

BOARD MINUTES FOR 04/27/09

APRIL 27, 2009

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 9:00 A.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, PATE, STRICKLAND, HOLMAN AND HOWELL PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, CLERK COOK AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL CALLED THE WORKSHOP TO ORDER.

DAVID CORBIN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EXPENDITURES TO DATE FOR THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER:

A. MATERIALS ONLY; INCLUDING CEILING	\$19,963.48
B. AIR CONDITIONING ROUGH IN	10,000.00
C. AIR CONDITIONING REMAINING COST ESTIMATE	15,500.00
D. PARKING LOT PERMIT AND PLANNING PREBLE-RISH	9,700.00
E. ACQUA UTILITIES FOR SEWER/WATER	2,500.00

HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK DONE BY WASHINGTON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION ON THE FACILITY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THERE BEING A NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO COMPLETE THE COMMUNITY CENTER. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SUGGESTED WAITING UNTIL NEXT MONTH TO SEE WHERE THEY ARE TO DETERMINE WHAT IT IS GOING TO TAKE TO COMPLETE THE FACILITY.

DAVID UPDATED THE BOARD ON SEVERAL YEARS AGO MONEY BEING IN HIS BUDGET FOR BEAVER CONTROL; HOWEVER, DUE TO BUDGET CONSTRAINTS THIS WAS TAKEN OUT OF HIS BUDGET. HE ADDRESSED PEOPLE NOW CALLING HIM ASKING FOR ASSISTANCE WITH BEAVER CONTROL. THIS IS A GOOD PROGRAM IF THE BOARD DESIRES TO KEEP IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED BEAVER PROBLEMS WERE BEGINNING TO DEVELOP NOW DUE TO US GETTING A LOT OF WATER. IF IT STAYS LIKE IT IS NOW, THE COUNTY WILL BE EXPERIENCING BEAVER PROBLEMS.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THERE BEING \$5,000 PREVIOUSLY FUNDED IN THE BUDGET FOR BEAVER CONTROL AND CHARLES MILES WAS PAID \$35 A DAY TO ASSIST WITH TRAPPING BEAVERS.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR DAVID TO CALL CHARLES MILES TO ASSIST WITH THE BEAVER PROBLEM ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS.

DAVID UPDATED THE BOARD ON APPROXIMATELY \$7,000 A YEAR OF FBIP FUNDS IS RECEIVED FROM A FEE OF \$1.00 COLLECTED FROM THE BOAT REGISTRATION FEES. THERE IS CLOSE TO \$50,000 IN THE FBIP FUNDS AT THIS TIME. HE ADDRESSED THE PREVIOUS BOARD HAD DESIGNATED THIS MONEY TO GO TOWARD THE GUS ALFORD RAMP AT CRYSTAL LAKE. THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAD WORKED UP SOME PLANS; BUT, IT HASN'T WENT ANY FURTHER. HE EXPLAINED THERE WAS A BAD LANDING AT HICKS LAKE ALSO. HE ASKED DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD WHETHER TO LEAVE THIS MONEY FOR THE BOAT RAMP AT CRYSTAL LAKE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON OTHER BOAT LANDINGS THAT NEEDED REPAIR; BRONSON LANDING, SHELL LANDING, TWO RAMPS AT PORTER POND, ETC. DAVID ADDRESSED THERE BEING SOME BOAT RAMPS DAMAGED DUE TO THE RECENT FLOODING THAT WAS SUBMITTED TO FEMA.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR DAVID TO PUT TOGETHER A LIST OF THE BOAT RAMPS IN NEED OF REPAIR AND BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD.

DAVID UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE HAVING A MEETING LAST MONTH; THEY VOTED AND RECOMMENDED TO THE BOARD TO HAVE A NEW SIGN PUT UP TO ENHANCE THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. THE COMMITTEE ALSO WANTED A TIMER, SOME POLES AND SMALL ITEMS THEY NEED FOR THE RODEO WITH ALL OF THIS BEING LESS THAN \$2,000. HE INFORMED THE BOARD MONIES (APPROXIMATELY \$14,000) WERE IN THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY FUND TO PAY FOR THESE ITEMS.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO PUT THIS ON THE AGENDA FOR THURSDAY'S BOARD MEETING AND THEY WOULD APPROVE IT AT THAT TIME.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM/STATE PARK ROAD PAY REQUEST FOR \$13,000. HE EXPLAINED THIS WAS TO REPAIR THE TWO BAD SPOTS ON STATE PARK ROAD; THE COUNTY DID THE BASE WORK AND ANDERSON COLUMBIA CAME AND PAVED IT.

PUBLIC HEARING-SKYWATCH SUBDIVISION:

LYNDA WALLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THIS ISSUE FIRST COMING BEFORE THE BOARD IN FEBRUARY 2006 WITH A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION TO DISAPPROVE IT. IT IS A 876 ACRE PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT; SKYWATCH CAME IN WITH THEIR NUMBER OF DWELLINGS JUST UNDER THE DRI THRESHOLD AT 624. SKYWATCH RECEIVED A LETTER OF DETERMINATION FROM FL-DCA THAT THEY WERE NOT A DRI SO THEY PROCEEDED WITH THEIR PLANS FOR A PUD. EVEN THOUGH THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD RECOMMENDED THE BOARD NOT APPROVE THIS DEVELOPMENT, THEY DID ANYWAY AND IT WENT TO FL-DCA FOR REVIEW. IT CAME BACK AND THE COUNTY RESPONDED TO FL-DCA'S OBJECTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS BASED ON THE BOARD'S DECISION. IT WENT BACK TO FL-DCA WITH THE ADOPTION ORDINANCE; FL-DCA FILED A NOTICE OF INTENT AND FOUND THE COUNTY NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S COMP PLAN ON A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT REASONS. AT THAT POINT, IT WENT INTO A PERIOD OF LITIGATION BETWEEN SKYWATCH DEVELOPER, JON FLAIG AND HIS ATTORNEY DAVID THERIAQUE AND WASHINGTON COUNTY WAS NAMED AS A PARTY OF THAT LITIGATION. THEY HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATING AND WORKING ON SOLUTIONS FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS; FL-DCA HAS SIGNED OFF ON THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. THIS MEANS IT IS BACK TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. THE BOARD HAS TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF AN AMENDED ORDINANCE THAT WILL ADOPT THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT THAT FL-DCA, JOHN FLAIG AND HIS ATTORNEY AND, IF THEY APPROVE IT, THE COUNTY HAS COME TO. THE AGENDA FOR THURSDAY WILL BE IF THE BOARD WILL APPROVE THE ADOPTION AMENDMENT FOR THE FLAIG SKYWATCH DEVELOPMENT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED SINCE THEN, SKYWATCH HAS COME TO AN AGREEMENT WITH A NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNER. LYNDA EXPLAINED MR. CLIFF WHITE, THE NEIGHBOR AND PERSON WHO WENT TO FL-DCA AND FILED HIS OBJECTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT, HAS SAID HE NO LONGER HAS ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT AS IT IS OUTLINED IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED FOR CLARIFICATION ON THE ORDINANCE ADVERTISED AND REFERRED TO IT SAYING EBRO, CARYVILLE, VERNON AND WAUSAU. HE QUESTIONED IF THIS MEANT THAT FUTURE PROPERTIES THAT COME UP FOR A LAND USE CHANGE APPLY TO THIS ORDINANCE. HE ADDRESSED THIS LAND USE IS GOING FROM AG/SILVICULTURE AND ASKED LYNDA TO READ THE ORDINANCE.

LYNDA SAID IT IS GOING TO A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT/SKYWATCH. IT JUST APPLIES TO THAT PARTICULAR 876 ACRE TRACT OF LAND; JUST LIKE SUNNY HILLS HAS THEIR OWN LAND USE DESIGNATION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIM HAVING A PROBLEM WITH THIS DEVELOPMENT; THERE HAS BEEN FOR SALE SIGNS ON THIS PROPERTY FOR TWO YEARS EVER SINCE IT CAME UP. SECONDLY, HE DOESN'T SEE HOW PROPERTIES LIKE THAT, WHICH ARE BASICALLY CREEK SWAMP PROPERTY, CAN BE DEVELOPED; IT IS TREMENDOUSLY WETLANDS. HE SAID HE IS CONCERNED WITH WHAT FL-DCA SAID ABOUT THE DRAINAGE, SEPTIC TANKS, A LOT OF ISSUES, ETC. HE POINTED OUT

HE KNOWS THIS PIECE OF PROPERTY AND IT IS TREMENDOUSLY WETLANDS AND THESE DEVELOPERS COMING IN GETTING A LAND USE CHANGE ON THE CREEKS AND RIVER, WHICH THERE HAS BEEN THREE OR FOUR DONE IN THE LAST THREE OR FOUR YEARS, REALLY CONCERNS HIM. CONSERVATION BLENDS INTO THIS PROPERTY; IT IS HOLMES CREEK. IN PLACES IT IS A LOWLAND TO OUR HOLMES CREEK AND IN THE HIGHWATER, THERE IS A TON OF HOLMES CREEK WATER THAT COMES INTO THIS PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE MAP THEY WERE PROVIDED SHOWED HOLMES CREEK AT THE VERY BACK OF THAT PROPERTY. LYNDA SAID THERE WAS A SLIGHT BUFFER THERE; PART OF IT BELONGS TO NWFWM. THERE IS THE JOHN FLAIG PROPERTY, A STRIP THAT BELONGS TO NWFWM AND THEN YOU HAVE HOLMES CREEK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WAS PUZZLED WHY THE PREVIOUS BOARD WENT AGAINST THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AND THE STATE. HE QUESTIONED LYNDA IF SHE KNEW WHY.

LYNDA SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW THE BOARD'S REASON; THE BOARD VOTED 5-0 TO FORWARD THE ORDINANCE TO FL-DCA.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE HAD READ THROUGH THE INFORMATION PROVIDED AND HE WAS GOING TO NEED MORE INFORMATION AND TIME BEFORE HE VOTES ON IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF SKYWATCH CAME UP AGAIN IN 2007. LYNDA SAID IN 2007, SKYWATCH FILED AN AMENDED PLAN WITH FL-DCA; FL-DCA HAS NEVER ACTED ON IT. IT WAS NOT PASSED BY THE BOARD; SHE WAS TOLD BY THE BOARD TO SEND IT TO FL-DCA FOR REVIEW AND THEY HAVE NEVER HEARD BACK FROM THEM. THIS IS THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED WHAT WAS DONE TO MEDIATE TO MAKE IT APPROVED NOW.

LYNDA REITERATED IN THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, SKYWATCH HAS MADE SOME CHANGES; THE MAIN THING THAT WAS IN CONTENTION WAS THE BUFFER THAT WAS RESERVED FOR THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN MR. WHITE'S PROPERTY AND THE SKYWATCH PROPERTY. MR. WHITE OBJECTED TO THE BUFFER THAT WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED DUE TO THE TYPE OF FARMING OPERATION HE HAS THERE. HE AND THE DEVELOPER HAVE SINCE WORKED OUT AN AGREEMENT WHICH SAYS IT WILL BE A 100' VEGETATIVE BUFFER INSTALLED ALONG ALL PROPERTY LINES ADJACENT TO AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE LAND USES. THE VEGETATIVE BUFFER SHALL BE DENSELY PLANTED WITH SHRUBS, UNDERSTORY TREES AND CANOPY TREES TO REACH 80% CAPACITY WITHIN THREE YEARS OF PLANTING. TO THE EXTENT SUCH A VEGETATIVE BUFFER ALREADY EXISTS ON SKYWATCH IN WESTERN, SOUTHERN AND EASTERN BORDERS, NO ADDITIONAL BUFFER WILL BE REQUIRED TO BE INSTALLED. THAT BUFFER THEY ARE REFERRING TO THERE ARE THE WETLANDS, THE CONSERVATION AREAS. THE DEVELOPER ALSO AGREED THERE WOULD BE NO PRINCIPAL STRUCTURES OF ANY KIND PLACED WITHIN 200' OF A PROPERTY LINE ADJACENT TO AN AGRICULTURAL OR SILVICULTURE LAND USE.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED MR. WHITE AND FLAIG HAD WORKED OUT THEIR DIFFERENCES. HE ASKED WHAT WAS THE DIFFERENCES FL-DCA HAD; DID THEY HAVE ANY THINGS THAT SAID THEY HAD AN EXCEPTION TO IT.

LYNDA REITERATED FL-DCA HAD FILED A NOTICE OF INTENT THE COUNTY WAS NOT IN COMPLIANCE DUE TO THE FACT THAT MR. WHITE HAS GONE OVER THERE PERSONALLY AND FILED HIS OBJECTIONS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF MR. WHITE'S OBJECTIONS TO SKYWATCH WAS JUST THE BUFFERING AND WHAT DID THE COUNTY'S COMP PLAN SAY ABOUT BUFFERING.

LYNDA SAID SHE THOUGHT THE COMP PLAN SAYS 20'; BUT, THIS IS SOMETHING THEY ARE LOOKING AT. THEY LOOKED AT THIS IN THE EAR AND THEY

ARE LOOKING AT, WHEN THEY DO THEIR EAR BASED AMENDMENT, TO INCREASE THE BUFFER BETWEEN AGRICULTURAL USES AND ANY OTHER TYPE USES TO PROTECT THE AGRICULTURAL OWNER FROM LAWSUITS IN THE FUTURE FROM SPRAYING, NOISE, WHATEVER POLLUTION IS GENERATED BY AN AGRICULTURAL OPERATION. IT IS ALSO TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN AND PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE SUBDIVISION AWAY FROM THE FARMING OPERATIONS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED, PRIOR TO THIS LAND USE REQUEST, WOULDN'T THE DICK ARNOLD TRACT IN EBRO TURNED DOWN DUE TO SCHOOL CONCURRENCY AND QUESTIONED WHY SCHOOL CONCURRENCY WOULDN'T APPLY TO SKYWATCH. HE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO THAT, THERE WAS NOT A SCHOOL TO SUPPORT THE ARNOLD TRACT IN THE COUNTY; SKYWATCH IS ACTUALLY BIGGER THAN THE ARNOLD TRACT.

LYNDA SAID SKYWATCH MAY HAVE BEEN FILED PRIOR TO SB360 PLAN, SCHOOL CONCURRENCY PLAN. COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED DIDN'T HE HEAR ABOUT THE LEGISLATIVE DISCUSSING DOING AWAY WITH THE SCHOOL CONCURRENCY PLAN.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID SOMETHING TO TAKE IN CONSIDERATION IS THE COUNTY HAS A LITTLE BETTER THAN 4000 PLOTS THAT HAVE BEEN ASKED FOR ALREADY WHETHER THEY HAVE BEEN APPROVED YET OR NOT; THAT IS QUITE A FEW PLOTS CONSIDERING ISSUES WITH SCHOOLS, WATER, SEWER AND DIFFERENT ELEMENTS. HE THINKS SOMETIMES THE COUNTY MAY BE GOING TOO FAST FOR THE STRUCTURE THEY HAVE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT HE REMEMBERED WHEN SOME OF THIS WAS GOING ON, THERE WAS ABOUT 30,000 VACANT LOTS THAT WERE ALREADY PLATTED AND APPROVED OR IN THE PROCESS OF BEING APPROVED. THE BIG PROBLEM WITH THE ONE IN EBRO IS ALL OF THAT PROPERTY FLOODED. HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY THE SKYWATCH WAS APPROVED AND THE ARNOLD TRACT WASN'T UNLESS IT WAS PASSED BEFORE THE SB360 CAME IN.

