

BOARD MINUTES FOR 09/10/09

SEPTEMBER 10, 2009

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

CHAIRMAN HOWELL PROCLAIMED THE MEETING, OFFERED PRAYER AND LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL STATED THE PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP WAS TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2009-2010. THEY HAD DISCUSSED AT THE WORKSHOP ON SEPTEMBER 8TH ABOUT THE CLEANING, RECREATION MONIES, ETC.

LINDA NORTON, LIBRARIAN, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HOW THEY MAY BE ABLE TO INCREASE THE HOURS AT WAUSAU AND VERNON LIBRARIES BY AT LEAST TEN MORE HOURS PER WEEK. SHE EXPLAINED ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO, THE COUNTY WAS IN MAJOR RESTRAINTS ON FUNDING SO THE HOURS FOR THE LIBRARIES IN CHIPLEY, VERNON AND WAUSAU WERE CUT. THEY HAD A POSITION IN THEIR BUDGET FOR A FULL TIME PERSON FOR CHIPLEY; THAT WAS TAKEN OUT. EVERYBODY HAS TAKEN A CUT AT THE LIBRARY TO HELP OUT. SHE SAID IN ORDER TO GET THINGS BACK WHERE THEY WERE AND MAYBE EVEN HAVE SOMEONE AT SUNNY HILLS, THEY WOULD NEED TO ADD THAT FULL TIME POSITION BACK TO CHIPLEY. WHEN THEY MADE THE CUTS THREE YEARS AGO, THEY BROUGHT THE BRANCH MANAGER FROM VERNON AND THE BRANCH MANAGER FROM WAUSAU TO BE A BRANCH MANAGER FOR CHIPLEY WITH HER FILLING IN SO CHIPLEY HAS LIKE THREE MANAGERS. IT HAS WORKED VERY WELL AS FAR AS STAFF BEING VERY GOOD; THEY HAVE BEEN VERY FLEXIBLE. HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE NICE IF CHIPLEY JUST HAD ONE MANAGER AND GET THE OTHER TWO BRANCH MANAGERS BACK TO THEIR HOME BASE. THE VERNON BRANCH MANAGER HAS AGREED TO HELP OUT IN SUNNY HILLS IF SHE DOESN'T HAVE TO COME UP TO CHIPLEY. THEY COULD GET EVERYBODY BACK TO NORMAL AND THEY MIGHT EVEN BE ABLE TO GET CHIPLEY SOME SATURDAY HOURS; THEY COULD GET WAUSAU AND VERNON BACK UP. THE COST FOR A BRANCH MANAGER POSITION WOULD BE \$44,104 IF THE PERSON TAKES FAMILY INSURANCE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND INFORMED THE BOARD OF A PHONE CALL HE HAD FROM THE CITY OF EBRO SAYING THEY HAD A LIBRARY THERE AT ONE TIME. EBRO WAS REQUESTING THE COUNTY PROVIDE SOME LIBRARY HOURS FOR THEM ALSO.

MS. NORTON EXPLAINED THE COUNTY DID HAVE A LIBRARY BRANCH IN EBRO FOR SIX TO SEVEN YEARS AND NOBODY EVER USED IT. PART OF THAT WAS STAFFING ISSUES. THEY PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING FOR EBRO THIS YEAR. SHE ASKED THE BOARD TO KEEP IN MIND THE BRANCH MANAGERS AT WAUSAU AND VERNON ARE AT THE FACILITIES BY THEMSELVES WHICH MAKES HER VERY NERVOUS AS THEY ARE THERE UNTIL AFTER DARK IN THE WINTER TIME.

MS. NORTON ADDRESSED HER HAVING TWO PEOPLE UNDER THE EXPERIENCED WORKS PROGRAM WORKING WITH THE LIBRARY; ONE OF THEM IS WITH VERNON AND WAUSAU BRANCH MANAGERS NOW. BEFORE THEY START DOING WORK IN EBRO, SHE WOULD NEED A LITTLE EXTRA HELP DUE TO THE WORKLOAD THE CURRENT BRANCH MANAGERS ARE UNDER. THEY HAVEN'T HAD ANY ADDITIONAL STAFF FOR ABOUT FIVE YEARS.

