

BOARD MINUTES FOR 05/28/09

MAY 28, 2009

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE EBRO TOWN HALL, EBRO, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, HOWELL, PATE, HOLMAN AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, CLERK COOK, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL ANNOUNCED REFRESHMENTS WOULD BE SERVED AT THIS TIME AND THE MEETING WOULD START AT 5:30 P.M.

PURSUANT TO REFRESHMENTS BEING SERVED, DEPUTY JASON COOK PROCLAIMED THE MEETING WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY OFFERING PRAYER. CHAIRMAN HOWELL LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. CHAIRMAN HOWELL THANKED THE CITY OF EBRO AND MAYOR TAYLOR FOR THE USE OF THEIR FACILITY TO HOLD THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING THIS MONTH. HE ASKED EVERYONE TO LIMIT THEIR REMARKS TO THREE MINUTES.

ELTON SAPP MADE A PUBLIC APOLOGY FOR HAVING MARIJUANA IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 6 AND 27, 2009 COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE ITEMS A THROUGH E ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. ACCEPTANCE OF ANGELINA COURT AS A COUNTY-MAINTAINED ROADWAY
- B. PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING MONTH OF MAY 2009 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH IN WASHINGTON COUNTY
- C. STATE REVENUE SHARING APPLICATION FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010
- D. LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND HABILITATIVE SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA'S HEALTHY FAMILY PROGRAM.
- E. PROPOSAL FROM PHIL BENNETT TO BE CONSULTANT FOR COUNTY ON INTEREST RATE SWAP AGREEMENT TO ANALYZE AND EVALUATE THE INTEREST RATE SWAP ON SERIES A AND SERIES B BONDS.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL PRESENTED MS. TRISH PIERCE THE PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2009 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH.

BONNIE VATTER, 3911 CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON A ROAD MAINTENANCE ISSUE ON THE WEST END OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. SHE UPDATED THE BOARD ON HER HAVING PURCHASED A LOT IN 2004; WHEN SHE BOUGHT THE LOT, SHE COULDN'T CLOSE AT THE BANK BECAUSE THEY SAID THERE WASN'T A PAVED ROAD OR A ROAD GOING TO HER LOT. IN 1926, THE ROAD WAS DEEDED AND PLATTED OVER TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. WHEN THEY GOT THE ROAD ACCEPTED AS A COUNTY MAINTENANCE ROAD, THEY HAVE TO CALL IN; EVERYTIME PUBLIC WORKS COMES AND GRADES THE ROAD, THEY DON'T GO DOWN THAT SIDE OF THE ROAD. AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR, THE COUNTY HAS WORK RELEASE PRISONERS COME AND TRIM THE LIMBS; THEY DO NOTHING ON THE WEST SIDE OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE.

MS. VATTER ADDRESSED IN THE PAST YEAR ALONE, THE FIFTY RESIDENTS OR LOT OWNERS ON THE WEST END OF CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE PAID \$44,998.03 AD VALOREM TAXES AND THE COUNTY DOESN'T SPEND ANYTHING ON THE ROAD. SHE ADDRESSED THE ROAD BEING IN NEED OF MAINTENANCE AND QUESTIONED WHAT THEY

HAD TO DO TO GET SOMETHING DONE TO THE ROAD. SHE EXPLAINED TWO CARS CAN'T PASS ON THE ROAD; THERE IS A 50' EASEMENT THAT IS A 20' EASEMENT. SHE POINTED OUT THE ROAD HAD BEEN DEEDED TO THE COUNTY FOR EIGHTY FOUR YEARS AND IT HAS ONLY BEEN FIVE YEARS SINCE IT HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED; IN FIVE YEARS, EVERYTIME THE COUNTY GRADES THE ROADS, HER HUSBAND HAS TO CALL THEM AND COMPLAIN TO THE ROAD DEPARTMENT THEY DIDN'T GRADE THE WEST END.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL SAID HE DID GO AND LOOK AT THE ROAD; BUT, HE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE TO READ THE DEED OR EASEMENT. HE DID AGREE TO GET THE ROAD GRADED.

MS. VATTER ADDRESSED THE TREES NEED TRIMMING AND THE ROAD NEEDS TO BE WIDER.

MARK VATTER ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAS BEEN COLLECTING TAXES FROM THE RESIDENTS AND LOT OWNERS ON CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE FOR OVER 100 YEARS; THEY HAVEN'T SPENT ANYTHING ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE LAKE OR ANYWHERE AROUND THE LAKE. HE IS NOT WORRIED ABOUT THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LAKE; IF THE PEOPLE OVER THERE AREN'T WORRIED ABOUT IT, HE IS NOT WORRIED ABOUT IT. HOWEVER, VATTER SAID THEY NEEDED A ROAD PAVED GOING OUT OF THEIR PROPERTY AND OUT TO CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE. THERE IS 3' OF WATER SETTING ON THE TURN AS SOON AS YOU COME OUT OF THERE; MS. VATTER CAN'T GET HER CAR OUT AND HE HAS TO GET HIS TRUCK OUT. HE SAID IT IS TIME FOR THE COUNTY TO WIDEN THE ROAD, CUT THE TREES BACK AND PAVE THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD THE VATTER'S THE COUNTY DOES TRY TO COME AND GRADE THEIR ROAD AND THAT IS PROBABLY ALL THEY ARE GOING TO GET RIGHT NOW.

MR. VATTER QUESTIONED WHY THEIR TAXES ARE SO HIGH; WHAT ARE THEY PAYING THE TAXES TO THE COUNTY FOR. THERE IS NO LIGHTING, NO SHERIFF PATROLLING; THERE IS NOTHING OUT THERE.

COMMISSIONER PATE TOLD THE VATTERS ROADS ARE NOT PAVED OUT OF AD VALOREM TAXES; THEY ARE PAVED OUT OF THE GASOLINE TAXES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED VATTER IF IT WAS A DIRT ROAD WHEN HE BOUGHT HIS PROPERTY. MR. VATTER SAID IT WAS A DIRT ROAD WHEN THEY BOUGHT IT; BUT, THE COUNTY DOESN'T MAINTAIN THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL POINTED OUT IF THE ROAD GETS GRADED, THAT IS MAINTENANCE. MR. VATTER EXPLAINED THE ROAD DOESN'T GET GRADED ON A REGULAR BASIS; ONLY WHEN THEY CALL PUBLIC WORKS.

MR. VATTER TOLD THE BOARD HE HAD TALKED TO DALLAS CARTER AND HE INFORMED HIM PUBLIC WORKS DOESN'T HAVE THE MANPOWER TO COME AND CUT THE TREES DOWN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE COULD GET AN INMATE CREW TO COME AND TRIM THE LIMBS. COMMISSIONER HOWELL DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY DALLAS TOLD VATTER THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE MANPOWER TO TRIM THE LIMBS AS THEY HAVE INMATE CREWS DO THIS ALL THE TIME. HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE TREES WERE ON THE RIGHT OF WAY AS HE KNEW THERE WERE TWO TREES PRETTY CLOSE TO THE ROAD. VATTER SAID THE TREES WERE IN THE ROAD.

VATTER SAID THE COUNTY HAS A 50' EASEMENT; BUT, IT IS ONLY 25' RIGHT NOW. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THIS PROBABLY MEANS THERE IS 25' OF THOSE PEOPLE'S YARDS THEY THINK IS THEIR YARD AND HE DOESN'T THINK THEY ARE GOING TO WANT THIS TAKEN AWAY FROM THEM.

VATTER ADDRESSED IT NOT BEING THOSE PEOPLE'S PROPERTY; SO, THAT IS TOUGH. HE SAID THE COUNTY COULD TAKE HIS YARD BECAUSE THE ROAD NEEDS TO BE WIDENED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD VATTER HE MAY BE THE ONLY ONE ON CYRSTAL LAKE DRIVE THAT DOESN'T CARE. VATTER FELT THEY WERE PAYING THE COUNTY TAXES FOR NOTHING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED TO CHECK ON THE DEED AND WILL POLL THE RESIDENTS ON THE ROAD TO SEE WHAT THEY WANT TO DO; IF THEY WANT THOSE TREES CUT DOWN AND HALF THEIR YARD TAKEN AWAY, MAYBE THE COUNTY CAN LOOK AT GRADING THE ROAD AND MAKING IT WIDER.

VATTER ASKED ABOUT ROCKS OR CRUSHED ASPHALT TO PUT ON THE ROAD TO KEEP THE DUST DOWN. COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED AS THEY GET ASPHALT, THE COUNTY DOES PUT IT ON ROADS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID WHEN THE COUNTY PUTS DOWN ROCKS, WHEN IT IS DRY, IT IS MORE DUST THAN DUST ON A DIRT ROAD. EVER SINCE HE HAS BEEN WITH THE COUNTY IN 1994, FEMA COMES ALONG AND PUTS ROCK DOWN; THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO GO BACK AND DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT FOR THOSE PERSONS WHO HAVE A BREATHING PROBLEM.

VATTER ASKED IF THERE WERE GRANTS AVAILABLE TO GET CRYSTAL LAKE DRIVE PAVED. COMMISSIONER HOWELL INFORMED VATTER THERE WERE SOME DISCUSSIONS THAT WERE GOING TO BE TAKING PLACE WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS ABOUT THE CRYSTAL LAKE AREA, CRYSTAL VILLAGE AREA AS FAR AS THE POSSIBILITY OF DOING OTHER THINGS DOWN THERE A LITTLE DIFFERENT WAY FOR FINANCING, ETC. UNTIL THESE DISCUSSIONS TAKE PLACE, THEY REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH THAT.

VATTER REFERRED TO THE COUNTY PAVING THE ROAD ALL THE WAY BACK TO LEISURE LAKE BECAUSE ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS USE TO LIVE ON THE ROAD AND GOT IT DONE. THEN, THE PEOPLE WHO PAY TAXES, THEY DON'T GET TO HAVE THEIR ROADS PAVED.

DAVID HAIGHT, PBS&J, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE AIR INSTALLATION COMPATIBILITY USE ZONE (AICUZ) PANAMA CITY-BAY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. MR. HAIGHT GAVE THE BOARD A BRIEF AGENDA ON WHAT HE WANTED TO COVER TONIGHT AT THE MEETING. HE STATED THIS WAS A COURTESY VISIT BY HIM TO START A CONVERSATION THAT IS NOT BINDING AT ANY POINT; THEY ARE NOT ASKING FOR A MOTION OR ANY KIND OF ACTION. IT IS AN INTRODUCTORY DISCUSSION TO TALK TO THE COMMISSION ABOUT THE MATERIAL THEY HAVE PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED TO THE PLANNING BOARD AND THE TOWN COUNCIL OF EBRO.

HAIGHT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PANAMA CITY/ BAY COUNTY AIRPORT BEING UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND IS ABOUT HALF FINISHED; THE OPENING DATE PROPOSED IS MAY 2010.

MR. HAIGHT EXPLAINED THE REASON FOR THEM TO VISIT WITH THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES IS TO FACILITATE COORDINATION OF WHAT COMMUNITIES DO SO THE AIRPORT'S OPERATION IS PROTECTED AND THE CITIZENS ARE PROTECTED. THE INITIAL PURPOSE OF THESE DISCUSSIONS IS TO ADDRESS BUILDING HEIGHT BASED ON GUIDELINES THE FAA PRODUCES AND WILDLIFE ATTRACTIONS. IN THE CASE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MR. HAIGHT SAID THE WILDLIFE ATTRACTIONS WOULD BE ANYTHING THAT ATTRACTS WILD BIRDS THAT WOULD INTERFERE WITH THE OPERATION OF THE AIRCRAFT.

MR. HAIGHT ADDRESSED THE WILDLIFE ATTRACTIONS BEING MORE OF A CONCERN TODAY THAN IT HAS IN THE PAST DUE TO AN INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED WITH BIRD STRIKES TO THE ENGINE OF AN AIRCRAFT. IT IS ALSO SUCH A CONCERN OF THE FAA THEY RECENTLY RELEASED THE NUMBER OF BIRD STRIKES OF AIRCRAFT, THE DAMAGES AND THE REPORTS ON BIRD STRIKES. IT IS VERY SEVERE PROBABLY BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT IN THE AIR; BUT, CERTAINLY BECAUSE THE URBANIZATION AROUND AIRPORTS HAS INCREASED THE ATTRACTION OF WILDLIFE.

MR. HAIGHT ADDRESSED FLORIDA STATUTES 333 ALLOWS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THE POWER TO ADOPT AIRPORT ZONING REGULATIONS. WHEN YOU SAY THE WORD ZONING, A LOT OF FOLKS GET UPSET ABOUT WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN TO THEIR PROPERTY RIGHTS. IN A PARTICULAR INSTANCE, THE KINDS OF ZONING REGULATIONS THAT OCCUR IN COMMUNITIES ARE OVERLAID TYPES OF ZONES WHERE AS NOTHING ABOUT LAND USE HAS CHANGED EXCEPT CERTAIN CRITERIA FOR DEVELOPMENT. ONE OF THOSE IS THE HEIGHT OF STRUCTURES; FOR THAT REASON, HE CIRCULATED TO THE BOARD A MAP THAT SHOWS THE FLIGHT PATH OF INCOMING AND DEPARTING AIRCRAFT AT THE NEW AIRPORT AND A SMALL PORTION OF THE DEPARTURE ZONE FOR THE MAIN RUNWAY IS OVER WASHINGTON COUNTY, TOWN OF EBRO AND THE KNIGHT FAMILY PROPERTY, WHICH IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR A SECTOR PLAN. MR. HAIGHT SAID HE WAS ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE WEST BAY SECTOR PLAN PLANNING AND DESIGN TEAM FOR SETTING THE ENTITLEMENTS FOR THE 75,000 ACRE WEST BAY CONNECTOR AROUND THE AIRPORT. ONE OF THE THINGS THEY DID EARLY ON WAS TO ADDRESS THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE AIRPORT IN SUCH A WAY IT WOULD MINIMIZE IMPACTS OF ALL THE SURROUNDING LAND USES; THAT IS STILL THEIR GOAL. THEIR GOAL IS TO MINIMIZE ANY KIND OF INTRUSION IN NEIGHBORHOODS OR PUBLIC ACTIONS THAT WOULD INTRUDE ON THE OPERATION OF THE AIRPORT.

AT THIS POINT, PBS&J HAS PRODUCED A DRAFT OF A POSSIBLE INTERAGENCY COORDINATION AGREEMENT THAT WOULD MAKE STATEMENTS TO SAY AFFIRMATIVELY THAT WASHINGTON COUNTY, THE TOWN OF EBRO, AND OTHER COMMUNITIES SURROUNDING THE AIRPORT WOULD AGREE TO ALLOW THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY A REVIEW OF PARTICULAR TYPES OF APPLICATIONS THAT WOULD COME BEFORE THEM. FOR EXAMPLE, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS THAT MIGHT HAVE HIGHER BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES, SUCH AS RADIO TOWERS, CELL TOWERS, TALL STRUCTURES AND OTHER TYPES OF APPLICATIONS THAT WOULD BE BIRD ATTRACTIONS. THOSE WOULD BE LANDFILLS, WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS, WASTE FACILITY TRANSFER STATIONS, SLUDGE DISPOSAL SITES AND MANMADE AND FOR A PURPOSE STORM WATER FACILITIES AND MARSHES. THOSE KIND OF ACTIVITIES THAT ATTRACT BIRDS ARE THINGS THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A COURTESY REVIEW BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSION MAKES A DECISION ON A COMP PLAN AMENDMENT OR ZONING APPLICATION. IN NO WAY IS THIS GOING TO BE MANDATORY ON WASHINGTON COUNTY TO DO THAT. HE THOUGHT, IN WASHINGTON COUNTY'S CASE, THE COMMISSION WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SURE THE AIRPORT FUNCTIONS WELL IN PARTICULAR BECAUSE IT IS GOING TO BE AN ECONOMIC ENGINE FOR SOUTHERN WASHINGTON COUNTY. ONE OF THE THINGS HE PROVIDED TO LYNDA WALLER IS EXAMPLES OF WHAT BAY COUNTY ADOPTED IN THEIR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN TERMS OF POLICY AND WHAT BAY COUNTY ADOPTED IN ITS LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS IN TERMS OF STANDARDS FOR AN OVERLAY DISTRICT THAT IS CALLED AN AIR INSTALLATION COMPATIBILITY USE ZONE. THEY WERE PROVIDED SIMPLY AS MODELS THE COUNTY COULD ADOPT AT SOME POINT IN THE FUTURE. HE ADDRESSED, AT AN INTERIM POINT, THE INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT HE HAD PROVIDED COULD BE USED IN LIEU OF THOSE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN POLICIES FOR LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS SO THAT IN THE INTERIM BEFORE THE BOARD ADOPTS ANYTHING THEY COULD ALLOW THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO REVIEW THE APPLICATIONS.

MR. HAIGHT ADDRESSED THIS BEING A STARTING POINT; THEY HAVE A YEAR BEFORE THE FIRST AIRCRAFT LANDS OR TAKES OFF AND THOUGHT IT WAS SUFFICIENT TIME TO INTRODUCE THE IDEA AND HAVE MORE DISCUSSIONS. HE PROVIDED MODELS THE BOARD MIGHT ADOPT AND SAID HE HAD ALREADY SPOKEN TO LYNDA WALLER ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDING THIS ISSUE TO THE COUNTY'S EAR BASED AMENDMENTS OR FUTURE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS. HE SAID HE WAS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS OR PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

JOHN FOSTER QUESTIONED IF FAA DOESN'T NOW REQUIRE FOR HOLDING PONDS TO BE DRIED UP HOLDING PONDS.