LYNDA ADDRESSED THE SUMMARY OF FL-DCA'S OBJECTIONS AND DAVID THERIAQUE'S RESPONSE TO THEM; SCHOOL CONCURRENCY WAS AN ISSUE WITH FL-DCA. THERIAQUE'S RESPONSE WAS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND WASHINGTON COUNTY WERE ALL IN THE PROCESS OF ADOPTING SCHOOLS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, WHICH WAS IN FACT TRUE. AT THE PART OF THE PROPOSED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT, DAVID THERIAQUE STATED SCHOOL CONCURRENCY WOULD BE ADDRESSED ON A DISTRICT WIDE LEVEL WITH THE LEVEL OF SERVICE THRESHOLD BEING AT 100% OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S PORT CAPACITY. SHE SAID ONE OF THE REASONS THE WCPC DENIED THE SKYWATCH APPLICATION WAS THE SCHOOL CONCURRENCY ISSUE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID WHETHER IT IS THE ARNOLD TRACT OR THE SKYWATCH TRACT, ALL THE BIG DEVELOPMENTS ARE COMING IN A CERTAIN AREA; WHEN YOU SAY SCHOOLS, YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT ONE CERTAIN AREA OF SCHOOLS, WHICH WILL BE VERNON SCHOOLS. THE BIG DEVELOPMENTS ARE IN THE SOUTH END AND THE SCHOOLS ARE FULL NOW.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THE SCHOOL BOARD HAVING PROPERTY OFF OF DUMA JACK TO BUILD A NEW SCHOOL AT SOME POINT. HE QUESTIONED IF THE SCHOOL BOARD HAD ANYTHING SET ASIDE FOR THE EBRO AREA.

LYNDA SAID THERE WAS NOTHING SET ASIDE; THERE IS NO DEVELOPMENT THAT WOULD RESERVE ANY SCHOOL SPACE. EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN PROPOSED IN THE EBRO AREA HAS BEEN TURNED DOWN; THE ARNOLD PROPERTY AND ANOTHER TRACT OF PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE KIDS FROM THE SKYWATCH DEVELOPMENT WOULD PROBABLY ATTEND THE VERNON SCHOOLS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF THE BOARD HAS TO APPROVE THE SKYWATCH SUBDIVISION LAND USE CHANGE AND IF THEY DO ADOPT IT, CAN THEY RECOMMEND THE 624 UNITS BE DOWNSIZED.

LYNDA RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GET A LEGAL OPINION ON WHAT THEIR OPTIONS ARE IF THEY INTEND TO CHANGE IT OR TURN IT DOWN. ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS A COPY OF THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND IT IS ASKING FOR HIS OPINION. LYNDA REITERATED IF THE BOARD IN THEIR CONSIDERATION DECIDES NOT TO APPROVE OF THE SKYWATCH DEVELOPMENT, AS IT IS WRITTEN TODAY, THEY WOULD NEED TO GET A LEGAL OPINION AS TO WHAT THEIR OPTIONS ARE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIM BEING VERY CONCERNED ABOUT FUTURE LAND DEVELOPMENT; THE ORDINANCE IS AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF CARYVILLE, EBRO, VERNON AND WAUSAU TO CREATE THE MIXED USE PLAN. IN HIS OPINION, THEY ARE GETTING INTO THE CREEK SWAMPS; THEY ARE GOING TO THE BANKS OF THE CREEKS AND RIVERS THAT IS NOW BEING PROTECTED. THIS IS A WAY OF GETTING AROUND IT.

LYNDA STATED THE REASON IT NAMES THE MUNICIPALITIES IS THAT IS THE NAME OF THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; IT HAS NO AFFECT ON THOSE MUNICIPALITIES. THEY WERE INCLUDED IN THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. WHAT IS BEING ADDRESSED TODAY IS ONLY ON THE 876 ACRES BELONGING TO MR. JON FLAIG.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT TO GET A LEGAL OPINION ON THE BOARD'S OPTIONS SHOULD THEY NOT APPROVE THE SKYWATCH DEVELOPMENT LAND USE CHANGE AS PRESENTED.

LYNDA ASKED, DUE TO THE COST OF ADVERTISING, COULD THEY POSSIBLY GO INTO THE SESSION ON THURSDAY AND TAKE THAT ACTION. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID SHE THOUGHT THEY WOULD HAVE TO READVERTISE THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE SKYWATCH DEVELOPMENT IF THEY DIDN'T TAKE ACTION ON IT AT THURSDAY'S BOARD MEETING.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO TAKE THE SKYWATCH DEVELOPMENT OFF THE AGENDA FOR THE MAY 30TH MEETING.

THE MSBU ORDINANCE WAS ADDRESSED. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THIS IS THE THIRD ATTEMPT TO TRY AND AMEND THE MSBU ORDINANCE AND THE LAST CHANGE MADE WAS TO HAVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS BE REQUIRED TO BE PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY. THE MSBU COMMITTEE WOULD PROVIDE INPUT ON THE ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS AND SET PRIORITIES FOR FUND ALLOCATIONS. HE INTRODUCED CAMILLE THARP, GSG, TO SPEAK ON THE MSBU.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THE BOARD HAD AGREED TO ADVERTISE A MSBU ORDINANCE AGAIN; THEY ADVERTISED ONE AND VOTED IT DOWN AND THAT IS THE LAST TIME HE HAS HEARD OF ONE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY ADVERTISED ANOTHER ONE. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY SENT THE ORDINANCE BACK FOR CHANGES IS WHAT HE REMEMBERS WITH COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AGREEING THERE HAD BEEN TWO OR THREE CHANGES THEY HAD DISCUSSED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IT WAS HIS UNDERSTANDING THEY WERE MAKING CHANGES AND READVERTISING WITH PATE SAYING THAT IS WHAT HE UNDERSTOOD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED DO THEY HAVE TO HAVE AN MSBU COMMITTEE. CAMILLE STATED SHE WAS NOT AN ATTORNEY; BUT, SHE WORKS WITH CITIES AND COUNTIES ACROSS THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND PARTICULARLY WORK WITH A LOT OF COUNTIES WITH MSBU'S. SHE WORKS IN A LOT OF PLACES WHERE THERE IS NO MSBU COMMITTEE; MOST PLACES DO NOT HAVE COMMITTEES. COMMITTEES ARE NOT REQUIRED.

CAMILLE WENT OVER INFORMATION SHE HAD PROVIDED THE BOARD ON THE SUNNY HILLS WORKSHOP:

A. SHE HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH AT LEAST FOUR MSBU'S IN WALTON COUNTY; THEY ARE SUBDIVISIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE MUCH LIKE

IN SUNNY HILLS, A DAM IMPROVEMENT MSBU, CANAL DRUDGING MSBU, WATER, SEWER, BEAUTIFICATION, ROADS, ETC. IN DRIFTWOOD ESTATES AND ALSO THEY CREATED AN MSBU FOR THEIR FIRE ASSESSMENT.

JACKSON COUNTY HAS MSTU FOR THEIR COMPASS LAKE SUBDIVISION. GSG WAS NOT INVOLVED WITH CREATING THIS PROGRAM; BUT, THEY DO HAVE AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE COUNTY ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE SERVICES THROUGH CONTRACT.

MARTIN COUNTY, WHICH IS IN SOUTH CENTRAL FLORIDA, HAS ABOUT 25 MSBU'S FOR WATER, SEWER, ROADS; THERE IS NOT AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. EVERYTHING IS DONE THROUGH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

MARION COUNTY, CENTRAL FLORIDA, HAS ABOUT 30 MSBU'S FOR WATER SEWER, ROADS; THERE IS NOT AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. EVERYTHING IS DONE THROUGH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

B. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF WHAT MSBU'S ARE:

1. THEY ARE AUTHORIZED BY CHAPTER 125
2. THEY ARE AVAILABLE TO COUNTIES TO FUND MUNICIPAL SERVICES
3. THEY ARE AN ABILITY TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL SERVICES IN SPECIFIC AREAS
4. THEY CAN INCLUDE JUST THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS; PARTS OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THEY DO NOT HAVE TO BE CONTIGUOUS AREAS AND THEY CAN INCLUDE CITIES IF THE CITIES CONSENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE MSBU.
5. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN MSBU AND MSTU IS THE MSBU IS THE MECHANISM WHERE YOU USUALLY IMPOSE THE ASSESSMENT; AN MSTU YOU USUALLY ARE GOING TO IMPOSE A TAX.
6. THEY HAVE TO BE CREATED BY JANUARY 1ST OR JULY 1ST.

INCORPORATION PREREQUISITES: FL. STAT. 165.061 (1); BROUGHT THIS INFORMATION IN CASE SUNNY HILLS IS EVER INTERESTED IN BECOMING ITS OWN CITY AND BECOMING ITS OWN ELECTED BOARD:

1. THE AREA HAS TO BE COMPACT, CONTIGUOUS, AND AMENABLE, WHICH SUNNY HILLS IS.
2. THERE HAS TO BE A CERTAIN POPULATION OF AT LEAST 1500 PEOPLE AND SHE THINKS THERE IS; SHE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH JERRY AND CONNIE TO TRY AND GET THE EXACT POPULATION IN SUNNY HILLS BY 911 ADDRESSES AND ITS DENSITY.
3. THE POPULATION DENSITY MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 1.5 PEOPLE PER ACRE; SHE DOESN'T THINK SUNNY HILLS HAS THIS KIND OF DENSITY. SHE IS STILL TRYING TO FIND THIS OUT.
4. IT HAS TO BE CERTAIN BOUNDARIES FOR THE MINIMUM BOUNDARY SPACING.
5. YOU HAVE TO CREATE A CHARTER.
6. YOU HAVE TO MAKE SURE YOU GO THROUGH ALL THE CONTRACTS.
7. YOU HAVE TO DO A FEASIBILITY STUDY AND THERE HAS TO BE CERTAIN COMPONENTS IN THAT STUDY HAVING TO DO WITH SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE DATA IN MAKING SURE THERE IS PUBLIC SAFETY, WATER MANAGEMENT, SOLID WASTE, ALL THE THINGS THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES THAT CITIES GOT TO DO AN ANALYSIS OF. WHERE THEY ARE GOING TO GET THOSE SERVICES PROVIDED FROM; WHETHER IT IS THROUGH THE COUNTY, PROVIDE THEM THEMSELVES, IDENTIFY THE DIFFERENT COMPONENTS OF THE SERVICES, TRY TO COME UP WITH COSTS TO MAKE SURE IT WOULD BE FINANCIALLY VIABLE FOR AN AREA TO BECOME ITS OWN CITY BY LOOKING AT THE VALUES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AND WHETHER OR NOT THOSE VALUES WOULD SUPPORT A BUDGET AND LOOKING AT OTHER DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCES BESIDES THE COUNTY.

SHE WON'T KNOW IF THE SUNNY HILLS AREA WOULD MEET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR INCORPORATION UNTIL THURSDAY; IT IS A LONG DRAWN OUT PROCESS WHICH WOULD TAKE 2 OR 3 YEARS.

FOR NOW, CAMILLE FELT THE BEST OPTION FOR SUNNY HILLS IS THEIR MSBU. SHE REFERRED TO ISSUES WITH MSBU IN OTHER AREAS:

A. JACKSON COUNTY HAS JUST CHANGED THEIR CONTRACT WITH THEIR COMMITTEE IN COMPASS LAKES SUBDIVISION.

B. IN WALTON COUNTY, THERE WERE SOME ISSUES WITH DRIFTWOOD A LONG TIME AGO; THERE WAS NOT A COMMITTEE. THERE WERE SOME ISSUES ABOUT WHAT KIND OF INFRASTRUCTURE WAS PUT IN PLACE THROUGH THE ASSESSMENTS; THAT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN RESOLVED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THE MSBU CAN BE DISSOLVED.

CAMILLE STATED THE COUNTY COULD DISSOLVE THE MSBU; HOWEVER, IF THERE WAS DEBT ASSOCIATED WITH THE MSBU, THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE SOME SORT OF MECHANISM IN PLACE, AND IF THE COUNTY PLEDGED SOME ASSESSMENTS TO REPAY DEBT, THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO SATISFY WHOEVER LENDS THE MONEY TO THEM. SOMEONE WOULD HAVE TO PAY BACK THAT DEBT AND SHE WOULD THINK IF THERE IS DEBT OUT THERE, THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH SOME PROCESS TO MAKE SURE THAT DEBT WAS REPAYED. BUT, THE COUNTY COULD PROBABLY AGREE TO TAKE OVER THAT DEBT. HOWEVER, THEY COULDN'T BE IMPOSING ASSESSMENTS ON THE REST OF THE COUNTY TO REPAY THE DEBT AND THEY CAN'T USE PROPERTY TAXES TO REPAY DEBT UNLESS THERE IS A REFERENDUM. THE COUNTY WOULD BE PRETTY WELL RESTRICTED. THEY DO NOT HAVE TO HAVE AN MSBU TO IMPOSE ASSESSMENTS. THE MSBU IS JUST A MECHANISM TO TRACK A SPECIFIC UNIT; BUT, THERE ARE MANY PLACES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA WHERE ASSESSMENTS ARE IMPOSED FOR FIRE, SOLID WASTE AND ALL SORTS OF OTHER THINGS WHERE AN MSBU WAS NOT CREATED. THE COUNTY COULD DISSOLVE THE MSBU; BUT, STILL HAVE AN ASSESSMENT PROGRAM IN PLACE TO REPAY THE DEBT. THAT SEPARATE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM WOULD ONLY BE IN THE SUNNY HILLS AREA BECAUSE YOU CAN'T ASK PEOPLE WHO DON'T BENEFIT FROM WHATEVER THEY ARE FUNDING TO PAY ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE THAT DO.

THE BOARD INFORMED CAMILLE SUNNY HILLS DOES HAVE AN MSBU ASSESSMENT. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED IF THE BOARD COULD STILL GET THE ASSESSMENT, PAY THE LOAN OFF AND THEN DO AWAY WITH THE MSBU.