MS. NORTON SAID SHE WAS AWARE EBRO WOULD LIKE A LIBRARY; BUT, SHE THINKS THE ISSUE THERE IS THEY NEED A SECURE BUILDING AND OFFERED TO GO INTO THE DETAILS WITH THE BOARD MEMBERS IN PRIVATE FROM WHEN THE LIBRARY

WAS THERE BEFORE. SHE ADDRESSED THE NEED TO KNOW WHAT HOURS EBRO WOULD NEED TO HAVE A LIBRARY OPEN AS SHE KNOWS A LOT OF PEOPLE THERE WORK SOMEWHERE ELSE; THEY ARE PROBABLY TALKING ABOUT LATE NIGHT HOURS WHICH IS WHAT THEY DID BEFORE BUT THEY DIDN'T GET ANY USAGE.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED THE ODDS OF THE SUNNY HILLS FACILITY EVEN BEING OPEN NEXT YEAR. COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY WAS PUT INTO THE BUDGET FOR THE 2009-2010 YEAR.

MS. NORTON STATED THE SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET AND THERE IS NO STAFFING DOWN THERE RIGHT NOW; THEY PLAN ON KEEPING THE LIBRARY OPEN WITH ALL VOLUNTEERS. SHE HAS SUNNY HILLS' PHONE LINES IN THE PLCS COOP BUDGET TO GET THEM INTERNET SERVICE; THEY HAVE SOME COMPUTERS MALCOLM HAS REBUILT TO GO DOWN THERE AS WELL. SHE REPORTED ON THE OBAMA STIMULUS MONIES FOR INTERNET. THE STATE LIBRARY DID A REQUEST FOR THE WHOLE STATE OF FLORIDA; VERNON AND CHIPLEY IS IN THERE FOR NEW COMPUTERS AND SHE PUT SIX COMPUTERS IN FOR SUNNY HILLS SHOULD THE STATE GET THIS. THE DRAWBACK IS THEY WOULD BE ALL VOLUNTEERS AND THAT IS A HUGE CONCERN OF HERS. SHE ADDRESSED IF YOU LET A MINOR ON AN INTERNET COMPUTER AND DON'T HAVE SIGNED PERMISSION FROM A PARENT AND THAT PARENT FINDS OUT OR THE MINOR GETS ON THE INTERNET AND HOOKS UP WITH SOMEBODY THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE, SHE WILL GET SUED, THE COUNTY WILL GET SUED AND THERE IS MAJOR LIABILITIES WITH CHILDREN USING THE INTERNET WITHOUT PARENT PERMISSION.

MS. NORTON SAYS THEY CAN OPEN THE SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY WITH VOLUNTEERS; BUT, IF A MINOR IS ALLOWED TO GET ON THE INTERNET WITHOUT THE PARENT'S SIGNED PERMISSION, SHE WOULD BE IN TROUBLE AS WELL AS THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED HOW MS. NORTON KEEPS THIS FROM HAPPENING WHERE THEY ARE AT NOW. MS. NORTON EXPLAINED THE MINORS HAVE TO SIGN IN BEFORE THEY CAN GO TO A COMPUTER; THEY HAVE TO HAVE A LIBRARY CARD THAT HAS A LITTLE STICKER ON IT THAT TELLS THEM ON THEIR REGISTRATION CARD, THEIR PARENTS SIGNED A WAIVER OR AN AGREEMENT THEIR CHILD CAN USE THE INTERNET WITHOUT THEM BEING PRESENT OR WITHOUT THEM WATCHING. AS LONG AS THE LIBRARY HAS SOMETHING SIGNED, IT IS OKAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED IT NOT MAKING A DIFFERENCE IF IT IS A VOLUNTEER OR A PAID PERSON WORKING AT THE LIBRARY, THIS SITUATION STILL EXISTS. HE ADDRESSED HIM NOT SEEING THE REAL ISSUE BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS COVERED IF THE LIBRARY HAS THE CARD AND THE SIGNED PERMISSION FROM THE PARENT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REQUESTED MS. NORTON INFORM THE BOARD OF THE HOURS FOR ALL THE LIBRARIES PRESENTLY. MS. NORTON STATED;

