

BOARD MINUTES FOR 12/17/09

DECEMBER 17, 2009

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, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, HOLMAN, HOWELL, PATE AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT, ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERING PRAYER. COMMISSIONER HOWELL LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 22 AND NOVEMBER 17, 2009 COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

CONSENT AGENDA: ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING NO CHANGES IN THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS SINCE THE DECEMBER 14TH WORKSHOP:

A. FEDERAL GRANT NO. 2009-SST-T9-0081 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,900 FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2009 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2012; IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2009 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM, THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AWARDS WASHINGTON COUNTY A GRANT TO ASSIST THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN COMPLETING A FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE AND FOR POST DISASTER REDEVELOPMENT.

B. HARRIS SECURITY SYSTEMS, INC. INVOICE FOR \$16,527.82 FOR REPAIRS TO THE SURITY SYSTEM AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE COURTHOUSE.

C. PROCLAMATION 2010 CENSUS PARTNER-2010 CENSUS CREATES JOBS THAT STIMULATE GROWTH AND INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR COMMUNITY.

D. SHIP FUNDING RESOLUTION REQUESTING STATE REPEAL FHOP AND ADOPT FULL FUNDING OF HOUSING TRUST FUNDS.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. APPROVAL TO TRANSMIT THE EAR BASED AMENDMENTS TO FL-DCA FOR THEIR INITIAL REVIEW-LYNDIA WALLER REPORTED THEY ARE IN A POSITION THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PULL THIS ISSUE TODAY. THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT ITSELF IS SUCH AN EXTENSIVE DOCUMENT DOING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FOUR MUNICIPALITIES AND THE COUNTY, IT WAS NOT COMPLETED. SINCE THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT IS A ONE PERSON OPERATION, SHE ASKED THE BOARD TABLE THIS ACTION AND HOPEFULLY BY FEBRUARY THEY WILL HAVE THE EAR BASED AMENDMENTS COMPLETE AND READY TO SUBMIT TO FL-DCA FOR REVIEW. AFTER TALKING WITH FL-DCA THIS MORNING, THEY SUGGESTED SHE REQUEST THIS BE TABLED.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO TABLE THE TRANSMITTING OF THE EAR BASED AMENDMENTS TO THE FL-DCA.

B. PLAT VACATION-CORRINGTONS: LINDA UPDATED THE BOARD ON THIS BEING A SEVEN LOT SUBDIVISION. THE CORRINGTONS ARE ASKING THE COUNTY ALLOW THEM TO VACATE FOUR OF THOSE LOTS; THEIR INTENT IS TO REVERT THIS LAND TO AGRICULTURAL LAND. THEY ARE IN THE PROCESS OF FARMING THIS AND WILL EVENTUALLY LIVE THERE. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTION OF A RESOLUTION THAT WILL VACATE THESE LOTS IN THE OLD MILL SUBDIVISION RECORDED PLAT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO EXECUTE A RESOLUTION THAT WILL VACATE THESE FOUR LOTS REQUESTED BY ROBERT AND PAMELA CORRINGTON IN THE OLD MILL SUBDIVISION PLAT.

C. REQUEST FOR TWO DEVELOPMENT ORDER EXTENSIONS AS ALLOWED BY THE WASHINGTON COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE:

1. SUNNY HILLS UNIT 25-REQUESTING TWO YEAR EXTENSION
2. INDIAN CREEK ESTATES SUBDIVISION-PHASE I-REQUESTING ONE YEAR EXTENSION

MS. WALLER EXPLAINED BOTH OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS HAVE HAD THEIR FIRST EXTENSION GRANTED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION. THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE STATES IF AN ADDITIONAL EXTENSION IS REQUESTED IT HAS TO BE BY PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND IT IS THE BOARD THAT MUST APPROVE THE EXTENSIONS AFTER THE INITIAL EXTENSION.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE REQUEST FOR THESE TWO EXTENSIONS. DEXTER GORTEMOLLER, GORTEMOLLER ENGINEERING, REPRESENTING MR. EVANS, THE DEVELOPER FOR THE INDIAN CREEK ESTATES SUBDIVISION-PHASE I. MR. GORTEMOLLER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DEVELOPER STILL WAITING FOR SOME TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT TO THE ECONOMY BEFORE MOVING FORWARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED WHAT THE DEVELOPER NEEDED THE ADDITIONAL EXTENSION FOR. MR. GORTEMOLLER EXPLAINED THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT HAD ABOUT A MILE OF STREETS IN IT AND AT THIS TIME, THE DEVELOPER IS REQUESTING A YEAR TO TRY AND GET FINANCING FOR ANY TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. THEY HAVEN'T STARTED THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO PLAT THE PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED USUALLY THE DEVELOPER, IF THEY ARE GOING TO DEVELOP A PLAT, THEY KNOW THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BUILD ROADS AND THEY KNOW WHAT IS AT STAKE. SOMEWHERE IT SEEMS LIKE THE DEVELOPER PUT THE WAGON BEFORE THE HORSE WAITING ON SOMETHING TO BREAK OR SALE. HE ASKED IF THE DEVELOPER WAS TRYING TO SALE SOMETHING FOR FINANCIAL.

MR. GORTEMOLLER STATED THEY ARE WAITING FOR IMPROVEMENT IN THE ECONOMY; AS FAR AS BUILDING THE ROADS; THEY DON'T WANT TO BUILD THE ROADS AND THEN CAN'T SELL ANY OF THE LOTS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED MS. WALLER IF THE DEVELOPER DIDN'T HAVE TO HAVE THE ROADS BUILT PRIOR TO SELLING ANY LOTS. MS. WALLER SAID THAT WAS CORRECT; THE DEVELOPER IS NOT SELLING LOTS YET.