CAMILLE SAID "YES " OR THEY COULD DO AWAY WITH THE MSBU AND CREATE A SEPARATE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM; REIMPOSE THE ASSESSMENT WITHIN THE SUNNY HILLS SUBDIVISION. SHE ADDRESSED MOST PLACES DON'T HAVE A PROCESS WHERE THE BOARD HAS MSBU TO PREPARE THE BUDGET; IT IS PRETTY MUCH A UNILATERAL SITUATION WHERE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PREPARES THE BUDGET BASED ON SERVICES THEY ARE PROVIDING AND DEBTS THAT NEED TO BE REPAYED. THERE ARE PUBLIC HEARINGS EVERY YEAR JUST LIKE THERE IS FOR THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET. THE THINGS THE BOARD HAS NOW HAVE TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT SUNNY HILLS WAS OUT THERE A LONG TIME AGO, PLATTED AND WAS ALMOST LIKE A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT. BASICALLY, IT WAS AN AREA WHERE A DEVELOPER CAME IN AND THOUGHT THEY WERE GOING TO SELL THESE LOTS AND PUT IN ALL THESE FACILITIES; THE DEVELOPER GOT SO FAR ON IT AND STOPPED. THE COUNTY CAME IN AND TRIED TO HELP THOSE PROPERTY OWNERS. THE MSBU WAS THE BEST MECHANISM AT THE TIME. THESE DAYS YOU WOULD PROBABLY NOT HAVE AN MSBU CREATED FIRST; YOU WOULD PROBABLY MAKE THE DEVELOPER CREATE THE CDD, PUT IN ALL THE ROADS, WATER AND SEWER, FIRE STATIONS, ETC. AND ACTUALLY THE DEVELOPER WOULD BE COLLECTING MONEY FROM THE PROPERTY OWNERS AND AT SOME POINT IN TIME, IT WOULD MOVE OVER TO A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT AREA.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED, WITH THE MSBU ASSESSMENT THAT IS THERE NOW, THE BOARD COULD CONTINUE THAT ASSESSMENT AND SEE THAT IT GOES TOWARD THE DEBT THAT ACCUMULATED DOWN THERE AND STILL DO AWAY WITH MSBU.

CAMILLE STATED THEY COULD OR THEY COULD DO AWAY WITH PARTS OF THE MSBU; THEY COULD KEEP THE MSBU IN PLACE AS THE BUDGETING MECHANISM THE BOARD USES TO TRACK THOSE FUNDS. THEY STILL NEED TO KEEP THOSE FUNDS SEPARATE. EVEN IF YOU DID HAVE AN MSBU, YOU WOULD STILL HAVE A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS. IT MIGHT BE CLEANER TO JUST KEEP THE MSBU IN TACT AND PAY OFF THE DEBT; BUT, MAYBE KEEP IT STREAMLINED. GSG COULD PROVIDE TO ATTORNEY HOLLEY SOME OF THE MSBU RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES THAT WERE DONE IN OTHER PLACES SO HE COULD SEE SOME WAYS TO STREAMLINE IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF HAVING AN MSBU ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS KIND OF A UNIQUE THING.

CAMILLE SAID YOU HAVE SEEN MORE OF THIS UP HERE IN THE PANHANDLE AREA AND AGAIN IT HAS MORE TO DO WITH THE FACT IT IS RELATED TO MORE LIKE A COMPASS LAKE IN THE HILLS AND SUNNY HILLS WHERE A DEVELOPER CAME IN AND LEFT. SHE SAID SHE COULD ONLY THINK OF MAYBE FIVE PLACES WHERE THERE IS A COMMITTEE OUT OF THE HUNDREDS OF MSBU'S THAT ARE IN THE STATE. SHE SAID SHE GUESSED A COMMITTEE IS UNIQUE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED CAMILLE TO GIVE HIM A LITTLE INFORMATION ON THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN MSBU AND AN MSTU.

CAMILLE SAID THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE IN THE 1970'S CREATED A WAY FOR COUNTIES TO PROVIDE MUNICIPAL SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND FUND THOSE SERVICES APART FROM THE GENERAL FUND. IT IS ALMOST LIKE A QUASI CITY THING WHERE THE BOARD HAS AN ADDITIONAL TEN MILLS THEY CAN USE IN TAXES FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS TO PROVIDE THINGS SUCH AS CODE ENFORCEMENT, ANIMAL CONTROL, FIRE, ETC. THAT ARE NOT GENERAL COUNTY FUNCTIONS. THAT IS THE MSTU TAX AND THEY HAVE TEN MILLS ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY. THEY CAN'T IMPOSE AN MSTU TAX IN A CITY UNLESS THE CITY CONSENTS TO BE INCLUDED. IT IS MORE OF THE KIND OF THINGS THEY ARE GOING TO SEE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. AN MSBU IS THE SAME IDEA EXCEPT IT USES SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS AND NOT TAXES AND IT HAS EVEN BEEN CARRIED FURTHER TO KIND OF CREATE MORE SPECIFIC GEOGRAPHIC AREAS. YOU DON'T SEE A LOT OF SMALL TAXING DISTRICTS THAT ARE MSTU'S IN COUNTIES; USUALLY IF THERE IS AN MSTU, IT IS USUALLY THE WHOLE ENTIRE UNINCORPORATED AREA AND IT PROVIDES ANIMAL CONTROL, CODE ENFORCEMENT, FIRE. BUT, YOU DO SEE A LOT OF SMALL GEOGRAPHIC AREAS THAT ARE BEING DESIGNATED AS MSBU'S.

KAREN SCHOEN ASKED WHO DETERMINES HOW THE MSBU MONIES ARE SPENT.

CAMILLE ADVISED IT WAS ALWAYS GOING TO BE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BECAUSE THEY ARE THE ONE ON THE LINE; IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MANY COMMITTEES YOU HAVE AND WHAT PROCESS YOU HAVE, IF THERE IS EVER AN ISSUE ABOUT A DEFAULT IN MONEY, IT IS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IS THE GOVERNING BODY EVEN IN THE MSBU ORDINANCE.

KAREN SCHOEN SAID THE MSBU WAS SET UP WITH A SURVEY OF THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS THAT MONEY WAS SUPPOSE TO BE DESIGNATED TO BE SPENT A CERTAIN WAY, IS THAT NOT COUNTED FORWARD BECAUSE EVERY YEAR IT SEEMS TO CHANGE AND EVERY YEAR REGARDLESS OF WHAT PROPERTY OWNERS ARE REQUESTING, IT SEEMS TO BE SOMEBODY ELSE THAT HAS NEW WAYS OF HOW TO SPEND THE MONEY.

CAMILLE SAID POLITICALLY THERE MIGHT BE A REASON TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THE COUNTY HAS DONE WHAT MSBU WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED TO DO; BUT, JUST LIKE THIS COUNTY COMMISSION CAN'T BIND FUTURE COUNTY COMMISSIONS, SO THAT CAN'T BIND FUTURE DECISIONS BECAUSE NO ONE HAS A CRYSTAL BALL AND NO ONE KNOWS WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN. THERE IS ONLY SO FAR YOU CAN GO AS FAR AS BINDING WHATEVER HAPPENED TEN YEARS AGO, BINDING THIS COUNTY COMMISSION OR FUTURE COUNTY COMMISSION AS A COUNTY OR EVEN AN MSBU. CERTAINLY IT IS



IMPORTANT; BUT, THERE IS NO LEGALLY BINDING REASON OR NEED TO STAY WITH WHAT WAS SURVEYED.

KAREN SAID THEY HAVE A FUNDING MECHANISM IN PLACE THAT WILL ENABLE THEM TO MOVE FORWARD IN THE CAPITAL ELEMENTS IMPROVEMENT AND IF ALL THE FUNDING FROM THE MSBU IS USED TO PAY OFF THE DEBT, THERE IS NO WAY FOR THE COMMUNITY TO GO FORWARD AND GET GRANTS AND ITEMS THAT ARE NEEDED WITHIN THE BENEFIT UNIT WHICH IS WHAT THE MSBU WAS SET UP FOR TO BEGIN WITH.

CAMILLE SAID IF THERE IS MONEY THAT HAS TO BE REPAID, THAT IS GOING TO ALWAYS HAVE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY; JUST LIKE PAYING OFF YOUR MORTGAGE AND YOUR CAR.

KAREN SAID OBVIOUSLY THERE IS A SURPLUS BEYOND THAT WHICH AS PART OF THE CAPITAL ELEMENT IMPROVEMENT SHOULD BE USED TO GO FORWARD AND PUT YOUR GRANTS AND THINGS THAT COME UP WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AS PER THE SURVEY AS TO WHAT THE COMMUNITY WANTS.

CAMILLE SAID PROPERTY OWNERS IN SUNNY HILLS CERTAINLY HAVE A PROSPECTIVE ABOUT WHAT IS NEEDED; JUST LIKE ALL THE PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM, THEY PROBABLY ALL HAVE DIFFERENT IDEAS ABOUT WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE THE MONEY TO BE SPENT ON. THE COUNTY COMMISSION HAS TO LOOK AT THE DIFFERENT PICTURE; THEY DON'T LOOK AT WHAT THE MSBU'S DRAIN OR DEMAND IS ON THE SERVICES THE COUNTY PROVIDES TO THE MSBU AREA AND TO THE REST OF THE COUNTY. IF THERE ARE MORE SERVICES THAT ARE REQUIRED, THE ANSWER IS THEY OBVIOUSLY OUGHT TO BE PAYING MORE; IF THERE ARE LESS SERVICES THAT NEED TO BE PROVIDED, THEN YOU JUST WORRY ABOUT THE DEBT.

KAREN SAID THE MSBU DEBT IS ACTUALLY LESS THAN HALF OF WHAT IS COLLECTED ON THE MSBU; ON A GOING FORWARD BASIS JUST LIKE WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IN OUR COMMUNITY. DEVELOPERS THAT ARE PUTTING IN PLACE, OR LAND SALES, ETC; THOSE AREAS WILL HAVE TO BE ENHANCED SO THEY WILL MEET THE LEVEL OF SERVICES THE ORIGINAL AREA THAT WAS PLANNED FOR. THAT MECHANISM OF MSBU IS ALREADY THERE; HOWEVER, AS LONG AS THE MONEY IS USED TO RETIRE THE DEBT, TO MAKE AN OVERAGE OF THE PAYMENT, THEN HOW DO THEY GET A GRANT FOR WHATEVER.

CAMILLE SAID FIRST OF ALL THERE AREN'T A LOT OF GRANTS OUT THERE. SHE SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW LARGE A DEBT KAREN IS TALKING ABOUT.

KAREN SAID IT WAS A \$2.5 MILLION DEBT, WHICH IS \$116,000 A YEAR OF WHICH HOPEFULLY THE MSBU WILL BE ABLE TO COVER THAT.

CAMILLE EXPLAINED THE DEBT ISN'T JUST MSBU'S DEBT; IT IS THE COUNTY COMMISSION'S DEBT. THAT DEBT STANDS TO HURT THE COUNTY GOING AFTER DEBT FOR OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTY OR THE ENTIRE COUNTY BECAUSE ANYONE THAT LENDS MONEY TO THE COUNTY DOESN'T JUST SEE THAT DEBT THERE, THEY SEE IT AS DEBT TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION. SHE CAN SEE A REASON FOR WANTING TO PAY THAT DEBT DOWN OR PAY IT FASTER; THAT FREES THE COUNTY THEN TO MAYBE DO SOME OTHER PROJECTS COUNTY WIDE, NOT WITH THE ASSESSMENT MONEY BUT WITH OTHER REVENUES.

SHE GAVE AN EXAMPLE OF KAREN GOING TO THE BANK AND SHE HAS A HOUSE AND WANTING TO BUY A VACATION HOUSE OR SHE HAS A CAR AND WANTS TO BUY A SECOND CAR; THE BANK LOOKS AT IT AS HOW MUCH MONEY DOES SHE OWE AND CAN SHE AFFORD ANY MORE PAYMENTS. THE MSBU DEBT IS COUNTED AGAINST THE COUNTY'S DEBT AND PROBABLY AN IDEA WOULD BE TO RETIRE IT. ANOTHER THING IS THEY COULD RETIRE THE DEBT AND USE THE MSBU ASSESSMENTS TO DO PAY AS YOU GO. WHY PAY DEBT IF YOU HAVE THAT KIND OF MONEY COMING IN, YOU MAY BE ABLE TO DO MORE PROJECTS.

KAREN SAID THAT IS WHAT THE ASSESSMENTS ARE DESIGNATED FOR; SERVICES NOT PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY. THAT IS WHAT THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE THERE AND

PROPERTY OWNERS WANTED AND THAT IS WHY THEY HAVE ASSESSMENTS. IF THEY RETIRE THE DEBT, THEY CAN'T GO FORWARD AND MOW THE COMMUNITY THE WAY THEY WANT IT MOWED, USING THIS AS AN EXAMPLE. THEY CAN'T PURCHASE AND DO THE THINGS THEY NEED TO ENHANCE THE COMMUNITY OF WHICH THAT MONEY WAS ORIGINALLY DESIGNATED FOR. SHE UNDERSTANDS ABOUT THE DEBT THAT THE COUNTY IS IN A POSITION THEY HAVE NO MONEY. IF THEY HAVE NO MONEY AND THEY ARE JUST GOING TO USE THE MSBU MONEY TO RETIRE THE DEBT, HOW DO WE GET THE STREET LIGHTS. THAT IS WHAT THE MONEY SHOULD BE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THAT WAS A QUESTION FOR MS. THARPE; I THINK THAT IS A QUESTION FOR THE COUNTY COMMISSION AND KAREN NEEDS TO BE DIRECTING HER QUESTIONS TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION.

JOHN MAHOLSKI SAID HE SEES THE MSBU USED AS AN ASSISTANCE TO THE REAL ESTATE DEVELOPERS FOR PUSHING IN WHATEVER THEY WANT IN; WHETHER IT IS A FIRE STATION, FIRE PLUGS IN THE OUTLYING AREA AND HE FEELS THIS IS EXTREMELY WRONG. HE FEELS IF THE DEVELOPERS ARE DOING IT, THEY PAY OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKET BECAUSE HE DOES NOT THINK FROM WHAT HE READS THE MSBU SHOULD BE IN THIS BUSINESS. IT IS NOT A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND IT IS NOT A BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

CAMILLE SAID UNFORTUNATELY WHAT HAPPENED, THE CDD WHERE THE DEVELOPER PAYS UPFRONT, SOONER OR LATER THE PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY THEY ARE GOING TO PAY. THEY ARE GOING TO PAY WHEN THEY PURCHASE THE PROPERTY BECAUSE THE DEVELOPER HAS PUT THAT STUFF IN OR THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO IMPOSE AN ASSESSMENT ALSO AS DEVELOPERS. THE PROBLEM WITH SUNNY HILLS WAS THE CHICKEN AND EGG THING; CDD'S WERE NOT EVEN IN EXISTENCE WHEN SUNNY HILLS WAS PLATTED. THE COUNTY GOT PROPERTY OWNERS COMING TO THEM AND SAYING THEY CAN'T DRIVE THESE ROADS BECAUSE THE DEVELOPER NEVER FINISHED THEM AND THE COUNTY DID THE BEST THEY COULD.

MR. MAHOLSKI SAID WHAT HE IS TALKING ABOUT IS ADDITIONAL LAND THAT IS BEING DEVELOPED. CAMILLE SAID THOSE ARE SPECIFIC THINGS THAT, IF THOSE PEOPLE THAT ARE PAYING INTO THE MSBU, THEY WANT BE PAYING FOR THOSE IMPROVEMENTS IF THEY ARE NOT PART OF THE MSBU NOW.

SAL ZURICA REFERRED TO CAMILLE ADDRESSING JACKSON COUNTY, WALTON COUNTY, ETC. ALL HAD MSBU'S FOR DIFFERENT PROJECTS; SUNNY HILLS HAS NEVER HAD THAT. THEY HAVE WORKED OFF OF LINE ITEMS.