A. CHIPLEY LIBRARY IS OPEN MONDAY THRU THURSDAY FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL 6:00 P.M. AND FRIDAY FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL 1:00 P.M.

B. VERNON LIBRARY IS OPEN WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 1:00 P.M. UNTIL 6:00 P.M.

C. WAUSAU LIBRARY IS OPEN TUESDAY AND THURSDAY FROM 1:00 P.M. UNTIL 6:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THEY ADD THE NEW POSITION FOR A BRANCH MANAGER, WHAT WILL THIS DO FOR VERNON AND WAUSAU.

MS. NORTON SAID WAUSAU COULD GO BACK TO WHAT THEY HAD BEFORE WHICH WAS 18 OPEN HOURS AND VERNON WAS OPEN EVERYDAY EXCEPT MONDAY. SHE WOULD LIKE TO RESERVE THE VERNON PERSON FOR ONE DAY TO COME TO CHIPLEY BECAUSE SHE IS HER COMPUTER PERSON.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THIS VERNON PERSON WOULD GO TO SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY IF IT IS OPENED. MS. NORTON SAID SHE MIGHT; BUT, THEY ALSO

HAVE A PERSON THAT WORKS IN CHIPLEY THAT LIVES IN SUNNY HILLS THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO RELEASE HIM FOR SOME TIME TO GO DOWN THERE IF THE BRANCH MANAGER POSITION IS FUNDED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WOULD LIKE A SUPERVISOR OR SOME COUNTY PERSON GOING THROUGH THE SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK ONCE IT IS OPENED.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED ABOUT THE SHELVING THAT IS NEEDED FOR THE SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY. MS. NORTON ADVISED THERE IS PLENTY OF SHELVING ALREADY AVAILABLE AND EVEN SOME FOR EBRO IF IT IS REOPENED. SHE HAS BEEN SAVING BOOKS FOR SUNNY HILLS LIBRARY FOR THREE TO FOUR YEARS.

MS. NORTON SAID SHE DIDN'T KNOW HOW THE BOARD FEELS ABOUT IT; BUT, SHE ADDRESSED THE CITY OF VERNON WAS NOT PAYING ANYTHING FOR THE OPERATION OF THE LIBRARY. THE BOARD MAY WANT TO GET THEM TO ASSIST WITH THE UTILITIES, ETC. THE CITY OF CHIPLEY DOESN'T PAY ANYTHING EITHER; HOWEVER, THEY ARE HELPING PAY FOR THE LIBRARY. SHE SUGGESTED MAYBE GETTING MUNICIPAL SUPPORT; IF THEY ARE WILLING TO DO THIS, THIS WOULD NEED TO BE RUN THROUGH THE COUNTY BECAUSE ANYTHING THAT RUNS THROUGH THE COUNTY THAT IS SPENT ON THE LIBRARY COUNTS FOR STATE AID. RIGHT NOW THE LIBRARY IS AT \$.25 ON THE DOLLAR MATCH AND THERE IS A POSSIBILITY OF GETTING A \$.50 ON THE DOLLAR MATCH WHICH WOULD GET THE COUNTY A LOT OF MONEY FROM THE STATE. HOWEVER, WHEN THEY WENT AND ASKED HOW MUCH MONIES THAT WOULD BE, THEY WERE TOLD THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO PUT IN \$300,000 PLUS. SHE DOESN'T SEE THE COUNTY EVER GETTING THE \$.50 MATCH; IT WAS THE NEW FORMULA THAT REALLY KNOCKED THE COUNTY OUT OF THE FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND, IN TALKING ABOUT THE SAFETY IN VERNON, THERE NEEDS TO BE MORE LIGHTING OUTSIDE AT THE LIBRARY WHEN THE EMPLOYEE LEAVES AT NIGHT. MS. NORTON SAID THERE WAS A LIGHT THAT HAD NOT BEEN WORKING FOR A LONG TIME; BUT, SHE THINKS IT IS WORKING NOW.