MR. HAIGHT SAID THE DESIGN OF THE AIRPORT ITSELF DOESN'T HAVE WET POTENTIAL FACILITIES; IT IS INTENDED FOR THOSE FACILITIES TO DRY WITHIN 48 HOURS AND THAT THEY NOT BE LOCATED ON THE AIRPORT SITE OR WITHIN 10,000 FEET OF THE AIRPORT PERIMETER AND THE DESIGNS FOR STORMWATER FOR THAT FACILITY WERE ACCOMPLISHED TO DO THAT.

MR. HAIGHT ADDED THE WHOLE ISSUE OF ATTRACTING BIRDS IS REALLY IMPORTANT TODAY AND EVEN THE TYPES OF GRASSES AND OTHER VEGETATIONS THAT ARE PLANTED ON THE AIRPORT SITE IS INTENDED SO PARTICULAR TYPES OF SEEDS THAT ATTRACT BIRDS ARE NOT USED.

JAMES WHITE, BOYINGTON CUTOFF, VERNON, FLORIDA ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING SEVERAL ISSUES CONCERNING THE INTERCOORDINATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AIRPORT BOARD AND THE ZONING BOARD. THERE ARE SEVERAL THINGS THAT SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO LIGHT AS TO WHAT THIS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT IS GOING TO AFFECT. HE SAID IT WAS GOING TO AFFECT TEN MILES FROM THE CENTER OF THE AIRPORT, 20 MILES ACROSS THE DIAMETER OF THAT CROSSLINE CIRCLE. HIS PROPERTY FALLS ABOUT 5,000' OUTSIDE OF THE TEN MILE INTERIM RIGHT IN THE CENTER OF THE 10,000' RUNWAY.

MR. WHITE POINTED OUT THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE COUNTY THEY ARE GOING TO FORFEIT CONTROL OVER BY ALLOWING THIS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY AND THE BAY COUNTY COMMISSION IS GOING TO SET UP AN ADVISORY BOARD FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY AND ARE GOING TO HAVE CONTROL OF A LOT OF AREA ALL THE WAY OVER TO THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE RIVER, TO WEST BAY, TO HIGHWAY 77 AND ALMOST TO HOLMES VALLEY ROAD. HE REFERRED TO THEM NOT WANTING ANYBODY FEEDING MIGRATORY GAME IN THAT RADIUS. THEY DON'T NECESSARILY SAY THEY DON'T WANT YOU TO DO IT; BUT, THEY WANT YOU TO ADHERE NOT TO DO IT.

ANOTHER THING HE POINTED OUT WAS IT TOOK ST. JOE TWENTY YEARS TO GET THIS AIRPORT BUILT; IT TOOK TWENTY YEARS TO GET ST. JOE ARVIDA TO GET THE TAXPAYERS OF FLORIDA TO BUILD THIS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. ST. JOE GAVE 4,000 ACRES OF LAND TO BUILD IT; ON TODAY'S MARKET, IT WOULD BE WORTH ABOUT \$2,000 AN ACRE. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT BASICALLY \$8,000,000 WORTH OF PROPERTY WITH A \$300 MILLION AIRPORT ON IT. MR. WHITE SAID IT SEEMED TO HIM THE COUNTY COULD HAVE BOUGHT THE \$8,000,000 PIECE OF PROPERTY IF THE TAXPAYERS WOULD HAVE WANTED THE AIRPORT; BUT, BASICALLY EVERYBODY HAS VOTED AGAINST IT SINCE DAY ONE, ETC. IRREGARDLESS OF WHAT THE TAXPAYERS WANTED TO DO AND HOW MUCH THEY WANTED TO SPEND ON IT, THE AIRPORT IS BUILT. WHETHER IT COMES THROUGH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY, IT COMES FROM THE TAXPAYERS. IN TWENTY YEARS IT TOOK ST. JOE ARVIDA TO GET THE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT BUILT, ALL HE WOULD LIKE FOR THEM TO DO IS COME CLEAN ABOUT THE AIRPORT AND WHAT IT IS THERE FOR. IT IS NOT ABOUT MOVING PEOPLE; YOU CAN MOVE THE PEOPLE OUT OF THE PANAMA CITY AIRPORT WITH A CROP DUSTER. IT IS ABOUT MOVING COMMERCE. HE SAID A LOT BIGGER PICTURE IS COMING INTO PLAY; IF THE BOARD WILL LOOK AT THE BIG RADIUS THAT CONSUMES THE KNIGHT PROPERTY, JUMPS OVER TO THE RIVER, GOES ALL THE WAY OUT TO THE INTERCOASTAL CANAL FROM THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE BAY TO THE LYNN HAVEN BAY. HE ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY UNDERSTAND SOUTH WALTON COUNTY WANTS TO SUCCEED FROM WALTON COUNTY; THEY GOT BIKE PATHS PAVED IN SOUTH WALTON COUNTY AND FOLKS IN NORTHERN WALTON COUNTY CAN'T EVEN GET THEIR ROADS GRADED. HE ASKED WHAT IS WRONG WITH THAT PICTURE.

MR. WHITE SAID HE HAD ASKED THE QUESTION ON THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ON THE ADMINISTRATION BOARD FOR THE AIRPORT IT WAS GOING TO CONSUME ALL THE KNIGHT SECTOR PROPERTY BASICALLY AND ALL THE RIVER BASINS; EVERYTHING

IS CONSUMED WITH THE FLIGHT PATHS. IF THIS INFORMATION WOULD HAVE COME OUT WHEN THEY FIRST STARTED THIS AIRPORT, THERE WOULD BE SOME BIG CHANGES AND A LOT MORE CONTROVERSY. THERE WOULD BE PEOPLE FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY IN BAY COUNTY RAISING CANE ABOUT THIS AIRPORT. HE REITERATED THEY ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT MOVING PEOPLE; THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT MOVING COMMERCE. HE REFERRED TO NOT BEING ABOUT TO GET IN AND OUT OF THE ATLANTA AIRPORT BECAUSE THERE IS FIVE COMMERCE CARRIERS IN FRONT OF A COMMON CARRIER; FED EX, UPS, ETC. THEY ARE WANTING TO CREATE AN INTERNATIONAL TRADE ZONE DOWN HERE AND BY DOING THAT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL PORT THEY HAVE INVOLVED WITH THAT AND NOW THEY HAVE MAJOR FOUR LANES GOING AND WE ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT AND WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN. HE STARTED READING ABOUT ARVIDA TWENTY YEARS AGO ABOUT THIS AIRPORT; HE CAME TO BAY COUNTY IN 1993 AND HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY SINCE 1993. HE CAME FROM THAT WORLD TO WASHINGTON COUNTY BECAUSE HE SEEN WHAT WAS HAPPENING AND DIDN'T LIKE IT; HE WANTED TO COME TO WASHINGTON COUNTY AND CREATE A BETTER ENVIRONMENT. WHEN THE PLANES COME OVER EBRO, THEY WILL BE ABOUT 600' OFF THE GROUND. HE QUESTIONED WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN WHEN THESE PLANES FLY OVER AND PEOPLE ARE FISHING ON PINE LOG CREEK; THE PLANES ARE GOING TO BE 1400' OVER HIS ECOFRIENDLY CAMPGROUND ON THE RIVERBANK. HE HAS A \$2 MILLON PIECE OF PROPERTY HE IS GOING TO SIT THERE AND LOOK AT THE RIFT OF THESE 767'S COMING IN EVERY NIGHT; ALL DAY AND ALL NIGHT. WHO KNOWS WHAT KIND OF DEAL ST. JOE ARVIDA HAS CUT WITH ATLANTA TO ALLEVIATE THEIR HUB; ATLANTA CAN'T EXPAND ANYMORE AS THEY HAVE ALREADY BUILT RUNWAYS OVER THE TOP OF THEIR FREEWAYS WHEN THEY COULDN'T BUILD IT OUT INTO THE BAY. BUT, THEY CAN BUILD THE HATHAWAY BRIDGE THREE TIMES OVER; BUT, THEY COULDN'T EXTEND THAT RUNWAY ANOTHER 2,000' TO 3,000'. BUT, YET, THEY CAN COME OVER HERE AND DO THIS.

MR. WHITE REITERATED BEFORE THE BOARD SIGNS THIS AGREEMENT, THEY ARE GOING TO RELINQUISH A LOT OF POWER FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY. THERE IS GOING TO BE NO ONE FROM WASHINGTON COUNTY FOLKS THAT IS GOING TO BE ON THE AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION BOARD; BUT, THEY ARE GOING TO TAKE CONTROL OF A LOT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY'S PROPERTY. HE REFERRED TO THE 100 ACRES THAT WAS ANNEXED OVER INTO THE WEST BAY SECTOR THAT WAS WASHINGTON COUNTY'S PROPERTY; HE IS AFRAID THAT IS GOING TO COME BACK AND BITE SOMEBODY WHERE IT WON'T FEEL GOOD. WHAT THE COUNTY HAS DONE IS OPENED THE DOOR; IF THEY CAN ANNEX 100 ACRES INTO THE WEST BAY SECTOR, WHY NOT 100,000 ACRES. HE REQUESTED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SPEND A LOT OF TIME ON THIS AND QUESTIONED WHY AREN'T WE ABLE TO PUT ONE OF OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OR SOMEONE REPRESENT- ING WASHINGTON COUNTY ON THE AIRPORT ADMINISTRATION BOARD IF THEY ARE BEING ASKED TO SIGN AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. HE STATED HE HAD BEEN TOLD THE COUNTY IS NOT GOING TO HAVE ANYONE ON THE ADMINISTRATION BOARD.

MR. WHITE TOLD THE COUNTY COMMISSION THEY NEEDED TO READ THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT; TWENTY YEARS IS A LONG TIME TO BE IN AN INTER- LOCAL AGREEMENT. WASHINGTON COUNTY IS 14,000 VOTING PEOPLE AND 25,000 POPULATION MORE OR LESS. THE AIRPORT BOARD IS GOING TO TAKE CONTROL OF A LOT AND ASKED THE COMMISSION TO READ THE AGREEMENT VERY CLOSELY. HE REFERRED TO THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY/BAY COUNTY COMMISSION HAVING THE RIGHT NOT TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT; BUT, YET THEY CAN EXTEND IT FOR FIVE YEARS. THEY HAVE EVERY OPTION TO DUMP THIS ON WASHINGTON COUNTY AFTER TWENTY YEARS AND THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO PICK UP THE TAB BECAUSE IT IS IN OUR COUNTY.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL STATED THE COMMISSION IS NOT HERE TO APPROVE ANYTHING TONIGHT; THIS IS JUST AN INTRODUCTION TO THE AIRPORT. LYNDA

WALLER, PLANNING OFFICER, HAS REVIEWED THIS ALREADY AND HE DOESN'T THINK THERE IS ANYTHING THAT SAYS WASHINGTON COUNTY HAS TO SIGN THIS AGREEMENT AND ASKED LYNDA IF THERE WAS; SHE STATED "NO." HOWELL ADDRESSED ATTORNEY HOLLEY WOULD BE REVIEWING THIS AGREEMENT AS WELL AND THE COMMISSIONERS WILL BE TAKING A LONG HARD LOOK AT IT BEFORE THEY SIGN ON THE DOTTED LINE.

MR. HAIGHT READDRESSSED THE BOARD STATING HE UNDERSTANDS MR. WHITE'S CONCERN. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WAS DETERMINED MANY YEARS AGO WAS THE LOCATION OF THE AIRPORT; TEN YEARS AGO FAA APPROVED THE LOCATION OF THE AIRPORT. HE CAN TELL THE COMMISSION FROM BEING INVOLVED WITH THE STUDY THE AIRPORT WAS LOCATED IN THE LEAST IMPACTED PLACE THAT WAS POSSIBLE. PART OF THE REASON FOR THIS LOCATION IS BECAUSE OF THE AIR OPERATIONS OF MILITARY AIRCRAFT. THE AIRPORT LOCATION WAS DETERMINED ON THE BASIS OF MIMIMIZING THE IMPACT OF ALL SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES AND TO THE FLIGHT OPERATIONS OF MILITARY AIRCRAFT AND THE VARIOUS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AROUND THE REGION. THERE IS EVERY REASON TO PROTECT THE OPERATIONS OF THIS AIRPORT SO IT IS A VERY SUCCESSFUL FACILITY. IT WILL BENEFIT WASHINGTON COUNTY, WALTON COUNTY, BAY COUNTY AND THE PANAMA CITY REGION. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THE FEAR CITIZENS HAVE OF WHAT THEY WOULD BE GIVING UP, IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THE ATTORNEY AND THE ATTORNEY FOR THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO HAVE A DEBATE AND HAVE A DISCUSSION ABOUT WHAT WOULD BE IN THE AGREEMENT. IT IS ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS GO THROUGH THE SAME PROCESS ANY OTHER AMENDMENTS DO AND THERE BE OPPORTUNITES FOR CITIZENS TO SPEAK UP ABOUT THOSE THINGS AT THAT TIME. THE MATERIALS FORWARDED TO THE COMMISSION WERE DRAFT AND ARE FOR OPENING DISCUSSION; NOT FOR CLOSING OF DISCUSSION. THEY ARE FOR EXPANDING DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW TO PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THE EXPANDING OF THE AIRPORT.

MR. HAIGHT ADDRESSED MR. WHITE'S CONCERN ABOUT NOT HAVING ANY WASHINGTON COUNTY REPRESENTATION ON THE AIRPORT BOARD OR AUTHORITY THAT WOULD BE CREATED. THERE WAS NO SUGGESTION THAT A NEW BOARD BE CREATED; THERE IS ALREADY AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY THAT OPERATES IN BAY COUNTY AND ITS MEMBERS ARE APPOINTED BY BAY COUNTY. THAT HAS BEEN FAIRLY DEBATED AND THEY ARE SERVING IN THE INTEREST OF THE AIRPORT. THEIR INTERESTS ARE COUNTY WIDE; FROM COUNTY LIMITS ON THE EAST TO THE WEST OR THE NORTH TO THE SOUTH. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THEY ARE ASKING FOR COOPERATION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS TO HELP THEM OPERATE THE AIRPORT. HE FELT THEY OUGHT TO OFFER TO MEET WITH ANY CITIZENS THAT HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THIS AND HAVE FURTHER DISCUSSION. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND HAVE DISCUSSION. HE ADDRESSED MIKE DUNCAN, THE AIRPORT AUTHORITY ATTORNEY, IS AVAILABLE FOR DISCUSSION ALSO. HE REFERRED TO THIS SAME PRESENTATION HAVING BEEN MADE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION, THE TOWN OF EBRO, THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH AND ARE ON THE AGENDA WITH WALTON COUNTY NEXT MONTH TO INTRODUCE THESE SAME IDEAS.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE AIRPORT; THERE WAS NO RESPONSE.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER'S REPORT:

1. HIGHWAY 279-TURN LANE PERMITS ON COUNTY ROAD 279 AT THE HIGHWAY 77 INTERSECTION ARE IN HAND. HE PLANS TO BRING A PROPOSED CHANGE ORDER FROM C. W. ROBERTS CONTRACTING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE TURN LANE AT THEIR NEXT BOARD MEETING. THERE IS CLOSE TO \$500,000 IN REMAINING GRANT FUNDS FOR THE HIGHWAY 279 PROJECT.

2. INDUSTRIAL PARK ACCESS ROAD-THE WATER DISTRIBUTION PERMITS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FOR THIS PROJECT FROM FL-DEP. THEY ARE EXPECTING THE WASTE WATER PERMITS NEXT WEEK FOR THE SEWER LINE EXTENSIONS AND HOPEFULLY WITHIN TWO TO THREE WEEKS THEY WILL BE ABLE TO GET THE DREDGE AND FILL PERMITS.

3. DRAINAGE ON FIFTH STREET AND OLD BONIFAY ROAD-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON PREBLE-RISH HAVING DONE SURVEY WORK ON FIFTH STREET AND PUT TOGETHER A REPORT THAT BASICALLY SHOWS WHAT THE 25 TO 100 YEAR FLOWS ARE THAT COME FROM THAT DRAINAGE BASIN. THEY FIGURED OUT THE WATER CAN'T BE ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED BY PIPING; THEY ARE PROPOSING, AS AN ALTERNATE, A WET DETENTION POND. THIS WOULD BE A GOOD PROJECT TO LOOK FOR FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES SUCH AS FL-DEP STIMULUS MONEY FOR STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS. THE ESTIMATED COST TO DO THE WET DETENTION POND IS AROUND \$400,000, CATCH BASINS, ETC. THE BASIN FOR THE WATER SHED IS A VERY LARGE PORTION OF THE CITY; THAT DRAINAGE AREA HAS BEEN A PROBLEM FOR YEARS. THEY WANTED TO TRY AND ADDRESS IT WITH THEIR SCRAP PROJECT THAT IS UNDERWAY NOW; BUT, THERE IS JUST NO WAY TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. FL-DEP HAS RECENTLY GOTTEN STIMULUS MONEY FOR STORMWATER PROJECTS AND HE REQUESTED THEY ARRANGE FOR SOME OF THE DEP PERSONS TO COME AND LOOK AT THIS ISSUE TO SEE IF THEY COULD GET SOME FUNDING TO ADDRESS IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL INFORMED CLIFF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY HAD TOLD HIM THEY WERE LOOKING AT THE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING SOME OF THE STIMULUS MONEY TO TRY TO DO THIS PROJECT. HE QUESTIONED IF CLIFF HAD TALKED WITH ANYONE FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY.