CAMILLE EXPLAINED EVERYONE HAS A LINE ITEM BUDGET. SHE IS TALKING ABOUT IN EVERY ONE OF THESE CASES, THERE WAS AN ORIGINAL CAPITAL PROJECT JUST LIKE THERE WAS IN SUNNY HILLS FOR THE ROADS, FIRE STATION OR WHATEVER. BUT, THEN THERE WAS ONGOING MAINTENANCE COST FOR EVERYONE OF THEM AND OPERATING COST ASSOCIATED WITH EVERYONE OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS.

SAL ASKED HOW WAS THE ORDINANCE ADVERTISED; IT WAS SUPPOSE TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH 125.66. HE ASKED CAMILLE IF SHE COULD ELABORATE ON THAT.

CAMILLE SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HOW IT WAS ADVERTISED; THAT IS NOT HER QUESTION.

THE BOARD THANKED CAMILLE FOR HER PRESENTATION. CHAIRMAN HOWELL CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, JIM MORRIS, CITY OF CHIPLEY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON AN FDLE JAG GRANT, WHICH IS CALLED THE EDWARDS BYRNE MEMORIAL GRANT, THAT COMES TO THE COUNTY EVERY YEAR FOR FIGHTING DRUGS, CRIME AREAS, ETC. SO FAR, THE CITY HAS NOT BEEN ELIGIBLE TO GET A FAIR SHARE OF THE GRANT FUNDING. HE POINTED OUT TO THE BOARD THESE FUNDS ARE TO BE STIPULATED FOR ALL ENTITIES OF THE COUNTY AND NOT JUST THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE BOARD IS GOING TO BE DESIGNATED THE BOARD FOR DISTRIBUTING THESE DOLLARS THAT COME IN. THE CITY WOULD BE GLAD TO SIT DOWN WITH THE BOARD AND GET WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND HAVE A

MEETING ON THIS FUNDING. HE ADDRESSED THIS YEAR, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATIONS WITH THE STIMULUS FUNDS, THERE IS A \$297,000 GRANT COMING IN. THE CITY IS REQUESTING THE BOARD CONSIDER GIVING THEM A THIRD OF THIS MONEY AND WOULD APPRECIATE ANY CONSIDERATION THE BOARD WOULD GIVE THEM.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE FELT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA BECAUSE A LOT OF TIMES, IF YOU ARE EVER DEALING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, THE CITY CAN'T GO TO THE SHERIFF JUST LIKE THAT AND SAY THEY NEED MONEY AND A LOT OF TIMES THEY DO THAT AND NEED THAT.

MR. MORRIS ADDRESSED SO FAR THE ONLY WAY THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GET ANY OF THAT MONEY IS TO GET BUY MONEY IF THEY HAVE A DRUG DEAL THEY NEED BUY MONEY ON. THEY HAVE TO GO TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PRETTY MUCH EVERY TIME AND GET A COUPLE OF HUNDRED DOLLARS AT THE TIME. HE REITERATED THAT MONEY SHOULD BE ALLOCATED A THIRD. THE CITY WOULD STILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAPERWORK; GIVE THEM A THIRD OF THE MONEY, LET THEM HANDLE IT, AND THEY WOULD HAVE TO SET ASIDE WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO WITH IT AND WHAT ACTIVITIES THEY ARE GOING TO ENCOUNTER WITH THIS MONEY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED HIM HAVING A GOOD CONVERSATION WITH THE SHERIFF ON THE GRANT FUNDING AND HE FEELS EVERYTHING IS GOING TO WORK OUT WITH THE CITY OF CHIPLEY GETTING THEIR MONEY AND POSSIBLY ANOTHER COUPLE OF ENTITIES WILL GET MONIES AS WELL.

COMMISSIONER PATE REQUESTED HE SEE SOME KIND OF ASSURANCES ON WHAT KIND OF PERCENTAGE OF THE FUNDING THE CITY IS GOING TO GET.

NAN THOMPSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON HER GRANDSON DOING A PROJECT FOR THE SCHOOL AND SHE HAS BEEN SENT FLAT STANLEY; FLAT STANLEY IS TO GO WITH HER AND SEE ALL THE DIFFERENT SITES OF THE COUNTY SHE LIVES IN. SHE MADE A FORMAL REQUEST TO HAVE A PICTURE TAKEN WITH ALL THE COMMISSIONERS AND FLAT STANLEY.

HEATHER FINCH, HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER, PROVIDED THE BOARD A DRAFT OF THE REVISED EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK THAT HAD BEEN REVIEWED BY THE DIVISION CHIEFS AND ADDRESSED THERE WERE SEVERAL AREAS THEY PROBABLY NEEDED TO WORK A LITTLE MORE ON. SHE WENT OVER THE AREAS THAT WERE CHANGED AND ADDRESSED THEM TRYING TO MAKE IT A LITTLE EASIER TO READ THAN THE CURRENT POLICY:

1. THEY HAD A NEW EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM WHICH WOULD BE SEPARATE FROM THE POLICY.

2. PROHIBITION ON HARASSMENT-THIS WHOLE SECTION HAS CHANGED- PAGE 17. THE FACT ATTORNEYS HAVE REWRITTEN THAT TOTALLY.

3. THEY ARE DISCUSSING THE CONCEPT OF DOING AN ANNUAL REVIEW INSTEAD OF PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS. THEY WILL BRING A FORM BACK TO THE BOARD FOR THEM TO SEE AN IDEA THEY HAD ABOUT THIS; THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HAS CHANGED.

4. SINCE EMS IS NOW UNDER THE BOARD, THEY HAVE HAD TO GO BACK AND ADD SEVERAL SECTIONS TO INCLUDE THEM; THEY ARE ADDRESSED IN SECTION V. THEY WILL GET HOLIDAY PAY A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY THAN THE BOARD EMPLOYEES BECAUSE OF THE SHIFT WORK THEY HAVE TO DO.

5. PAGE 37-FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE-SECTION 8 WAS ADDED BY THE FACT ATTORNEYS.

6. PAGE 40-MILITARY LEAVE-THE FACT ATTORNEYS REDEFINED THIS A LITTLE.

7. ON PAGE 42, SECTION 9.04-V.A. APPOINTMENTS; IT USE TO BE A PART OF THE VETERANS SECTION BUT THEY HAVE SEPARATED IT OUT TO V. A. APPOINTMENTS. IT IS ALREADY PART OF THE COUNTY'S POLICY; BUT, RIGHT NOW THE POLICY SAYS ANY EMPLOYEE WHO IS A DISABLED VETERAN IS ALLOWED UP TO

SIX DAYS PER YEAR TO ATTEND ROUTINE V.A. MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS. IT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED TO MAKE THIS INTO AN HOURLY INCREMENT. JENNIFER IN BOARD FINANCE HAS A WAY OF TRACKING HOURLY INCREMENTS. THIS WOULD BE FAIR TO THE PEOPLE THAT WORK AT THE COUNTY ANNEX AND FAIR TO THE PEOPLE AT PUBLIC WORKS. WITH SIX DAYS, THAT WOULD BE SIXTY HOURS FOR PUBLIC WORK EMPLOYEES AND FORTY EIGHT HOURS FOR OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES. SHE IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH JENNIFER TO LOOK AT HOW MANY HOURS HAVE BEEN USED IN THE PAST; SIXTY HOURS MAY BE A LOT, MAYBE TOO MUCH. THERE IS NOT THAT MANY EMPLOYEES THIS WOULD AFFECT; BUT, IT IS A GREAT BENEFIT TO THEM TO HAVE.

8. PAGE 46-SECTION 11 WAS CHANGED TO DELINEATE THE DIFFERENT TYPE OF SEPARATIONS FROM THE BOARD; RETIREMENT, RESIGNATION, LAYOFFS, REDUCTION OF FORCE POLICY WAS CHANGED, TERMINATION WAS ALSO CHANGED.

9. PAGE 52-THE OFFENSES LIST WAS KEPT PRETTY MUCH THE SAME TO HELP THE SUPERVISORS SO IF SOMEONE HAS DONE SOMETHING WRONG THEY HAVE AN EASY REFERENCE GUIDE TO REFER TO AS TO WHAT TYPE OF VIOLATION HAS BEEN COMMITTED.

10. PAGE 58- EMPLOYEE GREIVANCE PROCEDURE WAS NOT CHANGED VERY MUCH. SECTION 13.02 DEFINITION OF A GRIEVANCE WAS MADE CLEARER. IT CURRENTLY SAYS EMPLOYEES MAY NOT FILE GRIEVANCES THAT INCLUDE ANY OF THE BOARD'S ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES. THEY ADDED "INCLUDING PAY AND CLASSIFICATION " AFTER CONFERRING WITH THE ATTORNEYS THAT ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES IS PAY AND CLASSIFICATION.

11. PAGE 64-EXEMPT EMPLOYEES- THEY HAVE ADDED A COMP PROVISION FOR THE EXEMPT EMPLOYEES; THEY WILL RECEIVE AN HOUR PER HOUR RATHER THAN TIME AND A HALF. BECAUSE THEY ARE EXEMPT EMPLOYEES, THE BOARD DOESN'T HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO PAY THEM ANYTHING; BUT, IF THEY CHOOSE TO ADOPT THIS, IT WILL ALLOW THE EXEMPT EMPLOYEES TO ACCRUE COMP TIME JUST LIKE ANY OTHER EMPLOYEE EXCEPT THEY ACCRUE IT AT A REGULAR HOUR RATE AND NOT AT TIME AND A HALF.

12. IN THE DISCIPLINARY SECTION, THE EVIDENTIARY HEARING WAS TAKEN OUT OF THE POLICY. DECISIONS OF TERMINATION WILL BE MADE BY THE COUNTY MANAGER.

13. THEY DO HAVE A DRESS CODE COMMITTEE TOMORROW MORNING; THIS WILL HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE POLICY ONCE THEY HAVE A POLICY FOR DRESS CODE.

14. SECTION 17-RECORDS AND REPORTS-A LOT OF AREAS WERE CHANGED; HUMAN RESOURCE WAS ADDED; TITLES WERE CHANGED, DIVISION DIRECTORS HAVE BEEN ADDED, COUNTY MANAGER INSTEAD OF COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR.

15. INTERNET POLICY-THE COMPUTER POLICY WAS PRETTY MUCH LEFT THE SAME.

HEATHER SAID TENTATIVELY, HOPEFULLY THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK WILL BE READY FOR APPROVAL FOR JUNE. SHE REQUESTED THE BOARD TAKE THEIR COPY OF THE HANDBOOK AND MARK THE THINGS THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE READDRESSSED.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL REQUESTED HEATHER SUMMARIZE THE CHANGES TO THE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK SHE WENT OVER THIS MORNING AND PUT IT IN EACH OF THE COMMISSIONER'S BOXES.

ROGER HAGAN ADVISED THE BOARD HE HAD A PRESENTATION TO MAKE ON THE DECLARATION, WHICH WASN'T ON THE AGENDA. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO LET ROGER MAKE THE PRESENTATION ON THURSDAY.

HEATHER UPDATED THE BOARD ON AN EMAIL SHE HAD SENT TO THEM REQUESTING PUBLIC WORKS, PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE RECYCLING CENTER FILL OUT HER SIGN OUT SHEETS FOR AN MOT TRAINING AT BLUE LAKE ON MAY 12TH AND 13TH FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES ONLY. FACT HAS AGREED TO PAY FOR THIS TRAINING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHICH EMPLOYEES WOULD BE ATTENDING THE TRAINING AT BLUE LAKE. HEATHER SAID ALL PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE WOMEN IN THE OFFICE AND THE SHOP EMPLOYEES; ANYBODY THAT WOULD HAVE ANY REASON TO EVER SET UP A SAFE WORK ZONE. IT WOULD BE GREAT

IF THE SUPERVISORS COULD COME TO THE TRAINING BECAUSE THEY WILL BE THE ONES TO ENFORCE IT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED WHY COULDN'T THE SUPERVISORS DESIGNATE SOMEONE TO GO TO THE TRAINING. COMMISSIONER HOWELL THEN ASKED WHY DID EVERYONE HAVE TO ATTEND THE TRAINING.

HEATHER SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW WHO SHE DISCUSSED THIS WITH.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHY COULDN'T THE TRAINING BE HELD AT PUBLIC WORKS; WHY DO ALL THE EMPLOYEES HAVE TO COME TO CHIPLEY.

HEATHER SAID THEY THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A NICE CHANGE OF PACE FOR THE EMPLOYEES TO GET OUT. THE INMATE SUPERVISORS HAVE TO ATTEND TOO; SO, SHE THOUGHT BLUE LAKE WOULD BE KIND OF A MIDDLE PLACE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO FL-DOT USE TO INITIATE SAFETY MEETINGS ONCE A MONTH AT ROAD AND BRIDGE AND QUESTIONED IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO GET THESE MEETINGS STARTED BACK.

HEATHER ADVISED THEY HAVE A COMMITTEE NOW; THEY HAVE VIDEOS RECORDED AND THERE ARE THREE EMPLOYEES AT PUBLIC WORKS ASSISTING HER. THEY ARE GOING TO START SHOWING THE EMPLOYEES VIDEOS IN THE MORNING. THEY HAVE JUST STARTED WORKING ON THIS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID ONE THING HE WANTS TO SEE COME OUT OF THIS TRAINING IS SOMEONE GOING AROUND CHECKING THE WORK SITES TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE THEM OUT. IT DOESN'T DO ANY GOOD TO TRAIN THEM IF THE EMPLOYEES DON'T DO IT AND SOMEONE IS NOT CHECKING ON THEM.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF THEY ARE GOING TO PUT THE EMPLOYEES THROUGH IT, IT IS MANDATORY FOR EVERY SUPERVISOR TO BE AT THE TRAINING.

HEATHER EXPLAINED THE TRAINING WAS A FOUR HOUR COURSE; THE REASON THEY SCHEDULED IT FOR TWO DAYS WAS SO THEY COULD KEEP THE WORK CREWS GOING.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO HAVE THE MOT TRAINING AT PUBLIC WORKS.

WILLIAMS ROAD AT ALLIGATOR CREEK BRIDGE-BILL WILLIAMS WAS NOT PRESENT. COMMISSIONER PATE REPORTED MR. WILLIAMS HAD DISCUSSED WITH HIM ABOUT CUTTING ALL THE DIRT OFF THE ROAD THE COUNTY HAS PUT ON IT OVER THE YEARS, LOWER IT DOWN TO WHERE THE ORIGINAL ROAD WAS AND MAKE A LOW WATER CROSSING. HOWEVER, CLIFF HAS THIS SET UP ON AN NRCS PROGRAM. PATE AGREED TO TRY AND GET WITH MR. WILLIAMS PRIOR TO THURSDAY'S BOARD MEETING.

STEPHANIA WILSON, PRESIDENT OF INDEVER LLC, ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO MAKE A PRESENTATION ON WHO INDEVER, LLC IS AND WHAT THEY DO:

1. THEY ARE A WBE/MBE CONSULTING FIRM OF FOUR EMPLOYEES BASED IN PENSACOLA, FLORIDA AND ARE ALL CERTIFIED AS A SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE FOR THE PENSACOLA AREA AND ARE IN THE PROCESS OF OBTAINING A SINGLE SOURCE CERTIFICATION.