MR. GORTEMOLLER EXPLAINED THEY GOT THIS PROJECT APPROVED AND RIGHT AFTER THAT, THE ECONOMY STARTED DROPPING AND THE DEVELOPER DECIDED NOT TO MOVE FORWARD. THE DEVELOPER WANTS TO MOVE FORWARD AT SOME POINT IN TIME; BUT, THEY ARE WAITING ON SOME TYPE OF IMPROVEMENT IN THE ECONOMY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE ONE YEAR EXTENSION ON THE INDIAN CREEK ESTATES; BUT, HE DOES HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE TWO YEAR EXTENSION REQUESTED ON THE SUNNY HILLS UNIT 25. HE WANTED TO KEEP IT CONSISTENT AND GIVE BOTH DEVELOPMENTS A ONE YEAR EXTENSION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO GIVE A ONE YEAR DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION FOR SUNNY HILLS UNIT 25 AND INDIAN CREEK ESTATES SUBDIVISION-PHASE I.

D. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UTILITY ACCOMMODATION MANUAL AND DESIGN STANDARDS-MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THIS HAVING BEEN ADVERTISED IN THE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE WEEKLY. THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING IS TO PROVIDE STANDARDS FOR UTILITY COMPANIES TO ABIDE BY WHEN THEY ARE WORKING IN COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAYS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THIS; THERE WAS NO RESPONSE.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UTILITY ACCOMODATION MANUAL AND DESIGN STANDARDS.

COMMISSIONER PATE, FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, REPORTED THEY WERE SETTING UP A MEETING WITH ALL THE UTILITY COMPANIES THAT WORK IN WASHINGTON COUNTY ON JANUARY 6TH AT PUBLIC WORKS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARINGS.

VOTING EQUIPMENT-CAROL GRIFFIN, WASHINGTON COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS, UPDATED THE BOARD ON A LAW THAT WAS PASSED THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO REPLACE THEIR TOUCH SCREEN UNITS AND THERE IS NO FUNDING. THEY HAVE ABOUT SIXTY COUNTIES THAT THEIR COMMISSIONERS HAVE SIGNED ON IN SUPPORT OF ASKING THE STATE RECONSIDER AND ALLOW AN EXTENSION BEYOND THE 2016 ELECTION. SHE REQUESTED WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION SUPPORT THIS ALSO AND SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION TO THE LEGISLATURE TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT THEIR POSITION IS.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT REQUESTING THE LEGISLATORS EXTEND THE 2016 DEADLINE ON REPLACING THE COUNTY'S TOUCH SCREEN VOTING EQUIPMENT.

MS. GRIFFIN MADE THE BOARD AWARE THEY NEED TO KEEP IT IN THE BACK OF THEIR MINDS THE FUNDING FOR THIS MAY STILL HAVE TO BE MADE AVAILABLE IF THE DEADLINE EXTENSION DOESN'T GO THROUGH.

MS. GRIFFIN UPDATED THE BOARD ON PROPOSALS TO PURCHASE OR LEASE THE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT TO MAKE SURE IT IS COMPLIANT WITH THE FLORIDA STATE ELECTION LAWS. THE EQUIPMENT THEY CURRENTLY HAVE IS BEING PHASED OUT; IT WAS PURCHASED IN 1997 AND THE EQUIPMENT COMPANY HAS CHOSEN TO NO LONGER SUPPORT IT. IT IS NOT THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS BEING DECERTIFIED; BUT, THERE WILL BE NO SUPPORT OR UPDATES.

SHE ADDRESSED HER HAVING COME BEFORE THE BOARD SEVERAL YEARS AGO TO MAKE THEM AWARE THIS WAS GOING TO COME UP; HER UNDERSTANDING IS THERE IS \$210,000 SET ASIDE FOR THIS EQUIPMENT.

OUT OF THE PROPOSALS SHE HAD PROVIDED, SHE RECOMMENDED THEY CHOOSE THE SELECT PROPOSAL WHICH WOULD ALLOW THEM TO LEASE USED EQUIPMENT; THIS WOULD COST \$189,827 WHICH \$63,275 WOULD BE PAID PER ELECTION EVERY TWO YEARS. THE PROPOSAL PROVIDES FOR CODING SERVICES FOR EVERY COUNTY, LAYING OUT THE BALLOTS, SETTING UP THE ELECTRONICS AND GETTING THE EQUIPMENT READY TO BE USED. IT ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE BALLOTS BEING PRINTED FOR ELECTIONS IN 2010, 2012 AND 2014; THE ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR THESE SERVICES WOULD BE A MINIMUM \$8,000 PER ELECTION. THERE ARE SEVEN ELECTIONS IN THE PERIOD THE PROPOSAL COVERS FOR AN ADDITIONAL COST OF \$56,000 IF THEY DIDN'T HAVE IT COVERED IN THE PROPOSAL.

THE SELECT PROPOSAL ALSO HAS A ONE YEAR HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE WARRANTY AND A FOUR YEAR POST WARRANTY FOR THE HARDWARE, FIRMWARE, AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT.

THE SECOND PROPOSAL SHE PROVIDED WAS TO PURCHASE M-100 USED EQUIPMENT AT A COST OF \$97,350. IT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE CODING OR THE BALLOT PRINTING; THAT IS THE ADDITIONAL \$56,000 SHE PREVIOUSLY TOLD THEM ABOUT. THE \$97,350 ONLY INCLUDES THE INITIAL ONE (1) YEAR HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE WARRANTY.

THE THIRD PROPOSAL SHE PROVIDED WAS TO PURCHASE THE TOP OF THE LINE, NEWEST ON THE MARKET EQUIPMENT AT A COST OF \$307,625. MS. GRIFFIN SAID THAT ONE WAS OUT THE DOOR BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T THINK THIS ONE WAS SOMETHING THE COUNTY COULD AFFORD.