MS. NORTON QUESTIONED IF IT WAS GOING TO BE A SAFE PLACE FOR THE LIBRARY ONCE THE NEW BRIDGE GOES OVER THE PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE BRIDGE WASN'T GOING OVER THE PROPERTY; THE BRIDGE IS GOING TO BE BASICALLY WHERE IT IS NOW EXCEPT IT WILL BE TWO SEPA- RATE BRIDGES. THE TOWN SQUARE IF GOING TO BE TWICE THE SIZE IT IS NOW AND HIGHWAY 277 IS GOING TO GO TO SOUTH OF THE LIBRARY. THERE IS GOING TO BE ADDITIONAL PARKING AROUND THE SQUARE AS WELL. THE LIBRARY IS NOT GOING TO LOSE ANYTHING WITH THE NEW BRIDGE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF MS. NORTON HAD LOOKED AT THE POSSIBILITY, RATHER THAN HIRING A NEW PERSON, OF MOVING SOME PEOPLE A FEW HOURS A WEEK FROM CHIPLEY TO VERNON. HE SAID CERTAIN HOURS MAY NOT BE PEEK HOURS AT CHIPLEY AND SHE COULD POSSIBLY CLOSE IT EARLY.

MS. NORTON EXPLAINED IF YOU CLOSE THE CHIPLEY LIBRARY EARLY, THEY HAVE CUT OFF THE PEOPLE THAT COME AFTER WORK WITH THEIR KIDS TO TRY AND GET STUFF FOR SCHOOL. THE LIBRARY DOESN'T HAVE A WHOLE LOT OF EXTRA HELP; THEY ARE WITH BARE BONE LIKE IT IS. IF HER BRANCH MANAGER IS OUT, SHE IS FILLING IN. IF SHE IS FILLING IN FOR BRANCH MANAGER, SHE CAN'T DO INVENTORY; SHE KNOWS SHE IS THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR BUT SHE WORKS CHIPLEY LIKE SHE IS A BRANCH MANAGER. THAT IS WHY THE BRANCH MANAGER FROM VERNON AND WAUSAU ARE AT CHIPLEY CERTAIN TIMES BECAUSE THEY HAD NO OTHER WAY TO DO THIS. IT WAS AT A BUDGET WORKSHOP WHERE THIS COME UP AND THIS WAS THE ONLY WAY THEY COULD COVER ALL THE HOURS; THEY EVEN CUT THE HOURS BACK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF MS. NORTON COULDN'T JUST OPEN UP AT 10:00 IN THE MORNING RATHER THAN 9:00, COULDN'T THEY TAKE THAT FIVE HOURS A WEEK AND GO SOMEWHERE ELSE. MS. NORTON EXPLAINED IF THEY CUT THE HOURS THEY ARE WORKING IN CHIPLEY AND THEY BEGIN WORK AT 10:00 A.M.

RATHER THAN 9:00, THEY DON'T NEED ANYONE IN VERNON FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL 10:00; THEY NEED THEM THERE FROM 4:00 TO 6:00.

