OUT BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO LIVE WITH THIS; THEY SEE THE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY DECREASING AND THEY ARE LEAVING. THEY ARE TRYING TO GET WHAT THEY CAN OUT OF THEIR PROPERTY. THIS IS NOT FAIR TO THOSE WHO HAVE WORKED ALL OF THEIR LIFE TO HAVE A BEAUTIFUL HOME ON A BEAUTIFUL LAKE. IF ANY ONE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS WERE TO LIVE ON THIS LAKE AND HAD BEEN THERE FIVE YEARS AGO, THEY COULD SEE IT HAS DECLINED. SHE SAID COMMISSIONER FINCH COULD UNDERSTAND THAT AS HE HAS BEEN DOWN THERE AND SEEN IT. HE HAS SEEN HOW THEY HAVE HAD TO FIGHT TO GET ANYTHING DONE IN CRYSTAL LAKE. SHE ASKED THE BOARD TO PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS PERMITTING FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE SIKES PIT.

STEVE SYBERS, 3181 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN OPPOSITION TO SIKES APPLICATION FOR AN EXPANSION OF HIS PIT. HE SAID THE BOARD WOULD HEAR WISDOM FROM THESE PEOPLE TONIGHT; THEY CERTAINLY GAVE IT IN GREAT DETAIL AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AND THE BOARD IS RESPONSIBLE TO TAKE PRETTY SERIOUSLY THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. THEY EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERNS THAT NIGHT AND THEY WILL AGAIN TONIGHT ON ISSUES DIRECTLY IDENTIFIED IN THE COUNTY'S CODE; ON SITE AND OFF SITE IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH TRIP GENERATION, PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, TRAFFIC FLOW CONTROL, SCREENING AND BUFFERING, WATER QUALITY, CONCERNS OVER DIGGING IN THE WATER TABLE, VISUAL APPEARANCE, NOISE, AIR QUALITY, SAND, DUST AND MAYBE MOST IMPORTANTLY, A PARTICULAR PLAYER WITHIN THE COUNTY'S CODE, ANY APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EXCEPTION BE COMPATIBLE WITH ADJACENT PROPERTIES. THEY HAVE NOTED THE APPLICANT HAS FAILED TO RESOLVE THE PRIOR EXISTING CONDITIONS IN HIS CURRENT PERMIT. THEY REASONABLY BELIEVE AND HE REASONABLY BELIEVES THE PROPERTY VALUES WILL BE ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY THE EXPANDED OPERATION OF AN ALREADY HUGE SAND PIT ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. THEY FUNDAMENTALLY BELIEVE THIS EXPANSION WILL FURTHER CRIPPLE THE OPPORTUNITIES OF THE REMAINING VACANT RESIDENTIAL LAND TO BE DEVELOPED IN THE KIND OF COMMUNITY THE COUNTY WANTS AND THEY ALL LIVE IN. THEY BELIEVE THE EXPANSION OF THE SAND PIT AT THIS IMPROVED INTERSECTION IN THIS GREAT PART OF THIS GREAT COUNTY MAY HAVE MADE SENSE IN THE 1970'S, 1980'S AND POSSIBLY EVEN IN THE 1990'S; BUT, IT DOESN'T SET THE PATH FOR THE KIND OF COMMUNITY AND LAND USE THEY SEEK TODAY. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO NOTE THESE CONCERNS THAT HAVE BEEN EXPRESSED BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THEY HAVE HEARD TONIGHT AND WILL HEAR AFTER HIM, ARE NOT SPECULATIVE CONCERNS AND ARE NOT THINGS THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT IN THE FUTURE. THEY ARE BASED ON THE COLLECTIVE EXPERIENCE OF AN EXISTING OPERATION. THIS IS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION; IT IS A DEPARTURE FROM THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE. THE BURDEN IS ON THE APPLICANT TO SHOW TOTAL COMPLIANCE WITH ALL THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN THE CODE. WHAT THEY HEARD AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND WHAT THEY WILL HEAR TODAY IS SUBSTANTIAL CONFIDENT EVIDENCE THAT THOSE STANDARDS HAVE NOT BEEN MET. THE HYDROLOGY, THE LAKES AND WELLS, THE RECLAMATION PLANS WHICH WERE NOT IN EXISTENCE ANYWAY BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION, HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THEY ARE OR NOT NOW BUT THEY WEREN'T THEN, FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH PRIOR CONDITIONS, INADEQUATE BUFFERING, ABSOLUTE AIR QUALITY CONCERNS. THE EXPANDED SAND MINE IS NO LONGER APPROPRIATE IN THE FUTURE OF THIS COMMUNITY ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL USES. THE NEIGHBORHOOD HAS TOLD THE BOARD IT IS AN EXISTING PROBLEM; PLEASE DON'T MAKE IT WORSE. THEY RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD TO DENY THE APPLICATION.

RACHEL GARDNER ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER TWO ACRES BEING WHERE SIKES IS WANTING TO EXPAND THE PIT. SHE INTRODUCED CODY, AGE 4 AND SHE GUARANTEED THE

BOARD HE COULD CLIMB 6' OF DIRT, SAMANTHA AGE 9 AND SAVANNAH AGE 7. HER CONCERN IS FOR HER CHILDREN AND DOESN'T THINK A 100' AND A 6' BERM IS ENOUGH. SHE THANKED GEORGE BELL FOR PROTECTING HER CHILDREN THE BEST HE CAN TRYING TO KEEP THE NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE WITH THAT OTHER FAMILY AND THE CHILDREN.

SHE WILL BE THE FIRST ONE TO COMPLAIN OF THE DUST IF NO ONE HAS COMPLAINED OF IT. ON MANY OCCASIONS, GEORGE HAS CALLED AND ASKED HER TO GRAB HER CAMERA AND MEET HIM AT THE ROAD AND THEY HAVE TAKEN THE PICTURES THE BOARD SEES. THEY ALWAYS HAVE DUST AND SAND IN THEIR YARD. THEY HAVE PLENTY OF NOISE. THEY HEAR THOSE BEEPINGS CONSTANTLY; THE TRUCKS BACKING UP. THEY KNOW THEY CAN MIMICK THOSE NOISES BECAUSE THEY HEAR THEM ALL THE TIME ALL HOURS OF THE DAY. SHE WOULD LOVE THE HALF MILE BUFFER THEY HAVE NOW; IF SIKES COULD JUST STAY WHERE HE IS AT, SHE WILL BE TOTALLY FINE. SHE DOESN'T WANT HIM TO COME IN HER BACK YARD. SHE SAID SHE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE BOARD WOULD LISTEN TO THE REST OF THE PEOPLE HERE AND KEEP THE PIT WHERE IT IS AT AND NOT EXTEND IT.

PAUL GORDY ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE HAD COME TO THIS MEETING NOT PLANNING TO SAY ANYTHING; BUT, HE CAN'T STAND IT WHEN HE HEARS TESTIMONY THEY TALK ABOUT THINGS THEY REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED FIFTEEN OR TWENTY YEARS BEFORE THAT. HE SAID HE DIDN'T OWN PROPERTY AT CRYSTAL LAKE; BUT, HE LOVES CRYSTAL LAKE. IT IS ONE OF THE MOST BEAUTIFUL LAKES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. HE IS GLAD TO SEE THERE IS ANOTHER LADY THAT IS A HYDROLOGIST. ONE OF HIS BEST FRIENDS IS A HYDROLOGIST AND ENVIRONMENTALIST, JACQUELINE SCHLAGET. SHE WAS THE FIRST CABINET OFFICER IN THE STATE OF KENTUCKY APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR BROWN. KENTUCKY RAN INTO THIS PROBLEM ALL THE TIME. SHE TOLD HIM THIRTY YEARS AGO WHEN HE VISITED IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY AND SHE WAS IN HIS HOME A MONTH AGO AND SAID TODAY THAT SHE HAD SAID THIRTY YEARS AGO, THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S BIGGEST PROBLEM WILL BE ONE THING, WATER.

IF SOUTH FLORIDA COULDN'T HAVE IT, THEY WOULD HAVE PIPELINES GOING ALL THE WAY TO SARASOTA, FT. LAUDERDALE TRYING TO GET WATER FROM WAKULLA SPRINGS AND FROM THE OTHER SPRINGS.

IF THE BOARD DOESN'T THINK THAT WHAT MR. SIKES IS DOING; HE IS A FINE BUSINESSMAN AND A SMART BUSINESSMAN AND IS REALLY MAKING MONEY ON THAT PIT. MR. GORDY SAID HE THINKS THAT IS GOOD IF IT IS LEGAL AND HE IS OPERATING LEGALLY; BUT, HE IS OPERATING UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTALIST PEOPLE IN TALLAHASSEE THAT SOMETIMES YOU CAN'T EVEN GET THE TIME OF DAY FROM.

MR. GORDY SAID THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS WHAT IS MR. SIKES GOING TO DO WITH THAT PIT WHEN THEY QUIT MINING IT. THE STATE OF KENTUCKY HAD THE RULES AND REGULATIONS WHEN SOMEONE LEFT A BARROW PIT OR EXCAVATED OFF THE GROUND LIKE MR. SIKES IS DOING, HE HAD TO GO BACK AND SCULPTURE IT SO YOU NEVER WOULD HAVE KNOWN IT WAS AN EXCAVATED MINE. THAT IS A STATE RULE.

MR. GORDY STATED THE BOARD WERE COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY; HE VOTED FOR EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THEM, MR. HOLMAN, MR. FINCH, MR. SAPP, MR. STRICKLAND AND JOEL PATE. HE ASKED JOEL IF HE HADN'T ASK HIM IF HE WOULD SUPPORT HIM. JOEL SAID YES. MR. GORDY SAID HOW ABOUT YOU DONNIE. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID YES. HE QUESTIONED HOW MANY MEETINGS DID THEY HAVE OUT AT BLUE POND ON THIS THING.

MR. GORDY THEN ASKED COMMISSIONER FINCH. COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID YES THAT GORDY HAD SUPPORTED HIM.

GORDY THEN ASKED COMMISSIONER HOLMAN WHERE DID HE SEE HIM AND STATED AT ORANGE HILL FIREHOUSE. HOLMAN SAID "YES".