CLIFF REPORTED HE HAD MET WITH DAN MINER AND JIM MORRIS ABOUT A MONTH AND A HALF AGO ON THIS PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER PATE THOUGHT SEVERAL YEARS AGO THE CITY HAD WENT IN THERE, PUT PIPES IN THERE AND FILLED UP A LARGE DITCH DOWN THERE; THAT STARTED A LOT OF THE PROBLEMS WITH THE ROAD. WHEN THE COUNTY WAS LOOKING AT THE FIRST DROP INLET ON FIFTH STREET, THE WATER HAS GOT TO RUN UPHILL ABOUT 3' BEFORE YOU GET TO IT.

CLIFF SAID IT DOESN'T ACTUALLY RUN UP HILL; IT ACTUALLY RUNS DOWN HILL. BUT, THERE IS VERY LITTLE DROP IN THE FIRST 600' OF THE PIPE AND THAT IS REALLY ONE OF THE PROBLEMS; YOU CAN'T GET MUCH WATER TO RUN THROUGH THERE WITH THAT KIND OF SLOPE. THIS WILL CONTINUE TO BE AN ISSUE UNTIL SOMETHING IS DONE AT THAT INTERSECTION. THERE WAS NO ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD ON THE DRAINAGE ISSUE ON FIFTH STREET AND OLD BONIFAY ROAD.

4. BIDS ON BAHOMA ROAD, BONNETT POND ROAD AND RIVER ROAD-CLIFF REPORTED BAHOMA ROAD AND BONNETT POND ROAD ARE BOTH SMALL COUNTY INCENTIVE GRANT PROJECTS FUNDED THROUGH FL-DOT. THERE IS \$225,737 OF GRANT MONEY ON BAHOMA ROAD. THE LOW BIDDER ON THE ROAD WAS C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$163,200; THIS LEAVES ABOUT \$62,500 FOR THE REST OF THE ITEMS FOR THE PROJECT.

BONNETT POND ROAD WAS FUNDED AT \$352,243; THE PAVING CONTRACT IS \$233,700 WHICH LEAVES ABOUT \$118,547 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE OTHER ITEMS ON THE PROJECT.

RIVER ROAD, WHICH IS A FLORIDA FOREVER PROJECT, WAS A GRANT FOR \$450,000; THE PAVING COST IS \$264,225. THIS LEAVES A BALANCE OF \$185,775 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE PROJECT.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THERE HAD BEEN A LOT OF DISCUSSION AT BOARD MEETINGS ON WHAT THE PAVING COST WOULD BE; HE THOUGHT HE REPORTED TO THE BOARD IT WOULD COST APPROXIMATELY \$300,000 TO DO THE BONNETT POND PAVING AND

\$300,000 TO DO THE RIVER ROAD PAVING. HE WAS OVER ON HIS ESTIMATE BY \$40,000 ON RIVER ROAD AND ABOUT \$70,000 ON BONNETT POND ROAD.

CLIFF REPORTED ON THE BIDS RECEIVED:

1. JONES CONSTRUCTION-\$866,397.55
2. TRIANGLE CONSTRUCTION-\$802,960.50
3. C. W. ROBERTS-\$681,125
4. APAC SE-\$737,664.60
5. ANDERSON COLUMBIA-\$689,406.50
6. GAC CONTRACTORS-\$694,776.90

CLIFF RECOMMENDED THE BOARD AWARD THE CONTRACT TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$681,125 FOR THE RIVER ROAD, BAHOMA ROAD AND BONNETT POND ROAD PROJECTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND FOR DISCUSSION TO APPROVE OF CLIFF'S RECOMMENDATION AND AWARD THE RIVER ROAD, BONNETT POND ROAD AND BAHOMA ROAD PROJECTS TO C. W. ROBERTS FOR \$681,125.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING DISCUSSED PREVIOUSLY TO GET THE BIDS FOR THE PAVING AND SEE WHAT THE REST OF THE PROJECT IS GOING TO COST. HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A BUDGET ON EACH PROJECT TO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THE REST OF THE PROJECT IS GOING TO COST BEFORE APPROVING THESE BIDS.

CLIFF REPORTED THE ONLY OTHER ITEM THEY KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THE COST IS ON IS THE SIDE DRAINS AND CROSS DRAINS; THEY HAVE QUOTES ON EACH PROJECT INDIVIDUALLY FOR THIS COST. THE BIG ISSUE IS THE SOD FOR EACH PROJECT; THE MAJORITY OF THE OTHER COST WOULD BE INHOUSE ITEMS LIKE THE BASE, ETC. HE IS NOT SURE HOW THEY WOULD GO ABOUT BREAKING SOME OF THIS DOWN; BUT, HE CAN GET THE SOD ESTIMATES TOGETHER AND TRY AND DO A DETAIL BREAKDOWN ON EACH PROJECT AND PRESENT IT TO THE BOARD AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.

WHEN QUESTIONED ON THE TIME FRAME TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM C. W. ROBERTS, CLIFF ADVISED UNDER INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS, THERE WAS A THIRTY DAY WINDOW THE CONTRACTOR WOULD HOLD THEIR BID FOR.

COMMISSIONER PATE WITHDREW HIS MOTION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK, FOR CLARIFICATION, ADDRESSED HIS UNDERSTANDING THAT RIVER ROAD AND BONNETT POND ROAD WAS IDENTICAL AS FAR AS THE DISTANCE OF THREE MILES; HOWEVER, HE IS SEEING 16,400 AND 14,000. THAT IS ALMOST A HALF MILE UNDER, WHICH IS \$30,000 DIFFERENCE IN THE TWO ROADS AS FAR AS ASPHALT.

CLIFF REPORTED BONNETT POND WAS AROUND 2.6 OR 2.7 MILES TO THE INTERSECTION WITH ROCHE ROAD FROM MUDHILL ROAD. HE AGREED TO BRING A REPORT TO THE BOARD AT THEIR NEXT WORKSHOP WITH EVERYTHING BROKEN DOWN THE BEST HE CAN.

5. SPRING FLOODS UPDATE-CLIFF REPORTED THAT FEMA HAD BEEN WORKING WITH DALLAS AND ROBERT AT PUBLIC WORKS; HE HAS BEEN RIDING WITH THEM AS MUCH AS HE CAN LOOKING AT THE LARGER PROJECTS. HE UNDERSTANDS FEMA PLANS ON BEING IN THE COUNTY UNTIL THE END OF JULY. IT WILL BE A WHILE BEFORE ALL THE PROJECTS ARE FULLY DEVELOPED.

6. ST. MARYS BRIDGE-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON A PROPOSAL FROM MAGNUM ENGINEERING FOR DRILLING ON ST. MARY'S BRIDGE. HE DISCUSSED THIS WITH FEMA; FEMA HAS INDICATED IT WOULD BE A REIMBURSABLE COST FROM FEMA FOR THE GEOTECHNICAL. HE REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION FOR MAGNUM TO GO AHEAD AND GET IT DRILLED SO THEY CAN FIGURE OUT WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO GET THE ROAD OPENED BACK UP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM MAGNUM ENGINEERING FOR DRILLING ON ST. MARY'S BRIDGE.

7. RIVER ROAD UPDATE-CLIFF REPORTED THE FIRST MILE OF POWER POLES ARE ALMOST FINISHED; THEY WILL BE STRINGING LINES AND HOPEFULLY REMOVING PHONE LINES BEFORE LONG. THE ROAD AND BRIDGE COUNTY CREWS ARE DOING A GREAT JOB ON THE PROJECT; IT IS COMING ALONG VERY WELL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WERE ISSUES WITH THE TELEPHONE COMPANY ON THE PROJECT AND ARE THEY WORKING ON THIS. CLIFF SAID THEY HAD SUBMITTED PLANS ABOUT THIRTEEN MONTHS AGO; WHEN THEY STARTED CONSTRUCTION, ESSENTIALLY EVERYBODY, INCLUDING THE PHONE COMPANY, WAS TOLD THEIR PHONE LINES WERE 30" DEEP AND THEY ARE NOT. THERE WERE TWO AREAS THEY ARE GOING TO TRY TO PUT THEIR PHONE LINES A LITTLE DEEPER SO THE COUNTY DOESN'T RIP IT OUT LIKE THEY HAVE BEEN. THERE WAS A LOT OF DISCUSSION ABOUT, WHO WITH THE PHONE COMPANY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS COST AS THERE IS A CONSTRUCTION DIVISION AND ENGINEERING DIVISION. THESE TWO DIVISIONS ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO TRY AND FIGURE OUT THOSE TYPE OF ISSUES AND THEY ARE LOWERING THE LINES IN TWO PLACES WHERE THE COUNTY KNOWS THEY WILL BE CUTTING DOWN INTO THEIR LINE. THE PHONE COMPANY'S PLAN IS TO GO OVERHEAD ON THE NEW POLES WHEN THE NEW POLES ARE DONE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THERE WOULD BE AREAS THAT WOULD BE UNDER THE PAVEMENT WHEN THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED. CLIFF SAID THERE ARE ONLY TWO PHONE LINES ON THE ROAD; BOTH ARE GOING OVERHEAD WHEN THE POWER POLES ARE DONE. THE ONLY PLACE THERE WILL BE ANYTHING UNDER PAVEMENT IS ON SOME OF THE DROPS THAT COME ACROSS AT PEDESTALS; BUT, THE PHONE COMPANIES ARE ALSO TALKING ABOUT SETTING POLES ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE ROAD RUNNING OVERHEAD AND COMING DOWN WITH THE DROPS. CLIFF SAID HIS GOAL IS TO KEEP ANY LINES FROM BEING UNDER THE ROAD WHEN THE PROJECT IS COMPLETED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF CLIFF KNEW IF THOSE FOLKS ARE THERE ON EASEMENTS OR HOW ARE THEY THERE; IN MOST PLACES, THEY ARE THERE BY PERMIT OR EASEMENTS. CLIFF SAID HE WOULD GUESS THE POWER COMPANY USUALLY HAS THEIR OWN EASEMENT; HE DOESN'T THINK A PHONE LINE HAS ANY EASEMENT OF ANY SORT THAT HE IS AWARE OF.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE COUNTY NEEDS TO ADDRESS UTILITIES ON COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAYS; SOME KIND OF STANDARD TO WHERE THERE IS PERMITTING TO BE DONE WHEN THE TELEPHONE COMPANY COMES TO CUT UNDERGROUND. BY PERMITTING, THE COUNTY WOULD KNOW WHO DID THE WORK, WHEN THEY DID IT SO IF THEY DID SOMETHING WRONG, THEY WOULD KNOW WHO DID IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THE GRADERS AND BACKHOES GETTING INTO UTILITY LINES THAT ARE UNDERGROUND; BUT, THEY ARE CLOSE TO THE TOP OF THE ROAD RATHER THAN THE DEPTH THEY ARE REQUIRED TO BE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF THE COUNTY ISSUES A PERMIT FOR THE UTILITY COMPANIES TO DO SOMETHING, THEY WOULD BE OUT THERE WATCHING THE UTILITY COMPANY'S SEEING WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND HOW THEY ARE DOING IT.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON MR. HIGHNOTE, ONE OF THE ENGINEERS WITH BELL SOUTH, IS WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AND HE UNDERSTANDS BELL SOUTH IS GOING TO DO WHATEVER THEY CAN TO HELP THE COUNTY CONTINUE WITH THEIR EFFORTS.

8. OLD BONIFAY ROAD-CLIFF INFORMED THE BOARD THE NOTICE TO PROCEED HAS BEEN ISSUED ON THE OLD BONIFAY ROAD PROJECT; ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAS SOME COPIES FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN TONIGHT. THEY WILL GET THESE SENT OUT AND GET SOME WORK STARTED ON THE PROJECT.

9. NEW EOC- CLIFF REPORTED THE FOUNDATION PERMITS WERE ALL ISSUED; THE CONTRACTOR IS ON SITE WORKING AND THEY HAVE QUITE A FEW PEOPLE OUT THERE TODAY AND HAD A PRETTY GOOD CREW YESTERDAY. IT IS GOING TO BE SOME TIME BEFORE THEY ARE READY TO POUR; BUT, HE HAS EXPLAINED TO THEM THE URGENCY OF GETTING THE FOUNDATION POURED DUE TO THE FUNDING SITUATION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED THEY NEEDED TO GET THE FOUNDATION POURED AS QUICKLY AS THEY CAN AND ASKED ROGER WHEN THEY NEEDED TO HAVE THE FOUNDATION POURED.

ROGER EXPLAINED THEY ARE PROBABLY BEHIND NOW; BUT, HE TALKED TO DANNY KILCOLLINS LAST WEEK AND THERE IS A RED FLAG ON THE NEW EOC UNTIL THE CONCRETE IS POURED; UNTIL THE CONCRETE IS POURED, FEMA LOOKS AT IT AS THEY HAVEN'T STARTED ON THE PROJECT.

CLIFF SAID HIS GUESS WAS THEY WERE AT LEAST TWO WEEKS AWAY FROM POURING CONCRETE FOR THE NEW EOC.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ASKED CLIFF IF HE HAD LOOKED AT THE INVOICE PACKAGE FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY. CLIFF SAID HE DID LOOK AT THE PACKAGE FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY; BUT, IT IS NOT A COMPLETE PACKAGE AS THERE ARE SOME ITEMS MISSING.

RAYMOND MORAN, SUNNY HILLS RESIDENT FOR NINE YEARS, REFERRED TO THE POWER POINT PRESENTATION PUT ON BY THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT, KAREN SCHOEN, AT THE WORKSHOP ON CERTAIN THINGS THAT WERE GOING TO BE DONE IN THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY. HE WANTED TO REVOLT MOST OF THE THINGS SHE HAD SAID:

1. HE FEELS THE AIRPORT WILL HAVE VERY LITTLE AFFECT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUNNY HILLS SINCE THEY ARE OVER TWENTY MILES FROM THE AIRPORT SITE. HE IS SURE IT WILL HAVE A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE EMPLOYMENT IN BAY COUNTY.

2. KAREN HAD STATED THERE WERE 6000 LOTS THAT WERE GOING TO BE DEVELOPED; YET, THE COMPANY THAT IS TO DO THE WORK CAN'T SEEM TO FIND THE PROPER FINANCING TO ACCOMPLISH THIS TASK. LETS NOT USE THE TAXPAYERS MONEY TO SUPPLEMENT THEM ON PAVING AND PUTTING IN DRAINAGE.

3. THE SUNNY HILLS CIVIC ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT SEEMS TO HAVE A LARGE APPETITE FOR VERY LARGE PROJECTS THAT WILL FORCE THE TAXPAYERS A LOT OF PUBLIC DEBT. MOST OF THE BIG IDEAS COME OFF THE INTERNET; SHE ALSO GETS A LOT OF PROPOSALS FROM A CORRUPT FIRE OFFICIAL WHO HAS NOTHING TO DO BUT COME UP WITH NEW WAYS TO SCAM THE PEOPLE OF SUNNY HILLS. THE LAST TWO YEARS THE MSBU WAS ON THE ROAD TO FINANCIAL SECURITY; NOW, THAT HAS CHANGED AND THAT IS BECAUSE OF YOU MR. HOWELL. HOWELL HAS CHOSEN TO USE THE FUNDING FOR PROJECTS THAT YOU ALL SEEM TO BE INTERESTED IN AND YOU SEE THAT THIS HAS GONE FOR LOTS OF THINGS OF MANY MSBU TAXPAYERS.

4. MR. HOWELL WHEN YOU TAKE THE WORKCREW MSBU IS PAYING FOR AND USE THEM ELSEWHERE, THIS IS A DEBT FOR SERVICE. IF MSBU IS BEING CHARGED FOR A WORKCREW, MANY OF THE ITEMS LIKE DRAINAGE PIPE, ETC. MSBU SHOULD BE ENTITLED TO A FAIR ACCOUNTING OF HOW AND WHERE THEIR TAX DOLLARS ARE SPENT.

5. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO STOP SUPPORTING AN UNQUALIFIED FIRECHIEF AND OVER THE HILL UNTRAINED FIRE CREW. AT THIS TIME THERE IS NO ONE CAPABLE OF FIGHTING A HOUSE FIRE OR EVEN A SIMPLE CAR FIRE. THE COMMUNITY'S SAFETY IS NOW AT RISK BECAUSE OF THE BOCC'S FAILURE TO REMOVE THIS CORRUPT FIRE OFFICIAL. YOU WENT TO THAT MEETING AND THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL TOLD YOU HE WAS UNQUALIFIED AND THAT HE HAD NO BUSINESS EVEN DRIVING A FIRETRUCK. THIS IS GOING ON CONTINUOUSLY. HE ASKED COMMISSIONER HOWELL IF HE WANTED TO RESPOND TO THIS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD MR. MORAN THE SUNNY HILLS FIRECHIEF IS NOT THE ONLY ONE THAT IS NOT QUALIFIED IN THE COUNTY. AS FAR AS THE STATEMENTS MR. MORAN IS MAKING ABOUT THE FIRECHIEF TONIGHT, HE WOULDN'T BE MAKING THOSE IN PUBLIC IF HE WERE MR. MORAN.

MR. MORAN SAID HE WOULD BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON; CASHING CHECKS, DOING THINGS, TAKING OUT MOST OF THE MONEY AND PUTTING IT IN HIS POCKET. THE FUND RAISER THAT MR. HOWELL WENT TO; THAT MONEY WASN'T PUT INTO THE BANK AND ASKED MR. HOWELL IF HE KNEW THIS.

MR. HOWELL SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW AND ASKED MR. MORAN HOW HE KNEW IT WOULDN'T PUT IN THE BANK. SOMEONE IN THE AUDIENCE SAID THEY HAVE THEIR WAYS WITH HOWELL SAYING HE WAS SURE.