MS. GRIFFIN ASKED THE BOARD TO MAKE A DECISION TODAY, IF THEY FEEL COMFORTABLE IN DOING THAT, SO THEY COULD GET THE EQUIPMENT PURCHASED AND ON HAND SO THEY COULD GET PROPER TRAINING AND BE READY FOR THE 2010 ELECTION.

MS. GRIFFIN SAID WITH THE MONEY LEFT OVER IF THE BOARD AGREES TO ACCEPT THE SELECT PROPOSAL FOR THE EQUIPMENT, THEY NEED TO THINK ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO WITH THE NEW HOPE VOTING HOUSE. WHEN THE FOUR LANING COMES THROUGH THERE. THEY WILL HAVE TO REPLACE IT. SHE SUGGESTED PUTTING A COMMUNITY CENTER AT CAMPBELL PARK AND IT COULD BE A REVENUE GENERATING FACILITY AS WELL.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS TO PURCHASE THE VOTING EQUIPMENT WITH THE SELECT PROPOSAL TO LEASE THE USED EQUIPMENT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED HIM HAVING A PROBLEM WITH MOVING THE VOTING OUT OF NEW HOPE.

MS. GRIFFIN SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY AND SHE THINKS THERE IS PROBABLY ALREADY A WELL AT THE CAMPBELL PARK LOCATION. SHE HAS TALKED TO SOME OF THE PEOPLE IN THE NEW HOPE COMMUNITY AND THEY ARE IN HUGE SUPPORT OF MOVING THE VOTING LOCATION TO CAMPBELL PARK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A VOTING HOUSE SOMEWHERE DOWN HIGHWAY 284 IN THE GENERAL VICINITY OF THE SAME PLACE IT IS NOW LOCATED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED PART OF DISTRICT I ALSO VOTES IN NEW HOPE. THERE WILL BE A PIECE OF PROPERTY THAT COULD BE ACQUIRED JUST BACK OF THE PRESENT VOTING HOUSE IN NEW HOPE.

MS. GRIFFIN SAID UNTIL THEY HAVE TO CLOSE THE VOTING HOUSE AT NEW HOPE, THEY WILL CONTINUE TO USE IT. HOWEVER, IN HER OPINION IT IS NOT ADEQUATE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL VOLUNTEERED TO WORK WITH MS. GRIFFIN AND MR. HERBERT TO SEARCH FOR A SITE FOR A NEW VOTING HOUSE TO REPLACE THE NEW HOPE VOTING HOUSE. COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED HE BE INVOLVED SINCE IT IS IN HIS AREA.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED TO KEEP COMMISSIONER BROCK INFORMED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED MS. GRIFFIN IF SHE HAD BEEN APPROACHED ABOUT SHEPARD'S GATES. MS. GRIFFIN REPORTED THE CHURCH HAS EXPANDED AND ADDED ON TO THE CHURCH. MR. JAMES GUY CAME BY AND TALKED WITH HER AND IT LOOKS LIKE THE FOYER AREA WHERE THEY WOULD BE ACCESSING TO USE IT HAS MOVED. THE WAY SHE UNDERSTOOD IT IS IF THE COUNTY INTENDS TO USE IT, THEY ARE GOING TO SHARE THE COST OF SOME CONCRETE. SHE ADDRESSED THAT IS A PRECINCT THEY DON'T HAVE A LOT OF VOTERS THERE; BUT, IF THEY CLOSE IT, THEY WOULD BE ASKING THEM TO DRIVE A DISTANCE THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED WHAT KIND OF COST WAS THEY LOOKING AT. MS. GRIFFIN SAID SHE REALLY DIDN'T KNOW BECAUSE SHE IS NOT SURE WHAT MR. GUY WANTS THE COUNTY TO DO THERE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID MR. GUY INSINUATED SINCE THE COUNTY HELPED THE COURT OF PRAISE WITH PAVING, THAT OPENED UP A CAN OF WORMS FOR HIS CHURCH. MS. GRIFFIN AGREED AND SAID A PREVIOUS BOARD HAD APPROVED \$10,000 FOR PAVING. MR. GUY IS NOT ASKING ANYWHERE NEAR THAT; BUT, SHE WAS APPROACHED BY ANOTHER CHURCH THAT WANTED TO KNOW IF THE COUNTY WANTED TO USE THEIR FACILITY BECAUSE THEY NEEDED A LITTLE PAVING DONE. THEY HAVE TO BE REAL CAREFUL WHAT THEY DO.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER BROCK AND MS. GRIFFIN GET WITH MR. GUY TO FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT HE WANTS THE COUNTY TO DO AND BRING THEIR FINDINGS BACK TO THE BOARD.

UNAGENDAED AUDIENCE: CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ANNOUNCED THE BOARD WOULD NOT BE DISCUSSING ANY ISSUE CONCERNING MSBU OR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DUE TO THE COUNTY BEING UNDER A LAWSUIT.

RAY MORAN ADDRESSED THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THE MESSAGE BOARD ON THE SUNNY HILLS BOULEVARD. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID RIGHT NOW THE BOARD IS NOT GOING TO DISCUSS THAT ISSUE EITHER.