GORDY THEN SAID IF THEY DIDN'T THINK THE PEOPLE WERE INTERESTED IN WHATS HAPPENING TONIGHT AND TO SUPPORT THE PLANNING BOARD, THEY HAVE GOT ANOTHER THOUGHT COMING. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO REMEMBER THEIR RESPONSIBILITY AS A COMMISSIONER.

NORA CLARK SAID SHE WOULD SAVE HER MINUTES FOR LATER.

PAUL SASSER SAID HE STOOD UP TO YIELD HIS THREE MINUTES TO THE GREY HEADED GENTLEMAN AND IF HE WANTS TO TALK, HE WILL YIELD IT RIGHT NOW. CHAIRMAN SAPP REQUESTED MR. SASSER COME BEFORE THE BOARD IF HE WANTS TO SPEAK ON THE SIKE

PITS. SASSER REITERATED HE WANTED TO YIELD HIS TIME TO THE GENTLEMAN; HE HAS MORE TO SAY AND HE HAS GOT IT. COMMISSIONER SAPP TOLD SASSER "NO" AND TOLD HIM THANK YOU.

TERESA THUG WANTED TO YIELD HER TIME ALSO. COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID HE WAS NOT ALLOWING ANY MORE YIELDING OF TIME. IF SHE WOULD LIKE TO COME UP AND SPEAK, DO SO. SHE DECLINED TO SPEAK.

MARY SMITH, 4326 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD IN OPPOSITION OF THE EXPANSION OF SIKES PIT. SHE SAID THEY HAD BEEN STUDYING ABOUT THE SAND PIT FOR ABOUT EIGHTEEN MONTHS AND LOOKING INTO IT. SHE IS VERY MUCH AGAINST THE EXPANSION OF IT. THEY ALREADY HEAR BLASTING GOING ON THAT IS NOT SUPPOSE TO BE GOING ON. SHE PERSONALLY HAS CALLED AND LEFT MESSAGES WITH FL-DEP. DON'T TELL HER THAT DOESN'T DO DAMAGE. THEY HAVE SINKHOLES ALL OVER THE PENINSULA OF FLORIDA AND QUESTIONED IF THAT IS WHAT WE WANT IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. SHE SAID IT IS A MESS. THE NOISE LEVEL IS TERRIBLE. BEFORE 6:00 A.M., THE BELLS ARE RINGING, THE BANGING OF THE TRUCKS AND THAT IS NOT WHY YOU MOVE TO THE COUNTRY; YOU MOVE TO THE COUNTRY FOR PEACE AND QUIET. YOU MOVE TO A BEAUTIFUL LAKE BECAUSE YOU LOVE BIRDS, FISH AND WANT TO BE THERE AND ENJOY WHAT GOD HAS GIVEN US. THEY FEEL IT IS THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO BE GOOD STEWARDS AND THEY ARE ASKING THE BOARD AS THEIR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO IN TURN PROTECT THEM AND THANKED THEM FOR THAT.

TOLEDA OWENS, 4220 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD REPRESENTING HERSELF AND LAVADA BAGGET, WHO HAS BEEN THERE AS A PROPERTY OWNER SINCE 1953 AND HAS WATCHED THE LAKE OVER A PERIOD OF YEARS AND NOW DOESN'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK ABOUT IT. IF THEY ARE NOT HEARING EXPLOSIONS FROM MINES, THEN HER CONCERN IS THEY ARE HEARING SOME OF THE CARS STARTING TO CRASH. THAT MAY NOT CONCERN THE BOARD; BUT, IT WILL WHEN THERE ARE SINKHOLES. IN TERMS OF THE WATER BEING IMPACTED AT CRYSTAL LAKE BY THE MINE, THEY HAVE HEARD THAT THE DRILLING IN THE PIT, WHICH IS NOT REPRESENTED BY WHAT THEY SEE, IS 168' DEEP. THEIR LAKE IS THOUGHT TO BE ABOUT 125' DEEP WHEN IT IS ITS NORMAL LEVEL. THIS SHOULD GIVE US PAUSE BECAUSE WHAT WE DO WITH CRYSTAL LAKE AND WHAT THE BOARD ALLOWS TO BE DONE IN THAT ENVIRONMENT, IS GOING TO HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE WATER QUALITY DOWNSTREAM. SHE IS SURE THE HYDROLOGIST CAN TESTIFY THAT ANYTHING THAT GOES ON TO THE NORTH GOES SOUTH AND EVENTUALLY WILL WIND UP IN BAY COUNTY AND IN ST. ANDREWS BAY. THEY ARE ASKING THE BOARD TO PUT A STOP TO IT ONCE AND FOR ALL. SHE THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR TIME.

STAN SMITH, 3326 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, READ AN EXCERPT FROM A LETTER FROM BUCHANNAN AND HARPER, INC. DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1998 TO MR. BILL EVANS, FL-DEP:

SIKES CONCRETE PIPE COMPANY REQUESTS AN EXEMPTION FROM THE GROUND WATER MONITORING REQUIREMENTS FOR SIKES SAND MINE #1. THE PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED GENERALLY AT THE NW CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 77 AND HIGHWAY 20 IN WASHINGTON COUNTY FLORIDA. THE SAND MINE IS AN EXISTING OPERATION THAT HAS BEEN IN PRODUCTION SINCE 1981. ADDITIONAL PROPERTY HAS BEEN ACQUIRED AND THE OWNER DESIRES TO EXPAND THE OPERATION INTO NEW AREAS. THE OPERATION CONSISTS OF THE HYDROLIC DREDGING OF NATIVE SANDS THAT ARE CLASSIFIED INTO VARIOUS GRADUATIONS OF MATERIALS FOR USE IN CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. LIMEROCK OR OTHER MATERIALS ARE NOT REMOVED. BLASTING IS NOT INVOLVED.

STAN DIDN'T READ THE REST OF THE LETTER; BUT, BUCHANAN AND HARPER, REPRESENTING SIKES CONCRETE PIPE, THE FL-DEP, SAYS THEY ARE NOT GOING TO DO ANY BLASTING BECAUSE THERE IS NO BLASTING GOING TO BE DONE; THEREFORE, WE WANT YOU TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR GROUNDWATER MONITORING.

STAN SAID HE WAS A CIVIL ENGINEER REGISTERED IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE. HE HAS BUILT SEVERAL HUNDRED PROJECTS IN TEN STATES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. HE HAS WORKED ON SIX DIFFERENT MINES; TWO OF THEM WERE DEEP SHAFT AND FOUR OF THEM WERE SHALLOW OR PIT MINES. HE HAS BEEN AROUND BLASTING. ON APRIL 12TH AT 11:30, HE WAS AT HIS HOUSE AND HE HEARD A BLAST, AN EXPLOSION; NOT ONLY WAS IT A NOISE; BUT, THE FOUNDATION AND WINDOWS OF HIS HOUSE SHOOK. THE BP GAS STATION DIDN'T BLOW UP, THE PROPANE TANK TRUCKER DIDN'T BLOW UP AND HE KNOWS HIS

NEIGHBORS AREN'T USING DYNAMITE AND EXPLOSIVES TO PUT IN A SEPTIC TANK. THE NOISE CAME FROM THE SAND PIT. THERE IS BLASTING GOING ON OVER THERE AND IT IS GOING TO HURT THE AQUIFER IF IT HASN'T ALREADY DONE IT. HE KNOWS BLASTING WHEN HE HEARS IT AND THAT IS WHAT THEY HAVE AT THE SIKES PIT. THAT IS IN VIOLATION OF WHAT THEY ASKED THE FL-DEP FOR THE EXEMPTION OF THEIR WATER MONITORING. HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW SOMEBODY CAN TELL THEM, THE HYDROLOGIST OR WHOMEVER, THE WATER QUALITY IS OKAY WHEN THERE IS NO MONITORING GOING ON.

HOYT T. COOK, JR., 3749 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ASKED THE BOARD IF EACH ONE OF THEM HAD EVEN BEEN OUT THERE AND WALKED AROUND SIKES PIT AND SEEN HOW CLOSE IT WAS TO THE ROAD AND THE FENCE THEY TALK ABOUT. HE ASKED IF THEY DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT WITH THE KIDS AND HORSES. HE SAID THE BOARD COULD SIT THERE AND SHAKE THEIR HEADS ALL DAY; HE WAS A COUNCILMAN FOR SIXTEEN YEARS AND KNOWS HOW IT WORKS. THEY CAN SIT THERE AND SMILE AND ACT LIKE THEY DON'T CARE; BUT, THEY HAVE TO REMEMBER THESE PEOPLE OUT HERE HAVE FAMILIES, LIVES AND HOMES. THE WATER HAS WENT DOWN PROBABLY 25' TO 30'. IF THEY WILL WALK AROUND THE LAKE AND LOOK AT THE PIERS THAT USE TO BE OUT THERE AND THE NEW WATER LINE, IT HAS TO BE AFFECTED. IF THE HYDROLOGIST SAYS IT USE TO BE 125' DEEP, IT IS PROBABLY ABOUT 75' OR 80' DEEP NOW. THEY HAVE DRAINED THE LAKE DOWN. YOU CAN HIRE A LAWYER TO SAY WHAT YOU WANT OR YOU CAN HIRE A HYDROLOGIST TO SAY WHAT YOU WANT. THE TRUTH IS THE LAKE IS GOING DOWN, THE WATER IS GOING INTO THE PIT AND THE BLASTING IS BEING HEARD ALL THE TIME. HIS PLACE SHAKES, HIS DOGS HOWL AND HOLLER; THEY ARE DOING SOMETHING WRONG AND SOMEBODY NEEDS TO START MONITORING IT AND LOOKING AFTER IT. HE HAS BEEN KNOWING LAMAR SIKES ALL HIS LIFE; AS A FRIEND, THAT IS ONE THING. BUT, WHEN HE STARTS MESSING WITH HIS PROPERTY, HIS LAKE AND HIS NEIGHBORS, IT OFFENDS HIM.