AL GOTHARD ADDRESSED THE BOARD ABOUT THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY NIGHT. THE FIRE MARSHAL, TO HIM AND PRETTY MUCH TO EVERYBODY THAT WAS THERE, CLARIFIED WHERE WE STAND AND WHAT HAS TO BE DONE. HE QUESTIONED THE COMMISSIONERS IF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRECHIEF WAS A FIRECHIEF OR A FIRE ADMINISTRATOR AND HOW DO THEY LOOK AT THAT. IS HE GOING TO BE A FIRECHIEF OR A FIRE ADMINISTRATOR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADVISED THE FIRECHIEF IN SUNNY HILLS IS STEFFAN WALKER. WHEN QUESTIONED BY GOTHARD IF GLEN WAS NOW THE FIRE ADMINISTRATOR, HOWELL SAID HE WAS NOT SURE WHAT GLEN'S TITLE IS. HOWEVER, THEY ARE NOT HERE TO DISCUSS THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT. GOTHARD QUESTIONED WHY NOT. HOWELL SAID THEY WERE NOT GOING TO DISCUSS ANYTHING ABOUT THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT UNTIL THE STATE ATTORNEY GETS DONE WITH THEIR INVESTIGATION.

MR. GOTHARD STATED HE WAS NOT DISCUSSING WHAT THE STATE ATTORNEY IS INVESTIGATING. HOWELL SAID GOTHARD WAS BRINGING UP EVERYTHING ABOUT THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT. GOTHARD DISAGREED; HE HAS NOT SAID ANYTHING. THE STATE ATTORNEY IS INVESTIGATING MONEY; HE IS NOT INVESTIGATING WHETHER OR NOT IT IS LEGAL FOR GLEN TO RECEIVE PAY AND RESPOND. THE FIRE MARSHAL MADE IT CLEAR; IF GLEN IS AN ADMINISTRATOR, HE IS NOT TO RESPOND TO CALLS. IF GLEN IS A FIRECHIEF, HE CAN NOT BE PAID. IT IS AS CLEAR AS A BELL. GOTHARD ASKED COMMISSIONER HOWELL IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO ACT ON THIS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THE BOARD IS GOING TO TAKE ANY ACTION ON THAT UNTIL THEY GET THE REPORT BACK FROM THE STATE ATTORNEY. GOTHARD REITERATED THE STATE ATTORNEY IS NOT INVESTIGATING THAT PART.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF ANY OF THE COMMISSIONERS WANTED TO WEIGH IN ON THIS. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID ONE DAY GLEN IS A FIRECHIEF AND ONE DAY HE IS AN ADMINISTRATOR; HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT HE IS. THE SUNNY HILLS NEWSLETTER SAYS GLEN IS A FIRECHIEF.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE PRESENT FROM THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD THAT WANTED TO ADDRESS GLEN'S TITLE.

RON JONES ASKED WHAT GOTHARD'S QUESTION WAS. GOTHARD SAID WHETHER GLEN WAS A FIRECHIEF OR A FIRE ADMINISTRATOR.

RON SAID GLEN WAS AN ADMINISTRATOR UNTIL HE TAKES HIS CERTIFICATION TEST; THE FIRE BOARD REMOVED HIM AS FIRECHIEF BECAUSE OF THAT CONTROVERSY. GLEN HAS THE TRAINING BUT HE HAS NOT TAKEN THE TEST TO BE CERTIFIED THROUGH THAT TRAINING; HE IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE THAT TEST ON JULY 14TH AND AT THAT POINT IF HE PASSES THAT TEST, HE WILL BE SUNNY HILLS FIRECHIEF AGAIN. UNTIL THEN, STEFFAN WALKER IS THE INTERIM FIRECHIEF.

MR. GOTHARD QUESTIONED IF GLEN IS AN ADMINISTRATOR WHY IS HE DRIVING A FRONT LINE FIRE APPARATUS AND RESPONDING TO CALLS. THE FIRE MARSHAL

MADE IT CLEAR IF GLEN WAS AN ADMINISTRATOR, HE COULDN'T RESPOND TO CALLS. HE COULD GET PAID; BUT, HE CAN NOT RESPOND TO CALLS. IF GLEN IS A FIRECHIEF, HE CAN'T GET PAID UNLESS HE IS A FIREFIGHTER II CERTIFIED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE UNDERSTANDS THIS AS HE WAS AT THAT MEETING. MR. GOTHARD SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS TIME FOR THE BOARD TO MAKE A DECISION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED THE COUNTY COMMISSION DOESN'T HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO REMOVE GLEN AS THEY HAVE DISCUSSED THIS BEFORE; THEY ARE A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION. THEY HAVE OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY DOING THE SAME THING. MR. GOTHARD SAID "NO SIR".

ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND COMMISSIONER HOLMAN WERE AT THIS MEETING AND HEARD THE SAME THING AL GOTHARD DID. THEY WILL HAVE BY TOMORROW AFTERNOON ALL THE CHIEF'S STATUS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY; THEY HAVE SOME UNCERTIFIED FIRECHIEFS THAT HOLDS THE TITLE. THE THING ABOUT DRIVING THE VEHICLE HAS TO DO WITH EVOC. HE TALKED TO MR. JONES THIS MORNING AND THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE ANY RECORD OF GLEN HAVING EVOC TRAINING; IF HE HAS IT, THEY DON'T HAVE A RECORD OF IT. ONCE GLEN RESPONDS, HE CAN DRIVE A VEHICLE. ONCE GLEN RESPONDS AS A RESPONDER, THAT'S EVOC; THAT IS NOT ALLOWED. AS TO WHETHER GLEN DRIVES A LONG TRUCK, SHORT TRUCK, STATION WAGON OR SUV, THE QUESTION IS WHETHER OR NOT GLEN IS QUALIFIED BY THE MINIMUM STANDARDS SET BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

MR. GOTHARD STATED GLEN IS THE ONLY CHIEF THAT IS BEING PAID THAT IS NOT FIRE FIGHTER II CERTIFIED. THE ONLY OTHER CHIEF BEING PAID TO HIS KNOWLEDGE IN THIS COUNTY IS CHIPLEY'S; BUT, HE IS FIRE FIGHTER II CERTIFIED. IF GLEN IS A FIRE ADMINISTRATOR, THAT IS FINE; BUT, THE FIRE MARSHAL MADE IT CLEAR IF HE IS A FIRE ADMINISTRATOR, HE CAN'T RESPOND TO CALLS.

ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT THERE MAY BE A THIN LINE THERE; BUT, HE WON'T DISPUTE MR. GOTHARD. BUT, HE IS NOT TOO SURE IF HE IS A FIRST RESPONDER THAT HE CAN'T BE PAID AS FIRST RESPONDER, NOT AS A FIREMAN. AS A FIREMAN, GLEN CAN'T RESPOND TO A FIRE CALL BUT HE CAN RESPOND AS A FIREMAN. THIS WAS NOT ADDRESSED AT THE MEETING AND HE MAY BE WRONG.

MR. GOTHARD ASKED IF GLEN WAS A FIRST RESPONDER. RANDALL TRUETTE SAID IF GLEN IS CERTIFIED AS AED, HE CAN RESPOND AND DO THAT AS FIRST RESPONDER ON CARDIAC RELATED INSTANCES. AS FAR AS GLEN DRIVING AN EMERGENCY APPARATUS, IT GOES BACK TO EVOC.

EARL STEWART, CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRE BOARD OF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, SAID GLEN CAN FIGHT FOREST FIRES OR ANY KIND OF FIRE EXCEPT AN INTERIOR FIRE, A HOUSEFIRE AT THIS PARTICULAR MOMENT, UNTIL HE TAKES HIS TEST. GLEN HAS HIS TRAINING AND HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE FORESTRY DEPARTMENT, ETC. AND HE DOES FIELD TEST WHERE HE CAN GO FIRST RESPONDER. HE SAID GLEN WAS JUST AN ADMINISTRATIVE FIRECHIEF AT THIS TIME UNTIL HE TAKES HIS TEST; ONCE HE GETS THROUGH WITH THAT, THEN HE WILL PROBABLY BECOME THE FIRECHIEF AGAIN. BUT, HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THERE IS ANY RULE IN ANY STATE THAT SAYS WHO YOU CAN PAY AND WHO YOU CAN'T TO DO ANYTHING TO STAY AT THE STATION AND MAN IT FOR SITUATIONS THAT COME IN.

MR. GOTHARD STATED AGAIN, COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND COMMISSIONER HOLMAN WERE THERE AT THE MEETING AND HEARD WHAT THE FIRE MARSHAL SAID. HE CAN'T RESPOND TO ANY CALLS IF HE IS RECEIVING PAY UNLESS HE IS A FIREFIGHTER II.

ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS A VALID QUESTION IS THERE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RESPONDING AS AN AED CERTIFIED FIRST RESPONDER AND RESPONDING TO A FIRE.

ROGER UPDATED THE BOARD THE FIRE COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE SOME THINGS TO PRESENT TO THE BOARD IN JUNE. HE HAS SPOKEN WITH MR. JONES THIS MORNING AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT BOARD. GLEN HAS SERVED THAT COMMUNITY FOR A LONG TIME; FOR THE LAST EIGHTEEN MONTHS TO TWO YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN PROBLEMS AND THINGS HAVE SNOWBALLED. HE SAID IF GLEN DOESN'T THINK HE NEEDS TO STEP ASIDE FOR THE SAFETY OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE BOARD DOESN'T FEEL LIKE THEY NEED TO ASK GLEN TO STEP ASIDE FOR THE SAFETY OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE CONTROVERSY IS BREWING, WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN IS THERE WILL BE A RECOMMENDATION MADE TO THE BOARD IN A FEW WEEKS THAT FUNDING BE CEASED TO GO TO THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT. THAT IS GOING TO MAKE THE COUNTY PICK UP THE COVERAGE AND IT IS GOING TO CAUSE THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT TO LOSE THE ISO RATING THEY HAVE AND IT WILL TAKE TIME FOR THE ISO RATING TO BE BROUGHT BACK UP. ROGER SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS TIME FOR SOMEBODY SOMEWHERE TO BEGIN TO ACT LIKE ADULTS AND COME TO A RESOLVE TO THIS AND PROVIDE GOOD FIRE PROTECTION IN THAT SUBDIVISION DOWN THERE.

MR. GOTHARD RESPONDED SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT HAD CERTIFIED FIREMEN AND THEY ASKED FOR THINGS TO CHANGE THAT WERE GOING ON AND THEY GOT FIRED. HE REITERATED HIS QUESTION TO THE BOARD WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO ABOUT GLEN; THE FIRE MARSHAL HAS EXPLAINED THE LAWS HAVE BEEN BROKEN, THE COUNTY IS BEING HELD LIABLE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ROGER IF EVERYBODY IN EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT WERE EVOC TRAINED. ROGER SAID NO; BUT, THERE IS NO REASON THIS CAN'T BE DONE AS RANDALL HAS PEOPLE ON HIS STAFF THAT CAN DO THE EVOC TRAINING LOCALLY.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN STATED UNTIL GLEN GETS TRAINED IN THAT, HE HAS NO BUSINESS DRIVING THAT EMERGENCY VEHICLE; THAT IS WHAT THE FIRE MARSHAL SAID THE OTHER NIGHT. THE FIRE MARSHAL ALSO MADE A STATEMENT UNLESS GLEN IS A CERTIFIED F-II FIREFIGHTER, HE HAS NO BUSINESS GETTING PAID AS A FIREMAN. GLEN IS CALLING HIMSELF AN ADMINISTRATOR; HE DON'T NEED TO GET PAID. THE INSTRUCTOR FROM THE STATE SPOKESMAN FROM FLORIDA DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT BEING AN ADMINISTRATOR GETTING PAID.

ROGER SAID WHAT THE SPOKESMAN SAID HE WOULDN'T GOING TO GET INVOLVED IN THE PUBLIC POLITICS. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE HEARD THE SPOKESMAN SAY THAT TOO; BUT, HE ALSO HEARD HIM SAY UNLESS GLEN WAS A CERTIFIED F-II FIREFIGHTER, HE HAD NO BUSINESS GETTING A PAY CHECK. HE ALSO HEARD HIM SAY IF GLEN WASN'T CERTIFIED IN THESE AREAS AND SOMETHING HAPPENED, WE, AS A COUNTY WOULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE.

MR. GOTHARD SAID THERE WERE EIGHT FIREMEN KICKED OFF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT; SIX WERE CERTIFIED AND FOUR HAD EVOC ALSO.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HIS OPINION WAS UNTIL GLEN IS CERTIFIED AND CAN PROVE HIS CERTIFICATION, THE EMERGENCY VEHICLES NEED TO BE PARKED AT THE FIREHOUSE AND THE FIRE ASSOCIATION DOWN THERE DOES NOT NEED TO BE PAYING HIM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED IF THEY DO, THE OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE IN THE SAME SITUATION. DO THEY REMOVE THEM TOO.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID IF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE NOT CERTIFIED TO RESPOND TO AN EMERGENCY IN THE VEHICLES, THEY HAVE NO BUSINESS GETTING INTO THE VEHICLES. HE SAID IF THEY TREAT ONE, THEY ARE GOING TO TREAT ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS THE SAME; THEY ARE NOT GOING TO SHOW PARTIALITY. WHEN QUESTIONED WHEN THIS WAS GOING TO START, COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THEY START NOW WITH ALL ELEVEN FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

MR. JAMES WHITE QUESTIONED WHO WAS IN CONTROL OF WATCHING THESE CERTIFICATIONS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS AND MAKING SURE THEY ARE QUALIFIED BEFORE THEY EVER GET IN THIS POSITION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANYONE UNTIL ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. MR. WHITE QUESTIONED IF EVERYBODY THAT HAS BEEN IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS HAVE BEEN UNCERTIFIED BASICALLY; BUT, THERE IS NO RESPONSIBILITY OF NOBODY TO MAKE SURE THESE GENTLEMEN ARE CERTIFIED WITH EMS, FIRE PROTECTION, ETC.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY HAVE SOMEONE NOW. MR. WHITE QUESTIONED IF THEY HAVE AN EMERGENCY CONTROL SYSTEM WITH HOWELL SAYING IT WAS PRETTY LOOSE.

RANDALL TRUETTE, EMS DIRECTOR, STATED HE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR EMS AND THEY ARE ALL CERTIFIED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THERE ARE A LOT OF THEM THAT ARE NOT CERTIFIED AS THEY SHOULD BE ACCORDING TO THE STATE STANDARDS; BUT, A LOT OF THEM HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FIRES FOR YEARS.

MR. WHITE SAID HE UNDERSTANDS; HE WAS JUST ASKING BECAUSE IT COME UP ABOUT THE PAY ISSUE AND IF THEY ARE VOLUNTEERS, IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT YOU DON'T BASICALLY GET PAID TO BE A VOLUNTEER.

ROGER SAID THERE ARE SOME DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE OF GRANTS AND OTHER THINGS BECAUSE THEY ARE CHARTERED THAT HAVE SUBMITTED THEIR INFORMATION TO THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE. THERE JUST HASN'T BEEN ANYBODY THAT REPRESENTED THE BOARD WITH AN AUTHORITY UNTIL A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO. ALL OF THAT IS BEING TAKEN CARE OF AT THE EOC; THEY ARE ALREADY SET UP ON THE WEB SITE TO TAKE CARE OF THIS. THE WCFA, THE ASSOCIATION OF THE FIRECHIEFS, HAVE PUT ON THEMSELVES RESTRICTIONS. IT IS NOT AS UNORGANIZED, UNREGULATED OR UNMONITORED AS IT MAY SOUND.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE MAY HAVE MISSTATED THAT AND HE DIDN'T MEAN TOO; IT IS JUST THERE ARE ELEVEN DIFFERENT FIRE DEPARTMENTS OUT THERE AND THEY ARE ALL OPERATING A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY. ROGER SAID THEY ARE COMING UNDER A MUCH BETTER ORGANIZATION.

COMMISSIONER PATE EXPLAINED THAT IS WHY ABOUT THIS TIME A YEAR AGO, THE BOARD STARTED A COMMITTEE TO RESEARCH THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS, EMS, FIRST RESPONDERS, ETC. BECAUSE THEY STARTED FIGHTING ABOUT THESE ISSUES. HE ADDRESSED ONE REASON THE FIGHT HAS BEEN GOING ON IN SUNNY HILLS IS BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE COMING BEFORE THE BOARD. ANOTHER REASON IS, IF YOU ARE NOT CAREFUL, YOU ARE GOING TO DISBAN THEM, THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE BOARD IS GOING TO QUIT DOWN THERE AND THEN WHO THE HECK ARE YOU GOING TO FIND. HE SAID THERE IS A CONTRACT WITH EACH ONE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS UNTIL OCTOBER OF 2009.

MR. GOTHARD ADDRESSED THAT CONTRACT STATES THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS WILL FOLLOW ALL THE STATE LAWS.

MR. MORAN ASKED THE BOARD IF THEY COULD INSTRUCT THE TREASURER NOT TO PAY THIS GUY; HE IS TAKING 2/3 OF THE BUDGET AND PUTTING IT IN HIS POCKET AND NOTHING IS GETTING DONE AT THE FIREHOUSE. THE FIRE BOARD KEEPS PAYING THIS GUY AND THEY ARE LIKE A RUBBER STAMP FOR HIM; WHATEVER HE WANTS, THEY AGREE TO IT. THE FIRE BOARD IS NOT INDEPENDENT; THEY ARE GOING TO DO WHATEVER HE TELLS THEM.