SONNY CHESTNUT ADDRESSED THE BOARD QUESTIONING THE FEASIBILITY AND THE COMMON SENSE OF SPENDING THE MONEY IN CERTAIN PLACES LIKE ON THE ROAD FROM VERNON TO GREENHEAD PUTTING OUT SOD, ETC. AND THEN IDLY STANDING BY AND LETTING PEOPLE TEAR UP THE COUNTY EASEMENT THAT IS ALREADY SODDED AND IN GOOD SHAPE AND IT IS WASHING AWAY. HE WAS ADDRESSING A FIRE LANE THAT WAS PLOWED ON CLAYTON ROAD ON THE COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY. HE SAID HE WANTED SOMETHING DONE ABOUT THIS. THE LAST TIME IT WAS PLOWED, MR. CHESTNUT SAID IT WAS PLOWED 20" FROM THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT. NOW IT IS UNDER 6' IN PLACES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THIS HAS BEEN BEING DONE FOR A WHILE. MR. CHESTNUT SAID HE IS AWARE OF THAT; BUT, THAT DOESN'T MAKE IT RIGHT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN REQUESTED COMMISSIONER PATE LOOK INTO THE FIRE LINE PLOWED ON THE COUNTY RIGHT OF WAY ON CLAYTON ROAD.

ANGIA MORRIS, ON BEHALF OF THE VERNON HISTORICAL SOCIETY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD REQUESTING SUPPORT OF A RESOLUTION HOPEFULLY TO GO BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE IN THE SPRING ON NAMING THE NEW BRIDGE THE VERNON BRIDGE. SHE HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE VERNON CITY COUNCIL. SHE SAID SHE WANTED TO SEEK THE BOARD'S SUPPORT EITHER IN A RESOLUTION OR A LETTER SHE CAN PUT TOGETHER WITH A PACKET OF MATERIAL TO TAKE TO THE LEGISLATURE IN TRYING TO GET THE NAMING OF THE BRIDGE WALKED THROUGH THEIR SESSION IN THE SPRING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO SUPPORT THE PROCLAMATION ON NAMING THE NEW BRIDGE IN VERNON THE VERNON BRIDGE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN IT. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MR. HERBERT GET A PROCLAMATION DRAFTED FOR HIS SIGNATURE.

SAL ZURICA ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON TWO ITEMS HE HAD ASKED FOR ABOUT FIVE MONTHS AGO AND HE STILL HASN'T GOTTEN AN ANSWER:

1. LETTER TO GLEN ZANETIC ON WORKERS COMPENSATION HE HAS TO PAY BACK
2. THE \$4500 THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION OWES TO THE MSBU

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE WOULD GET WITH MR. HERBERT AND MR. HERBERT COULD RESPOND TO MR. ZURICA ON THESE TWO ITEMS.

MR. MORAN QUESTIONED, NOW THAT THE COUNTY HAS THIS LAWSUIT, DOES THIS MEAN THEY WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE PROBLEMS IN SUNNY HILLS; THE LAWSUIT MAY TAKE A YEAR AND A HALF, ETC. IS THERE ANY REMEDY TO THAT SITUATION.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THEY CAN DISCUSS ANY PROBLEMS AS LONG AS IT DON'T INCLUDE THE LAWSUIT.

MR. MORAN REFERRED TO HIM NOT BEING ALLOWED TO DISCUSS THE MESSAGE BOARD AND THIS HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE LAWSUIT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REITERATED THE BOARD WAS NOT GOING TO HEAR ABOUT THE MESSAGE BOARD TODAY; BUT, LATER ON, HE CAN COME BACK TO THEM.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, REPORT:

A. QUOTES FOR SLIP LINERS FOR ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY CULVERTS; THEY HAVE GONE THROUGH THE WHOLE ROAD FROM SOUTH BOULEVARD TO THE END OF PAVEMENT, EVALUATED CULVERTS, PICKED OUT THE LENGTHS AND DIAMETERS

REQUIRED, ETC. THEY RECEIVED A QUOTE FOR \$80,735.58. THERE WILL PROBABLY BE SOME ADDITIONAL COST FOR BUILDING HEADWALLS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED CLIFF IF HE COULD COME BACK LATER ON AND GIVE THE BOARD AN ESTIMATE ON WHAT THE COST OF THE HEADWALLS WOULD BE USING INMATE LABOR. HE ALSO ASKED CLIFF TO PICK OUT THE WORST CULVERTS ON THE ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY THAT NEEDS ATTENTION NOW AND BRING THIS BACK TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SUGGESTED LETTING CLIFF LOOK AT THE WORST CULVERTS COUNTY WIDE SINCE THEY ARE LOOKING AT SLIP LINERS FOR THE CULVERTS.

CLIFF SAID MAYBE THEY COULD MEET WITH THE EAST SIDE AND WEST SIDE SUPERVISORS AND GET A LIST OF THE WORST CULVERTS THEY KNOW OF AND ATTACK THE PROBLEM THAT WAY.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A PROGRAM SET UP ON THE SLIPLINERS FOR CULVERTS IN THE COUNTY. DUE TO THE ECONOMICAL SITUATION THE COUNTY IS IN, THEY CAN'T REPLACE ALL OF THE CULVERTS OUT THERE.

CLIFF SAID THE GOOD NEWS IS THEY DO KNOW THE INMATE CREWS AND INMATE SUPERVISORS CAN DO THE WORK BECAUSE THEY HAVE DONE IT BEFORE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR COMMISSIONER PATE AND CLIFF TO DISCUSS THE SLIP LINERS FOR THE WORST CULVERTS IN THE COUNTY AT THEIR WEDNESDAY PUBLIC WORKS MEETING.

B. BRIDGE EVALUATIONS-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE BRIDGE EVALUATION THEY WILL BE PUTTING TOGETHER FOR THE COUNTY. WHEN HARCUS GETS BACK AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR, HE WILL BE SPENDING TIME WITH HIM AND DALLAS GOING FROM ONE END OF THE COUNTY TO THE OTHER TO DO AN EVALUATION OF THE BRIDGES AND HOPEFULLY PRESENT THIS AT THE JANUARY COMMISSION MEETING.