ROSE WADDELL, CRYSTAL VILLAGE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD. SHE TOLD THE BOARD THEY WERE THERE TO PROTECT THEM. THIS IS THEIR HOME AS WELL AS THEIR HOME. SIKES DON'T LIVE HERE; THEY DO. THE BOARD HAS GOT A RESPONSIBILITY TO TAKE CARE OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE BECAUSE THEY ARE THE COUNTY'S TAXPAYERS. THEY WANT THE BOARD TO BE ON THE TAXPAYERS SIDE AND NOT LAMAR SIKES SIDE; LAMAR SIKES LIVES IN BAY COUNTY, ESCAMBIA COUNTY OR SOMEWHERE, BUT IT AIN'T IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE DOESN'T CARE ABOUT US. SHE SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS THE PRETTIEST AREA IN THE WORLD; THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL AREA. NORTHWEST FLORIDA IS GORGEOUS. SHE REITERATED HER REQUEST FOR THE BOARD TO PROTECT IT; IT IS THEIR RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY. DO IT, PLEASE. WE ALL ASK YOU.

LAMAR SIKES ADDRESSED THE BOARD SAYING HE WOULD LIKE TO CORRECT WHAT WAS SAID. THERE IS NO BLASTING OUT THERE. HE SAID FOUR OF THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE BEEN TO THE PIT WHEN THEY ARE OPERATING; THEY HAVE BEEN ALL OVER THE PIT, AROUND THE PIT AND IN THE PIT. HE REITERATED THERE IS NO BLASTING.

CHAIRMAN SAPP SAID ANYONE WITH A QUESTION SHOULD PLEASE RAISE THEIR HAND AND COME TO THE PLATFORM.

LAMAR ADDRESSED THERE BEING A QUESTION BROUGHT UP IN THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEETING. WHEN THEY CAME OUT ON TO WHERE CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD AND EMERALD LANE SPLITS, THEY DIDN'T WANT ANY TIMBER CUT THERE. HE SAID THAT WOULD NOT BE CUT; IT WILL BE LEFT LIKE IT IS. THE REST OF THIS WILL HAVE TIMBER LEFT, A BERM BEHIND IT, WHICH HE HAS EXPLAINED AND SHOWN ALL OF THEM PERSONALLY ON SITE.

WHEN QUESTIONED IF THEY HAD A RECLAMATION PLAN, LAMAR SAID THEY DID HAVE A RECLAMATION PLAN IN PLACE. THEY HAD THE RECLAMATION PLAN IN PLACE WHEN THE COUNTY ISSUED THE PERMIT IN 1998. THEY APPROVED THE BUFFERS THAT ARE THERE NOW. HE IS OFFERING TO GIVE MORE BUFFER THAN THERE IS NOW WITH A BERM. IF THERE IS A FENCE BEHIND THE RESIDENTIAL AREA, LAMAR SAID HE WOULD BE WILLING TO PUT UP SOME KIND OF FENCE THAT IS SAFE AND THAT IS REASONABLE. HE SHOWED THEM ON THE MAP THE AREA HE WAS TALKING ABOUT BEHIND ALL THE HOUSES. THE COUNTY HAS APPROVED A 22' BUFFER; LAMAR SAID HE WAS OFFERING A 100' BUFFER PLUS A BERM BEHIND IT AND SHOWED THEM WHERE HE WAS TALKING ABOUT DOING THIS. IF HE DOES IT THE WAY THE

COUNTY APPROVED IT, LAMAR SAID THERE WOULD BE SOME BITTER PEOPLE AND SHOWED THEM THE AREA THAT IS ALREADY APPROVED. HE IS WILLING TO GIVE MORE.

DUE TO THE AUDIENCE SAYING THEY COULDN'T HEAR MR. SIKES, HE REPEATED HE WOULD PUT IN BEHIND THE HOMES ON AMETHYST LANE NOT A 22' BUFFER, WHICH THE COUNTY HAS APPROVED, BUT A 100' BUFFER, A BERM AND A 6' FENCE AND SHOWED THEM WHERE HE WAS TALKING ABOUT DOING THIS.

SAMMY CHAVERS ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE HAS HAD A HOME AT CRYSTAL LAKE SINCE 1969; HE HAS WATCHED CRYSTAL LAKE GO UP AND DOWN IN A SEVEN YEAR CYCLE FOR YEARS. AUGUST, TWO SUMMERS AGO, THE DEEPEST HOLE IN CRYSTAL LAKE WAS 87'; HE SPENT 2.5 HOURS LAST NIGHT ON CRYSTAL LAKE AND THAT SAME HOLE IS 69' RIGHT NOW. CRYSTAL LAKE IS DROPPING MUCH QUICKER. IT WAS COMING UP 3.5 YEARS AGO AND NOW IT HAS STARTED GOING BACK DOWN AND THEY HAVE HAD A SEVEN YEAR CYCLE. HE CAN'T EXPLAIN WHERE THE EXPLOSIONS ARE COMING FROM; BUT, SINCE 1969 HE HAS NOT FELT ANYTHING OF THAT TYPE IN HIS HOME. HE LIVES RIGHT ON THE SW CORNER, THE NW OF INTERSECTION AMETHYST AND CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. HE IS RELATIVELY CLOSE TO THE MINE. HE IS A BUSINESS MAN AS LAMAR IS; HE HAS KNOWN LAMAR FOR YEARS AND YEARS. ST. JOE PAPER COMPANY IS SELLING HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF ACRES RIGHT NOW THAT LAMAR CAN FIND PLENTY OF LAND THAT HAS THE WHITE COURSE SAND THAT HE IS MINING IN OTHER AREAS THAT WILL NOT AFFECT RESIDENTIAL, GULF FRONTAGE FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY'S TAX BASE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED SAMMY WHAT HIS QUESTION WAS. HE QUESTIONED LAMAR WHERE THEN IS ALL THE EXPLOSIONS THE PEOPLE ARE FEELING COMING FROM.

SIKES ASKED SAMMY HOW LONG HAD THEIR FAMILIES KNOWN EACH OTHER. SIKES SAID FOR YEARS AND THEY BUILT THEIR BUSINESS ON A MAN'S HANDSHAKE AND WORD. SAMMY SAID ON INTEGRITY.

SIKES SAID THERE ARE NO EXPLOSIONS AT THE PIT.

NORA CLARK, HYDROLOGIST, ADDRESSED THE ISSUE WITH THE WATER DROPPING IN CRYSTAL LAKE. NORA HAD AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS OF CRYSTAL LAKE IN SEPTEMBER OF 1990; THE REASON SHE IS BRINGING THIS TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION IS TO SHOW MR. SIKES PROPERTY. SHE HAD TO TAKE A MAGNIFYING GLASS AND WENT ALL THE WAY AROUND THE RIM JUST TO GET AN IDEA OF HOW MANY HOMES WERE PRESENT THEN. SHE COUNTED APPROXIMATELY 32. SHE HAD A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN IN JANUARY OF 2001; THEY SEE MORE BEACH EXPOSED BECAUSE THE WATER LEVEL HAS DROPPED. THAT YEAR THEY HAD LOW RECHARGE OR SHORT TERM DROUGHT AND THIS IS A SIGN OF PROGRESS IN RELATION; THERE IS MORE HOMES, MORE DEVELOPMENT AND THE ENTIRE CIRCLE NOW HAS FAMILIES LIVING ALL THE WAY AROUND. FINALLY, THE LATEST PHOTOGRAPH SHE COULD OBTAIN FROM FL-DOT AERIAL SURVEYS WAS APRIL 2004. THERE IS LESS BEACH WHICH MEANS IT HAS INCREASED IN WATER BECAUSE OF MORE RAINFALL. THEY HAD HURRICANES, STORMS, ETC. AT THIS POINT, THEY ARE EVEN MORE DEVELOPED; TODAY, LIKE MR. BELL SAID, THERE ARE 167 HOMES. IN 1990, THERE WERE 30 SOMETHING. EACH OF THE HOMES ARE ON A PRIVATE WELL. WHEN MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE DISPUTED THIS, NORA SAID THE MAJORITY OF THEM WERE BECAUSE SHE HAS A FULL WELL PERMIT LISTINGS PROVIDED BY THE DISTRICTS WHERE ALL THESE WELLS ARE PERMITTED ON CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. SHE SAW WHERE THEY RANGED FROM 135' TO 300' DEEP; A LOT OF THEM SEEMED TO AVERAGE ABOUT 200'. ALL OF THEIR WELLS ARE IN THAT FLORIDA INAQUIFER. BASICALLY WHAT THEY HAVE IS LIKE ONE BIG GLASS OF WATER AND ALL THESE ADDITIONAL STRAWS; THEY ARE ALL DRAWING FROM THE SAME AQUIFER. SHE SAID SOME HOMES USE MORE THAN OTHERS ACCORDING TO FAMILY SIZE, ETC.; BUT, THE WATER LEVEL ALSO FLUCTUATES. SHE WAS INTERRUPTED FROM PEOPLE TALKING IN THE AUDIENCE ABOUT HAVING VACATION HOMES THERE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP REITERATED IF PEOPLE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, THEY COULD RAISE THEIR HAND AND ADDRESS THE BOARD.

NORA SAID HER POINT IS THAT THE WATER LEVELS IN CRYSTAL LAKE ARE UNRELATED TO THE SAND PIT BECAUSE IT IS FROM A WHOLE ENTIRELY DIFFERENT WATER SOURCE.

MARK VATTER, 3911 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, SAID NORA WAS SUPPOSE TO BE THE EXPERT ON WATER ON THIS DEAL. HE QUESTIONED HER WHERE THE WATER CAME FROM TO FILL UP CRYSTAL LAKE. HE SAID IT IS NOT COMING FROM JUST UP UNDER THE GROUND AND REITERATED HIS QUESTION WHERE DOES THE WATER COME FROM.

NORA SAID IT DOES COME FROM THE LOWER AQUIFER. ULTIMATELY THE WATER IS FED REGIONALLY FROM THE GROUND SURFACE AND MAKES ITS WAY THROUGH SOIL, CLAY INTO LIMESTONE. MARK SAID THEIR WATER COMES FROM UP ABOVE NORTH ALABAMA THROUGH A SPRING ALL THE WAY DOWN HERE; HE SAID THEY DON'T HAVE JUST A BOWL HERE; THEY HAVE A SPRING UP THERE THAT IS FEEDING THEIR LAKE. SIKES IS DIGGING DEEPER AND THAT IS WHY THEIR LAKE IS GOING DOWN; THEY HAVE ADDED ANOTHER POOL TO SUCK THE WATER OUT OF THEIR LAKE. HE REITERATED THEIR WATER COMES FROM UP IN NORTH ALABAMA ALL THE WAY DOWN HERE AND IT IS JUST TRYING TO FOLLOW WHERE IT IS BUILT UP WITH WATER; IT IS GOING DOWN BECAUSE OF A DROUGHT. HE SAID NORA HAD TOLD HIM WRONG.