MR. JONES ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING GLEN DOES NOT TAKE 2/3 OF THE BUDGET AND PUT IT IN HIS POCKET. IT IS LIES LIKE THIS THAT ARE GETTING SPREAD AROUND THAT IS THE REASON WE ARE IN THE SHAPE WE ARE IN. THIS STUFF GETS SPREAD AROUND DAY AFTER DAY AFTER DAY. IT HAS GONE THROUGH ONE STATE ATTORNEY; DIDN'T GET DONE; GOT A NEW STATE ATTORNEY GOING IN THE

BACK DOOR WITH MR. GOTHARD. HE REITERATED GLEN DOES NOT PUT MONEY IN HIS POCKET AS THE ACCUSATIONS ARE BEING LAID OUT. WE AS THE BOARD OF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT ARE DOING OUR DEAD LEVEL BEST TO STRAIGHTEN OUT THESE ACCUSATIONS, GET RID OF THEM, BRING THEM UP FRONT. THEY HAVE HAD MEETINGS WITH THE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. THEY ARE TRYING TO FOLLOW THE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO GET THIS DONE THE WAY IT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL CALLED FOR A TEN MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, MR. GOTHARD ADDRESSED THE BOARD WANTING TO COMMENT ON THE LAST COMMENT THAT WAS MADE BY THE ONE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT STATING GLEN DOES NOT GET PAID. HE SAID HE CAN PRESENT EVIDENCE OF CHECKS; HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY THEY WANT TO COME BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSION AND LIE AND TELL STORIES ABOUT THINGS. THEY HAVE CALLED HIM A LIAR IN THE PAPER AND DO EVERYTHING ELSE; GOTHARD SAID HE HAD NEVER TOLD A LIE TO THE COMMISSION. HE HAS SHOWED THE COMMISSION WHAT HE HAS SAID AND DONE. WE HAVE LOOKED AT THE MONEY THAT HAS BEEN WRITTEN; HE PUTS IT ON THE WEBSITE SAYING HE GETS \$750 A MONTH. IF THAT IS NOT GETTING PAID, HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT IT IS AND HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY THEY WANT TO GET UP HERE AND LIE TO THIS COUNTY COMMISSION. THAT IS THE POINT HE WANTED TO MAKE. ALSO, THE LAST CHECK HE HAD BECAUSE HE WAS A TRAINING OFFICER, GLEN'S CPR CARD WAS NOT UP TO DATE; UNLESS HE GOT IT RECENTLY, HE DON'T EVEN HAVE AN AED CARD. SOMEWHERE THIS HAS GOT TO STOP.

SAL ZURICA REFERRED TO MR. TRUETTE HAVING SAID IF YOU GET CERTIFIED AED, YOU CAN GO OUT ON CALLS. SAL SAID HE WAS FIRST AID TRAINED, CPR TRAINED AND AED TRAINED AND YOU DON'T SEE HIM RUNNING OUT IN THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE. IF SOMEBODY NEEDS IT, HE WILL GO AND HE IS NOT PAID TO VOLUNTEER. GLEN'S SO CALLED FIRST RESPONDER CARD EXPIRED IN 2006. HAS HE RENEWED IT, SAL SAID HE DOUBTED IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE KNOWS THEY HAVE RECORDS WHERE GLEN IS GETTING PAID. HE REFERRED TO THE COMMENT COMMISSIONER HOLMAN MADE FOR GLEN NOT TO GET BACK IN A FIRETRUCK OR ANYTHING ELSE; MAYBE THAT WILL PUT A STOP TO THIS AT LEAST UNTIL HE GETS CERTIFIED. HE ASKED MR. HOLMAN IF HE WOULD PUT THIS IN A MOTION.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN MADE A MOTION UNTIL MR. GLEN ZANETIC IS CERTIFIED TO DRIVE THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE, THE VEHICLES ARE PARKED AT THE FIRE STATION AND HIM NOT BE ABLE TO DRIVE AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE AROUND. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AMENDED HIS MOTION TO THE FACT NO ONE THAT IS NOT CERTIFIED TO DRIVE THAT EMERGENCY VEHICLE IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, THEY ARE NOT TO DRIVE IT; THIS IS EVOC TRAINING COUNTY WIDE. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE AMENDED MOTION.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TOLD MR. LOU TRACY THAT CARYVILLE, FIVE POINTS, HINSON CROSS ROADS AND VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE TRAINED.

LOU TRACY WARNED THE BOARD THEY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY IN THIS COUNTY; IF THESE FIREMEN ARE NOT CERTIFIED AND THE BOARD IS GIVING THEM THE UNRESTRICTED RESPONSIBILITY OF NOT RESPONDING TO THAT FIRE OR THAT ACCIDENT AND SAVING THAT LIFE OR PROPERTY, THE COMMISSION IS GOING TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IT. TRACY SAID ACCORDING TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR OVER HALF OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY ARE NOT CERTIFIED. THE COMMISSION CAN'T PICK ON JUST ONE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND PICK ON THEM JUST BECAUSE THESE GUYS WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE FIRECHIEF GONE; THAT IS NOT THEIR JOB. THAT JOB BELONGS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SUNNY HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THEY HAVE ALREADY TOLD THE COMMISSION WHAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO AND WHAT

THEY WERE TRYING TO DO AND HAVE WORKED WITH THE COMMISSION. THEY HAVE GONE OVERBOARD WITH THE COMMISSION. IF IT WAS LEFT UP TO HIM, THEY HAVE WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT THE COMMISSION HAS ASKED THEM TO DO AND ARE IN THE PROCESS STILL OF TRYING TO PROVIDE THEM WITH INFORMATION. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS UNDER INVESTIGATION WITH THE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THEY WELCOME THE INVESTIGATION BECAUSE THEY KNOW IN THE END WHERE THEY STAND AND THERE WILL BE NO CHARGES AGAINST THE FIRE DEPARTMENT JUST LIKE IT WAS SIX MONTHS AGO WHEN THE SAME CHARGES WERE BROUGHT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID ONCE GLEN WAS UNDER INVESTIGATION, HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN OFF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT UNTIL HE WAS CLEARED. BUT, THE BOARD DIDN'T DO THAT.

TRACY SAID THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WOULD HAVE OR THE STATE ATTORNEY WOULD HAVE BUT HE DIDN'T SEE THE EVIDENCE THERE. HE HAD TO HAVE PROOF THAT SOMETHING WAS GOING ON AND THERE WASN'T. THEY COULDN'T PROVE IT SIX MONTHS AGO AND THEY AREN'T GOING TO BE ABLE TO PROVE IT NOW. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED TRACY IF THE STATE ATTORNEY HAD CALLED HIM.

TRACY ASKED IF THE COMMISSIONERS HAD CONTACTED EVERY OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENT TO MAKE SURE ALL OF THEIR FIREMEN ARE CERTIFIED; THEY ARE SINGLING OUT ONE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND ONE FIRECHIEF AND THAT IS NOT FAIR TO THESE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS BECAUSE YOU ARE NOT JUST RUINING THE FIRECHIEF, YOU ARE RUINING AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

TRACY SAID THEY HAVE A FIRE INSURANCE RATING LOWER IN SUNNY HILLS THAN MOST ANY OTHER PLACE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY BECAUSE OF THEIR FIRECHIEF AND THAT FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RUN THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE COUNTY COMMISSION HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY TO SINGLE OUT ONE DEPARTMENT. IF THE COUNTY COMMISSION WERE TO SAY ALL OF THE LEFT DEPARTMENTS, THESE ARE THE NEW STANDARDS WE HAVE, JUST MANAGE THEM. HE IS ALL FOR IT; HE THINKS THEY SHOULD BE CERTIFIED. DOWN THE ROAD SOMEWHERE, HE HAS ALSO GOT A GOOD IDEA, WHICH HE HAD TWENTY YEARS AGO, BUT THE BOARD WOULDN'T LISTEN TO HIM, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO GO TO COUNTY- WIDE FIRE. THESE FOLKS OUT HERE ON BOTH SIDES ARE NOT GOING TO WANT TO PAY THE TAX TO DO THAT. THEY HAVE A TAX IN SUNNY HILLS BECAUSE THEY WANTED BETTER FIRE SERVICE. THAT IS ONE OF THE REASONS THEY PUT THE MSBU IN PLACE. THE NUMBER TWO PRIORITY WHEN THEY INSTITUTED THE MSBU WAS BETTER FIRE PROTECTION FOR SUNNY HILLS; THE ISO RATING WAS DROPPED FROM A 10 TO 7. IF THE COUNTY COMMISSION WOULD HAVE LEFT THEM ALONE AND THEY WOULD HAVE PURCHASED A NEW TRUCK AND PUT IN A NUMBER OF FIRE HYDRANTS, THEY WOULD ALSO BE SAVING THEM ANOTHER \$120 A YEAR. THEY ARE THE ONES THAT ARE GOING TO BE SCREAMING AND HOLLERING WHEN THEIR INSURANCE RATES GO UP \$300 A YEAR.

MS. MARY MORAN, SUNNY HILLS, ASKED COMMISSIONER HOLMAN IF HIS MOTION INCLUDES JOY RIDING, SHOPPING, GOING WHEREVER WITH THE TRUCK.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE WAS GOING TO STAND BY THE MOTION HE MADE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID GLEN WOULD NOT BE DRIVING THE TRUCK AT ALL ACCORDING TO HOLMAN'S MOTION.

MR. HAGAN REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER BROCK HAVING SAID AT THE WORKSHOP ON TUESDAY, THE COMMISSIONERS HAD SPENT ABOUT THREE HOURS CLEANING UP MESSSES FROM PREVIOUS BOARDS. THIS MESS THEY ARE CLEANING UP NOW IS SOME OF THAT. NUMBERS OF YEARS AGO, THINGS DIDN'T HAPPEN; THEY HAVE GONE TO THE PLACE WHERE THEY ARE MAKING IT HAPPEN. HE UNDERSTANDS COMMISSIONER HOLMAN'S MOTION, AND MAYBE THIS IS AN OPINION FROM ATTORNEY HOLLEY, HE IS GETTING STARTED IN THE MORNING DOING WHAT THIS BOARD VOTES. HE DOESN'T KNOW EXACTLY HOW STRICTLY THEY ARE BOUND THERE. HE IS GOING TO ASSUME THE MOTION COMMISSIONER HOLMAN MADE THEY INTEND FOR HIM TO CARRY OUT

BEGINNING IN THE MORNING ALONG WITH SOME OTHER THINGS THEY ARE TRYING TO PUT TOGETHER. IF HE UNDERSTANDS THAT, THAT IS GOING TO GIVE THEM THE AUTHORITY TO TAKE THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT EVOC TRAINED AND REMOVE THEM OFF AN ACTIVE LIST OR DO SOMETHING TO MAKE SURE WHEN THOSE PEOPLE GO OUT, AND IT IS NOT HALF THE FIREMEN, THEY HAVE QUITE A NUMBER OF FIREMEN, THAT ARE CERTIFIED; CERTIFICATIONS ARE COMING BACK MUCH BETTER THAN MANY PEOPLE THINKS. THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE QUITE A NUMBER ACROSS THE COUNTY; EACH DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO HAVE SOME. HE ASKED IF THE BOARD WAS SAYING TO EOC THEY HAVE THAT AUTHORITY BASED ON THEIR ACTION TWO WEEKS AGO FOR EOC TO BE ADMININSTRATOR OVER THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND THEY COULD START MOVING THOSE PEOPLE TO THE INACTIVE STATUS AND NOTIFY THAT CHIEF THIS PERSON HAS BEEN PUT ON INACTIVE STATUS UNTIL THEY PRESENT THEIR CREDENTIALS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED IF THE MOTION PASSES, THAT IS WHAT ROGER WOULD NEED TO DO.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN STATED, ACCORDING TO THE STATE REPRESENTATIVE LAST NIGHT, IF THEY ARE NOT TRAINED TO GO DOWN THE ROAD WITH THAT SIREN AND LIGHTS GOING AND SOMETHING HAPPENED, THE COUNTY COULD BE HELD LIABLE; HE DOESN'T WANT TO SEE THE COUNTY HELD LIABLE FOR ACCIDENTS OR ANYTHING.

ROGER SAID SOMETIMES WE HEAR THAT PARTICULAR THING WE ARE INTERESTED IN HEARING AND SOMETIMES WE HEAR IT THE WAY WE WANT TO. WHAT HE DID HEAR THE REPRESENTATIVE SAY IS THEY COULDN'T GO FIGHT A FIRE OR DRIVE A TRUCK. ROGER SAID HIS INTENTION TOMORROW IS TO GET IN TOUCH WITH EVERY FIRECHIEF ADVISING THEM THE PERSON THAT IS GOING TO BE DRIVING THEIR TRUCK TO A FIRE IN A RESPONSE HAS TO BE EVOC. THEY CAN DRIVE A TRUCK IN THE PARADE; THE REPRESENTATIVE DIDN'T SAY THEY COULDN'T DRIVE A TRUCK IN THE PARADE AND DIDN'T SAY HE COULDN'T DRIVE IT TO SOMETHING LIKE THAT. THE REPRESENTATIVE SAID HE COULD NOT RESPOND. HE DIDN'T WANT THERE TO BE ANY DOUBT IN THE BOARD'S MIND WHAT HE WOULD BE DOING IN THE MORNING. HE THINKS EVERYBODY HAS TO BE TREATED THE SAME WAY; IT IS A MATTER OF MORALS AND INTEGRITY IF WE TREAT ONE DIFFERENTLY THAN WE DO SOMEBODY ELSE.

ROGER SAID COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID NOT DRIVE THE TRUCK AT ALL IF THEY ARE NOT EVOC CERTIFIED AND HE IS SAYING DOES THIS MEAN EVERY- BODY NOT DRIVE IT AT ALL OR DOES THAT MEAN THEY DON'T DRIVE IT IN RESPONSE.

RANDALL TRUETTE SAID AS FAR AS OPERATING AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE, YOU HAVE TO HAVE EVOC. UNTIL THEN, YOU ARE NOT TO RESPOND ON AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE WITHOUT EVOC.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYBODY ON THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT IS EVOC TRAINED. MR. STEWART SAID HE WAS EVOC TRAINED AND HE HAS THE CERTIFICATION.

RANDALL SAID SOME OF THE FIREMEN MAY HAVE AN OFFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE OR EVOC FROM ANOTHER STATE; IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA IF IT DOESN'T STATE ON THAT CERTIFICATE THEY HAVE SIXTEEN HOURS OF EMERGENCY VEHICLE OFFENSIVE COURSE, IT IS NO GOOD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED RANDALL IF HE HAD SAID HE HAD PEOPLE WHO COULD DO THE EVOC TRAINING. RANDALL SAID HE HAD PEOPLE THAT CAN TRAIN AND CERTIFY ANYTHING THAT PERTAINS TO EMS; HE DOESN'T TRAIN IN FIRE SUPPRESSION AS THAT IS SOMEBODY ELSE'S JOB. HE JUST TRAINS IN THE OPERATION OF EMERGENCY VEHICLES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WAS TALKED ABOUT THE OTHER NIGHT AT THE MEETING. THERE IS A LOT OF THINGS ABOUT THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENTS THAT AREN'T ACCORDING TO WHAT MR. RUSH AND MR. SHEFFIELD WERE TALKING ABOUT THE OTHER NIGHT; IT IS NOT JUST ONE FIRE DEPARTMENT IT IS ALL OF THEM. THEY ARE WORKING ON TRYING TO GET IT FIXED; BUT, YOU

CAN'T PENALIZE PEOPLE TODAY BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE SOMETHING THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING FOR TEN OR FIFTEEN YEARS. THEY TALKED ABOUT A MAN LAST NIGHT THAT HAS BEEN A FIREMAN FOR TWENTY FIVE YEARS; HE CAN'T PASS THE FIREFIGHTER I TEST. ARE THEY GOING TO TELL HIM TO GO HOME; HE CAN'T HELP THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. NO, YOU ARE NOT GOING TO DO IT. THAT PERSON HAS SPENT HIS ENTIRE LIFE INVOLVED IN FIRE FIGHTING. IT IS NOT JUST A VOLUNTEER THING WITH THEM; THEY DO IT AS A CAREER.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID NONE OF THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN BROUGHT UP IF GLEN WOULDN'T TAKE THE FIRETRUCK AND DRIVE IT AROUND; THAT IS THE ONLY REASON THIS IS BROUGHT UP. BETWEEN THE RED TRUCK GLEN USE TO HAVE GOING ALL OVER THE PLACE AND DRIVING A FIRETRUCK AROUND FOR A PERSONAL VEHICLE, WE WOULDN'T BE HERE TONIGHT.