2. SINCE THEY ARE A SINGLE SOURCE, THEY ARE UNIQUE IN THE FACT THEY ARE A FIRM THAT LOOKS AT FUNDING FOR ALL TYPES OF THINGS. THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS OUT THERE THAT ARE INTRICATE; BUT, SIMPLE AT THE SAME TIME IN THE FACT THAT HOW DO THEY MESH TOGETHER.

3. LEVERAGE OF GRANT FUNDS TO MATCH OTHER GRANT FUNDS OR OTHER TYPES OF APPROPRIATIONS IN DIFFERENT AREAS.

4. LOOK AT ALL THE PROJECTS YOU HAVE OUT TO SEE WHICH OF THOSE PROJECTS CAN ACTUALLY BE FUNDED EXTERNALLY AND THOSE THAT CAN'T; LOOK AT THE PROJECTS IN GLOBAL PROSPECTIVE TO SEE WHAT FUNDS FOR ONE PROJECT COULD BE USED TOWARD MATCHING ANOTHER PROJECT, ETC. SHE ADDRESSED HER LOVING TO BE ABLE TO HELP GROUPS BE ABLE TO MAXIMIZE THEIR MONEY; BUT, ALSO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY PROJECTS THAT COULD BE DONE ON TIME OR CLOSER TO

TIME AND GET THINGS DONE FOR THE MONEY YOU WERE THINKING YOU WEREN'T GOING TO BE ABLE TO GET DONE.

5. HOW DO WE ACCOMPLISH THIS? THEY HAVE PROJECTS GIVEN TO THEM; THEY SIT AROUND AND THINK ABOUT THE BEST WAY TO GO ABOUT THIS. THEN THEY START ATTACKING DIFFERENT AREAS AND BLEND THOSE AREAS TOGETHER TO COME UP WITH A TOTAL PROJECT COST. SHE ADDRESSED IT SAYING ON HER HANDOUT THEY DO NOT WRITE GRANTS; SHE IS NOT A GRANTS WRITER. THEY DO WRITE GRANTS; BUT, SHE IS NOT A GRANTS WRITER IN THE FACT THEY GO OUT AND SEE A GRANT, THEY GO OUT, WRITE IT, SEND IT IN AND WAIT FOR A RESPONSE. SHE WILL GO AHEAD WITH PEOPLE WHO ALREADY HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE PEOPLE SHE IS SUBMITTING THIS TO OR DEVELOP A RELATIONSHIP TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THEY NEED IN ORDER FOR IT TO GET FUNDED. THEIR APPROACH IS UNIQUE; THEY GO AFTER PROJECTS THAT ARE SUCCESSFUL. THEY LOOK AT THE TOTAL PROJECT TO SEE WHERE THINGS CAN BE PIECED TOGETHER FOR THE TOTAL PROJECT COST.

6. DO WE HAVE TARGET AREAS? YES, THEY DO; THEY DO A LOT WITH DISASTER PROJECTS MANAGEMENT. THEY CAN ASSIST EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WITH THE OVERALL COORDINATION BETWEEN FEMA AND THE STATE SO THEY CAN DO THEIR JOB AND ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY TO ENSURE THE MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT OF FUNDS WITH ADMINISTRATION OF THE DISASTERS FROM INITIAL REQUEST TO CLOSE OUT. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IS ANOTHER TARGET AREA; IT IS NOT JUST JOBS, IT IS THE OVERALL COMMUNITY. WHAT ARE THEY TRYING TO ATTRACT; NOT JUST JOBS, THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO SUSTAIN IN THIS COMMUNITY AND FOR PEOPLE TO STAY HERE, COMPLIMENTARY INDUSTRY. HOW DO WE DO THIS; WHEN THEY TRY TO DO THIS, HOW DO THEY IMPLEMENT THIS WITH THE FUNDING STRATEGY THAT HAS BEEN CREATED.

7. WHAT IF WE ALREADY HAVE A GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR ON STAFF? SHE KNOWS WASHINGTON COUNTY DOES HAVE A GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR AND AN EXCELLENT ONE AT THAT. FROM HER UNDERSTANDING, THE COUNTY GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR DOES A LOT WITH HOUSING; SHE DEALS WITH THIS A LOT. THE GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR ALSO HAS ALL THESE OTHER AREAS SHE NEEDS TO FIT INTO HER DAY AND THIS IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. IF THERE IS A GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR ON STAFF, STEPHANIA SAID THAT WAS ACTUALLY BETTER FOR HER BECAUSE SHE HAS A POINT OF CONTACT OR REFERENCE TO GO TO. SHE REFERRED TO HER STAFF TYPICALLY WORKS DIRECTLY WITH DEPARTMENT HEADS, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, AND THE COMMISSION ITSELF. HOWEVER, THEY TRY TO LESSEN THE BURDEN ON THE STAFF. IT IS DIFFICULT FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO ASSIST WITH DATA COLLECTION DUE TO THEIR WORKLOAD. A GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR WOULD BE ABLE TO STREAMLINE INFORMATION NEEDED BY INDEVER, LLC.; THE GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR MAY ALREADY HAVE A LOT OF THE INFORMATION NEEDED BY THEM TO HELP MAXIMIZE THEIR EFFORTS WITH THE GOALS OF THE COUNTY.

STEPHANIA EXPRESSED HER EXCITEMENT WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF WORKING WITH WASHINGTON COUNTY.

THE BOARD AGREED STEPHANIA'S PRESENTATION WAS GOOD; BUT, QUESTIONED HOW MUCH IT WAS GOING TO COST AND HOW WERE THEY GOING TO PAY FOR IT.

STEPHANIA SAID THIS IS SOMETHING SHE IS TALKING ABOUT NOW. SHE IS LOOKING AT IT IN TWO OR THREE DIFFERENT WAYS AND IS TRYING TO DO HER BILLING AS FAR AS WHAT IS THE BEST WAY IT IS GOING TO FIT THE COUNTY. SHE DOES HOURLY WAGE AND RETAINER NOT TO EXCEED; THE FIRST THING SHE DOES IS COME IN WITH A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT. HER FIRST TASK ORDER WOULD BE TO GO TO ALL THE DEPARTMENTS AND ASK WHAT THEY HAVE GOING ON IN EACH AREA; WHAT ARE THEIR TARGET AREAS, WHAT GRANT FUNDS DO THEY HAVE OR NOT HAVE, WHAT IS THEIR BUDGET AND FROM THERE DO A NEEDS ASSESSMENT. THEY CAN THEN PUT TOGETHER SOME TYPE OF PLAN. SHE REITERATED SHE LIKES TO DO BILLING

SEVERAL DIFFERENT WAYS IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMODATE DIFFERENT GROUPS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED STEPHANIA HOW THEY GO ABOUT GETTING THEIR NEEDS ASSESSMENT. SHE SAID THEY WOULD COME IN AND TALK WITH THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS, ENGINEER OR ANYONE DEEMED AS NECESSARY THAT HAS AN OVERALL COMPREHENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF THE PROJECTS IN A DEPARTMENT, ETC. OR WHOMEVER WOULD BE ABLE TO GIVE HER GOOD INFORMATION TO WORK WITH.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE COUNTY WOULD BE HAVING SOME BIG DSR'S WITH THE RECENT FLOODING AND ANYTIME YOU HAVE THE BIG DSR'S, THE ENGINEER HAS TO WRITE IT OR SOMEBODY. HE ASKED IF THERE WAS FUNDING FOR THIS AND WHO DOES THE EVALUATION OF WHAT IS NEEDED.

STEPHANIA STATED SHE WAS NOT AN ENGINEER; HOWEVER, SHE WORKS INDEPTH WITH THEM. SHE SAID SHE COULD HANDLE THE PAPERWORK SIDE OF THAT AND THE ENGINEER WOULD GO OUT AND DO THE ASSESSMENTS FOR THE DSR'S. SHE REFERRED TO A FEMA PROJECT SHE WORKED WITH AN ENGINEER ON; THE ENGINEER WENT IN AND DID ALL THE ENGINEERING ANALYSIS AND SHE AND THE ENGINEER PUT THE SCOPE OF WORK TOGETHER IN COMBINATION TO MAKE SURE IT WAS DONE IN PROPER FORMAT. THOSE COST WERE COVERED THROUGH FEMA BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE EXPERT STAFF TO BE ABLE TO DO THIS ON HAND.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, REPORT:

1. BID OPENING/EQUESTRIAN CENTER FRDAP GRANT-NINE BIDDERS RESPONDED. \$135,000 FRDAP GRANT WHICH CONSISTED OF BUILDING A PAVED ENTRANCE ROAD, PARKING LOT, HORSE STALLS, DRAINAGE AND PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. BIDS WERE SET UP SO THE BASE BID WOULD INCLUDE ALL THE PAVING WITH ALTERNATE ITEMS SET UP BEYOND THAT. C. W. ROBERTS WAS LOW BIDDER AT \$65,400; THIS LEAVES \$69,600 THE BOARD CAN USE TO PICK AND CHOOSE WITH THE ALTERNATES:

A. SAND CLAY BASE FOR PAVING AREA AND ACCESS ROAD-PROPOSAL FROM C. W. ROBERTS IS \$34,165; THIS IS FOR C. W. ROBERTS TO PREPARE CLAY PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY.

B. STABILIZE SUBGRADE AND COMPACT IT-\$15,000

C. EARTHWORK-\$12,000

D. EROSION CONTROL-\$2,000

E. DRAINAGE-TYPE C INLETS WITH PIPING THAT GO TO THE POND

F. 3000 PSI CONCRETE IS FOR THE SIDEWALKS AROUND THE BUILDING

G. RIBBING CURVE AND SODDING

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE BOARD IS GOING TO HAVE TO PICK AND CHOOSE WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO WANT TO DO. AFTER SPEAKING WITH DAVID CORBIN, HE FELT THE COUNTY COULD BUILD THE HORSE STALLS FOR AROUND \$10,000 USING INMATE LABOR.

CLIFF REQUESTED THE BOARD LOOK OVER THE LIST HE HAD PROVIDED. HE WOULD MEET WITH PETE AND PUBLIC WORKS TO SEE WHAT PUBLIC WORKS OUTLOOK IS ON THE SITUATION AND POSSIBLY FIGURE OUT AT THURSDAY'S BOARD MEETING, MAKE A DECISION ON WHAT THEY WANT TO AWARD TO C. W. ROBERTS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED WHAT HAS TO BE DONE AT THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY. CLIFF REITERATED THE LIST OF ELEMENTS TO BE DONE IS A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND, HORSE STALLS, DRAINAGE, PAVING AND PARKING AREA; IF YOU ADD ALL THESE ELEMENTS UP, IT WOULD COST AROUND \$160,000 AND THEY HAVE \$135,000 OF GRANT FUNDING. THE COUNTY WILL HAVE TO BUILD THE STALLS AND PUT TOGETHER A PLAYGROUND.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT HAD TO BE PURCHASED AND REFERRED TO THERE ALREADY BEING PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT DANIELS LAKE.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FRDAP PROGRAM; THEY SET IT UP WHERE THE COUNTY EARNS A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF POINTS FOR EACH ELEMENT. THE ONLY WAY THE COUNTY IS COMPETITIVE IS IF THEIR POINTS ADD UP ENOUGH TO MAKE THE RANKINGS. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING A WALKING TRAIL THAT GOES AROUND THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER PROJECT THAT HAS TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS; THE WALKING TRAIL GAVE AN ADDITIONAL FIVE POINTS. ALTHOUGH HE DIDN'T HAVE A LIST IN FRONT OF HIM, CLIFF SAID HE KNEW THE PLAY- GROUND EQUIPMENT WAS INCLUDED, THE PARKING AREA, STORMWATER, DRAINAGE AND WALKING TRAIL.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER GRANT WENT THROUGH THE EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE, PARKS COMMITTEE AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BEFORE IT WAS SUBMITTED AND NOW HERE WE ARE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SUGGESTED CLIFF COME BACK WITH A RECOMMENDATION ON WHAT CAN BE DONE WITH THE MONEY AWARDED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE BID FROM C. W. ROBERTS WAS JUST FOR THE ROAD AND THE PARKING AREA; HORSE STALLS AND THE OTHER ELEMENTS WERE NOT IN THE BID.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT NOR THE HORSE STABLES WERE BID OUT BECAUSE BOTH THOSE ITEMS WERE SOMETHING PARK AND RECREATION WERE GOING TO HANDLE ANYWAY. HE SAID BASICALLY THE COUNTY HAS ABOUT \$70,000 ABOVE AND BEYOND THE PAVING TO GET ALL THE PROJECT ELEMENTS COMPLETED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE IS AWARE THE BOARD IS COMMITTED TO DOING THIS PROJECT; BUT, HE HAS JUST WORKED ON A ROAD ALL DAY LONG GOING TO DANIELS PARK. HE WANTED IT UNDERSTOOD, IF THE COUNTY IS GOING TO PAVE THE ROAD TO THE HORSE ARENA, THEY ARE GOING TO LOOK AT PAVING DANIELS LAKE ROAD INTO THE PARK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID, AS HE UNDERSTANDS THIS, THE GRANT JUST PAVES FROM DANIELS LAKE ROAD TO THE ARENA.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL POINTED OUT THEY HAD A MUCH BIGGER PROJECT TO DO THAN THEY HAD MONEY TO DO IT WITH. CLIFF ADDRESSED THE TOUGH PART ABOUT THE ACCESS ROAD IS THE DRAINAGE ON IT; THEY BUILT THE ROAD UP, BROUGHT SOME RECYCLED IN, GRADED IT OUT WITH RECYCLED AND COMPACTED IT. HE EXPLAINED EVERYTIME THE COUNTY GETS A FLOOD, IT EATS UP THE ROAD. DIGGING OUT THE SWALES, SODDING IT, GETTING IT STABILIZED AND GETTING DITCHBLOCKS IN IT WOULD BE THE EXPENSIVE PART OF THIS PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND COMMISSIONER HOLMAN BOTH AGREED THE COUNTY OUGHT TO PASS ON THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER PROJECT AND MOVE ON BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T FEEL THERE WAS SUFFICIENT GRANT MONEY TO DO THE PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ALSO FELT WHEN YOU START PUTTING PAVED ROADS INTO FRDAP GRANTS, THAT IS HALF OF THE FUNDING THERE; IT SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN PUT IN.

CLIFF SAID THE GOOD NEWS IS THE COUNTY IS NOT ON THE HOOK FOR ANYTHING BECAUSE PREBLE-RISH HAS DONATED ALL THE ENGINEERING, SURVEYING, PERMITTING, DESIGN, ETC. IF THE BOARD DECIDES NOT TO DO IT, IT WON'T HURT HIS FEELINGS A BIT.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO VOTE ON THIS MATTER AT THURSDAY'S BOARD MEETING.

2. DECLARATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE COUNTY GETTING DECLARED LAST WEEK BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT; WHENEVER THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAKES A DECLARATION FOR A COUNTY OR CITY, THERE ARE SEVERAL THINGS THAT HAPPEN:

A. THE COUNTY BECOMES ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE IN A LOT OF DIFFERENT ARENAS; NOT JUST FOR ROADS.