NORA REBUTTED SAYING THE WATER DOES COME FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH; VATTER IS CORRECT. AS SOMEONE ELSE IN THE AUDIENCE HAD SAID, HE MADE THE SAME POINT IT GOES FROM THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH INTO THE SPRINGS THAT IS DOWN IN THE DEER POINT LAKE REGION. THAT IS TRUE WHICH MEANS IF THEY WANT TO BELIEVE THAT SIKES IS DIGGING IN THAT LOWER AQUIFER THEIR WELLS ARE IN, PROBABLY THEIR WELLS ARE LOCATED NORTH OF SIKES OPERATION. IF EVERYTHING IS FLOWING SOUTH, HOW CAN SIKES IMPACT THEM.

RON FEVERSTIN, 3493 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ASKED THE HYDROLOGIST A QUESTION. THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD CRYSTAL LAKE IS 125' DEEP. HE ASKED HOW DEEP IS THE WATER IN THE SAND PIT. MARROW ADVISED 45' IS THE ELEVATION OF THE WATER LEVEL SURFACE.

RON SAID THEIR LAKE IS FROM THE WATER QUALITY CONTROL BECAUSE HE TALKED TO THE PEOPLE WHO CAME OUT AND CHECKED THE WATER. THERE IS NO QUALITY CONTROL ON SIKES WATER IN THE PIT. NORA SAID 45' IS THE ELEVATION OF HIS WATER TABLE SURFACE.

RON ASKED IF IT HAD EVER BEEN OFFICIALLY MADE, BY WHOM AND AND WHEN. NORA ADVISED IT HAD.

LISA ADVISED THE ELEVATIONS ARE ON ONE OF THE MAPS SHOWN PREVIOUSLY; THEY WERE PROFESSIONALLY SURVEYED BY A SURVEYING COMPANY.

NORA SHOWED RON THE LATEST ELEVATION OF CRYSTAL LAKE; IT WAS DONE ON MARCH OF 2007 AND WAS 50.49. WHEN THE AUDIENCE SAID THEY COULDN'T HEAR, NORA REITERATED THE WATER TABLE ELEVATION IN MARCH OF 2007 WAS 50.49. SHE SHOWED THE SIKES PROPERTY IN QUESTION; WATER LEVEL ELEVATIONS FOR THE SAME STATE AND THIS WATER BODY HERE OF 84.69 WHICH IS A HIGHER ELEVATION THAN CRYSTAL LAKE. IN BOTH WATER BODIES, THE REASON THEY HAVE TWO WATER LEVEL ELEVATIONS HERE IS THERE HAVE BEEN REGIONALLY A DROP OF 3'. THAT IS NOT CAUSED BY ONE OPERATION THAT CAN AFFECT A WHOLE AREA LIKE THAT; THAT IS NATURE.

LAMAR SIKES SAID THE WATER IN THE LARGE LAKE IS 25'; THE WATER DEPTH IS 25'. HE WAS ASKED HOW FAR IT WAS FROM THE WATER DEPTH TO THE TOP OF THE LAND. SIKES SAID IT WAS ABOUT 30'.

JERRY WILSON SAID HE DIDN'T LIVE ON CRYSTAL LAKE BUT LIVES ON THE LAKE NORA IS SHOWING. NORA REFERRED TO THE PICTURE SHE WAS SHOWING WAS A 2007 PICTURE OF THE LAKES; THAT IS BY THE LAKE RIGHT BEHIND HIS HOUSE AND THERE AIN'T NO WATER BEHIND HIS HOUSE.

MORGAN HURST WITH BUCHANAN HARPER SAID THE MAP WAS A QUAD MAP; ALL THIS IS IS BASICALLY A MAP OF THE AREA. JERRY SAID NORA SAID THAT IS HOW DEEP IT IS NOW AND IT IS 2007. THAT IS A 2007 PICTURE OF ALL THE LAKES; IT WAS MARCH 2007.

MORGAN HURST REITERATED IT WAS JUST A MAP ILLUSTRATING THE AREAS OF THE MAP; THIS IS NOT THE DEPTH OF THE WATER, THIS IS A SURVEY ELEVATION. THAT IS FROM THE TOP OF THE WATER IN THE OCEAN TO THE ELEVATION OF THE HEIGHT OF THE LAND.

DUE TO A LOT OF PEOPLE TALKING AT ONE TIME, CHAIRMAN SAPP ADVISED THEY WERE HAVING TO KEEP MINUTES ON ALL THAT IS BEING SAID AND IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RECORD FIVE PEOPLE AT ONE TIME. HE SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THEY WOULD DO THE COURTESY OF BEING REALISTIC IN THIS MEETING. NOBODY IS AFTER NOBODY. WE ARE JUST TRYING TO DO A REASONABLE MEETING AND GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THIS SITUATION.

HE SAID THEY ARE NOT TRYING TO HARD TIME ANYBODY OR HELP ANYBODY; BUT, ARE TRYING TO BE REASONABLE. PLEASE RECOGNIZE THIS SITUATION.

LISA ADDRESSED THIS BEING A DIFFICULT DECISION AND THE BOARD HAVING BEEN ELECTED TO MAKE DIFFICULT DECISIONS. THE CRITERIA UNDER THE COUNTY'S ORDINANCE, AS SHE IS SURE THEIR ATTORNEY HAS TOLD THEM MANY TIMES, IS TO PROVIDE A LIST OF THINGS THEY MUST MEET. THEY HAVE PROVIDED ALL THOSE THINGS TO THE COUNTY STAFF; THEY HAVE PROVIDED THEM TO MS. WALLER AND TO THE COUNTY ENGINEER. THEY HAVE PROVIDED ISSUES ON NOISE, GIVEN THEM STUDIES ON NOISE, SHOWN THEM FL-DEP PAPERWORK TO SHOW THEM IT IS IN COMPLIANCE. IT IS IN COMPLIANCE AND HAS BEEN IN COMPLIANCE. THE PIT IS NOT LEAVING; IT HAS BEEN THERE TWENTY OR MORE YEARS AND IS GOING TO STAY IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD. MR. SIKES OWNS THIS LAND; HE IS INFIELD WITHIN THAT AREA WHERE HE HAS BEEN OPERATING. ALL SIKES IS ASKING IS TO FOLLOW THE REGULATIONS IN THE COUNTY'S CODE AND HE IS OFFERING ADDITIONAL BUFFERING THREE TO FOUR TIMES WHAT THE CODE REQUIRES IN ORDER TO CONTINUE HIS OPERATIONS TO PROVIDE RAW MATERIALS FOR THE CONCRETE PADS FOR THESE HOMES, DRIVEWAYS AND THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE IN ORDER FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY TO GROW. THEY ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THE EVIDENCE THAT HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THEM, THE EXPERT OPINIONS AND THE DOCUMENTATION THAT HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THEIR STAFF AND APPROVE THE SIXTY ACRE EXPANSION.

BONNIE VATTER, 3911 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, SAID SHE HAD SAVED ALL HER LIFE TO BUILD HER HOME AND SHE HAS THE BIGGEST HOUSE ON THE LAKE. HER HOUSE IS 6000 SQUARE FEET AND SINCE SHE HAS LIVED THERE, THAT PLACE HAS JUST GONE TO PITS. IT IS LIKE SHE DIDN'T BUILD A HOME ON A LAKE, SHE BUILT A HOME IN THE FREAKING HOLE. IT IS DRYING UP. AS LISA WAS SAYING, THEY HAVE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD; BUT, THE PEOPLE LIVING THERE HAVE PRESENTED TO THEM ALSO. THEY DO NOT WANT TO EXPAND THE PIT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE DIDN'T THINK MR. SIKES IS A BAD GUY; BUT, HE HAS BEEN MINING THIS PLACE FOR YEARS AND APPARENTLY IT IS GOING TO CONTINUE WHETHER THEY GET THIS EXPANSION OR NOT. THERE IS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF PROPERTY HE HAS AND IF ALL HE HAS DONE IS TWENTY FIVE YEARS WITH THE HOLE HE HAS GOT NOW, IT SEEMS LIKE THERE IS A LOT OF MINING THAT COULD BE DONE WITHOUT ACQUIRING ANY MORE PROPERTY. HE DOESN'T THINK IT HAS GOTTEN ANYTHING TO DO WITH ANYTHING EXCEPT COMPATIBILITY. IT IS JUST A BAD PLACE TO HAVE A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING. THERE IS CLOSE TO 200 PEOPLE HERE THAT SAY THEY DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN. THEY WANT A DIFFERENT LIFE STYLE AND THEY HAVE BOUGHT INTO A CERTAIN LIFE STYLE AND THEY WANT THAT TO CONTINUE. HE TOLD MR. SIKES HE WAS SORRY THE SITUATION IS LIKE IT IS BECAUSE HE DOESN'T THINK HE IS A BAD GUY AND HE HAS DONE A LOT OF RESEARCH AND HAS GOTTEN A LOT OF PEOPLE TO SUPPORT HIS CAUSE. HE IS SURE IT WON'T STOP HERE. WITH THE FACT HE DOESN'T THINK IT IS COMPATIBLE TO A RESIDENTIAL AREA WITH A MINING OPERATION GOING ON, COMMISSIONER FINCH OFFERED A MOTION TO DENY THE EXPANSION OF THE SIKES PIT WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDING THE MOTION.

CHAIRMAN SAPP ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION. IF NOT, HE SAID HE WOULD QUESTION THE BOARD. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID YES TO DENY, STRICKLAND SAID YES, SAPP SAID DENY, FINCH SAID DENY AND HOLMAN SAID TO DENY. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO DENY THE PETITION BY LAMAR SIKES TO EXPAND HIS PIT.

CHAIRMAN SAPP CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS. PURSUANT TO A RECESS, A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TYPE V TO ALLOW A BARROW PIT ON THE NORTH SIDE OF STATE ROAD 20, EAST OF HIGHWAY 77 FOR MIKE SWEARINGTON.