GLEN ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE RED TRUCK BEING DIFFERENT THAN AN APPARATUS. THE APPARATUS DON'T LEAVE THE DISTRICT; USUALLY GREENHEAD OR WAUSAU USE IT FOR FUEL. DO THEY GET TRUCKS DRIVEN AROUND IN THE DISTRICT; YES. FIRST OF ALL THEY HAVE 628 STREETS AND YOU BETTER KNOW WHERE THEY ARE AND WHERE THOSE HOUSES ARE. SECOND, IT IS JUST COMMON PRACTICE THAT WE LIVE IN A LITTLE DIFFERENT WORLD HERE BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T REALLY SEEN HOW REAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS OPERATE. THE APPARATUS AND THE FIREFIGHTER NEVER GET SEPARATED; WHEN THEY GO OUT TO EAT, THE APPARATUS GOES WITH THEM. THEY GO OUT SHOPPING TO BRING FOOD BACK TO THE STATION. THAT IS HOW THEY NORMALLY OPERATE. THE IDEA IS TIME. IF YOU LEAVE THE STATION AND GO FIVE MILES AWAY AND HAVE A CALL, THAT GUY IS FIVE MILES AWAY AND FIVE MILES BACK TO THE STATION. THE STATION IS A HOME AND THE APPARATUS IS AN EXTENSION OF THAT STATION. THE APPARATUS, IF YOU ARE GOING TO MAN IT FOR 24 HOURS, THEN IT MAKES IT A RIG FOR 24 HOURS; THEY WILL ALWAYS HAVE A FIREFIGHTER WITH THEM. GLEN SAID HE KNOWS IT BRINGS UP A LOT OF HEADACHES. IF THEY COULD JUST KEEP PEOPLE AT THE STATION, THAT WOULD BE GREAT. BUT, THEY CAN'T AFFORD THAT. THEY ARE TRYING TO WORK THE BEST THEY CAN TO HAVE THE FASTEST RESPONSE AND DELIVER A SERVICE AND THEY CAN STILL AT LEAST AFFORD IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE HAD TWO THINGS; THE FIRST THING PUT YOUR STUFF IN A PERSONAL VEHICLE. HE SAID HE HAD SEEN GLEN IN BONIFAY, IN WAUSAU BUYING MILK, AT LOWES IN PANAMA CITY. GLEN QUESTIONED WITH WHAT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID ON A FIRETRUCK, BRUSHTRUCK. GLEN SAID NO SIR. STRICKLAND SAID HE HAD SEEN GLEN ON THE RED TRUCK MORE PLACES THAN THAT. GLEN SAID LIKE HE SAID, THE RED TRUCK WAS USED FOR A TOTALLY DIFFERENT PURPOSE AND EVEN ONCE IT WAS NOT USED FOR MSBU PURPOSES, IT CAME BACK AND WAS JUST USED FOR FIRE, IT GOT VERY LIMITED USE. THE APPARATUS, THEY WILL NOT FIND, UNLESS THEY LEAVE THE DISTRICT FOR MAINTENANCE, AND THEY UP AND OUT OF ANYWHERE EXCEPT FOR CHIPLEY MAINTENANCE. THERE HAS BEEN NO BRUSH TRUCKS IN LOWES; THEY HAVE ANOTHER BRUSH TRUCK OUT THERE; BUT, IT IS NOT SUNNY HILLS ANYMORE. IT HAPPENS TO BE WAUSAU FIRE DEPARTMENT'S TRUCK; BUT, IT STILL HAS SUNNY HILLS WRITING ON IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE IS AWARE THE WAUSAU CHIEF GOES AROUND GETTING STUFF FOR POSSUM DAY.

GLEN SAID HAD HE SAW IT AT LOWES, THAT IS A BRUSH TRUCK. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND TOLD GLEN HE HAD NOTHING AGAINST HIM; BUT, IF HE WOULDN'T DRIVE THAT STUFF AROUND LIKE HE DOES, THEY WOULDN'T BE HERE IN THIS SHAPE NOW. GLEN SAID WE DRIVE IT AROUND THE FIRE DISTRICT THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID YOU DON'T SEE OTHER FIRECHIEFS TAKING THAT VEHICLE DRIVING UP AND DOWN THE ROAD LIKE GLEN DOES OR ADMINISTRATORS.

EARL STEWART SAID THE REASON GLEN DRIVES THE TRUCK IS IT IS AN EXTENSION OF THE FIREHOUSE; THEY WANT SOMEBODY TO RESPOND WITHIN TEN MINUTES. THIS HELPED THEIR ISO RATING AND THAT IS WHY WE GOT HIM; IF THEY DON'T HAVE PEOPLE THAT CAN RESPOND LESS THAN TEN MINUTES, IT IS GOING TO MAKE THEIR ISO RATING GO UP NEXT TIME THEY GET CHECKED ON. IT HELPS KEEP OUR INSURANCE DOWN; IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT, CALL THEIR INSURANCE COMPANIES AND CHECK WITH THEM, CALL THE ISO OR HE WILL BRING THEM PAPERS TO SHOW HOW THEY TEST AND CHECK ISO FOR COMMUNITIES. IT DOES HELP US SAVE MONEY TO THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE OF THE EXTENSION; IT IS EASIER TO GO TO A FIRE, GET IN YOUR FIRETRUCK, GO TO A FIRE THAN HAVE TO GO TO THE FIRE STATION AND THEN GET IN THE FIRETRUCK AND THEN LEAVE. IT DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THAT IS WHY VOLUNTEERS, THEY ARE GREAT; I HAVE NOTHING AGAINST THEM. I HAVE PAID ALL MY LIFE; BUT, IT TAKES TOO LONG TO GET TO A FIRE. IF IT TAKES TWENTY MINUTES, IT IS TOO LATE; THIRTY MINUTES A HOUSE IS ON THE GROUND. IF YOU HAVE A HEART ATTACK, MORE THAN EIGHT MINUTES YOU ARE DEAD; YOU DON'T NEED AN AMBULANCE JUST LIKE YOU DON'T NEED A FIRETRUCK IF YOU AREN'T GOING TO BE THERE. IF YOU CAN'T BE THERE BEFORE THIRTY MINUTES, THEY DON'T NEED A FIRE STATION. ALL THEY ARE TRYING TO DO IS GROW AND HAVE A GOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE HAS BEEN IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT SEVEN YEARS; HE HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT EVER SINCE HE MOVED HERE. HE REALLY VOLUNTEERS NOW AND GOT INTO THIS BECAUSE HE SEES A WAY FOR THEM TO BETTER THEIR COMMUNITY. WHEN WE BETTER IT, WASHINGTON COUNTY BETTERS THEIRSELVES; BECAUSE, IF WE HAVE GOOD SERVICES, MORE PEOPLE LIKES TO MOVE IN THAT AREA, RETIRED PEOPLE, BECAUSE MEDICAL, FIRETRUCKS. IF SUNNY HILLS GROWS, WASHINGTON COUNTY GETS MORE AD VALOREM TAXES. HE ASKED THE COUNTY TO LET THEM GROW; THAT IS ALL THEY WANT.

RON JONES SAID HE STARTS TRAINING AND TESTING IN JUNE; IT IS PRETTY EXTENSIVE AS IT IS GOING TO BE 160 HOURS. HE DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO DO IT BECAUSE HE WORKS A FULL TIME JOB; BUT, JUST BECAUSE YOU ARE OLD DOES THAT MEAN YOU CAN'T BE CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY. SO HE VOLUNTEERS TO DO THIS. HE QUESTIONED ON THE EVOC, AT WHAT POINT DOES A VEHICLE BECOME AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE. DOES HIS JEEP BECOME AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE WHEN HE PUTS A RED LIGHT ON THE DASH TO RESPOND TO A FIRE; IS HE DRIVING AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE AND HE IS NOT TRAINED.

RANDALL SAID VOLUNTEERS CAN'T HAVE SIRENS; ANYTIME YOU RUN A VEHICLE THAT HAS LIGHTS AND SIRENS, IT BECOMES AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE. MR. JONES ASKED IF HE COULD GET A SIREN TO GO WITH HIS RED ONE. RANDALL SAID NO HE COULDN'T BECAUSE IT IS NOT AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE; THAT IS NOT SAYING JONES COULDN'T RESPOND IN HIS VEHICLE BUT HE WOULD HAVE TO STILL OBEY THE TRAFFIC LAWS. YOU ARE ASKING FOR PEOPLE TO GIVE YOU RIGHT-OF-WAY; BUT, YOU CAN'T DEMAND IT UNLESS YOU ARE A TRUE EMERGENCY VEHICLE.

JOHN MAHALSKI SAID HE HATED TO SEE THINGS GOING AROUND IN CIRCLES AND THIS IS WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE. ROGER HAS A JOB TO WORK WITH ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. IF ROGER HAS A LIST OF EVERY PERSON IN EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND WHAT THEY ARE TRAINED IN, CAN HE FIND OUT WHAT THEIR CERTIFICATIONS ARE BY NOON TOMORROW. ROGER ASKED MAHALSKI IF HE WAS QUESTIONING IF HE COULD FIND OUT WHAT ALL THE FIREMEN'S TRAINING WAS. MAHALSKI SAID LET'S SCRATCH THAT BECAUSE HE DON'T WON'T TO HEAR EXCUSES.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL SAID THAT IS NOT FAIR; GIVE ROGER A CHANCE. ROGER SAID HE HAS A ROSTER WITH EVERY NAME OF EVERY PERSON THAT SERVES ON A

FIRE DEPARTMENT AND ALL THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. THEY BEGAN TODAY INPUTTING THOSE NAMES INTO A DATABASE THE FIRE MARSHAL GAVE THEM AND AS SOON AS THEY CAN INPUT ALL THOSE, HE WILL HAVE CERTIFICATIONS THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE HAS. WHAT THEY FIND OUT IS THERE ARE CASES OF CERTIFICATIONS IN A NUMBER OF AREAS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN FILED WITH THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

MAHALSKI QUESTIONED WHEN ROGER COULD HAVE THE CERTIFICATION INFORMATION DONE. ROGER SAID HE SHOULD HAVE THIS INFORMATION BY THE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK.

MAHALSKI SAID IF THE EVOC TRAINING IS REALLY NECESSARY COULDN'T ROGER MAKE CONTACT WITH ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND SET UP WITH SOMEBODY WHO CAN DO THE EVOC TRAINING AND SET UP DATES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL INFORMED MAHALSKI THIS IS ALREADY IN THE WORKS OF BEING DONE.

MAHALSKI SAID HE HEARS TOO MUCH OF "WE WILL THINK ABOUT IT; WE WILL LOOK AT IT."

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED THERE WERE A LOT OF THINGS GOING ON BEHIND THE SCENES THAT YOU ALL DON'T KNOW ABOUT. ROGER HAS JUST BEEN PUT IN CHARGE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND HAS BEEN WORKING REALLY HARD TRYING TO GET THESE THINGS TOGETHER; HE HAD THE STATE PEOPLE COME AND TALK TO US SO ALL THE FIRECHIEFS WOULD UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS ARE. IT DOES NOT MEAN THE BOARD HAS TO DO THAT; THEY DON'T HAVE TO FIRE PEOPLE ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT CERTIFIED.

MAHALSKI SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WAS A PLACE FOR PERSONS ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT ARE NOT CERTIFIED AS LONG AS THEY DON'T GO INTO A HOT ZONE AND AS LONG AS THEY FOLLOW WHAT THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO DO. THIS IS WHERE HE FELT ALL THE FIREMEN SHOULD BE TRAINED IN WHAT THEY CAN DO. HE ADDRESSED HIM AND A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE BEING AT THE COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING AND DON'T HEAR ANYTHING POSITIVE COMING OUT OF THE COMMISSION OR ANYBODY. THEY WANT TO HEAR IT WILL BE DONE, WE ARE WORKING ON IT, ROGER HAS THIS TO BE DONE, THIS WILL BE DONE, ETC.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED THE COMMISSION IS WORKING ON EVERYTHING JUST AS FAST AS THEY CAN. HE EXPLAINED TO MR. GOTHARD A FEW WEEKS AGO THEY WERE TRYING TO DO WHAT HE WANTED THEM TO. THEY ARE WORKING TOWARD THAT END FOR THE FIRE COMMITTEE TO GIVE THEM A PROPOSAL IN JUNE FOR ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. HE SAID THE PEOPLE HAVE GOT TO GIVE THE COMMISSIONERS SOME CREDIT FOR KNOWING WHAT TO DO; GIVE THEM A CHANCE. HE ADDRESSED THIS BEING NOTHING BUT A WITCH HUNT ABOUT GLEN ZANETIC AND THEY HEAR IT EVERY MONTH. YOU HAVEN'T COME AND COMPLAINED ABOUT ANYBODY ELSE OTHER THAN GLEN ZANETIC. IT IS FRUSTRATING AND YOU COME HERE AND ACT LIKE CHILDREN; YOU YAH YAH BACK AND FORTH TO PEOPLE ACROSS THE ROOM LIKE KIDS IN THE THIRD GRADE. HE WOULD JUST FOR ONCE LIKE FOR THE PEOPLE TO COME AND ACT HALF GROWN UP WHEN THEY COME TO THE MEETING.

MAHALSKI SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOMEONE COME IN AND LOOK AT A COUPLE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE REALLY TRAINED ON THE STATE LEVEL AND SAY WHAT IS GOOD AND WHAT IS BAD AND WHAT THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE SHOOTING FOR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY HAVE TALKED TO THE FIRECHIEFS ABOUT THIS AND THOSE ARE THE KINDS OF THINGS THEY ARE WORKING TOWARD. HE ASKED IF ANYBODY CALLED ROGER AND ASKED HIM ABOUT THESE ISSUES TONIGHT; NO, THEY JUST COME HERE AND START BELLYACHING ABOUT IT AND IT IS REALLY FRUSTRATING TO THE COMMISSION AND THEY GET TIRED OF HEARING IT.

MAHALSKI SAID HE WAS NOT BELLYACHING; HE WAS JUST TRYING TO GIVE THE COMMISSION SOME IDEAS TO GET IT CONCRETE, LET THINGS HAPPEN AND IT WOULD SOLVE A HELL OF A LOT OF THEIR PROBLEMS.

SHERRI TAYLOR, MAYOR OF EBRO, EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION TO THE COMMISSIONERS FOR COMING TO EBRO; SHE THINKS IT IS A GOOD IDEA FOR THEM TO GO AROUND THE COUNTY TO THE DIFFERENT MUNICIPALITIES.

SHERRI ADDRESSED EBRO ONLY HAVING TWO MEN IN THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT HAS EVOC TRAINING; THEY HAVE DAYTIME JOBS AND ARE NOT IN THE COMMUNITY EVERYDAY. SHE EXPRESSED HER CONCERN IF THERE WAS AN EMERGENCY AND THOSE TWO GUYS ARE ON THEIR JOB AT WORK, NOBODY WILL BE ABLE TO DRIVE THE FIRETRUCK TO THE EMERGENCY SCENE. SHE SAID SHE HAD RATHER IT BE WHERE SOME OF THE OTHER VOLUNTEERS ON THE DEPARTMENT THAT KNOW HOW TO DRIVE THE TRUCK BE ABLE TO GO AHEAD TO THE EMERGENCY SCENE THAN TO HAVE TO WAIT FOR VERNON TO GET TO EBRO. SHE REFERRED TO A PREVIOUS STATEMENT MADE IN THE MEETING THE LONGER YOU WAIT THE LESS NEED THERE IS TO EVEN RESPOND.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE TO FIND OUT THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN THAT ARE QUALIFIED TO DRIVE AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE. ROGER SAID THEY WOULD GET STARTED ON THIS TOMORROW MORNING AND IT WOULD DEPEND ON HOW QUICKLY THE CHIEFS COULD GET THE WORD BACK TO HIM. HE SAID THEY MAY KNOW BY TOMORROW.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED RANDALL HOW LONG WOULD IT TAKE HIM TO SET UP A TRAINING COURSE FOR THE FIRE PERSONNEL TO TRAIN AND GET THEIR CERTIFICATION ONCE HE GETS THIS INFORMATION FROM ROGER. RANDALL SAID HE COULD START SETTING TRAINING UP TOMORROW.

RANDALL SAID THEY DO HAVE PEOPLE THAT RESPONDS TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITH AED; BUT, HE WOULD HATE TO SEE SOMEONE NOT RESPOND WITH AN AED WHETHER HIS CARD IS EXPIRED OR NOT. HE DON'T WANT TO SEE PEOPLE DYING BECAUSE OF SOMETHING LIKE THIS. THE CARD SAYS A RECOMMENDED DATE; IT IS NOT A LICENSE. IT IS JUST A CARD AN INDIVIDUAL CARRIES. THE CARD SAYS A RECOMMENDED DATE FOR RENEWAL; IT DOESN'T SAY WHEN YOU HAVE GOT TO DO IT. IF YOU HAVE BEEN TRAINED ON IT, YOU PROBABLY COULD GO AHEAD AND DO THE AED. HE WOULD; HE WOULDN'T NOT DO AED JUST BECAUSE THE DATE WAS OUT AND HE WOULD HOPE NO ONE IN THIS CROWD WOULD NOT DO IT. HE SAID THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN WORKING ON GETTING THE FIREMEN CERTIFIED IN EVERYTHING THE STATE REQUIRES; EVOC AND AED IS PART OF IT. THERE ARE ABOUT 120 PLUS VOLUNTEER FIREMEN IN WASHINGTON COUNTY THAT EVERYBODY DEPENDS ON FOR FIRE AND EMS RESPONSE. HE DOESN'T WANT TO BE IN THAT NEIGHBORHOOD IF THEY ARE NOT GOING TO RESPOND WHEN SOMETHING HAPPENS TO HIM. HE ADDRESSED THEY NEEDED A LITTLE TIME TO GET THE CERTIFICATIONS DONE. HE SAID THEY COULD SET UP AN EVOC COURSE AND PICK SO MANY PEOPLE FROM EACH FIRE DEPARTMENT; THEY MAY BE ABLE TO GET THAT DONE THIS WEEK.

LUCY CAMILLERI, SUNNY HILLS RESIDENT FOR TWENTY EIGHT YEARS, SAID THEY HAVE ONLY HAD FOUR FIRES IN SUNNY HILLS DURING THAT TIME. SHE ASKED THEM TO QUIT SCARING PEOPLE BY SAYING THEIR INSURANCE IS GOING UP. THEY HAD A FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT WAS GOOD; THEY WERE THERE AS SOON AS YOU NEEDED THEM. THEY ARE ALL GONE BECAUSE NOBODY DOESN'T WANT TO WORK.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW READ THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR; NO ONE THAT IS NOT CERTIFIED TO DRIVE AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, THEY DO NOT DRIVE IT AND THIS IS COUNTYWIDE.