B. IT OPENS THE DOOR FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE TO LOW INTEREST LOANS FOR BUSINESSES, GRANT LOANS FOR BUSINESSES AND OPENS UP THE COUNTY FOR



ASSISTANCE TO PUT ALL THEIR ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE TO THE SAME CONDITION OF PRE-STORM.

C. IT ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO DO HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECTS TO PREVENT FUTURE STORM DAMAGES.

D. IT OPENS UP ANOTHER PROGRAM WITH THE NATIONAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE; ANY TIME THERE IS A DECLARATION, IT OPENS UP FOR THE EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM. HE MET WITH NRCS AND PUT TOGETHER SOME PROJECTS; THE SUBMITTAL THEY HAVE NOW IS FOR \$1,365,704.

THE PACKAGE PROVIDED TO THE BOARD DIDN'T INCLUDE WOODS ROAD; BUT, IT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. ESTIMATES ON SOME OF THE PROJECTS SUBMITTED;

1. NEARING HILLS-\$123,341 TO CORRECT CONCRETE DITCHES THAT WERE UNDERMINING THE ROADWAY.

2. WILLIAMS ROAD-\$244,000 FOR ABOUT A 1,000' OF CONCRETE DITCHES; ON THE WEST SIDE ABOUT 500' ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH ON THE WEST END OF THE PROJECT AND SOME SEDIMENTATION BASINS WITH TYPE C INLETS

3. POTTER SPRINGS ROAD-\$65,000 FOR PUTTING IN CONCRETE DITCHES TO HELP PROTECT SEDIMENT GOING INTO HOLMES CREEK; THEY PROPOSED SEDIMENTATION BASINS WITH TYPE C INLETS

4. LEISURE LAKES ROAD-\$97,000 TO CORRECT THE HEADWALL THAT IS BLOWN OUT ALL THE WAY TO THE CULVERT LINE

5. FIRE TOWER ROAD-\$161,000 TO PUT IN A BOX CULVERT WHERE THE CULVERT IS BLOWN OUT.

6. GILBERTS MILL ROAD-PUT IN CONCRETE DITCHES AND SEDIMENTATION BASIN AND ADDING A MITERED END SECTION AND ARMORING THE BANK WHERE IT DISCHARGES DOWN TO GILBERT CREEK.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE PROBLEMS ON ORANGE HILL ROAD WITH MOST OF THE METAL CROSSDRAINS BEING COMPLETELY RUSTED OUT; THERE ARE A LOT OF PLACES WHERE THE WATER IS ACTUALLY RUNNING UNDER THE CULVERTS BECAUSE THE BOTTOMS ARE GONE. THEY BELIEVE THE COUNTY HAS A GOOD SHOT TO GET THIS PROJECT FUNDED THROUGH THE NRCS PROGRAM TO REPLACE THESE CULVERTS, PUT MITERED ENDS ON THEM, RIP RAP, ETC. THE BIG ITEM ON THIS WHOLE PACKAGE IS NRCS DOESN'T PAY FOR IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN EDGE OF PAVEMENT AND EDGE OF PAVEMENT; THEY WILL ONLY PAY FOR IMPROVEMENTS BEYOND THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT. THEY WILL PAY FOR ALL THE CULVERTS, HEADWALLS, RIP RAP, CONCRETE FLUMES, AND PRETTY MUCH EVERYTHING EXCEPT THE ACTUAL CULVERT THAT IS BETWEEN THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT AND EDGE OF PAVEMENT. WITH A PROJECT LIKE THIS, CLIFF REPORTED NRCS WILL COME FOR A SITE VISIT, THEY WILL HAVE TO GO AROUND ALL THE SITES AND DISCUSS IT WITH NRCS AND LOOK AT ALL THE ISSUES. BEFORE THE FINAL SCOPE OF WORK IS DEFINED FOR NRCS TO AUTHORIZE A GRANT OF ANY SORTS, THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADVISE THEM THEY CAN'T AFFORD IT.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THEM THINKING NRCS WOULD COVER A LOT OF THINGS THAT FEMA WOULDN'T; PARTICULARLY WITH THE CONCRETE FLUMES. THE CONCRETE FLUMES WOULD PREVENT ONE OF THE GREATEST SOURCES OF SEDIMENTATION INTO THE CREEKS AND LAKES IN THIS AREA.

CLIFF SAID THESE FUNDS ARE ONLY OPEN TO COUNTIES THAT ARE DECLARED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT; THE LIST IS FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES. THEY SUBMITTED IT FOR A PRELIMINARY REVIEW TO NRCS AND EXPECT TO HEAR SOMETHING BACK FROM THEM.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THE COST ESTIMATE ON WILLIAMS ROAD INCLUDED THE ABUTMENTS AT THE BRIDGE. CLIFF ADVISED HE DIDN'T INCLUDE THE ABUTMENTS AT THE BRIDGE. CLIFF FELT THOSE ABUTMENTS NEED TO BE TORN OUT AND RECONSTRUCTED. HE WAS CONCERNED WITH WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THAT COST WOULD BE COVERED BY NRCS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF ORANGE HILL WAS ELIGIBLE FOR FEMA. CLIFF SAID THAT WAS A QUESTION AS THERE WAS ONE 36" CULVERT THAT WAS COMPLETELY BLOWN OUT THEY PLAN ON TAKING FEMA TO WHEN THEY DO COME. THERE IS A POSSIBILITY FEMA WILL FUND THE REPLACEMENT OF THAT CULVERT WITH AN UP SIZE CULVERT; THERE IS NO GUARANTEES WITH FEMA. THEY WILL TAKE FEMA TO ALL THE CULVERT ISSUES ON ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY. HOWEVER, THE DIFFICULT ARGUMENT IS TRYING TO DEMONSTRATE THE STORM CAUSED THEIR PIPES TO RUST OUT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IF FEMA DOESN'T REPLACE THEM, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO CORRECT THE PROBLEM OR THEY ARE GOING TO LOSE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REQUESTED CLIFF GO BY AND LOOK AT ST. MARYS BRIDGE WITH ROBERT HARCUS TO SEE WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO FIX IT AND ALSO THE BRIDGE ON HIGHWAY 279.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE INSPECTION REPORT DONE BY VOLKERT ON FANNING BRANCH ON HIGHWAY 279. THEY HAVE MADE FEMA AWARE OF THE PROBLEM AND ANTICIPATE TAKING THEM BACK THERE WHEN THEY COME BACK.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE WEDNESDAY MORNING MEETINGS THEY HAVE BEEN HAVING AT PUBLIC WORKS; THEY PUT TOGETHER ABOUT 16 PROJECTS THEY FEEL WILL BE LARGE PROJECTS WHICH WILL BE PROJECTS OVER \$50,000. THEY ARE WORKING ON PUTTING TOGETHER SOME DOCUMENTATION WHICH DALLAS AND HIS PEOPLE ARE ALSO DOING AND COST ESTIMATES ON THE PROJECTS SO WHEN FEMA SHOWS UP, THEY WILL HAVE SOMETHING PUT TOGETHER TO PRESENT TO THEM.

CLIFF ADVISED HE HAD LOOKED AT ST. MARYS BRIDGE; IT IS CLOSED OFF AND HE DOESN'T KNOW THE BEST BET, OTHER THAN FEMA, TO FIX IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED THE BRIDGE ON RIVER ROAD. CLIFF ADVISED IT IS IN FL-DOT'S FIVE YEAR PROGRAM FOR DESIGN; IT IS NOT FUNDED FOR CONSTRUCTION YET. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IT WAS FUNDED FOR CONSTRUCTION IN FL-DOT'S FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM.

CLIFF SAID FARRELL NELSON BRIDGE OFF OF CLAYTON ROAD IS ALSO IN FL-DOT'S FIVE YEAR PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED THE ISSUE WITH ST. MARYS BRIDGE. CLIFF ADVISED THE ABUTMENTS WERE WASHED OUT AND UNDERMINED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT WAS BEING DONE ABOUT ST. MARYS BRIDGE. CLIFF SAID NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE YET THAT HE KNOWS OF; THE ROAD IS STILL CLOSED. HE SAID IT APPEARS TO HIM THE HEADWALLS ARE UNDERMINED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ST. MARY'S BRIDGE WITH CHAIRMAN HOWELL REQUESTING PETE CALL FEMA TO GET A DEFINITE TIME ON WHEN THEY WILL BE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. IF THEY CAN'T COME SOON, THE COUNTY MAY HAVE TO SEE ABOUT DOING SOMETHING TO OPEN ST. MARYS ROAD UP.

CLIFF AGREED TO GO AND LOOK AT ST. MARYS BRIDGE, BRING SOME PICTURES TO THE BOARD AT THURSDAY'S MEETING AND HAVE SOME OPTIONS ON WHAT CAN BE DONE NOW TO GET ST. MARYS ROAD OPENED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED THE BRIDGE ON HIGHWAY 279 ON DRAM BRANCH. CLIFF SAID THEY TRIED REMEASURING TO THE SCOUR LINE FROM THE BRIDGE DECK; IT CAN'T REALLY BE DONE FROM THE DECK ITSELF. IT WILL HAVE TO BE DONE WITH A BOAT BECAUSE THERE IS A BUNCH OF DEBRIS AROUND THE PILINGS AND IT IS HARD TO GET DOWN TO THE BOTTOM OF THE SCOUR LINE. THE VULGART REPORT SAID ELEVATION 23 WAS THE EXISTING SCOUR LINE; WHEN IT GOT TO 26, THE BRIDGE WOULD HAVE STABIL- ITY ISSUES. THERE ARE TWO PILINGS THAT ARE ISSUES; ONE THAT WAS CALLED OUT AS A SPECIFIC PROBLEM IN THE VOLKERT REPORT. HIS GUESS IS IT IS PRETTY CLOSE TO BEING A CRITICAL SITUATION.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THIS BRIDGE WITH FEMA; THEY HAVE GONE OVER THE INSPECTION REPORT AND IT WAS DISCUSSED AT GREAT LENGTH. FEMA IS FAMILIAR WITH THE PROBLEM; BUT, THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE A WAY TO GET TO IT TO TRY TO GET SOMETHING BEYOND THE DEBRIS ALONG THE BOTTOM OF THE BRIDGE.

3. SCOP PROJECTS-CLIFF REPORTED BY MAY 1ST, THE COUNTY HAS TO COME UP WITH TWO MORE SCOP PROJECTS. HE REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING SUBMITTED FIVE PROJECTS LAST YEAR FOR CONSIDERATION AND MS. SUGGS SENT OUT A MEMO A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO INDICATING THOSE FIVE PROJECTS SUBMITTED LAST YEAR ARE NOW GONE. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO SUBMIT TWO NEW CANDIDATE PROJECTS.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LOT OF ISSUES WITH THE PAVING MATRIX. ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES IS WHEN CECELIA DID THE LASER RUN ON ALL THE COUNTY PAVED ROADS, THE LASER WASN'T ABLE TO READ IN AREAS WHERE GRASS WAS GROWING IN THE ROADS OR THE ROADS WERE CRACKED SEVERELY. HE HAS FIFTEEN PAGES OF GRASS GROWING THROUGH ROAD SHEETS THAT THEY KNOW ARE ROADS THAT ARE IN POOR CONDITION. IT IS HARD TO LOOK AT THE PAVED MATRIX LIST AND SAY THIS IS THE WORST ROAD, ETC. BECAUSE ONLY HALF OF THE ROADS THEY HAVE A RIDE NUMBER ON; THE OTHER HALF OF THE ROADS IT WASN'T ABLE TO READ THE ROADS FOR SOME REASON OR ANOTHER. HE PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A LIST OF SEVEN OR EIGHT ROADS THAT ARE WELL QUALIFIED ROADS THAT RANK PRETTY HIGH ON THE LIST THEY DO HAVE:

1. COPE ROAD
2. ST. MARYS
3. SHEFFIELD ROAD
4. HAMPSHIRE BLVD
5. FIRE TOWER ROAD
6. BETHEL ROAD-COUNTY ROAD 273 (2.8 MILES)
7. SHELL LANDING ROAD

CLIFF POINTED OUT SHELL LANDING ROAD AND BETHEL ROAD WERE SUBMITTED PREVIOUSLY BUT DIDN'T GET FUNDED FOR SOME REASON.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES ON BONNETT POND ROAD WAS GOING TO BE PAVED AND QUESTIONED WHY WASN'T THE WHOLE ROAD SUBMITTED FOR FUNDING.

CLIFF SAID THE WHOLE BONNETT POND ROAD WAS SUBMITTED AS A PROJECT; FL-DOT FUNDED THE SECTION OF ROAD FROM PIONEER ROAD TO MUDHILL ROAD.

CLIFF SAID SCOP GRANTS ALLOW FOR WIDENING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS; IT IS A 75/25 MATCH AND THE COUNTY GETS THEIR 25% MATCH WAIVED FOR BEING A COUNTY OF CRITICAL ECONOMIC CONCERN.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF FL-DOT GIVES THE COUNTY THE FULL AMOUNT OF FUNDING TO DO THE PROJECT. CLIFF SAID THE COUNTY ENDS UP WITH ABOUT \$130,000 PER MILE TO DO THE PROJECT; FOR THIS AMOUNT, THE COUNTY CAN DO A LOT OF THINGS. THE COUNTY MAY BE ABLE TO WIDEN THE ROADS AND NOT DO ALL THE DRAINAGE OR THEY MAY BE ABLE TO RESURFACE ONLY AND FIX ALL THE DRAINAGE WITHOUT WIDENING. TO FIX ALL THE DRAINAGE, WIDEN AND RESURFACE WOULD BE DIFFICULT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL FELT SHEFFIELD ROAD OUGHT TO BE SUBMITTED BECAUSE IT LOOKS REALLY BAD AND THERE ARE CROSSDRAINS THAT LOOK LIKE THEY MAY NEED ASSISTANCE TOO.

COMMISSIONER PATE INFORMED THE BOARD IF THEY DIDN'T DO SOMETHING WITH COPE ROAD SOON, THEY WILL HAVE ANOTHER STATE PARK ROAD ISSUE BECAUSE IT IS COMING TO PIECES AND FALLING APART IN BIG CHUNKS OUT THERE NOW.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED SHELL LANDING IS FULL OF GRASS; IT HASN'T HAD ANYTHING DONE SINCE IT HAS BEEN THERE. HE DIDN'T KNOW WHY IT GOT TURNED DOWN WHEN IT WAS SUBMITTED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT THOUGHT SHELL LANDING HAD BEEN SUBMITTED UNDER SCRAP AND THEY DIDN'T FUND SCRAP THIS YEAR; HE THINKS IT STAYS IN THE PROGRAM UNTIL THE LEGISLATURE FUNDS IT AGAIN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED BETHEL ROAD IS IN BAD SHAPE TOO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND PATE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA TO LOOK AT THE TRAFFIC COUNT ON SOME OF THESE ROADS RATHER THAN DOING THE ROADS WITH NO REAL FACTS OTHER THAN THE PAVING CONDITION.