LINDA WALLER SAID THIS IS AGRICULTURAL/SILVICULTURE AND MIKE HAS REQUESTED A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TYPE V FOR MINING.

MIKE INTRODUCED SHAWN MCNEIL WITH MCNEIL AND CARROL ENGINEERING, WHO WOULD BE DOING HIS PRESENTATION ON THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION.

SHAWN MCNEIL, 475 HARRISON AVENUE, PANAMA CITY, FLORIDA, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR TYPE V MINING. HE SAID THEY WERE ASKING THE BOARD TO APPROVE A PERMIT FOR GULF COAST UTILITY CONTRACTORS BARROW PIT AND UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR REQUEST:

1. IT IS A 60 ACRE SITE ELEVEN MILES EAST OF HIGHWAY 77 AND FIVE MILES WEST OF HIGHWAY 231

2. THE BARROW PIT AREA IS 45 ACRES WHICH IS MINUS THE HOUSE ON THE PROPERTY AND THE BUFFER AREA THAT IS BEING PROVIDED

3. IT IS APPROXIMATELY 880' FROM HIGHWAY 20 AND THE REQUIRED BUFFER IN THE COUNTY'S CODE IS 400'; THEY EXCEED THE REQUIRED BUFFER.

4. THE SITE HAS ROAD ACCESS THROUGH FL-DOT; MAINTAINED BY FL-DOT WHICH IS HIGHWAY 20. THE 80' WIDE PIECE OF PROPERTY GOES FROM HIGHWAY 20 TO THE PROPERTY.

5. IT IS ZONED AGRICULTURE, WHICH IS CONCURRENT WITH THE COUNTY'S LAND USE CLASSIFICATION AND ORDINANCES

6. AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN DONE BY GARLICK ENVIRONMENTAL ASSOCIATES WHICH SAID THERE WERE NO LISTED OR SIGNS OF PROTECTED SPECIES ON THE PROPOSED SITE. THERE ARE NO JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS ON THE SITE; IT IS MODERATE/LOW RISK FOR THE LOCAL AQUIFER RECHARGE

7. THE PERMITS THEY OBTAINED ON JANUARY 30, 2007 FROM FDEP BUREAU OF MINES RECLAMATION PERMIT. THE NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE A DRIVEWAY PERMIT OR ACCESS PERMIT FROM FL-DOT ON HIGHWAY 20 WAS ISSUED ON DECEMBER 12, 2006.

8. THE RECLAMATION PROJECT WILL BE A THREE TO ONE SLIDE SLOPE

9. DURING THE PLANNING BOARD MEETING THERE WERE SOME OBJECTIONS TO SOME NOISE. IF THEY PROPOSE A LARGER THAN 22' BUFFER, THERE IS A 50' BUFFER AS WELL AS A 6' BERM AROUND THE SITE THAT WILL PROBABLY REDUCE THE NOISE. 10. THE OWNER WILL ERECT A SIGN. ONE OF THE THINGS IS COHERENT TO BARROW PIT WORK IS THE TRUCKS WHEN COMING OUT ARE BANGING THEIR GATES. THE OWNER WILL ADVISE HIS OPERATORS AND TRUCK DRIVERS NOT TO DO SO. NOT ONLY WILL HE GIVE THEM THIS IN HIS OPERATIONAL MANUAL; BUT, THERE WILL BE A POSTED SIGN ON THE SITE. THERE IS NO VIOLATION OF STATE OR LOCAL ORDINANCE IN REGARDS TO NOISE.

11. THE WATER QUALITY AND GEOTECHNICAL REPORT. THEY WANTED TO POINT OUT THEY ARE NOT EVEN GETTING INTO THE SURFICIAL AQUIFER; THEY ARE GOING TO REMAIN 2' ABOVE THE HIGH WATER TABLE. THAT MEANS THEY WILL NEVER GET INTO THE WATER TABLE; AS THE HYDROGEOLOGIST SAID BEFORE THERE WILL BE A SURFICIAL WATER TABLE THIS SITE WILL NOT SEE OR IMPACT WHATSOEVER. 12. THE NEAREST WATER WELL IS OVER 350' FROM THE EXCAVATION SITE; DEP REQUIRES A 100' SETBACK. THEY ARE A PRETTY FAR DIFFERENCE FROM THAT. 13. THIS SITE IS LOCATED IN A RURAL AREA; THERE IS NOT A DENSE RESIDENTIAL AREA IN THE SITE.

HE ASKED FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION AND THEIR HUMBLE AND FAVORABLE VOTE. THEY BELIEVE THERE IS OBVIOUSLY A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE ONE THE BOARD JUST SAW WITH A DENSE RESIDENTIAL AREA AROUND THE SITE. THEY ARE NOT IN THE WATER TABLE AND MEETING ALL THE CODES AND REQUIREMENTS OF THE COUNTY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE.

COMMISSIONER SAPP QUESTIONED THE DEPTH THEY WOULD BE DIGGING. SHAWN ADVISED IT WOULD RANGE FROM 17' DEEP FROM GRADE TO 26.5'. THE WATER TABLE IS 28' BELOW GRADE AT THAT POINT OF THE SURFICIAL AQUIFER; THAT IS THE SEASONAL HIGH WATER TABLE GROUND WATER ELEVATION. HE EXPLAINED HOW THE SEASONAL HIGH WATER WAS DETERMINED.

JOHN AND CAREY CORDEL ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THEY JUST RECENTLY MOVED TO THE AREA; THEY BUILT A BRAND NEW HOME ON 7637 HIGHWAY 20 OR 960 HIGHWAY 20 UNDER WASHINGTON COUNTY'S 911. THEY ARE APPROXIMATELY FOUR LOTS EAST WHERE THEY ARE WANTING TO PUT THE BARROW PIT IN. THEY MOVED TO THIS LOCATION BECAUSE IT IS ALL AGRICULTURAL/SILVICULTURE; IT IS A QUIET AREA AND THAT IS THE WAY THEY WANT TO KEEP IT. THE PEOPLE BEFORE THEM WERE BRINGING UP THE SAME OBJECTIONS OR SAME CONCERNS THEY HAVE ABOUT THE WATER TABLE, ETC. THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THEY DON'T HAVE THE DENSITY AROUND THEM; BUT, THERE IS ABOUT NINE NEW HOMES BEING BUILT. THERE IS PEOPLE DEVELOPING THINGS ON THE BAY COUNTY SIDE ALSO OF THE HIGHWAY BECAUSE THEY ARE RIGHT DOWN THE COUNTY LINE DIVIDED UP BETWEEN THE TWO. THEY DON'T WANT THE NOISE, DUST, DIRT OR SOUND. AT THE PLANNING COMMISSION, THE OWNER SAID IT WAS USUALLY A TEN HOUR OPERATION. JOHN SAID THEY DIDN'T BUY INTO

THIS AREA AND INVEST \$300,000 TO \$400,000 OF THEIR RETIREMENT INCOME TO BUILD AND HAVE A SPECIAL EXCEPTION MADE. WHEN THEY SIGNED OFF AND CLOSED ON THEIR PROPERTY, THEY WERE TOLD THE RESTRICTIONS OF THE PROPERTY AND MINING WAS ONE OF THEM; THEY COULDN'T DO ANY OF IT IN THEIR AREA. NOW ALL OF A SUDDEN SOMEONE WANTS TO GET A SPECIAL EXCEPTION.

JOHN QUESTIONED WHAT THE COUNTY GOT FROM THESE MINING OPERATIONS. DID THEY GET MONEY, MORE TAXES, ETC. AND QUESTIONED WHY THEY WANTED TO MINE OUT THE WHOLE SOUTH END OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE REITERATED HE MOVED INTO THIS AREA BECAUSE IT WAS A NICE AREA, IT IS BEING DEVELOPED AND IT IS GROWING. HE SAID YOU WOULD THINK THE BOARD WOULD WANT TO DEVELOP IT FOR HOMES WHICH WOULD BRING IN MORE IN REAL ESTATE TAXES, ETC. RATHER THAN JUST ENDING UP WITH A BIG HOLE IN THE GROUND AT THE END OF A TEN YEAR PERIOD. HE QUESTIONED WHAT WAS THE BOARD GOING TO DO WITH THE HOLE IN THE GROUND; THEY CAN'T DEVELOP IT OR PUT ANYTHING IN THE HOLE. THAT IS THE PART THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND; THAT IS WHY THEY ARE OBJECTING TO IT. HIS NEIGHBOR, MR. BURCHFIELD, IS THE ONE THAT POINTED THIS OUT TO THEM AND BROUGHT IT TO THEIR ATTENTION. WHEN SWEARINGTON WAS GRADING HIS DRIVEWAY, YOU COULD HEAR THIS BIG PIECE OF EQUIPMENT MOVING AROUND CONSTANTLY IN THE MORNING.

OTHER OBJECTIONS WERE TAILGATES BANGING, EXTRA TRUCKS UP AND DOWN HIGHWAY 20; THERE IS ENOUGH TRUCKS ON THERE NOW AND UNDERSTANDS IT IS A STATE RUN HIGHWAY. HE SAID HE WAS SURE THEY WERE A WELL INTENTIONED BUSINESS; BUT, QUESTIONED WHY WOULD THEY WANT TO PUT IT IN A DEVELOPING RESIDENTIAL AGRICULTURAL AREA JUST TO PUT THIS PIT IN. IT IS GOING TO LOWER THEIR LAND VALUES INSTEAD OF RAISING THEM. HE QUESTIONED IF THEIR PROPERTY TAXES WERE GOING TO DROP; HE DOUBTS IT. HE REITERATED THEY DIDN'T INVEST THEIR RETIREMENT INCOME INTO AN AREA JUST TO LEARN THERE WAS GOING TO BE A MINE ACROSS FROM THEM. THERE WAS NOTHING THERE BUT HORSE RANCHES, RIDING ACADEMIES, ETC.