WHEN QUESTIONED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN IF THE TRAINING COULD BE DONE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS, ROGER SAID THEY OUGHT TO HAVE THE TRAINING DONE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS IF THE PEOPLE RESPOND; THEY CAN ONLY OFFER THE TRAINING BUT CAN'T MAKE THEM COME.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T WANT TO JEOPARDIZE SUNNY HILLS OR THE COUNTY. HE RESCINDED HIS PREVIOUS MOTION AND MADE A MOTION THAT ANY VOLUNTEER FIREMAN THAT IS NOT CERTIFIED UNDER THE EVOC CERTIFICATION WITHIN 30 DAYS IF THEY DO NOT HAVE THE TRAINING, AT THAT POINT, THEY WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO DRIVE AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE; THIS IS ALL MEMBERS OF THE VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED.

STEVEN HEILES, WESTBROOK DRIVE, SUNNY HILLS, FLORIDA, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING NEVER SEEN SUCH DISCONTENT TOWARD AN INDIVIDUAL OR ONE SUBJECT MATTER IN HIS ENTIRE LIFE. SINCE THE LAST MEETING HE CAME TO, HE TRIED TO EDUCATE HIMSELF ON WHAT AN MSBU IS, WHAT HAS BEEN GOING ON IN THE COMMUNITY, ETC. HE FELT A LOT OF PEOPLE OUGHT TO DO THAT BECAUSE IGNORANCE DOES BRING DISCONTENT. HE SAID HE WAS HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE MSBU PIECE TONIGHT WHICH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS PART OF, ETC. HE REFERRED TO FLORIDA STATUTE 125 STATES MSBU IS A PURPOSE FOR PROVIDING ROADS, EMERGENCY SERVICES, FIRE DEPARTMENTS, ALL SERVICES A COUNTY WOULDN'T NORMALLY BE ABLE TO GIVE TO A COMMUNITY. THE COMMUNITY TAKES IT UPON THEMSELVES TO PITCH THAT LITTLE BIT OF EXTRA IN THEIR TAX BUDGET TO FUND THESE KIND OF THINGS. THIS ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO USE OTHER MONIES THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE COUNTY. SO THE WHOLE COUNTY WOULD WIN WITH THE MSBU THAT IS IN PLACE AT SUNNY HILLS. HE DOESN'T SEE WHY THE COMMISSION WOULD EVEN CONSIDER TRYING TO GET RID OF IT.

MR. HEILES ADDRESSED AT THE FIRST MEETING HE ATTENDED, THE COMMISSION HAD GIVEN MR. HAGAN THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MSBU. ALL MR. HAGAN ASKED FOR WAS A COMMITTEE; THE COMMISSION AFTER THEY VOTED HAGAN INTO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MSBU, THEY DID AWAY WITH THE COMMITTEE.

HEILES ADDRESSED CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD AND REFERRED TO THE ROADS THAT WERE DONE IN SUNNY HILLS WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MSBU. AS ROADS START TO DETERIORATE DOWN THE ROAD, THE COUNTY WILL HAVE MORE CRYSTAL LAKE TYPE ISSUES.

HEILES CONTINUED SAYING THE BOCC IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FUNDING BUT YOU WOULD PICK THE RESIDENTS TO COME UP WITH THEIR IDEAS OF HOW THEY WOULD LIKE THEIR FUNDING SPENT. THAT REQUIRES MR. HAGAN TO HAVE A COMMITTEE SO HE CAN ACTUALLY DO THAT.

HEILES ADDRESSED SOME OF THE PROS OF THE MSBU: IT PROVIDES FUNDING TO WASHINGTON COUNTY, SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS WITHIN SUNNY HILLS, ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO USE OTHER TAX MONEY FOR OTHER AREAS. HE WENT OVER THE CONS OF THE MSBU; WITH NO OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, THE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS DON'T KNOW WHERE THEIR MONEY IS BEING SPENT THEY ACTUALLY PAY IN THEIR ADDITIONAL FEES, WHICH IS ONLY \$29 A YEAR WHICH IS MINIMAL WHEN YOU THINK OF THE SERVICES YOU CAN GET.

HEILES SAID THERE IS DEFINITELY A NEED FOR AN MSBU COMMITTEE; WHEN HE SAYS THEY NEED A COMMITTEE, THEY NEED A COMMITTEE AND A BUDGET THAT IS DETAILED AND EXPENDITURES DETAILED. HE GAVE AN EXAMPLE IF YOU HAVE EIGHT AREAS THAT MSBU IS TO FUND, THEY ALL BE BROKEN DOWN AND THE MONEY IS PUT INTO SPECIFIC AREAS AND AS THEY ARE SPENDING EACH LINE ITEM WOULD HAVE ITS OWN CATEGORY SO THEY WOULD KNOW AT THE END OF THE YEAR WHAT WAS TOOK IN AND WHAT WAS SPENT ON EACH CATEGORY. THAT IS WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE BECAUSE THAT IS WHERE ALL THIS DISCONTENT IS COMING FROM; HE HAS HEARD IN TWO MEETINGS THERE IS NO ACCOUNTABILITY OVER THE YEARS THAT HAVE GONE BY. THAT IS A COUNTY PROBLEM BECAUSE THE COUNTY WAS SUPPOSE TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR RUNNING THE MSBU THROUGH INPUT FROM THE COMMITTEE. HEILES SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING IS AN AED CAN BE USED BY ANYBODY.

KAREN SCHOEN PROVIDED THE COMMISSION MEMBERS THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT POWER POINT PRESENTATION SHE HAD PRESENTED AT TUESDAY'S WORKSHOP FOR THE BOARD TO REVIEW AT THEIR LEISURE AND HOPEFULLY GO OVER SOME OF THE DETAILS IN THE INFORMATION AND FURTHER UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT. SHE ADDRESSED OVER THE LAST YEAR SHE HAS COME TO THE COMMISSION MEETINGS AND HAVE REPRESENTED EITHER THE 110 PAID MEMBERS OF THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION AND SOMETIMES SHE HAS REPRESENTED THE 500 PEOPLE THAT HAVE SIGNED A PETITION FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. TODAY SHE IS ONE OF THE 12,000 PROPERTY OWNERS IN SUNNY HILLS AS THERE ARE IN THE ORDINANCE. THE DEVELOPMENT IN SUNNY HILLS IS GOING TO TAKE TIME; IT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN OVERNIGHT. THANK GOD IT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN OVERNIGHT BECAUSE IF IT HAPPENED OVERNIGHT, WE IN SUNNY HILLS AND YOU IN THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE A BIG PROBLEM BECAUSE WE ARE NOT PREPARED. THAT GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT REQUIRES BEING PREPARED AND THE MSBU IS THE FUNDING SOURCE TO ENABLE THEM TO BE PREPARED FOR THAT GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT. SHE SAID SHE SAT HERE TONIGHT AND LISTENED ABOUT PERSONALITY CONFLICTS, THE COUNTY NOT HAVING ANY MONEY AND A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED AND WE NEED TO PUT AN END TO THAT. THE MSBU IN THE PAST WAS THE PAST; THE MSBU TODAY SHOULD BE DIFFERENT AND IT SHOULD BE DICTATING TODAY AND THE FUTURE AND THAT IS WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT. SHE SAID THEY WERE NOT INTERESTED IN PERSONALITY CONFLICTS. MSBU IS ABOUT MONEY AND NOTHING ELSE; IT DOESN'T CARE IF SHE IS NICE OR WHO IS NICE AS IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE. IT IS FUNDS AND A RESOURCE FOR FUNDING PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE IN SUNNY HILLS. SUNNY HILLS IS A VERY EXPENSIVE SUBDIVISION TO MAINTAIN. ON THE ONE HAND THEY HAVE THE RESIDENTS SAYING THEY WANT IT TO BE MAINTAINED AND ON THE OTHER HAND THEY HAVE THE COUNTY SAYING THEY HAVE NO MONEY TO MAINTAIN IT SO THEY HAVE IN PLACE A MECHANISM CALLED AN MSBU WHICH WILL FUND THOSE PROJECTS. THE PROPERTY OWNERS HAVE REQUESTED THREE VERY SIMPLE THINGS; THE COMMISSION GIVE ROGER A COMMITTEE HE ASKED FOR, A NEW SURVEY TO BE GIVEN AND A BUDGET TO FUND THOSE PROJECTS THAT MONEY IS SUPPOSE TO GO TO. IN ESSENCE, THEY ARE ASKING FOR THE COMMISSION TO LEAVE THE MSBU ALONE. AS MR. HOLMAN SAID IN THE LAST MEETING TO SOMETHING ELSE, IF IT AIN'T BROKEN, WHY FIX IT. MSBU IS NOT BROKEN SO WHY FIX IT. THERE IS NOTHING WRONG WITH IT; IT JUST HAS TO BE IMPLEMENTED AGAIN. JUST LIKE MR. HOWELL SAID, THEY WOULD LIKE A CHANCE TO DO THIS RIGHT; WE AT SUNNY HILLS WOULD ALSO LIKE A CHANCE TO DO THIS RIGHT. RATHER THAN GOING THROUGH THE EXPENSE OF HAVING ANOTHER MEETING AND ANOTHER MEETING AND ANOTHER MEETING TO HAVE A MEETING ABOUT WHAT WE SHOULD BE DOING ABOUT MSBU, LETS JUST IMPLEMENT THE ORDINANCE AS IT STANDS, GET IT WORKING AND GET THOSE PROJECTS FUNDED SO THE COMMUNITY CAN GROW AND PROSPER.

SAL ZURICA, SUNNY HILLS RESIDENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THEY HAD BEEN ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY TO DO A JOB; TO MAKE THE PEOPLE SAFE AND HELP BUILD THE COUNTY. FOR OVER THREE YEARS, WE HAVE BEEN FIGHTING LEFT AND RIGHT AND IT HAS GOT TO STOP. IT ISN'T GLEN ZANETIC, IT ISN'T ROGER HAGAN, IT ISN'T ANYBODY; IT IS THE BOARD AS THEY WERE ELECTED TO DO THE JOB AND THEY ARE FALLING DOWN IN IT. EVERYTHING HAS BEEN PUSHED OFF THIRTY DAYS, SIX MONTHS, A YEAR AND NOTHING HAS BEEN GETTING DONE. IT IS A SHAME. YOU HAVE HAD VOLUNTEER FIREMEN THAT ARE NOT QUALIFIED OR CERTIFIED THAT HAVE BEEN VOLUNTEERS FOR THIRTY YEARS, GIVE OR TAKE. THE VOLUNTEERS STILL NEED THAT CERTIFICATION. THERE ARE PEOPLE GOING OUT ENDANGERING LIVES AND IT HAS TO STOP. YOU HAVE THE EMS SERVICE DIRECTOR; THEY RESPOND IMMEDIATELY. THEY DON'T USE THAT TRUCK TO GO TO LUNCH; THEY USE THEIR OWN VEHICLES. A LOT OF THESE FIREHOUSES HE

AGREES NO ONE IS SITTING IN THEM AT TIMES AND IT DOES TAKE FIFTEEN TO TWENTY MINUTES TO GET THAT TRUCK ROLLING. MAYBE ONE DAY THERE WILL BE FIREMEN SITTING IN THESE HOUSES, AND HE WOULD BE GLAD TO PAY THE TAXES ON IT AS IT WOULD BE WORTH IT; BUT, TO KEEP FIGHTING THIS WAY AND KEEP PUTTING THINGS OFF IF IT IS NOT DONE RIGHT, IT IS A WASTE OF TIME AND A WASTE OF MONEY.

BRENDA WARD, SUNNY HILLS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING SHE HAD NEVER SEEN SO MUCH BICKERING AND FIGHTING, NEWSLETTERS THAT AREN'T QUITE THE TRUTH AND PICKING ON ONE PERSON LIKE THESE PEOPLE SEEM TO WANT TO DO. SHE THINKS THE BOARD IS DOING A FANTASTIC JOB; YOU HAVE GOT THINGS IN PLACE AND YOU ARE GOING TO GET IT DONE. HOWEVER, IT CAN'T BE DONE OVERNIGHT. BUT, YOU HAVE GOT A GOOD START IN GETTING ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS. SHE STATED IF HER HOUSE IS ON FIRE, SHE DOESN'T CARE WHO HAS A CERTIFICATE; SHE WANTS THEM OUT THERE PUTTING OUT THE FIRE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE HAS BEEN ON THE COUNTY COMMISSION BOARD FOR THREE YEARS AND THINKS THERE IS THREE WELL KNOWN GROUPS IN SUNNY HILLS AND HE HAS TRIED TO WORK WITH EVERYONE OF THEM. HE SAID HE HAD PROBABLY TEED OFF THE WHOLE BUNCH DOWN THERE; BUT, SAL IS RIGHT. IT HAS GOT TO STOP. IT IS NOT THE BOARD FIGHTING AND CAUSING THE PROBLEMS IN SUNNY HILLS; IT IS SUNNY HILLS FIGHTING AND CAUSING THE PROBLEM AND BRINGING IT UP HERE TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION SO THE COMMISSION CAN'T DO THEIR REAL JOB, BOTH SIDES.

MARY MORAN REFERRED TO MS. WARD'S STATEMENT "SHE DIDN'T CARE IF A VOLUNTEER FIREMAN IS CERTIFIED OR NOT AS LONG AS THEY CAN PUT THE FIRE OUT." MORAN SAID EXPLAIN THIS TO YOUR INSURANCE COMPANY; IF THERE IS NOT A CERTIFIED FIREMAN PUTTING OUT THE FIRE, YOU DON'T GET THE BUCKS FOR YOUR HOUSE.

MR. LEE EDWARDS ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON GERALD TALKING ABOUT THE LIABILITY OF SOMEONE COMING TO YOUR HOUSE THAT IS NOT CERTIFIED TO DO SOMETHING; YOU CAN'T DO THIRTY OR FORTY YEARS WORK IN ONE WEEK. THE BOARD IS DOING A GOOD THING GETTING EVERYBODY CERTIFIED; THAT IS FINE. HOWEVER, HE ASKED THE BOARD NOT TO PULL THE PROTECTION WHILE THEY ARE DOING IT. HE REFERRED TO THE MAYOR OF EBRO HAVING SAID EBRO FIRE DEPARTMENT DIDN'T HAVE ANYONE CERTIFIED TO FIGHT FIRES IN THE DAYTIME; IF THOSE FIREMEN ARE WORKING FULL TIME AND THEY CAN'T GET TO THAT TRAINING, THE BOARD MAY BE CUTTING THEM A LITTLE SHORT WITH THE THIRTY DAYS. HE SAID IF THE BOARD IS BAD IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE FIGHT FIRES WITHOUT CERTIFICATION; IF THEY DON'T ALLOW ANYONE TO EVEN GO OUT TO A FIRE, IT IS GOING TO HURT THE COUNTY WORSE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED ON THE SALE OF SUNNY HILLS LOTS. THEY TRIED TO CONTACT A POTENTIAL BUYER AND LEFT MESSAGES; BUT, THEY HAVEN'T HEARD BACK FROM THEM YET.

COUNTY ATTORNEY, GERALD HOLLEY, HAD NOTHING TO REPORT ON.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT'S REPORT:

1. VACANCY ON TDC COUNCIL; FLORIDA STATUTES REQUIRES AN ELECTED OFFICIAL FROM A MUNICIPALITY FILL THIS VACANCY. THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND THE TDC HAS SENT A RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT TOMMY MCDONALD, CHIPLEY CITY COUNCILMEMBER. PETE REQUESTED THE BOARD APPOINT TOMMY MCDONALD TO THE TDC.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF TOMMY MCDONALD TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

2. VACANCY ON WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION-DUE TO RESIGNATION OF MR. AUBREY DAVIS, THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAS RECOMMENDED

THE APPOINTMENT OF JIM ACKERMAN. PETE EXPLAINED HIS UNDERSTANDING JIM ACKERMAN IS GOING TO RESIGN FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT TO SERVE ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE APPOINTMENT OF JIM ACKERMAN TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF MR. AUBREY DAVIS.

3. INVOICE FROM CITY OF CHIPLEY-PETE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THIS INVOICE BEING DISCUSSED AT THE WORKSHOP. CLIFF COMMENTED EARLIER HE HAD REVIEWED THE ENGINEERING PLANS JIM MORRIS HAD PROVIDED; HOWEVER IT WAS AN INCOMPLETE SET OF PLANS. PETE AGREED TO GET BACK WITH JIM MORRIS AND PRESENT THE INVOICE FROM THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AT THE BOARD'S NEXT WORKSHOP ONCE THEY GET A COMPLETE SET OF PLANS.

4. ELMS NICKEL-PETE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE ELMS NICKEL BEING DISCUSSED AT THE WORKSHOP AND THEY WANTED FURTHER DISCUSSION ON IT TONIGHT. IF THE ELMS NICKEL IS GOING TO BE PUT IN PLACE THIS YEAR, THE BOARD WILL HAVE TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT THEIR JUNE MEETING.

PETE EXPLAINED THE ELMS NICKEL IS A FIVE CENT GAS TAX USED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO MATCH GRANT FUNDS, BUILD ROADS, ETC; IT CAN'T BE USED FOR DAILY OPERATIONS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. THE BOARD WITH A SUPER MAJORITY VOTE COULD PUT THE ELMS NICKEL IN PLACE BY ORDINANCE PRIOR TO JULY 1ST OF A CALENDAR YEAR TO START COLLECTING FUNDS ON JANUARY 1ST OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. IN ORDER TO PUT THE ELMS NICKEL IN PLACE THIS YEAR, THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO INSTRUCT ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO DRAFT AND ADVERTISE AN ORDINANCE FOR THE BOARD'S JUNE MEETING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED THE ELMS NICKEL IS A FIVE CENT A GALLON GAS TAX FOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION. THE ONLY WAY HE WOULD VOTE FOR THE ELMS NICKEL IS IT BE EARMARKED FOR ROAD PAVING, NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION OR MATCH GRANTS FOR THAT PURPOSE. HE FELT THE BOARD OUGHT TO LOOK AT THE ELMS NICKEL HARD AS THEY ONLY HAVE UNTIL JULY TO PASS THE ORDINANCE. HOWEVER, OVER THE NEXT MONTH OR SO, THEY COULD SPEND A LOT OF TIME WORKING THROUGH THIS, RESEARCHING IT AND MAKING SURE IT IS WHAT THEY WANT TO DO. IN THE MEANTIME, THEY NEED TO ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDINANCE IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO APPROVE IT AT THEIR JUNE MEETING.