C. RIVER ROAD-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING TALKED WITH GEORGE ROBERTS TODAY ABOUT THE RIVER ROAD PROPOSAL. THEY HAVE TOGETHER WHAT THEY FEEL THE COST OF THE IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE; BUT, ROBERTS HAS TO MEET WITH HIS PARTNERS ON THE FINANCING PORTION OF IT. ROBERTS FEELS LIKE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS THEY SHOULD HAVE IT TOGETHER. THE BOARD AGREED FOR CLIFF TO HAVE ROBERT'S PROPOSAL AT THEIR JANUARY WORKSHOP.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REPORTED HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED TODAY ABOUT SEVERE WASHING ON RIVER ROAD. HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO DRESS THE SHOULDERS UP WHERE IT HAS BEEN PAVED. HE SAID THE SHOULDERS NEED SOD BADLY.

CLIFF SAID THEY HAD DISCUSSED THE SODDING ON RIVER ROAD AT THEIR WEDNESDAY PUBLIC WORKS MEETING AND DALLAS DID SEND SOMEBODY OUT THERE YESTERDAY TO TRY TO DRESS UP THE SHOULDERS AND TRY TO PROTECT THEM. HOWEVER, WHATEVER HE DRESSES TODAY IS GOING TO BE GONE TOMORROW UNLESS IT GETS SODDED DIRECTLY BEHIND THEM. IF THE BOARD WANTS TO ALLOCATE SOME FUNDS TOWARD SODDING, HE CAN GET IT LINED UP. THEY HAVE SODDED ONE 30" STRIP ON EACH SIDE FOR ABOUT \$5,800.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERING A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO DO TWO MORE ROWS OF SODDING ON RIVER ROAD WITH THE FUNDING TO COME OUT OF THE GRANT.

D. PROJECTS OUT FOR BID:

1. BETHEL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
2. SHELL LANDING
3. BONNETT POND

ALL THREE ROADS ARE TO BE WIDENED TO 22' AND HAVE A MINIMUM 6' SHOULDER ON THEM.

1. BETHEL ROAD IMPROVEMENTS BIDS:

1. APAC \$713,061

2. C.W.ROBERTS 591,570
3. JONES CONS. 725,930
4. ANDERSON 651,824
5. GAC 683,137
6. TRIANGLE CONS. 819,006

CLIFF RECOMMENDED AWARDING THE PROJECT TO C. W. ROBERTS WITH THE USE OF THE LIMEROCK BASE INSTEAD OF THE ASPHALT BASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$591,570.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD IF THE SAME CONTRACTOR GOT ALL THREE OF THESE PROJECTS, WOULD THEY BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THEM WITHIN THE TIMEFRAME. CLIFF SAID THERE WAS LIQUIDATED DAMAGES ON ALL THREE PROJECTS AT \$500 PER DAY; THE TIME FRAME FOR THE CONTRACTOR TO COMPLETE THE PROJECTS IS 120 DAYS. THEY WOULD ALL START AT THE SAME TIME AND ALL WOULD HAVE TO BE COMPLETED AT THE SAME TIME. CLIFF ADDRESSED, USUALLY WITH THE WIDENING AND RESURFACING PROJECTS, THEY DON'T TAKE 120 DAYS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AWARD THE BETHEL ROAD PROJECT TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$591,570 USING LIMEROCK BASE CONTINGENT ON THERE BEING NO EXTENSIONS.

2. SHELL LANDING ROAD BIDS:
  1. APAC \$793,623
  2. C.W.ROBERTS 623,524
  3. JONES CONS. 799,206
  4. ANDERSON COLUMBIA 668,558
  5. GAC 767,246
  6. TRIANGLE CONS. 994,633

CLIFF RECOMMENDED AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO C. W. ROBERTS AT \$623,524 WITH THE ASPHALT BASE. THE BUDGET ON THE SHELL LANDING PROJECT IS \$665,488. CLIFF ADVISED THE CONTRACTOR WOULD NOT BE USING THE COUNTY'S FILL MATERIAL ON SHELL LANDING AND BONNETT POND PROJECTS; BUT, ON BETHEL ROAD THEY WOULD BE USING ST. MARYS PIT.

AS FAR AS THE BUDGET ON BETHEL, CLIFF ADVISED IT WAS \$560,617. C. W. ROBERTS BID WAS \$30,953 OVER BUDGET AND BY REPLACING THE ASPHALT BASE WITH THE LIMEROCK BASE THE PROJECT WILL BE UNDER BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$623,524 FOR THE SHELL LANDING PROJECT USING ASPHALT BASE.

3. BONNETT POND ROAD BIDS:
  1. APAC \$338,354
  2. C. W. ROBERTS 268,368
  3. JONES CONS. 365,981
  4. ANDERSON COLUMBIA 287,063
  5. GAC 308,214
  6. TRIANGLE CONS. 392,428

THE BUDGET FOR THE PROJECT IS \$239,950. CLIFF RECOMMENDED AWARDING THE PROJECT TO C. W. ROBERTS USING THE LIMEROCK BASE OPTION FOR \$239,950.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE STRIPING WAS INCLUDED IN THESE PROJECTS. CLIFF ADVISED THERMO PLASTIC STRIPING WAS INCLUDED IN ALL THE BIDS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF CLIFF'S RECOMMENDATION TO AWARD THE BONNETT POND CONTRACT TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$239,950 USING LIMEROCK BASE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED CLIFF IF C. W. ROBERTS FINANCES THE RIVER ROAD PROJECT, HOW LONG DID HE THINK IT WOULD TAKE THEM TO COMPLETE

THE JOB. CLIFF SAID IT WAS PROBABLY 120 DAY TO 150 DAY JOB; HOWEVER, YOU HAVE TO CONSIDER IT HAS RAINED ALMOST EVERYDAY.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED WHERE THEY WERE AT WITH BIDDING OUT THEIR LIMEROCK TO BE USED FOR FEMA. CLIFF REPORTED THE LIME- ROCK HAS BEEN ADVERTISED AND THEY HAVE A MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING ON DECEMBER 21ST AT 3:00 P.M. THEY WILL BE OPENING THE BIDS ON THE 29TH OF DECEMBER.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY REPORTED THE SMITH LAKE CASE IS STILL IN DISCOVERY RIGHT NOW; HE THINKS THEY ARE GETTING PRETTY CLOSE TO PICKING A TRIAL DATE.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REPORTED ON THE VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2009 TOTTALLING \$1,617,929.13.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO PAY THE VOUCHERS FOR NOVEMBER 2009.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REPORTED ON A LEASE AGREEMENT FROM RANDALL AND BETTY WEEKLY TO THE COUNTY. ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAD DRAWN UP THE LEASE AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE WEEKLY'S.