HE SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE COUNTY WANTED TO KEEP SELLING OFF THE LAND. THEY ARE HOPING TO SEE DEER, ETC. THE MORE EQUIPMENT AND MINING YOU HAVE, YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING. HE CAME FROM ILLINOIS AND HAS SEEN STRIP MINES; BASICALLY THAT IS WHAT THESE BARROW PITS TURN INTO.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED CORDEL TO SHOW HIM ON THE MAP WHERE HE WAS LOCATED. CORDEL SAID HIS HOUSE WAS ABOUT 350' OFF OF HIGHWAY 20; THEY BOUGHT FIVE ACRES AND THE BURCHFIELD'S BOUGHT FIVE ACRES. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING PEOPLE DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM THEM THAT OWN A SIGN COMPANY IN LYNN HAVEN. HE DIDN'T KNOW IF IT WAS BECAUSE OF THEIR BUSINESS THEY COULDN'T BE HERE; BUT, THEY ARE INTERESTED IN THIS PROPOSED BARROW PIT COMING IN TOO.

HOWARD AND JOYCE BURCHFIELD ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE LIVES JUST WEST OF JOHN CORDEL. HE SAID THE PIT THAT IS GOING IN IS GOING TO AFFECT THEIR WATER TABLE AND THEIR PROPERTY VALUES. HE SAID HE HAS SPENT OVER A HALF MILLION DOLLARS ON THAT PROPERTY. WHEN HE MOVED UP THERE, IT WAS A RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; BUT, NOW SWEARINGTON IS WANTING TO PUT A SAND PIT. HE REFERRED TO THE DUST, NOISE, ETC. THAT WOULD BE COMING WITH THE MINING PIT. HE TOLD THE BOARD HE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE BOARD WOULD PROTECT THEM.

WILLARD MOSLEY ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE AND FRANK JERNIGAN JR. BETWEEN THEM OWN ABOUT 55 LOTS IN LAKEVIEW ACRES, WHICH IS ADJACENT TO THE SWEARINGTON'S PROPOSED BARROW PIT. LAKEVIEW ACRES IS A PLATTED SUBDIVISION WHICH PRESENTLY IS NOT DEVELOPED; BUT, HE IS PLANNING ON BUILDING A HOME IN THE FUTURE AND AT SOME POINT IN TIME, IT WOULD PROBABLY WIND UP BEING DEVELOPED. THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS THAT STILL HAVE TO BE DONE; BUT, IT IS STILL A RECOGNIZED PLATTED SUBDIVISION WITH ALMOST 260 LOTS. HIS PROPERTY DOESN'T TOUCH SWEARINGTON'S PROPERTY; BUT, IT IS 20' FROM HIS.

WILLARD REFERRED TO A QUESTION BEING BROUGHT UP ABOUT THE BARRIER BEING PUT UP BETWEEN THE BARROW PIT; HE WAS IN A TREE STAND BACK DURING HUNTING SEASON ABOUT 1/3 MILE FROM IT AND THE NOISE WAS SO OVERWHELMING HE HAD TO GET DOWN. HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF A 50' BARRIER WOULD DO ANY GOOD TO ABATE THE SOUND THERE. HIS CONCERN IS RANDALL KENNELLY HAS SOLD HIS PROPERTY TO HIS UNCLE SO IT IS NOT IN HIS NAME RIGHT NOW; HE HAS 25 ACRES THAT IS ADJACENT AND BORDERS RIGHT UP TO

SWEARINGTON'S PROPERTY AND HAD AN APPROXIMATE- LY \$300,000 HOME THAT BURNED DOWN JUST PRIOR TO GETTING INTO IT.

BUT, HE DOES HAVE PLANS TO RETAIN THE PROPERTY AND BUILD ANOTHER HOUSE THERE. WILLARD SAID HIS CONCERNS ARE THE SOUND AND THE WATER TABLE. ABOUT 300 YARDS FROM SWEARINGTON'S PROPERTY, THERE IS A SPRING THAT CREATES A NATURAL CREEK GOING THROUGH THE WOODS; HE IS HARD PRESSED TO THINK THE PIT WOULDN'T AFFECT THAT. IN THAT SPRING THERE IS ALSO ENDANGERED SPECIES OF PLANTS AND THERE IS CONCERNS THERE. HE SAID THE QUALITY OF LIFE, DUST, NOISE AND THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY IS HIS CONCERNS. THERE IS CORNER SIDE LOTS THAT BUTTS UP TO SWEARINGTON'S PROPERTY PROBABLY WORTH \$20,000 EACH; HE CAN'T IMAGINE ANYONE WANTING TO BUY ONE WITH THE NOISE THERE WHICH WILL PROBABLY DRASTICALLY CUT THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY THERE. THERE IS SO MANY DIFFERENT THINGS THERE; HE IS LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE, HE WOULD LIKE FOR SWEARINGTON TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DIG SOMEWHERE BUT NOT RIGHT UP UNDER THEM. HE SAID HE HAS OWNED PROPERTY THERE FOR TEN YEARS; HE HAS BOUGHT TAX CERTIFICATES AND TAX DEEDS AND HAS DEALT WITH LINDA NUMEROUS TIMES. HE SAID THE PLANNING COMMISSION DENIED THE REQUEST FOR THE BARROW PIT. HE STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF WHAT A GOOD QUALITY LIFE IS; THEY DON'T HAVE THE NUMBERS THAT CRYSTAL LAKE PEOPLE DID. BUT, THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE FILING TEN ACRE LOTS THERE. THE OWNER COULD BUILD A 50' BARRIER, IT WON'T DO MUCH AS FAR AS THE SOUND QUALITY, DUST, ETC. HE WONDERS WHY PEOPLE DON'T TRY TO GET FURTHER OUT LIKE ST. JOE HAS HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF ACRES AVAILABLE INSTEAD OF BEING RIGHT UP UNDER SOMEBODY'S HOMES THEY BOUGHT.

JAMES HERST, 998 TIGER LANE, HIGHWAY 20, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER OWNING A TEN ACRE PARCEL. SHE WAS SPEAKING ABOUT ECONFINA CREEK; THEY ARE TRYING TO BUILD A NICE PARK FOR PEOPLE TO ENJOY AND APPRECIATE. THAT IS WHY SHE BOUGHT HER PROPERTY HERE; SHE HAS COMMERCIAL PROPERTY BY THE OTHER PROPERTY AND THEY ARE BOTH MINING RIGHT NOW TOO. SHE BOUGHT HER PROPERTY HERE TO ENJOY ECONFINA CREEK. SHE HAS HAD NOISE POLLUTION AND HAD TRUCKS BARRELLING DOWN THIS ROAD TOO LOUD. ECONFINA CREEK SHOULD BE RESPECTED AND KEPT LIKE IT IS. SHE SAID SHE HAS CHILDREN TOO AND ASKED THE BOARD TO PROTECT THE LAND FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE WILDLIFE.

WHEN QUESTIONED ON HOW DEEP THEY WERE WANTING TO DIG THE PIT, MIKE SAID THE ELEVATION WOULD PROBABLY VARY; IT IS GOING TO BE FROM 17' TO 26.5' DEPENDING ON THE ELEVATIONS. IT WAS POINTED OUT WHEN RIVER POND IS FULL, IT IS 15' TO 16' DEEP; IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE DEEPER THAN THAT, THEY CAN'T EVEN GET THEIR LAKE UP NOW.

MIKE SAID THEY WERE ABOUT TWELVE MILES FROM RIVER POND. THIS GENTLEMAN SAID NOT THE END THEY ARE ON. MIKE SAID THEY WERE TWO MILES EAST OF ECONFINA CREEK; THE GENTLEMAN REALIZED IT WOULD NOT AFFECT HIM AND SAID HE WAS NOT CONCERNED WITH THAT.

WILLARD MOSELY SAID THERE WAS A LAKE ABOUT 400 YARDS FROM THE PROPOSED BARROW PIT.

MIKE REITERATED THEIR REQUEST FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ALLOWING A BARROW PIT. THEY MAINTAIN A STRAIGHT FORWARD COMPANY AND ARE NOT GOING TO GO IN AND TRASH THE PLACE OR NOT GOING IN TO TRY AND LOWER ANYBODY'S PROPERTY VALUES. IT IS NOT GOING TO BE A DUMP; IT IS GOING TO BE A BARROW PIT. WHEN IT IS DONE, IT WILL PROBABLY END UP BEING A 45 ACRE HAYFIELD SO TO SPEAK BECAUSE THEY USE A LOT OF HAY ON SEED AND MULCH. NOWADAYS PEOPLE LIVE EVERYWHERE IN ALL THE WOODS; HE DOESN'T THINK YOU COULD GO ANYWHERE AND FIND PROPERTY WHERE THERE IS NOT A HOUSE OR TWO WITHIN A MILE OR LESS. THIS PROPERTY WAS ZONED AGRICULTURAL/SILVACULTURE AND THEY ARE ASKING THE BOARD TO APPROVE OF A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO ALLOW MINING.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD VISITED THIS PLACE AND IT IS SURE OUT THERE IN THE BOOMDOCKS. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THERE IS A GOOD PLACE TO DO A BARROW PIT; BUT, HE IS SURE OUT THERE IN A PRETTY WAY OUT LOCATION. HE SEEN A COUPLE OF HOUSES AROUND; BUT, HE DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS A PLATTED SUBDIVISION. IT SEEMED LIKE SWEARINGTON HAD A GOOD PLAN SET UP IF THERE IS SUCH A THING AS A GOOD BARROW PIT PLAN.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE WENT AND MET MIKE AND LISTENED TO WHAT HE HAD TO SAY. THE AREA IS PRETTY, THE ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES, ETC. ALL THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE SURROUNDING AREA, HE WAS SURE WHEN THEY BOUGHT THEIR PROPERTY, A BARROW PIT WOULD COME INTO PLAY.

HOLMAN SAID MR. SWEARINGTON HAD A GOOD ATTITUDE; BUT, QUESTIONED WHERE THE BOARD WAS TO DRAW THE LINE. HE QUESTIONED DO THEY PROTECT THE RIGHT OF THEIR CITIZENS AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AS FAR AS THE BEAUTY, ENVIRONMENT, ETC. AND ALL THESE THINGS THAT PLAYS A FACTOR IN THEIR DECISIONS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION FOR THE PERMIT TO BE DENIED. THE MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF A SECOND.