CLIFF SAID THE OBJECTIVE FOR ALL THE INFORMATION THEY GOT FROM CECELIA WAS TO BE ABLE TO RANK THE ROADS THE SAME WAY THAT FL-DOT DOES BASED ON THE RIDE NUMBER; UNFORTUNATELY, THERE IS A HUGE NUMBER OF THE ROADS THAT SHE DOESN'T HAVE A RIDE NUMBER ON BECAUSE IT WAS EITHER TOO ROUGH TO GET A RIDE NUMBER ON IT OR IT HAD GRASS GROWING IN IT.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL ASKED CLIFF IF HE HAD A RECOMMENDATION ON WHAT TWO ROADS TO SUBMIT FOR SCOP FUNDING. CLIFF SAID THE TWO WORST ROADS IN HIS OPINION ARE PROBABLY SHELL LANDING AND BETHEL; THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY THE RIGHT ONES TO DO EITHER.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING LOOKED AT COPE ROAD AND IT DOES HAVE SOME BASE FAILURE IN THE CENTERLINE OF THE ROAD; IF IT DOESN'T GET ADDRESSED BEFORE TOO LONG, THE COUNTY WILL HAVE A ROAD THAT WILL GET PROGRESSIVELY WORSE JUST LIKE ON STATE PARK ROAD TOWARD THE PARK.

CLIFF ADDRESSED SHELL LANDING HAVING ISSUES WITH ISOLATED BASE FAILURE; HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY IDEA IF IT IS GOING TO LAST ANY DIFFERENTLY THAN COPE ROAD. HE FELT THE BOARD SHOULD MAKE SURE THE RIDE NUMBERS IS THE WORST POSSIBLE SO WHEN FL-DOT RANKS THE ROADS, THEY RANK HIGH ENOUGH TO MAKE SURE THEY GET FUNDING FOR WHAT- EVER THEY SUBMIT. HE FELT THE LIST OF ROADS HE READ OFF WOULD ALL RANK FAIRLY WELL.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO SUBMIT BETHEL ROAD AND SHELL LANDING ROAD FOR THE TWO SCOP PROJECTS TO BE SUBMITTED TO FL-DOT.

4. PREBLE-RISH PROPOSALS FOR DIFFERENT PROJECTS:

A. INDUSTRIAL PARK-WHEN THEY SUBMITTED FOR THE PROJECT PIPE GRANTS, THEY INCLUDED, WITH THEIR ESTIMATES FOR THE UTILITIES AND ROAD CONSTRUCTION, ENGINEERING FEES AT 10%. THE GRANTS GOT APPROVED MATCHING THE COST ESTIMATES PREBLE-RISH GOT FOR THE PROJECTS. HIS UNDERSTANDING IS THE ENGINEERING FEES WILL BE PAID FOR OUT OF THE GRANTS.

B. INDUSTRIAL PARK ACCESS ROAD-PREBLE RISH'S PROPOSAL IS 10% OF THE ACTUAL GRANT AMOUNT FOR THE PROJECT; IT INCLUDES ALL THE DREDGE AND FILL PERMITTING, CIVIL DESIGN, STORM WATER PERMITTING, ALL THE SURVEYING AND ALL THE BIDDING AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS TO TAKE THE PROJECT FROM START TO FINISH.

C. INDUSTRIAL PARK-PROJECT PIPE-PREBLE-RISH'S PROPOSAL FOR THE WATER/SEWER DESIGN AND PERMITTING WHICH IS FOR ALL THE UTILITIES, FUTURE AND CURRENT UTILITIES AT THE INDUSTRIAL PARK. THEY HAVE COORDINATED ALL THAT EFFORT THROUGH THE CITY WITH THEIR EXISTING UTILITIES AND HAVE SUBMITTED FOR WATER EXTENSION AND THE WASTE WATER PERMITS AS WELL. THE ENGINEERING FEES SHOULD ALL BE ELIGIBLE TO BE FUNDED OUT OF THE GRANT.

D. SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER-PREBLE-RISH'S PROPOSAL FOR THE SURVEY, DESIGN AND STORM WATER PERMITTING, WHICH THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE STORM WATER PERMITS FROM THE NFWFMD. THE SURVEY WAS \$3400, CIVIL DESIGN OF PARKING LOT WAS \$2500 AND \$3,000 FOR STORM WATER PERMITTING THROUGH NFWFMD. PREBLE-RISH SUBMITTED THE PROPOSAL BACK IN FEBRUARY; BUT, APPARENTLY IT NEVER CAME THROUGH THE BOARD SO PETE ASKED HIM TO BRING IT BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

E. BONNETT POND ROAD-PREBLE-RISH'S PROPOSAL WAS APPROVED BY COMMISSIONER SAPP BEFORE HE LEFT THE COMMISSION FOR THE SURVEY ON BONNETT POND ROAD.

F. BAHOMA ROAD-PREBLE-RISH'S PROPOSAL WAS APPROVED BY COMMISSIONER PATE FOR A SURVEY.

CLIFF EXPLAINED THE PROPOSALS ON BAHOMA ROAD AND BONNETT POND ROAD WERE FOR DESIGN, PERMITTING THROUGH NWFWD AND FL-DEP FOR THE DREDGE AND FILL PERMITS, CONSTRUCTION PLANS, BIDDING AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS. HE ADDRESSED PREBLE-RISH HAD DESIGNED BAHOMA ROAD ONE TIME AND ARE JUST ABOUT DONE DESIGNING IT AGAIN BASED ON SOME OF THE COMMENTS THEY HAD AT THEIR PUBLIC HEARINGS. BONNETT POND ROAD IS PRETTY WELL DESIGNED AND READY TO GO. THE ENGINEERING COSTS ARE ELIGIBLE TO COME OUT OF THE GRANT FUNDS ALSO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED, IF MONIES OUT OF THE GRANT ARE USED TO PAY FOR ENGINEERING COSTS, IT WOULD CUT SHORT THEIR MONIES FOR CONSTRUCTION.

CLIFF EXPLAINED THE BONNETT POND AND BAHOMA ROAD PROJECTS WERE FUNDED THROUGH THE SMALL COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANT PROGRAM; IT IS A 50/50 GRANT WITH FL-DOT FUNDING \$380,000 ON BONNETT POND AND \$260,000 ON BAHOMA ROAD.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHETHER THE BOARD HAD DECIDED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE SCIP PROJECTS. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY HAD BASICALLY BEEN LOOKING FOR FUNDING AND COMMISSIONER PATE HAS BEEN WORKING TO SEE WHAT TYPE OF ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT ALL THE BOARD HAD DECIDED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH IS THE RIGHT-OF-WAY CLEARING ON RIVER ROAD. IF PUBLIC WORKS IS GOING TO HAVE TO GO OUT THERE AND BUILD A ROAD ON BONNETT POND ROAD, HOWELL SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THEY WERE GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO IT AND DO EVERYTHING ELSE THEY HAVE TO DO WITH ALL THE DAMAGE THEY HAVE TO THE ROADS THEY HAVE GOT NOW.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE SEEN WHERE THE BONNETT POND PROJECT HAD BEEN MOVED FROM 2012 TO 2010. CLIFF EXPLAINED THAT WAS A DIFFERENT SECTION; THAT WAS RESURFACING FROM PIONEER ROAD TO MUD HILL. THE FUNDING FOR THE SECTION OF ROAD THEY ARE DISCUSSING TODAY HAS ALREADY BEEN FUNDED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF IT WAS ENTIRELY FUNDED AND ADDRESSED THE MATCH THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO GO WITH IT. CLIFF REITERATED BONNETT POND WAS FUNDED AT \$380,000.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE MATCH FOR THIS GRANT IS THE COUNTY DOING THE ROADWORK.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THERE WAS NO WAY THE COUNTY CAN DO THE ROADWORK AND DO THE MAINTENANCE TOO, PLUS EVERYTHING THAT IS COMING UP.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD THOUGHT THEY COULD DO THE BONNETT POND AND BAHOMA ROAD PROJECTS WITH PUBLIC WORKS DOING THE BASEWORK FOR THE PROJECTS. HE REFERRED TO IT TAKING ABOUT TWO YEARS TO DO ROLLING PINES. PETE AGREED AND SAID ROLLING PINES AND CHAIN LAKES WENT WAY OVER BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THIS HAD BEEN DISCUSSED; BUT, CHAIN LAKES AND ROLLING PINES WERE MISMANAGED FROM THE BEGINNING AND HE HOPES THE COUNTY HAS LEARNED A LESSON FROM THAT.

PETE SAID ABOUT \$70,000 WAS SPENT FOR RENTAL EQUIPMENT ON ROLLING PINES AND THEN THEY BOUGHT THE EXCAVATOR AND BULLDOZIER OUT OF THE DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT. IF THEY CHARGE THE \$54,981 TO THE DEBT SERVICE ACCOUNT, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE AN OVERAGE ON THE ROLLING PINES PROJECT. ON CHAIN

LAKES, HE DOESN'T REALLY HAVE AN EXPLANATION HOW THAT ONE WENT OVER. CHAIN LAKES WENT OVER THE GRANT AMOUNT BY \$98,887 AND HE WAS GOING TO REQUEST THIS BE PAID OUT OF IMPACT FEES.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW MADE THE BOARD AWARE IF THEY USED THEIR DEBT SERVICE MONIES, THEY WOULD BE IN TROUBLE NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID WITH EVERY GRANT THEY HAVE HAD SO FAR, EVEN STARTING OUT WITH QUAIL HOLLOW, THEY HAVE WENT OVER ON EVERY ONE OF THEM. THEY HAVE GOT TO DO SOMETHING TO STOP THIS.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAD A MATCH ON CHAIN LAKES TO BEGIN WITH; HE THOUGHT THEY GOT FUNDED FOR \$265,000. PETE SAID THE COUNTY PUT \$24,100 TOWARD THIS PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED WHO WAS INVOLVED WITH MONITORING THESE GRANTS AND HOW THEY ARE SPENT. PETE EXPLAINED THE INVOICES FROM THE CONTRACTOR GOES THROUGH THE COUNTY GRANTS DEPARTMENT.

CLIFF POINTED OUT THERE WERE TWO DIFFERENT SIDES OF THIS; THE CONTRACT AND THE CONTRACTOR. IF HE HANDLES A PROJECT FOR THE COUNTY, PUTS IT OUT FOR BID, HE BRINGS THE BIDS BEFORE THE BOARD TO GET THEM APPROVED AND ANY CHANGE ORDERS ARE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL AS WELL. THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STORY IS WHEN THE COUNTY HAS THEIR OWN FORCES INVOLVED; FOR INSTANCE, WHEN THE COUNTY SODDED ON CHAIN LAKES ROAD, HE THOUGHT PART OF THE PROJECT WAS PULLING DEBRIS OUT OF THE BOTTOM OF THE LAKE, THAT COST WAS ADDED IN AT SOME POINT AND THE SODDING WAS ADDED IN AT SOME POINT. THOSE KIND OF COSTS HE CAN'T MONITOR TOO EASILY BECAUSE HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE COUNTY'S OWN COST ARE FOR STUFF. AS FOR AS THE CONTRACTOR, THAT IS THINGS HE BRINGS BEFORE THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN STATED HE SEEN NO REASON WHY THE COUNTY SHOULD BE GOING OVER ON THESE GRANTS AS MUCH AS THEY ARE IF THEY ARE BEING MONITORED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE FELT THEY SHOULD HAVE SOME PROJECT MANAGER OVER ALL THESE PROJECTS; A COUNTY EMPLOYEE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IT AND THIS IS NOT THE CASE. THE BOARD RELIES ON CLIFF TO DO ALL THIS WORK AND IF PUBLIC WORKS ADDS COST TO THE PROJECT IT GETS ADDED ON WITHOUT APPROVAL.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED CHAIN LAKES BEING A BID OUT PROJECT EXCEPT FOR THE SOD AND SAND REMOVAL. CLIFF SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WAS SOME EARTHWORK DONE ON SOME OF THE DITCH BLOCKS BY SOME OF THE COUNTY FORCES AS WELL AS SEED AND MULCH. HE THOUGHT THE COUNTY WAS GOING TO DO THE STRIPING WITH THEIR STRIPING EQUIPMENT; BUT, THAT GOT PULLED OFF UNTIL SOMETHING HAPPENS WITH THE STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR STRIPING. CHAIN LAKES STRIPING WAS INCLUDED IN THE STIMULUS PACKAGE.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING DELAYED AWARDING THE CHAIN LAKES PROJECT FOR AT LEAST FOUR TO FIVE MONTHS BECAUSE THE LOW BID WAS SUBSTANTIALLY OVER THE GRANT AMOUNT. THEY WENT BACK AND FORTH WITH ANDERSON COLUMBIA TO GET THEM DOWN AS LOW AS THEY COULD; BUT, WHEN IT WAS AWARDED TO THE CONTRACTOR IT WAS OVER BUDGET.

PETE ADVISED THE AMOUNT AWARDED TO ANDERSON COLUMBIA FOR CHAIN LAKES ROAD WAS \$331,247 AND THEIR TOTAL GRANT FOR THE PROJECT WAS \$287,000. AFTER YOU ADD IN ENGINEERING FEES AND OTHER EXPENSES, THERE IS ABOUT \$98,000 OVERAGE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE THOUGHT WHAT HAPPENED WAS THE COUNTY ACCEPTED A BID, WAS GOING TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE LOW BIDDER AND THESE NEGOTIATIONS NEVER HAPPENED.

CLIFF SAID HE THOUGHT THEY GOT ANDERSON COLUMBIA TO LOWER THEIR PRICE BY ABOUT \$20,000 TO \$25,000. THE BOARD AGREED THEY HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE OVERAGES NOW.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW EXPLAINED A LOT OF THE OVERAGE IS THE ENGINEERING FEES BEING CHARGED TO THE GRANT; ALL THE MONEY IS BEING USED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT. IF YOU HAD A GRANT BUDGET SHOWING ENGINEERING FEES, CONSTRUCTION COSTS, ETC., THE BOARD WOULD BE AWARE IF THERE IS GOING TO BE AN OVERAGE AND IT COULD BE TRACKED BETTER.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE FELT SOMETIMES THE PROJECT IS INTENDED GOOD; IT IS LIKE THE DITCHBLOCKS THAT WAS ACTUALLY SUPPOSE TO BE IN THAT PROJECT IN THE BEGINNING AND FOR SOME REASON BECAUSE OF THE MONEY THEY TOOK IT OUT. THEN AT THE END, THEY TURN AROUND AND HAVE TO DO THE DITCH PAVING. A LOT OF THIS, THE BOARD BRINGS IT ON THEMSELVES.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IF THE COUNTY STARTS OUT TO DO A PROJECT, IF THEY DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO DO IT, THEY DON'T NEED TO DO IT.

THE BOARD AGREED THAT CLIFF NEEDS TO GET PAID FOR HIS SERVICES.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO PUT THESE PROJECTS ON HOLD UNTIL THEY DECIDE WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO AND HOW THEY ARE GOING TO DO IT.