COMMISSIONER PATE STATED HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM ADVERTISING THE ELMS NICKEL ORDINANCE FOR A HEARING; HOWEVER, HE WASN'T GOING TO MAKE A MOTION.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION TO ADVERTISE A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ELMS NICKEL ORDINANCE. COMMISSIONER BROCK SECONDED THE MOTION FOR DISCUSSION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK STATED THERE WAS NO SENSE IN ADVERTISING THE ORDINANCE IF IT IS NOT GOING TO PASS; IT IS GOING TO TAKE A SUPER MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD TO PASS IT. THERE IS ONE MEMBER THAT HAS SAID THEY WEREN'T GOING TO VOTE FOR THE ELMS NICKEL AND ANOTHER ONE THAT HASN'T MADE THEIR MIND UP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE HAS SAID HE WOULDN'T GOING TO VOTE FOR THE ELMS NICKEL AND HE IS NOT GOING TO CHANGE HIS MIND.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE BOARD NEEDS TO STUDY THE ELMS NICKEL MORE BEFORE IMPLEMENTING IT. IT SAYS IT HAS TO BE SPENT FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY; BUT, THE BOARD NEEDS TO KNOW WHERE IT IS GOING TO BE SPENT. THE COUNTY'S PAST HISTORY IS NOT THAT GOOD. THE BOARD MAY COULD CONVINCHE HIM; BUT, HE IS NOT GOING TO PASS IT WITHOUT KNOWING WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO DO WITH IT AFTER THEY GET IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED THE BOARD WAS NOT ASKING PATE TO PASS IT TONIGHT; THEY ARE ASKING HIM TO THINK ABOUT IT IN THIRTY DAYS AND THEN HAVE A VOTE ON IT IN JUNE. THE ELMS NICKEL IS A WAY FOR THE COUNTY TO HAVE MONIES TO MATCH GRANTS; RIGHT NOW THEY CAN'T AFFORD TO MATCH A GRANT. HE IS AWARE BUDGET TIME IS GOING TO BE REALLY HARD AND TO ASK SOMEBODY TO PAY \$.05 MORE PER GALLON EVERY TIME THEY GO TO THE GAS PUMP; THEY WILL HAVE TO PAY ANOTHER \$1.00 TO GET THAT TANK OF GAS; BUT, IT IS SOMETHING EVERYBODY WILL PAY.

THE MOTION TO ADVERTISE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ELMS NICKEL ORDINANCE CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OPPOSING.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A CALL FROM JOE TAYLOR WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD. MR. TAYLOR HAD ASKED HE ANNOUNCE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND MS. TAYLOR, MAYOR OF EBRO, WERE INVITED TO A RIBBON CUTTING AT VERNON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 6TH AT 11:00 A.M. IT IS FOR THE NEW BUS LOOP AND THE NEW CLASSROOMS.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REPORTED ON THE VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR APRIL 2009. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO PAY THE VOUCHERS FOR APRIL 2009.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE LIST OF PROJECTS FOR THE STIMULUS STRIPING AND RESURFACING OF STATE PARK ROAD. DUE TO FL-DOT WANTING THE BOARD TO EXECUTE THE LAP AGREEMENT BY THE FIRST OF NEXT WEEK AND THE BOARD NOT MEETING AGAIN UNTIL JUNE 16, HOWELL REQUESTED APPROVAL FROM THE BOARD TO BE ABLE TO SIGN THE DOCUMENTS NEXT WEEK TO ENCUMBER THE MONEY AND ENTER INTO THE LAP AGREEMENT WITH FL-DOT TO DO THE STIMULUS PROJECTS. HE READ OFF THE LIST OF STRIPING PROJECTS TO BE DONE:

1. ROLLING PINES
2. PINEY GROVE
3. CREEK ROAD
4. PIONEER ROAD
5. CLAYTON ROAD
6. ALFORD ROAD
7. QUAIL HOLLOW
8. BAHOMA ROAD
9. RIVER ROAD
10. ELKCAM BLVD
11. BIRD BLVD
12. STATE PARK ROAD
13. GOLDEN HILLS BLVD
14. BONNETT POND ROAD

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK FOR DISCUSSION TO APPROVE TO ENTER INTO THE LAP AGREEMENT WITH FL-DOT ON THE STIMULUS PACKAGE FUNDS FOR PAVING OF STATE PARK ROAD AND STRIPING OF THE ROADS AS STATED ABOVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE DOCUMENTS TO ENTER INTO THE LAP AGREEMENT.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD WITH IT BEING THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS TO ASK FL-DOT TO STRIPE CORBIN ROAD RATHER THAN BIRD BLVD AND GOLDEN HILLS BLVD DUE TO CORBIN ROAD BEING USED MORE THAN EITHER OF THOSE ROADS.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE COMPLETION OF THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER HAVING BEEN DISCUSSED AT THE WORKSHOP ON TUESDAY. HOWEVER, THE ESTIMATE GIVEN AT THE WORKSHOP WAS LOW. THE PHONE SYSTEM IS GOING TO COST MORE THAN THEY FIRST THOUGHT AND THERE HAS TO BE A FIRE ALARM SYSTEM IN IT AS WELL.

DAVID CORBIN REPORTED HE AND MALCOLM HAD WENT AND PICKED OUT A PHONE SYSTEM THEY THOUGHT WOULD ACCOMODATE THE BUILDING IN THE FUTURE; THE PHONE SYSTEM AND TEN PHONES WILL COST APPROXIMATELY \$6,500. THEY DON'T HAVE A FIRM PRICE ON THE FIRE ALARM SYSTEM; HOWEVER, A GUESTIMATED COST

IS \$3,500. THE TOTAL TO FINISH THE BUILDING WITH THE FOLDING CHAIRS AND TABLES, THE COMPLETION OF THE BUILDING WILL HAVE COST \$98,275. THEY WILL NEED \$35,000 MORE TO COMPLETE THE FACILITY.

MALCOLM REPORTED \$6,500 ISN'T JUST FOR THE PHONE SYSTEM; IT IS TO FINISH THE WIRING FOR THE NETWORK AS WELL. THIS IS JUST FOR MATERIALS.

DAVID SAID THE COMMUNITY CENTER IS A NICE FACILITY AND THE COUNTY WILL BE PROUD OF IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED MR. BESS AND HIS INMATE CREW HAS DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB WITH THE FACILITY; IT IS A PROFESSIONAL JOB AND SOMETHING THE COUNTY WILL BE PROUD OF WHEN THEY GET IT FINISHED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THE BOARD HAD ASKED HE AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW TO LOOK INTO THE FUNDING. THEY DISCUSSED THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF THE SEVENTY ACRES FROM PROJECT PIPE BROUGHT IN \$350,000; THEY OWED \$100,000 TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA FOR THAT SEVENTY ACRES AND THEY HAVE \$50,000 OBLIGATED FOR THE ENGINEERING FOR THE CITY OF CHIPLEY. THIS WOULD LEAVE \$200,000 GOING BACK INTO THE SURPLUS LAND SALES ACCOUNT AND THIS IS WHERE THEY THOUGHT THE ADDITIONAL \$35,000 SHOULD COME FROM.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO TAKE THE \$35,000 TO COMPLETE THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY CENTER OUT OF LAND SALES. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER PATE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE COUNTY CHARGING AROUND \$500 FOR A DRIVEWAY; THE LANDOWNER BUYS THE PIPE AND THEN PAYS \$500 EXTRA FOR THE COUNTY TO PUT DIRT AND STUFF ON IT. USUALLY WHEN YOU PUT A DRIVEWAY PIPE IN, YOUR TAX ROLL STARTS COMING IN. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO ELIMINATE THE \$500 DRIVEWAY FEE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND EXPLAINED THE \$25 DRIVEWAY FEE WILL STILL BE IN PLACE FOR THE SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS GOING AND LOOKING AT IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED THE BOARD TO KEEP IN MIND YOU HAVE A DEPARTMENT THAT IS ALREADY STRAINED FOR MONEY TO OPERATE. EVERYTIME THE BOARD CUTS ONE OF THESE FEES OUT, THEY ARE HAMPERING WHAT PUBLIC WORKS CAN DO. PUBLIC WORKS IS MAKING HEADWAY DOING MORE AND BETTER WITH LESS; BUT, IF THE BOARD KEEPS CUTTING FUNDS BACK, THEY WILL HAVE TO SEND SOMEBODY HOME AND SELL EQUIPMENT. PEOPLE WILL THEN GET LESS SERVICES. HE ASKED THE BOARD KEEP THIS IN MIND BEFORE THEY START GIVING EVERYTHING AWAY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY WOULDN'T BE GIVING ANYTHING AWAY BUT DIRT. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY TEND TO DO THAT ALOT.

THE MOTION TO ELIMINATE THE \$500 DRIVEWAY FEE CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND PATE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ADDRESSED MS. NAN THOMPSON MAKING COMMENTS IN THE WORKSHOP ABOUT DRIVEWAYS HE HAD FIXED ON ORANGE HILL HIGHWAY, ETC. IN THE COUNTY'S OPERATIONAL POLICY, PUBLIC WORKS WILL ACCEPT MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY ONCE A DRIVEWAY PIPE IS PROPERLY INSTALLED. PUBLIC WORKS WILL MAINTAIN THE FIRST 50' OF DRIVEWAYS TO PROTECT AND SAFEGUARD THE COUNTY ROAD. THAT IS WHY, PLUS THE CITIZEN ASKED IF THE COUNTY COULD DO ANYTHING WITH THE DRIVEWAY, THE DRIVEWAY GOT REPAIRED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN UPDATED THE BOARD ON OSCAR LANE, EVERYBODY IS AWARE OF THE PROBLEM THEY HAD. HE ADVISED BOTH PARTIES HAVE COME TO AN AGREEMENT; GLEN AND PHYLIS TOOLE AND RALPH AND JANICE WHEELER; EACH PARTY HOLDS HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFIES THE OTHER PARTY FROM ANY CAUSE OF ACTION THAT MAY ARISE FROM THE USE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE PROPERTY BY THE OTHER'S GUEST, INVITEES OR THEMSELVES. HE REQUESTED THIS AGREEMENT BE PUT ON

RECORD SO IN THE FUTURE SHOULD ANYTHING ARISE FROM THIS, IT WILL BE ON FILE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED HIS GRADERS BE ALLOWED TO RUN ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY IF WEATHER PERMITS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON PAYING OVERTIME. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW QUESTIONED WERE THEY NOT GOING TO ABIDE BY THE COUNTY'S COMP TIME POLICY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED WHAT THE COMP TIME POLICY WAS. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE COUNTY CAN PAY THE EMPLOYEES AN HOUR AND A HALF COMP TIME IN PLACE OF PAYING AN HOUR AND A HALF WAGE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS IN FAVOR OF GIVING THE EMPLOYEES COMP TIME; BUT, NOT OVERTIME PAY. HE QUESTIONED IF THE EMPLOYEES WERE NOT WORKING FEMA THIS WEEKEND.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED THEY ARE COLLECTING DEBRIS STILL AND ARE PLANNING ON WORKING.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE GRADING; BUT, AS FAR AS TRYING TO PAY THEM FOR OVERTIME, THEY NEED TO BE CAREFUL. IF THEY WILL TAKE COMP TIME, HE WOULD BE IN FAVOR FOR GRADING AS HIS ROADS ARE IN BAD SHAPE TOO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE BOARD OWES THIS SERVICE TO THE TAXPAYERS; THESE ROADS ARE TERRIBLE. IF THERE IS ANY WAY, THE GRADERS NEED RUNNING AS THE DIRT ROADS ARE TERRIBLE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE KNOWS THERE IS \$300,000 TO \$400,000 SETTING AT ROAD AND BRIDGE AND \$3,000 TO \$4,000 IS NOT GOING TO HURT THEM THAT MUCH.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED WHERE THIS \$300,000 TO \$400,000 AT ROAD AND BRIDGE IS WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK SAYING IT IS IN CONTINGENCY AT ROAD AND BRIDGE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THERE WAS NOT A CONTINGENCY AT ROAD AND BRIDGE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF ALL THE GRADERS RUN TOMORROW, THAT IS FINE AND HE IS WILLING TO GIVE THE EMPLOYEES COMP TIME FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW IF THERE WAS A CONTINGENCY IN ROAD AND BRIDGE OF \$300,000. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT STATED THERE WAS NOT A CONTINGENCY LINE ITEM IN THE ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REITERATED HE HAD SAID IT THERE RIGHT AFTER HE GOT ON THE BOARD AND COMMISSIONER PATE HAD SAID HE HAD OVERLOOKED THAT. PATE DENIED HE HAD OVERLOOKED \$300,000.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID BESIDES THE CONTINGENCY THERE IS GOING TO BE ABOUT \$200,000 REMAINING IN THE FUEL LINE ITEM. HE SAID HE CAN'T SEE NO REASON WHY THEY CAN'T GET THE ROADS GRADED.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO THE BOARD GIVING AWAY THE DRIVEWAY FUNDS AND ASKED AT THE END OF THE YEAR WHEN THEY RUN OUT OF MONEY, PEOPLE REMEMBER WHY THEY CAN'T GET THEIR ROADS GRADED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND FOR THE GRADERS TO WORK ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AND PAY THEM OVERTIME. THE MOTION FAILED THREE TO TWO. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN, COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND COMMISSIONER PATE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED FOR THE GRADERS TO WORK ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY IF THE GRADER OPERATORS ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT COMP TIME IN LIEU OF BEING PAID OVERTIME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO BUY A COUPLE OF 100 GALLON FUEL TANKS FOR THE TRUCKS THE MOTRIM OPERATORS DRIVE TO THEIR EQUIPMENT TO SAVE MONEY FOR ROAD AND

BRIDGE. COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED THERE WAS NO SENSE IN THE FUEL TRUCK HAVING TO COME ALL THE WAY ACROSS THE COUNTY TO THAT GRADER AFTER THERE HAS ALREADY BEEN A VEHICLE THERE; PUT ONE OF THE MOTRIM TRUCKS ON THE EAST SIDE AND ONE ON THE WEST SIDE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED SOME OF THE COMMISSIONERS HAVING "0" DOLLARS IN THEIR MATERIALS BUDGET AND THERE IS FIVE MONTHS LEFT IN THIS YEAR. SOME OF THEM NEED PIPES PUT IN NOW AND HAVE NO FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN TO TAKE \$50,000 OUT OF THE LAND SALES MONEY AND PUT \$10,000 PER DISTRICT IN THE COMMISSIONER'S MATERIAL BUDGET. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REMINDED THE BOARD THEY NEEDED TO BE AT THE VERNON BRIDGE FESTIVAL AT 10:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY TO ASSIST WITH SERVING LUNCH.

RON JONES ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIM THINKING IT WAS ONLY ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO WHEN THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES STOOD BEFORE THE COMMISSION TO GET A \$500 FEE IMPLEMENTED TO PUT IN DRIVEWAY PIPES; IT WAS VOTED ON UNANIMOUSLY. NOW THE BOARD IS GOING TO TURN THE CLOCK AND GO BACKWARDS AND GIVE THE DRIVEWAYS AWAY. THEY HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET ROADS PAVED AND THE COUNTY HAS NO MONEY TO PAVE ROADS; YET, THEY ARE GOING TO GIVE AWAY THE CULVERTS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY WERE NOT GIVING PIPES AWAY; THE LANDOWNER HAS TO BUY THE PIPES.

MR. JONES SAID THEY ARE GIVING SERVICES AWAY AND DIRT WHERE THEY WERE GETTING A \$500 FEE AND MOST OF THESE ROADS OUT HERE ARE DIRT ROADS ANYWAY AND HAVE TO HAVE THOSE CULVERTS AND DRIVEWAYS WHEN THEY BUILD A HOUSE. HE SAID IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO GO AND GIVE AWAY SERVICES WHEN THE COUNTY WAS GETTING \$500 A PIECE FOR DRIVEWAY INSTALLATIONS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID WHEN AN OLDER LADY OR MAN COMES TO YOU. MR. JONES SAID HE DIDN'T CARE HOW OLD OR HOW YOUNG THEY ARE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID PEOPLE MAY NOT HAVE MONEY LIKE MR. JONES. MR. JONES SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE MONEY. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE WAS FOR THE WORKING MAN; HE DOESN'T HAVE MONEY LIKE MR. JONES.

MR. JONES STATED AT THIS RATE, WE ARE ALL GOING TO BE BROKE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID AT LEAST WE ARE HELPING SOMEBODY.

JIM TOWN THANKED THE BOARD ON BEHALF OF SPRINGRIDGE AND FLORIDA LANDINGS FOR THE \$450,000 DONATION FOR THE SAVINGS ON THE INSTALLATION OF CURB CUTS.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL REMINDED EVERYONE THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 16, 2009 AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX AND THE WORKSHOP MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 11, 2009 AT 9:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN. ATTEST: _____

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

END OF MINUTES FOR 05/28/09