JOYCE BURCHFIELD ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING NINE NEW HOMES INCLUDING HERS. WHEN SHE BOUGHT HER PROPERTY SIX YEARS AGO AND BUILT HER HOUSE AND THEN THE BOARD IS GOING TO LET SOMEBODY LIKE THIS COME IN AND RUIN HER PROPERTY. SHE SAID SHE HAD WORKED ALL HER LIFE FOR THIS AND ASKED THE BOARD TO THINK OF THIS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED WHICH PROPERTY WAS BURCHFIELDS AND ASKED HER TO SHOW HIM THE LOCATION ON THE MAP. MS. BURCHFIELD SAID SHE WAS ON 7605 HIGHWAY 20 RIGHT BESIDE JOHN CORDEL'S PROPERTY.

MS. BURCHFIELD SAID THEY WERE THE FIRST HOUSE UP THERE AND NOW THERE ARE EIGHT OR NINE NEW HOMES. A LOT OF MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT.

WILLARD MOSELY STATED HE HAS OWNED PROPERTY OUT THERE FOR TEN YEARS NOW AND HAS WORKED PRETTY HARD TO TRY TO DEVELOP SOME PROPERTY SO AT SOME POINT IN TIME HE WOULD HAVE AN INVESTMENT FOR HIM AND HIS KIDS. HE SHOULD HAVE CONTACTED NWFWMDC BECAUSE HE SOLD THEM 65 ACRES WITH A LAKE ON IT. THAT IS A SHORT DISTANCE FROM THERE, CROOKED LAKE. HE REITERATED THEY WERE ALREADY THERE. HE REFERRED TO DAVID EVANS, AN ATTORNEY, HAS RECENTLY BUILT A HOUSE AND PUT A RUNWAY THERE, ETC. THERE ARE MORE HOUSES AND MORE PROPERTY; PEOPLE CLOSE BY ARE PLANNING ON BUILDING HOUSES THERE. HE PROPOSED THE QUESTION IF THE COMMISSIONERS WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE MINING OPERATIONS RIGHT UP UNDER THEIR HOUSE.

MOSELY SAID HE WAS NOT TRYING TO BE A HARD PERSON AND REFERRED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAVING FELT STRONGLY ENOUGH TO DENY SWEAR-INGTON'S REQUEST. HE WAS AWARE THE BOARD DIDN'T HAVE TO ADHERE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION. HE REITERATED HE HAD A LOT OF MONEY INVESTED AND HE KNOWS WITHOUT A SHADOW OF A DOUBT, IT IS GOING TO DEPRECIATE THE VALUE OF HIS LAND. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER THIS.

COMMISSIONER SAPP SAID IT IS HARD TO DEPICT BETWEEN WHAT THE INTEREST OF THE COMMUNITY OF SOME BUILDING A HOUSING PROJECT IN THERE; THEY WANT THAT ONE ACRE AND THAT IS ALL THEY WANT IN THERE. THEY BUY AN ACRE OF LAND AND DON'T WANT ANYONE ELSE AROUND THEM. SOMETIMES A PERSON WILL BUY IN A SUBDIVISION AND WANT TO LIVE REAL CLOSE TO SOMEBODY. THERE IS SO MANY DIFFERENT DESIRES OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE WHEN THEY SIT UP THERE AS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THEY HAVE TO TRY AND REGULATE BETWEEN THE DESIRES OF THOSE FOR THE MOST PART WHAT IS THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY. THE NEXT PERSON MAY WANT TO BUY AND DEVELOP A SAND PIT. HE THINKS EVER INDIVIDUAL HAS A RIGHT IN THE COUNTY TO DO WITH THEIR PROPERTY AS THEY WANT TO WITHIN THE GUIDELINES OF THE LAW. IT IS LIKE OWNING SOMETHING AND YET THE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY CONTROLS EACH AND EVERYTHING YOU DO; HE DOESN'T FEEL LIKE WE SHOULD LIVE IN A COUNTRY OR A STATE THAT DOESN'T ALLOW YOU SOME JURISDICTION OF CONTROLLING YOUR PROPERTY AS FAR AS WHAT YOU WANT TO DO WITH YOUR PROPERTY AND WHAT YOU DON'T. A LOT OF PEOPLE COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND WANT TO DO A SUBDIVISION; THEY WILL BE SEVERAL PEOPLE COMPLAIN BECAUSE OF HOUSES GOING IN NEXT TO THEM. OF COURSE TONIGHT IS A DIFFERENT SITUATION; PEOPLE WANT TO PROMOTE HOUSES AND ROADS. BUT, THE NEXT TIME THE BOARD SEES THEM, THEY WILL PROBABLY BE ANTI-GROWTH. THAT IS THE SITUATION THEY ARE FACED IN AS COMMISSIONERS. THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE TO DO THEIR JUDGEMENT BASED ON WHAT THEY FEEL IS THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY. ANYTHING THEY DO IS NOT GOING TO PLEASE ANY GROUP OF PEOPLE OR ANY ONE PERSON FOR THE MOST PART. WHEN THE LAST GROUP

LEFT OUT THIS EVENING, THE PEOPLE WERE HAPPY AND UNDOUBTFULLY, THE CONTRACTOR WAS SAD. HE REITERATED THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE TO DO THOSE CHOICES ACCORDING TO THEIR BEST KNOWLEDGE AND WHAT THEY HAVE TO WORK WITH AS A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND ASKED THE PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THAT.

JANE NORRIS WANTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AS AN OUTSIDER. SHE SAID SHE HAS SEEN MINING AREAS LIKE IN NEW MEXICO WHEN THEY VISITED THERE. SHE REFERRED TO THE QUESTION OF HOW DEEP WAS THE MINING PIT GOING TO BE. SHE ADDRESSED THE ONES SHE HAS SEEN WOULD BE SO DEEP A BIG TRUCK WOULD LOOK LIKE MATCHBOX CARS. THAT IS NOT HER POINT; HER POINT IS HOW MUCH ARE THEY GOING TO SELL OFF FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY. SANDRA COOK IS OUT HERE PROMOTING WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE BOARD NEEDS TO BACK HER TO. WHEN PEOPLE ASK HER WHERE SHE LIVES, JANE SAID SHE ALWAYS REPLIES IN GOD'S COUNTRY. SHE SAID THAT IS WHAT THEY WANT TO KEEP; BEAUTY AND NOT SO MUCH OF DESTROYING. SHE QUESTIONED WHAT TYPE OF MONEY DOES THE COUNTY GET OUT OF ALL THIS MINING. SHE WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME PROTECTION BROUGHT FORTH IN THE LAWS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID MIKE SWEARINGTON WAS A FINE YOUNG MAN. HE REFERRED TO HIM HAVING ASK MIKE ONE TIME WHY EVERYBODY WAS BUYING UP IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. MIKE HAD TOLD HIM THE LAND WAS A LITTLE CHEAPER IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO MIKE'S DRAWING ON HIS PROPOSED MINING AREA AND ASKED MIKE IF HE CHECKED WHAT WAS AROUND THE PROPERTY HE BOUGHT. MIKE SAID HE JUST CHECKED THE PROPERTY HE PURCHASED.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THERE BEING SUBDIVISIONS LAID OUT ALL OVER A WHOLE SECTION AROUND MIKE'S PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED MOSELY IF THAT WAS HIS SUBDIVISION JUST NORTH OF THAT. MOSELY SAID HE AND FRANK JERNIGAN PURCHASED 50+ ACRES; THERE IS PRIVATE ROADS GOING IN THERE AND THEY HAVE A 60' EASEMENT FROM ST. JOE PAPER COMPANY FROM THE COUNTY ROAD INTO THE PROPERTY. HE SHOWED FINCH THE LAND HE HAD SOLD TO WATER MANAGEMENT; THERE IS STILL APPROXIMATELY 260 LOTS LEFT IN THERE.

LINDA WALLER ADVISED THAT NWFWMDC VACATED THE PLAT ON THE PORTION OF PROPERTY THEY BOUGHT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THE SUBDIVISIONS HE IS SPEAKING OF IS OUT OF THE COUNTY'S PLAT BOOK AND IT IS A REGISTERED PLAT IF IT IS IN THAT BOOK. MIKE QUESTIONED IF SUBDIVISIONS ARE PLATTED BEFORE IMPROVEMENTS ARE DONE. COMMISSIONER PATE ADVISED THEY DO; HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW WHEN THESE WERE APPROVED. MOSELY SAID IT WAS APPROVED IN 1959.

MIKE SAID THEY APPROVED THE DEVELOPMENT ORDER FOR TAKING IN A SUBDIVISION; PLATS ARE NOT NORMALLY APPROVED UNTIL IMPROVEMENTS ARE IN PLACE. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WASN'T TALKING ABOUT A DEVELOPMENT ORDER; IT WAS PLATTED BACK THEN.

MIKE SAID THE ROADWAYS ARE NOT SHOWING ON THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S MAP.

COMMISSIONER SAPP ASKED IF THE PLAT THEY ARE LOOKING AT IS A RECORDED PLAT OR DOES IT HAVE TO GO BACK BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION. LINDA SAID IT IS A RECORDED PLAT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH QUESTIONED IF THE PLANNING COMMISSION SAID WHY THEY DENIED THE REQUEST FOR THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO ALLOW FOR MINING. LINDA ADVISED THEY FELT IT WAS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE SURROUNDING RESIDENTIAL USE.

DR. TODD ANDERSON, MEMBER OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION, POINTED OUT IT WAS A SPLIT DECISION TO DENY THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION. THIS IS UNUSUAL; THE VOTE IS USUALLY ALL ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. HE THOUGHT THERE WAS SOME INTERPRETATION ON THAT AS FAR AS WHAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE OR NOT APPROPRIATE AND WHETHER IT WAS A GOOD IDEA OR NOT A GOOD IDEA.

MIKE ADDRESSED FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING UNTIL TONIGHT, THEY HAVE ADDED A BUFFER AND A BERM AS WELL BECAUSE OF THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED AT THE WCPC MEETING.

AUBREY DAVIS, MEMBER OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR DISTRICT FOUR, SAID HE VOTED TO DISSAPPROVE THE MINING AND THAT WAS WITH THE MAJORITY OF THREE TO TWO. THEY VOTED AGAINST IT AND HE KNOWS HIMSELF THEY VOTED BECAUSE THESE HOMEOWNERS HAVE ALREADY MADE THE BIGGEST INVESTMENTS OF THEIR LIVES TRUSTING THE LAND WOULD

BE DECENT FOR THEM TO LIVE IN. THE PLANNING COMMISSION FELT MINING WOULD BE INCONSISTENT WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AROUND IT.