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE RENEWAL OF THE CATASTROPHIC INMATE MEDICAL INSURANCE WITH HUNT INSURANCE. THERE WERE THREE OPTIONS TO CHOOSE FROM. AFTER HE DISCUSSED THE OPTIONS WITH DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW, THEY OPTED TO GO WITH PLAN 3 WHICH WOULD COST \$22,698 WITH A \$35,000 DEDUCTIBLE. HE ASKED THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD ON WHAT OPTION TO GO WITH.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED THE DIFFERENCE IN THE THREE PLANS. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW STATED THE DEDUCTIBLES WERE THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IN THE THREE PLANS WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK RECOMMENDING GOING WITH THE CHEAPEST ONE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF OPTION 3 ON THE RENEWAL OF THE CATASTROPHIC INMATE MEDICAL INSURANCE WITH HUNTS INSURANCE.

2. MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON ROGER HAGAN HAVING DISCUSSED THE MSBU MAIL OUTS AT THE WORKSHOP ON MONDAY; THE MAILOUTS WOULD BE SENT TO ALL THE PEOPLE IN SUNNY HILLS THAT PAYS AN MSBU ASSESSMENT TO TRY AND PRIORITIZE WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE MSBU ASSESSMENTS USED FOR. IN ORDER TO DO THIS, THEY ARE REQUESTING RFP'S FROM COMPANIES TO PUT TOGETHER A MAILOUT DOCUMENT, WHEN THE DOCUMENTS COME BACK TO THE COUNTY, THE SAME COMPANY WOULD TABULATE THE INFORMATION AND DO A PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD. HE READ THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR RFP'S:

THE WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ARE SEEKING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A MAIL OUT SURVEY, RECEIVE AND ANALYZE THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY, PRESENT THE ANALYSIS AND INTER- PRETATION OF SAID RESULTS. IT HAS THE PROJECT ELEMENTS LISTED. MR. HERBERT REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FROM THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE FOR THE RFP'S. THE RFP'S WILL BE DUE BY JANUARY 21ST SO THEY CAN AWARD IT AT THE JANUARY BOARD MEETING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR RFP'S FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN MSBU MAIL OUT SURVEY.

3. MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON ROGER AND LYNN BEING ALMOST READY TO PURCHASE FURNITURE FOR THE NEW EOC. THEY HAVE PUT TOGETHER A SPECIFICATIONS LIST. THEY ARE REQUESTING ONCE THEY HAVE THE SPECS TOGETHER, THEY CAN ADVERTISE IT, GET THE BIDS IN MAYBE THE FIRST OR



SECOND WEEK IN JANUARY, THE BOARD COULD AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN AND ROGER TO AWARD THE BID AND PUT THE FURNITURE ON ORDER SO THEY WON'T HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE JANUARY BOARD MEETING. IT IS ABOUT \$56,000 WORTH OF FURNITURE; WITH IT BEING SUCH A LARGE ORDER IF THEY WAIT UNTIL THE JANUARY BOARD MEETING, THEY WON'T GET THE FURNITURE IN TIME.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHY THIS WASN'T DONE A MONTH AGO OR SIX WEEKS AGO. ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT THEY HAD GOTTEN CAUGHT UP IN FIRE DEPARTMENT, MSBU, FLOODING, ETC.

COMMISSIONER HOWSELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE ROGER TO ADVERTISE FOR THE FURNITURE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN WHATEVER IS NEEDED TO BE SIGNED TO GET THE FURNITURE ORDERED.

SAL ZURICA QUESTIONED IF THE MSBU MAILOUTS WERE GOING TO BE MAILED TO EVERY PROPERTY OWNER. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ADVISED "YES."

4. MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A LETTER FROM KEITH SHORES, FL-DOT; THEY ARE GOING TO PROVIDE A SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON CR 77-A (FALLING WATERS ROAD) OVER I-10. THAT IS WHERE THE BIKE PATH AND WALKING TRAIL CROSSES OVER I-10. FL-DOT WILL PROVIDE A CHAIN LINK FENCE ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE OVERPASS AND SOME ADDITIONAL GUARDRAIL. IT IS ABOUT A \$94,000 PROJECT. THEY EXPECT TO LET THE BIDS AROUND MAY 2010; FL-DOT WILL TAKE CARE OF PUTTING THIS IN PLACE. HOWEVER, ONCE IT IS THERE, THE COUNTY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS ON CR77-A.

5. MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A DRAFT AGREEMENT THEY RECEIVED ON THE KNIGHT SECTOR PLAN FROM THE FL-DCA. THEY HAVE LOOKED THROUGH IT AND HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH BOB HUGHES, ATTORNEY ASSIGNED TO REPRESENT THE KNIGHT FAMILY. TOMORROW, HE, ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND LINDA WALLER WILL MEET AND GO THROUGH THE AGREEMENT THOROUGHLY AND GET BACK WITH THE KNIGHT FAMILY THE FIRST OF NEXT WEEK. BOB HUGHES WILL TAKE THE RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT EBRO, BAY COUNTY AND WASHINGTON COUNTY AND TRY TO BRING THE THREE TOGETHER TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THERE WAS A PROBLEM WITH HIM GETTING A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT AND LOOKING AT IT. HE WAS ADVISED IT WAS PUT IN THE COMMISSIONERS BOXES A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF SARAH MOON WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING YET. SHE STILL WASN'T PRESENT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REFERRED TO A GENTLEMAN HAVING COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND SUBMITTED SOMETHING FOR AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE AIRPORT. HE QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY HAS MOVED FORWARD WITH ANYTHING ON THAT AS FAR AS WHAT THEY INTEND TO DO.

MR. HERBERT REPORTED THEY HAD ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO LOOK AT THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE HAD LOOKED AT THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT; BUT, HE DOESN'T HAVE A RECOMMENDATION ON IT YET.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER BROCK HAVING MENTIONED A LANDFILL AT THE WORKSHOP ON MONDAY. HE AGREED THIS IS SOMETHING THE BOARD REALLY NEEDS TO PURSUE. HE SUGGESTED POSSIBLY GETTING CLIFF INVOLVED TO SEE WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO HAVE A LANDFILL TO DUMP DEBRIS, BURN DEBRIS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED WASTE MANAGEMENT PICKING UP THE COUNTY'S GARBAGE, ETC. AND THEY COULD BE RECYCLING A LOT OF THAT GARBAGE.

HE QUESTIONED IF ANYONE HAD DISCUSSED WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT ABOUT THEM RECYCLING.

LINDA WALLER ADVISED SHE THOUGHT WASTE MANAGEMENT DID DO SOME RECYCLING ONCE THEY GET THE GARBAGE TO THE SPRINGHILL LANDFILL. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID ALL HE HAS EVER SEEN THEM DO AT THAT SITE IS ROLL THE GARBAGE OUT OF THE BACK OF THEIR TRUCKS AND COVER IT UP.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE COGRASS PROBLEM AND THE PREVIOUS DISCUSSION ON STARTING A SPRAYING PROGRAM. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM THINKING DAVID IS IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING SOMEONE CERTIFIED TO DO THE SPRAYING ON THE COUNTY'S RIGHT-OF-WAYS. HE EXPLAINED THERE WAS COGRASS ON CLAYTON ROAD, ESPECIALLY IN THOSE AREAS WHERE THE COUNTY IS STORING DIRT; EVERYTIME THE COUNTY HAULS THE DIRT AWAY FROM THOSE AREAS, THEY ARE HAULING COGRASS WHERE THE DIRT IS DELIVERED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING TALKED TO THE SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS ABOUT STARTING THE SPRAYING TO GET RID OF THE COGRASS. THE SUPERVISORS COMPLAINED ABOUT NOT HAVING THE FUNDING TO PURCHASE THE CHEMICALS.

THE BOARD SAID THEY THOUGHT EACH ONE OF THEM HAD AGREED TO GIVE \$500 OUT OF THEIR MATERIALS BUDGET TO PURCHASE THE CHEMICALS NEEDED TO START THE SPRAYING TO RID THE COGRASS PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE DUNCAN COMMUNITY ROAD BRIDGE THE FL-DOT IS REPLACING ON FLAT CREEK. HE SUGGESTED THE BOARD GO AHEAD AND TRY TO GET RIGHT-OF-WAY TO WIDEN THAT ROAD TO BE PREPARED IN 2014 TO PAVE FROM THE BRIDGE TO CLAYTON ROAD BECAUSE THAT BRIDGE BENEFITS CLAYTON ROAD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THERE BEING \$1.3 MILLION FUNDED FOR THE BRIDGE PROJECT AND HE FIGURED THE ROAD SHOULD GET PAVED IN WITH THE BRIDGE. HE QUESTIONED HOW BIG WAS THE BRIDGE WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATING IT WAS ABOUT 100'.

COMMISSIONER BROCK AND THE REST OF THE BOARD THOUGHT THE \$1.3 MILLION WAS A LOT FOR A 100' BRIDGE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REITERATED THE FL-DOT WAS DOING THE DUNCAN COMMUNITY ROAD BRIDGE. HE WAS REQUESTING THE BOARD GO AHEAD AND GET THE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO LET THE CONTRACTOR PAVE FROM THE BRIDGE TO CLAYTON ROAD WHILE THEY ARE IN THERE DOING WORK. COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED TO WORK ON GETTING THE RIGHT-OF-WAY NEEDED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED SYLVANIA BRIDGE IS ON AN ELBOW CURVE AND IS REAL DANGEROUS AND NEEDS ATTENTION. HE HAS TRIED AND TRIED TO GET ATTENTION; BUT, HE CAN'T GET ANYWHERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REFERRED TO THE HYDROSEEDING THE BOARD HAD DISCUSSED LAST MONTH. HE REQUESTED MR. HERBERT FIND OUT WHERE THE MONEY WENT THAT WAS SUPPOSE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR HYDROSEEDING.