COMMISSIONER PATE SUGGESTED MS. NORTON CHECK WITH THE CHIPOLA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AS THEY ARE GETTING SOME NEW PROGRAMS WITH THE STIMULUS PACKAGE; IT IS A TRAINING PROGRAM. MS. NORTON EXPLAINED THAT IS WHAT THE SENIOR GROUP IS AS WELL; BUT, THEY ALSO ENCOURAGE THESE PEOPLE TO LOOK FOR A JOB. AS SOON AS THEY FIND A JOB, THE LIBRARY WOULD LOSE THEM. THE PEOPLE ARE NICE AND ARE HELPING THE LIBRARY A LOT; BUT, THEY CAN'T COUNT ON THEM BEING THERE NEXT WEEK. SHE ADDRESSED WORKING AT THE LIBRARY IS NOT AS EASY AS PEOPLE MAY THINK IT IS; PERSONS HAVE TO BE COMPUTER LITERATE AND HAVE TO BE LITERATE. EVERYBODY CANNOT DO THIS. SHE CAN'T JUST GO AND PULL SOMEONE OFF THE STREET AND THEY WILL KNOW WHAT THEY NEED TO KNOW TOMORROW; BY, THE TIME THEY DO THE TRAINING TO GET PERSONS UP TO SPEED AND LET THEM KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO FOLLOW THE POLICIES THEY HAVE TO FOLLOW, IT IS HARD TO FIND A GOOD PERSON TO WORK IN THE LIBRARY. SHE IS AWARE A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND THAT BECAUSE WHAT THEY SEE IS CHECKING BOOKS IN AND OUT.

MS. NORTON SAID THEY HAVE USED THE SUMMER WORK PROGRAM; THE KIDS DID A GREAT JOB. HOWEVER, THEY SPENT A LOT OF TIME TRAINING THEM AND SPENT A LOT OF TIME GOING BEHIND THEM AND FIXING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED THE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO HELP AT THE WAUSAU AND VERNON LIBRARIES. MS. NORTON SAID SHE COULD TELL THE BOARD FROM PAST EXPERIENCES, THE STUDENTS WILL SAY THEY WILL BE HERE; BUT, THEY MAY OR MAY NOT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF YOU ARE PAYING THE STUDENTS SOMETHING THEY ARE GOING TO SHOW UP. MS. NORTON QUESTIONED IF THEY WERE GOING TO PAY THE STUDENTS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS JUST ASKING A QUESTION AS HE HAS NOT HEARD ANYTHING BUT A FORTY HOUR PERSON WITH BENEFITS; HE WANTS TO HEAR SOMETHING THAT HELPS WITH THIS BUDGET. THE \$44,000 DOESN'T HELP THEIR BUDGET; THEIR OBJECT IS TO GET THEIR BUDGET APPROVED TODAY. THE \$44,000 JUST PUTS THE BUDGET FURTHER BEHIND. HE ASKED IF MS. NORTON HAS LOOKED AT OTHER AREAS IN BEING ABLE TO ASSIST WITH MORE HOURS AT VERNON AND WAUSAU.

MS. NORTON REITERATED THE SUMMER PROGRAM WORKED REALLY WELL; IF THE STUDENTS WORKED REALLY HARD, THEY GOT A BONUS AT THE END.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THE CHIPOLA WORKFORCE PROGRAM WAS AN AGE GROUP HE THOUGHT FROM 18 TO 25.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAVING A KID COME TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE FOUR DAYS A WEEK, TWO HOURS A DAY AND THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE TO PAY THEM.

DAVID CORBIN SAID HE AND MS. NORTON ONLY HAD ABOUT TWENTY MINUTES TO DISCUSS THIS YESTERDAY; THEY FOUND OUT MONDAY THE COUNTY WAS DESIROUS TO HAVE MORE HOURS AT THE VERNON AND WAUSAU LIBRARY. THEY HAVEN'T REALLY HAD TIME TO WORK ON THIS; THE 40 HOUR EMPLOYEE WAS AN OPTION THEY CAME UP WITH IN FIFTEEN MINUTES YESTERDAY. ALL THE SCENARIOS HADN'T BEEN ABLE TO COME TOGETHER YET WITH THAT AMOUNT OF TIME. HE REFERRED TO HIM HAVING WORKED AT THE VERNON LIBRARY AND ADDRESSED HOW BUSY IT WAS AND THERE WAS ONLY ONE PERSON WORKING. THE BRANCH MANAGER AT WAUSAU IS A TWENTY HOUR PERSON; IF THAT WAS A FULL TIME POSITION, THEY WOULDN'T BE HAVING THIS DISCUSSION.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED FOR A LITTLE BIT MORE EXPLANATION ON THE TWENTY HOUR PERSON BEING A FULL TIME PERSON. MS. NORTON SAID THE TWENTY