COMMISSIONER FINCH, WITH THE PLANNING COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATION AND WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN OVER TONIGHT AT THIS MEETING, OFFERED A MOTION TO DENY IT. COMMISSIONER PATE SECONDED THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER SAPP COMMENTED IF THIS WAS GOING TO BE A DEVELOPED SITE, SUCH AS REMOVING SOME SAND AND AS DEVELOPED WITHOUT IT BEING DEVELOPED AWAY WITH SOME FUTURE PLANS IN MIND OF IT BEING A RESIDENTIAL SITE WITH A BEAUTIFUL LAKE OF THAT NATURE, THAT WOULD COMPLIMENT THOSE SURROUNDING AREAS. BUT, HE WOULD HAVE TO BE IN THE SAME FRAME OF MIND KNOWING ALL THESE SUBDIVISIONS AND HOUSES ARE ALREADY AROUND IT OF THE SAME NATURE. WITH THE STATE THAT IT IS IN, HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO FEEL THE SAME WAY AND THEY ARE READY TO TAKE A VOTE ON THE ISSUE.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE, THE MOTION TO DENY THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR TYPE V MINING PETITIONED BY MIKE SWEARINGTON CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

THE SECOND PUBLIC HEARING ON VERNON'S CDBG/COMMUNITY PROJECT WAS CONDUCTED BY BUD CLARK/CRA.

MR. CLARK SAID THEY WERE HERE TONIGHT TO WORK WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON A SECOND PUBLIC HEARING AND AFTER THIS, THEY WILL HAVE A FAIR HOUSING MEETING FOR THE CDBG PROGRAM BEING PUT ON FOR WASHINGTON. HE PUT THE SITE ITSELF AS WELL AS THE BREAKUP OF HOW THEY ARE GOING TO BUILD IT. HE SAID THE SITE WAS LOCATED ON STATE ROAD 279, NORTH OF THE HIGHWAY; THE TOTAL SITE IS 50 ACRES AND THE SITE THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT IS 19.85 ACRES WHICH THE BOARD HAS ALREADY GIVEN THEM A SMALL SCALE AMENDMENT ON TO DEVELOP COMMERCIALY. THEY ARE REQUESTING THE COUNTY ALLOW THE TWO DEVELOPERS, MR. WALTER CRESHMAN AND MR. ROY GODWIN TO APPLY TO THE FL-DCA FOR A \$750,000 GRANT TO MOVE UTILITIES TO THE SITE FROM THE CITY OF VERNON. THEY WILL BE NO VOTE TONIGHT; THEY WILL BE BACK ON MAY 24TH. HE HAD PUT A PACKET IN FRONT OF THE BOARD THAT SAYS THE PROJECT IS MERITED; TWO BUSINESSES WILL START THE PROJECT AND THEY WILL PROVIDE 22 JOBS. ONE THING TO POINT OUT TO THE BOARD, CLARK SAID THE TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO OWN THIS PARTICIPATION PROJECT ARE GOING TO BE PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LETTER OF COMMITMENT THAT WILL BE CONTAINED WITHIN THE GRANT TO PRODUCE THESE JOBS. IF THOSE JOBS ARE NOT PRODUCED, THEY WILL BE A CHECK WRITTEN. THE TWO INDIVIDUALS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR IT AND NOT THE COUNTY; THE COUNTY IS AT NO RISK. THE COUNTY IS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPONSOR FOR THE GRANT AND THEY ARE ALLOWING TO PASS THE FUNDS ON TO THEM TO BUILD THE UTILITIES AND BRING THEM TO THE SITE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE COUNTY IS THE APPLICANT ON THE GRANT. BUD SAID THEY HOPE AND ARE BUILDING IT SO THIS WILL BE A NEW DOWNTOWN VERNON LIKE NO VERNON HAS EVER SEEN BEFORE.

HE ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY QUESTIONS. HE ADDRESSED THEM ANTICIPATING A LOT MORE BUSINESSES OUT THERE; HOWEVER, THESE ARE THE TWO OFFICIAL BUSINESSES. WHEN THEY APPLY FOR A GRANT, CLARK SAID THEY ALWAYS APPLY FOR ENOUGH TO GET THE GRANT; BUT, NOT ENOUGH TO GET THEM IN TROUBLE.

CHAIRMAN SAPP ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY PUBLIC OPPOSITION TO THIS VENTURE. NO ONE RESPONDED.

CLARK ADVISED THE CITIZENS ADVISORY TASK FORCE WILL HAVE TO MEET BEFORE THE BOARD CAN MAKE THEIR RESOLUTION ON MAY 24TH; HE WILL WORK WITH ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND STACY WEBB TO MAKE SURE THE ADVISORY TASK FORCE WILL APPEAR AND MEET AND THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE TASK FORCE COMES AND MEETS WITH HIM ON THE 24TH OF MAY TO GIVE THE BOARD THEIR RECOMMENDATION. IF IT IS A POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION, THE BOARD WILL BE ENCOURAGED TO VOTE ON IT.

CLARK ASKED THE BOARD TO GIVE ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT THE AUTHORITY TO FIND THE PEOPLE, APPOINT SOME OTHER PEOPLE OR THE BOARD APPOINT THEM SO THEY CAN MEET BEFORE THE 24TH. HE WAS REFERRING TO STACY WEBB HAVING SAID SHE HAD TRIED TO CONTACT THE CITIZENS ADVISORY TASK FORCE FOR THE CDBG PROGRAM AND CRA AND SHE COULDN'T CONTACT THEM.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED STACY HAVING BEEN MEETING WITH A GROUP IN VERNON AND HE WOULD GET WITH HER TO TRY AND HAVE THE MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY TASK FORCE MEET.

MR. CLARK SAID THE INFORMATION HE HAD PROVIDED SHOWED WHAT THE ENGINEER FIRM WANTS TO SPEND THE MONEY ON FOR THE UTILITIES. THE TWO INDIVIDUALS ARE PUTTING UP \$750,000 MATCH TO BRING THEIR BUSINESSES IN. HE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE AN ENTIRE PACKAGE PUT TOGETHER BEFORE MAY 24TH AND GIVE IT TO ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, STACY WEBB, ETC. TO REVIEW BEFORE THE BOARD IS ASKED TO VOTE ON IT.

BUD CLARK CONDUCTED THE FAIR HOUSING WORKSHOP THAT IS REQUIRED ANNUALLY TO INFORM THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND ANYBODY INTERESTED ON THE PROVISIONS OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT THAT IS PROMULGATED BY HUD.

THE DIFFERENT HOUSING ACTS THAT CONGRESS AND THE STATE GOVERNMENT HAVE PASSED AS WELL AS THE BOARD WITH ADOPTION OF THE FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE. THERE IS NO DISCRIMINATION ALLOWED. HUD LAST YEAR STARTED SENDING OUT REPRESENTATIVES TO SEE IF THERE WAS ANY KIND OF BLOCKING OR RED BLOCKING, ETC. GOING ON FOR HOUSING TO SEE IF THERE WAS ANY DISCRIMINATION GOING ON. HE SAID THIS INCLUDES NOT ONLY SELLING HOUSES BUT IT ALSO INCLUDES RENTAL UNITS. THE COUNTY HAS NEVER HAD ANY PROBLEM WITH THAT.

MR. CLARK ADVISED IF THE COUNTY DOES GET A COMPLAINT FROM ANY ONE INDIVIDUAL, PLEASE TREAT IT APPROPRIATELY BECAUSE IT COULD TURN INTO A REAL SERIOUS ISSUE IF THEY ARE NOT CAREFUL. IF THEY DO GET A COMPLAINT, NOTIFY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND LET HIM TAKE IT DOWN IN WRITING AND PASS IT ON TO THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

MR. CLARK SAID IF THERE WERE ANY QUESTIONS ON FAIR HOUSING FROM THE AUDIENCE, HE WOULD BE GLAD TO ANSWER THEM. NO ONE RESPONDED.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THERE BEING A RESIGNATION ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL. ROBERT MCCARTNEY RESIGNED DUE TO FAMILY ISSUES. THREE NAMES HAVE BEEN PRESENTED FOR AN APPOINTMENT TO REPLACE MCCARTNEY:

1. JUDY ARNOLD-A RECENT ADDITION TO WASHINGTON COUNTY, SHE LIVED IN NEW JERSEY. SHE IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED BY WASHINGTON COUNTY AS A LIBRARY BRANCH MANAGER. SHE IS AN ACCOMPLISHED WATER COLOR ARTIST. SHE HAS ATTENDED CLASSES AT BONIFAY ART STUDIO AND HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THAT GROUP FOR THREE YEARS AND IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING A WATER COLOR CLASS AT THE LIBRARY ON WEDNESDAY MORNINGS.

2. KAREN ROLAND-HAS BEEN ATTENDING ARTS COUNCIL BOARD MEETINGS SINCE THE BEGINNING AND HAS ACTUALLY BEEN HELPING TO SET UP TABLES AND CHAIRS ON KICK OFF EVENTS. SHE IS AN ARTIST AND IS CURRENTLY SERVING AS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER, SHE IS PLANNING THE ART SHOW AT THE WATERMELON FESTIVAL AND HEADING UP THE COUNCIL'S EFFORTS TO SUPPORT THE FOLK ART FESTIVAL AT SUNNY HILLS IN OCTOBER.

3. RICHARD DAVENPORT-BAND DIRECTOR AT CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL. HE IS INTERESTED IN THE ARTS AND HE IS STARTING AN ARTS ACADEMY AT THE HIGH SCHOOL.

COMMISSIONER PATE INFORMED THE BOARD THEY NEEDED TO NOMINATE ONE OF THESE THREE TO SIT ON THE ARTS COUNCIL.

COMMISSIONER FINCH SAID HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY ONE OF THE ARTS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND MS. ROLAND IS ALREADY AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER AND IS ATTENDING ALL THE MEETINGS AND HELPED THEM. THEY WANTED TO SEE HER MOVED UP.

COMMISSIONER FINCH NOMINATED KAREN ROLAND TO SERVE ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL WITH COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SECONDED THE NOMINATION. CHAIRMAN SAPP APPROVED THE NOMINATION.

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

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

END OF MINUTES FOR 04/26/07