CLIFF SAID ONE THING THAT HAS HELPED TREMENDOUSLY IS JOHNNIE ODOM, BOARD FINANCE, SENDING THE REPORTS TO PETE; THEY ARE NOW GETTING THOSE ELECTRONICALLY WHICH MAKES IT NICE TO BE ABLE TO SEE WHAT THE COUNTY'S COST ARE ON ANY KIND OF GRANT PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID WITHOUT HAVING SOMEONE IN CHARGE OF THE PROJECTS AND KNOW WHO IS CHARGING WHO, NOBODY KNOWS WHAT PUBLIC WORKS IS CHARGING TO AND WHICH PROJECTS THEY ARE CHARGING IT TO. HE FELT PETE, CLIFF AND WHOMEVER ELSE THAT WANTS TO NEEDS TO SIT DOWN AND TRY AND FIGURE IT OUT BECAUSE WHAT IS BEING DONE NOW IS NOT WORKING.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE CRYSTAL LAKE BOAT RAMP DAVID CORBIN HAD MENTIONED EARLIER IN THE MEETING. HE UPDATED THE BOARD IN 2003 PREBLE-RISH DID A SET OF PLANS FOR THE CRYSTAL LAKE BOAT RAMP TO TRY AND GET FUNDING FROM THE FBIP; IT NEVER GOT FUNDED AND THE PLANS ARE STILL AVAILABLE. IT IS ABOUT A \$130,000 PROJECT.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO PUT THE PLANS FOR THE CRYSTAL LAKE BOAT RAMP ON HOLD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR STRIPING AND THERE BEING A LOT OF ROADS THAT NEED STRIPING BESIDES THE ONES THAT CLIFF HAD NAMED EARLIER. HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BOARD GO AS FAR AS THEY CAN WITH STRIPING IN THIS COUNTY WITH THE STIMULUS PACKAGE.

CLIFF SAID THERE WAS ABOUT \$500,000 WORTH OF STRIPING IN THE STIMULUS PACKAGE AND ABOUT \$200,000 FOR RESURFACING STATE PARK ROAD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE BOARD HAD AGREED TO DO STRIPING WITH THE STIMULUS PACKAGE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID FL-DOT CAME BACK AND ASK ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF DOING SOME RESURFACING AND THEY PUT STATE PARK IN TO BE RESURFACED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED OBID ROAD IN EBRO DIDN'T HAVE A BIT OF STRIPING ON IT; HIGHWAY 273 FROM HIGHWAY 279 TO HINSON CROSSROADS NEEDS STRIPING. THERE ARE AREAS IN THE COUNTY THAT DON'T HAVE STRIPING THAT IS NOT ON THE LIST TO BE STRIPED WITH THE STIMULUS PACKAGE. FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE COUNTY IS SUPPOSE TO PUT STRIPING ON THESE ROADS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF PART OF THE MONEY FROM THE STIMULUS PACKAGE FOR STRIPING WAS TAKEN AWAY TO RESURFACE STATE PARK ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE MONEY WAS SPLIT UP; PART OF IT WAS TO BE USED TO RESURFACE STATE PARK ROAD AND PART OF IT WAS FOR STRIPING. IF THE BOARD DECIDES THEY WANT TO DO STRIPING WITH ALL THE MONIES, THAT IS FINE. THEY HAVE THIRTEEN PROJECTS LISTED FOR STRIPING. HE SAID HE WAS NOT SURE THEY COULD ADD AT THIS POINT IN TIME; BUT, THEY COULD ASK AND SEE.

CLIFF SAID THEY COULD DO ABOUT ANOTHER TWENTY MILES OF STRIPING WITH THE \$200,000 FOR RESURFACING OF STATE PARK ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF STATE PARK ROAD WAS SO BAD THAT IT HAS TO BE RESURFACED RIGHT NOW. DO WE HAVE TO RESURFACE IT NOW OR CAN IT WAIT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED THERE WERE A COUPLE OF BAD PLACES GOING UP TO THE HILL TO THE PARK AND A BAD PLACE GOING UP TO DRAGON FLY LANE. IT CAN SIT THERE FOR FIVE OR SIX MORE YEARS; BUT, IT IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO TEAR UP.

LINDA BOOTH, PAEC, PROVIDED THE BOARD WITH A HANDOUT. PETE UPDATED THE BOARD IN JULY OF 2008, THE BOARD ADOPTED AN ORDINANCE WHICH ALLOWS A CIVIL FINE OF \$500 TO BE ISSUED TO THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS WHO FAILED TO COMPLETE THE GUIDING STUDENTS TOWARD SAFE AND HEALTHY CHOICES PROGRAM. IT IS A WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD PROGRAM THAT HELPS STUDENTS AVOID CRIMINAL PROSECUTION. SOME OF THOSE FINES HAVE BEEN COLLECTED AND PAEC IS REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION FROM THE BOARD TO RETURN THOSE FUNDS TO PAEC SO THEY CAN REINVEST IT INTO THE PROGRAM. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS THEY HAD NO PROBLEM WITH DOING THIS; THEY WILL TAKE CARE OF IT ON THURSDAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REPORTED HE HAD BEEN HANDED A NOTE FROM ROGER HAGAN SAYING THE FEMA TEAMS WOULD BE IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY AREA WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO WAIT AND ADDRESS PETE'S AGENDA UNTIL THE BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY.

LAWRENCE SMITH, RESIDENT OF SUNNY HILLS, ADDRESSED HIS CONCERNS WITH WHAT IS GOING ON IN SUNNY HILLS. HE HAS BEEN RESIDING IN SUNNY HILLS FOR THREE YEARS NOW AND SINCE HE HAS BEEN THERE THINGS HAVE KIND OF GOTTEN OUT OF HAND; HE IS WITH THE PEOPLE THAT IS STUCK IN THE MIDDLE OF WHAT IS GOING ON. THE CITIZENS IN SUNNY HILLS ARE VERY CONCERNED AND VERY SCARED TO VOICE THEIR OPINIONS OF WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. THEY ARE SCARED AND HAVE BEEN TOLD THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO CLOSE. HIS CONCERN IS WITH AN ISO RATING OF SEVEN WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN, IF THE ISO RATING GOES TO TEN, HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE AFFECTED WITH NOT BEING ABLE TO GET HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE OR HAVING THEIR HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE INCREASED FROM ANYWHERE FROM \$200 TO \$600 A YEAR. HE REFERRED TO THE MAJORITY OF THE OWNERS IN SUNNY HILLS BEING ELDERLY PEOPLE AND CAN'T AFFORD AN INCREASE LIKE THAT. HE REALLY THINKS IF THERE IS A PROBLEM IN SUNNY HILLS WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE BOARD NEEDS TO TAKE CARE OF AN INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS INSTEAD OF CLOSING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. IF THEY CLOSE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, TO GET THE ISO RATING DOWN, IT TAKES THREE TO FIVE YEARS; THEREFORE, IF THEY GO TO A TEN, FOR THREE TO FIVE YEARS PEOPLE WILL HAVE NO HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE OR PEOPLE HAVE TO MOVE BECAUSE THEY CAN'T AFFORD IT.

MR. SMITH ADDRESSED ANOTHER CONCERN. HIS GRANDMOTHER HAS BEEN PART OF THIS COMMUNITY SINCE 1970; HIS UNCLE HAS BEEN PART OF THIS COMMUNITY SINCE 1972 AND BOTH LIVE IN SUNNY HILLS. HIS GRANDMOTHER ACTUALLY WORKED FOR THE COUNTY AND THE COURT SYSTEM FOR MANY YEARS; SHE WORKED FOR DELTONA CORPORATION FOR MANY YEARS AND IS VERY WISE IN WHAT WENT ON IN THIS AREA AND HOW THIS AREA WAS GROWING. NOW THEY ARE BOTH ELDERLY AND



ARE IN THE NURSING HOME. HIS UNCLE RECENTLY FELL IN THE NURSING HOME AND BROKE HIS HIP; HE IS 84 YEARS OLD. RIGHT NOW HE IS IN BAY MEDICAL ON HOSPICE BECAUSE OF THIS. THEY SENT HIM FROM THE NURSING HOME TO CHIPLEY BECAUSE THERE WERE ONLY TWO AMBULANCES IN THE COUNTY AT THAT TIME. BECAUSE ONE AMBULANCE WAS OUT OF THE COUNTY, THEY COULDN'T TAKE HIM TO PANAMA OR WHEREVER AND NO ONE WAS CALLED TO FLY HIM THERE. HIS UNCLE SAT IN THE HOSPITAL FOR NINE HOURS WITH A BROKEN HIP AND NO PAIN MEDICATION AND ENDED UP GETTING AN INFECTION; THE INFECTION IS WHAT IS KILLING HIM NOW. IF THERE HAD BEEN A THIRD AMBULANCE OR IF SOMEONE HAD MADE A BETTER CHOICE IN WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO, HIS UNCLE WOULD NOT BE DYING AT THIS POINT. HE SAID THE COUNTY NEEDS MORE THAN TWO AMBULANCES IN THE COUNTY AT ANY ONE TIME WHETHER THEY HAVE ONE OUT OF THE COUNTY OR NOT. HE SAID HE HAD JUST PAID \$7,000 HIMSELF BECAUSE HE HAD A BRAIN TUMOR AND HAD TO BE FLOWN TO FLOWERS BECAUSE THE AMBULANCE COULDN'T GO OUT OF THE COUNTY. WHERE IS HE GOING TO COME UP WITH THAT \$7,000; HE IS NOT. HIS CREDIT GETS RUINED BECAUSE OF THESE THINGS. A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE SCARED AND HE IS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE. WHAT IS IT GOING TO TAKE FOR SOMEONE IN THE COUNTY OR SOMEONE CLOSE TO THE BOARD TO DIE OR SOMETHING WORSE, WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO. THESE THINGS NEED TO BE LOOKED AT AND NEED TO BE FIXED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL INFORMED MR. SMITH TO HIS KNOWLEDGE, HE DOESN'T KNOW OF ANY FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT IS GOING TO BE CLOSED AT THIS POINT IN TIME. DO THEY HAVE ISSUES, YES THEY DO.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NUMBER OF AMBULANCES THE COUNTY HAS. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY HAVE THE AMBULANCES AND THAT IS THE REASON THEY GOT A GRANT FOR ANOTHER TRUCK; THE LAST FOUR YEARS HE HAS BEEN WORKING ON A STATION IN THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY. THEY HAVE THE TRAILOR SETUP UNTIL THEY CAN DO BETTER; THEY HAVE TO COME UP WITH THE MONEY TO PAY SOMEONE TO MAN THE STATION. MR. SMITH IS RIGHT; THERE IS ONLY TWO AMBULANCES. WHEN ONE IS OUT OF THE COUNTY, THEY CAN'T TRANSPORT ANYONE UNLESS THEY ARE AIRLIFTED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY HAVE PLENTY OF AMBULANCES; BUT, THERE IS ONLY STAFF TO MAN TWO AMBULANCES. A LOT OF TIMES HOLMES COUNTY, IF IT IS ANYWHERE IN DISTRICT I OR DISTRICT III, STATIONED OUT OF WESTVILLE ASSISTS THE COUNTY. ON COMMISSIONER HOLMAN'S SIDE, JACKSON COUNTY COMES TO ASSIST. THEY HAD MONEY AT ONE TIME AND THE CITY OF CHIPLEY GOT IT. THEY ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON ANOTHER AMBULANCE STATION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL FELT THEY NEED TO BE WORKING ON HAVING SOME- ONE TO RUN THE OTHER TWO AMBULANCES THEY HAVE. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING ISSUES WITH EMS COMING UNDER THE COUNTY AS FAR AS THE BUDGET IS CONCERNED; THERE IS STILL SOME MONEY THERE EMS OWES THE COUNTY THEY HAVEN'T PAID OFF YET. UNTIL THE COUNTY IS REPAID, HE DOESN'T WANT TO TAG THEM TO SPEND OTHER MONEY.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID, IF EMS USES ONE OF THE AMBULANCES TO TRANSPORT, BEFORE THEY TRANSPORT SOMEBODY, THEY NEED TO MAKE SURE THE AMBULANCE IS NOT NEEDED HERE WITHIN THE COUNTY. WHEN IT WAS ADDRESSED EMS COULDN'T KNOW WHEN THE AMBULANCE WAS GOING TO BE NEEDED, COMMISSIONER HOLMAN REFERRED TO EMS TRANSPORTING SOMETIMES TO MAKE EXTRA FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND DISAGREED AND SAID THAT IS WHEN EMS CALLS IN SOMEBODY. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID OUTSIDE CALLS IS WHAT HE WAS ADDRESSING.

COMMISSIONER PATE FELT THE TRANSPORTING PROBLEMS WAS GOING TO GO AWAY ONCE EMS GETS SETTLED IN WITH THE COUNTY; WHEN EMS WAS WORK- ING

UNDER NORTH FLORIDA HEALTH CARE, THEY HAD A CONTRACT WITH THEM TO TRANSPORT WHEN THEY NEEDED THEM.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF ANYBODY OUTSIDE THE COUNTY USES WASHINGTON COUNTY'S EMS SERVICES TO TRANSPORT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY DID; WHEN HOLMES COUNTY IS BACKED UP, WASHINGTON COUNTY HELPS THEM OUT IF THEY ARE NOT BUSY.

SAL ZURICA ADDRESSED YEARS AGO EMS WOULD TRANSPORT YOU DIRECTLY TO BAY MEDICAL; THEN IT WAS CHANGED TO WHERE THEY COULD ONLY TRANSPORT TO THE COUNTY LINE. THE AMBULANCE SERVICE DID THIS THEMSELVES; THEY STOPPED AT THE COUNTY LINE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IF IT IS ANYWHERE IN THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY AND YOU HAVE A HEART PROBLEM, THE EMS DOES TAKE YOU TO BAY MEDICAL IF THERE IS TWO AMBULANCES IN THE COUNTY AT THAT TIME.

MR. SMITH SAID WITH HAVING AN AMBULANCE SERVICE, HE KNOWS THEY HAVE FOUR AMBULANCES AND HAVE TWO CREWS ON ALL THE TIME AND HE KNOWS THEY HAVE AN AMBULANCE CREW THAT IS ON CALL. HE UNDERSTANDS THE MONEY ISSUE; BUT, WASHINGTON COUNTY IS GROWING BY LEAPS AND BOUNDS EVERYDAY. IF EMS IS NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THESE PEOPLE WHEN THEY GET HURT, THE COUNTY WILL NOT CONTINUE TO GROW.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THAT IS WHY THE COUNTY PASSED THE IMPACT FEES FOR AMBULANCE, FIRE AND ROADS. COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY IS NOT GETTING ANY IMPACT FEES DUE TO BUILDING IN THE COUNTY HAVING DECLINED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED HOW THE COUNTY STANDS WITH THE ELMS NICKEL; IT WAS BROUGHT UP AND NOTHING HAS EVER BEEN DECIDED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL FELT THE BOARD NEEDED TO PASS IT; THE COUNTY GOT A NEW ESTIMATE OF WHAT THE ELMS NICKEL WILL GENERATE, WHICH WAS \$425,000. THIS WILL HAVE TO BE SHARED WITH THE OTHER MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY AND CAN ONLY BE SPENT FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS. HE ADDRESSED THE ELMS NICKEL WOULD HAVE TO BE PASSED BY JULY 1ST AND THE COUNTY WOULDN'T START COLLECTING MONIES FROM IT UNTIL JANUARY 2010.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL ADJORNED THE MEETING.

ATTEST:

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 04/27/09