MR. HERBERT SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WERE SOME INVOICES CHARGED TO THE MUDHILL REMEDIATION PROJECT THAT SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN. HE IS GOING TO BOARD FINANCE TOMORROW AND GET THIS STRAIGHTENED OUT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS PROBABLY GOING TO BE MONIES LEFT IN THE PROJECT TO PURCHASE THE HYDROSEEDING MACHINE WITH MR. HERBERT AGREEING THERE SHOULD BE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID WHEN IT IS DETERMINED HOW MUCH MONEY IS GOING TO BE LEFT IN THE MUDHILL REMEDIATION PROJECT, COULD THEY GO AHEAD AND TRANSFER THE MONIES TO DAVID'S BUDGET FOR HYDROSEEDING. THE BOARD ADDRESSED THEY HAD ALREADY VOTED FOR THIS TO BE DONE LAST MONTH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REQUESTED THE BOARD CONTINUE TO THINK ABOUT ANOTHER WORK CREW FOR SUNNY HILLS AND DISCUSS IT AT THEIR NEXT MONTH'S WORKSHOP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE WOULD LIKE FOR EACH COMMISSIONER TO BE THINKING ABOUT WHETHER THEY ARE GOING TO AGREE WITH THE WORK CREW OR NOT BECAUSE HE DON'T WANT TO STILL BE DISCUSSING THIS THREE MONTHS DOWN THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER PATE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE WEEKLY MEETINGS THEY ARE HOLDING AT PUBLIC WORKS. THEY ARE LOOKING INTO TAKING CARE OF THE SMALL BRIDGES AND THE INSERTS; THEY HAVE SEVERAL THINGS STARTED. HE ADDRESSED THEM HAVING FOUND SOME USED MOWER DECKS THAT ARE IN A LOT BETTER SHAPE THAN WHAT THE COUNTY HAS NOW. THEY WOULD COST AROUND \$12,000 TO \$13,000 FOR EACH ONE OF THEM; THEY COST NEW ABOUT \$20,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR USED MOWERS. MR. PATE IS TO GET WITH DALLAS AND GET THE SPECS NEEDED TO ADVERTISE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE NEED FOR THE COUNTY TO APPLY FOR A CDBG ROAD GRANT AS IT HAS BEEN FIVE YEARS SINCE THEY HAVE RECEIVED ONE. THEY HAVE ROADS THAT QUALIFY AND THE COUNTY IS LOSING CLOSE TO A \$1,000,000 EVERY TWO YEARS BY NOT APPLYING FOR THE CDBG ROAD GRANTS. HE POINTED OUT HALF OF HOLMES VALLEY ROAD HAS BEEN PAVED AND HALF HASN'T AND IT WILL QUALIFY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON FINDING WAYS TO GET MATCHING FUNDS TO APPLY FOR THE CDBG ROAD GRANTS. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK ABOUT APPLYING FOR CDBG ROAD GRANTS; BUT, HE SUGGESTED THE BOARD DEAL WITH WHAT GRANTS THEY HAVE ONGOING NOW AND GET THESE PROJECTS FINISHED BEFORE THEY JUMP ON MORE PROJECTS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK POINTED OUT THE CDBG GRANTS WOULD BE A CONTRACT PROJECT AND THE COUNTY WOULDN'T BE INVOLVED. ALL THE COUNTY HAS TO DO IS GET THE GRANT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN REQUESTED THE BOARD CONSIDER THE REQUEST TO APPLY FOR A CDBG ROAD GRANT AND DISCUSS IT AT NEXT MONTH'S WORKSHOP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN REPORTED THE COUNTY HAS RECEIVED OVER 8.3" OF RAIN. DUE TO THE HOLIDAYS, THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL PUBLIC WORK EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE TAKEN OFF TO USE THEIR TIME THEY HAVE ACCUMULATED OVER THE PAST YEAR. WITH THE RAIN THE COUNTY HAS BEEN GETTING, THEY ARE DOING THEIR BEST WITH WHAT EMPLOYEES THEY HAVE TO WORK ON THE DIRT ROADS. IF THEY WERE TO GRADE ONE OF THE ROADS WITH THE RAIN THAT IS GOING TO COME IN TONIGHT AND TOMORROW, IT WOULD MAKE IT WORSER THAN WHAT IT IS. THE BOARD UNDERSTANDS THE DIRT ROADS ARE WET, MUDDY AND FULL OF POTHoles; BUT, REQUESTED THE PUBLIC BE PATIENT WITH THEM AND PUBLIC WORKS AND HOPEFULLY AFTER THE FIRST OF THE NEW YEAR, THEY WILL HAVE GOOD WEATHER AND BE ABLE TO CORRECT THE PROBLEMS WITH THE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN THANKED ALL THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR A JOB WELL DONE THIS PAST YEAR.

ROGER HAGAN, EOC DIRECTOR, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE 8.3" OF RAIN WILL PROBABLY BE OVER 10" TO 12" THE MONTH OF DECEMBER. HE ADDRESSED HE HAD PREPARED A DECLARATION FOR A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY EVEN THOUGH HE IS QUITE SURE THERE IS NOT GOING TO BE ANY TYPE OF DECLARATION FROM THE STATE OR FEMA. HOWEVER, IF THE COUNTY HAS TO OPEN SHELTERS, RATHER THAN TRYING TO GET THE BOARD TOGETHER ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY, ETC., HE REQUESTED THEY AUTHORIZE A DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY LEAVING THE TIME AND DATE BLANK AND ALLOW HIM AND MR. HERBERT TO FILL THAT IN IF IT TAKES PLACE. THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ALLOWS FOR HIM OR MR.

HERBERT TO DECLARE A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY IF THEY ARE UNABLE TO GET UP WITH THE BOARD, ETC. THE EOC MAY HAVE SOME MEETINGS TOMORROW WITH THE SHERIFF, EMS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THE LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY WOULD BE EFFECTIVE THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS. MR. HAGAN EXPLAINED THE DECLARATION WOULD BE EFFECTIVE SEVEN DAYS FROM THE DATE IT IS STARTED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NEED, SHOULD CONDITIONS WORSEN, TO CALL IN THE PUBLIC WORK EMPLOYEES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE A DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY CONTINGENT ON THE NEED.

MR. HAGAN THANKED THE BOARD PUBLICLY FOR THEIR GENEROUS GIFT OF EMPLOYEE BONUSES.

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

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DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 12/17/09