HOUR PERSON AT WAUSAU IS NOT WILLING TO WORK FORTY HOURS AND SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE COUNTY WOULD DO ABOUT THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED COULD THEY HIRE ANOTHER BRANCH MANAGER FOR TWENTY MORE HOURS AS HE THINKS HIRING SOMEBODY WITH BENEFITS IS OUT OF THE QUESTION. THE BOARD IS CLOSE MAYBE TO BALANCING THE BUDGET AND THEY DON'T NEED TO STAND HERE AND ADD THINGS TODAY.

MS. NORTON SAID SHE UNDERSTANDS THAT; THE BOARD IS WANTING TO ADD TO THE NUMBER OF HOURS THE VERNON AND WAUSAU LIBRARY ARE OPEN AND THEY ARE OPENING A LIBRARY BRANCH AND YET THE LIBRARY DOESN'T GET ANY MORE PEOPLE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE UNDERSTANDS AND HE KNOWS IT SOUNDS BAD.

MS. NORTON SAID SHE WAS BEFORE THE BOARD BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO INCREASE THE HOURS AT THE VERNON AND WAUSAU LIBRARY. SHE HAS BEEN ASKED SEVERAL TIMES HOW SHE COULD PUT SOMEBODY IN SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED MS. NORTON IS TELLING THE BOARD IT IS GOING TO COST \$44,000 TO INCREASE THE HOURS AT WAUSAU AND VERNON LIBRARY. MS. NORTON SAID THAT WAS CORRECT; THEY COULD POSSIBLY HAVE THE CHIPLEY LIBRARY OPEN ON SATURDAY AND HAVE SOMEBODY THAT COULD WORK AT SUNNY HILLS. SHE EXPLAINED IT WAS NOT JUST WAUSAU AND VERNON THAT HAD THEIR HOURS CUT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T SEE THE BOARD FUNDING AN ADDITIONAL \$44,000. HE DOESN'T SEE HOW THEY CAN INCREASE THE HOURS AND SUGGESTED THEY LEAVE THE HOURS AS IS UNTIL THEY CAN DO BETTER AS HE DOESN'T SEE ANY OTHER SOLUTION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAVING MENTIONED EBRO AND THEY ARE INTERESTED IN GETTING THEIR LIBRARY BACK. IT IS GOING TO TAKE ABOUT \$6,000 TO GET THE BUILDING PREPARED FOR A LIBRARY. HE ASKED IF THIS POSITION WOULD HAVE BEEN IN AT THE CORRECT TIME AND THE STATE APPROVED THE FUNDING FOR THE LIBRARY, WOULD SHE HAVE HAD THE MONEY. HE SAID AT ONE TIME THE STATE CUT THE LIBRARY FUNDING.

MS. NORTON SAID THE STATE HAS CUT THE FUNDING; TWO YEARS AGO THEY WERE RECEIVING \$86,000 AND THEY ARE DOWN TO \$70,000. IT IS NOT THE COUNTY'S FAULT; THEY ARE GIVING JUST AS MUCH MONEY NOW OR MORE THAN THEY DID TWO YEARS AGO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY APPROVE SOME OF THE ITEMS IN THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET YEAR AFTER YEAR AND HE NEVER HEARS FROM THEM. WHEN HE NEEDS SERVICE, THERE ISN'T ANY SERVICE. HE QUESTIONED THE ARTHROPOD FUNDING.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW INFORMED COMMISSIONER BROCK THE COUNTY DOESN'T FUND ARTHROPOD; IT IS STATE FUNDED AND THE CITY OF CHIPLEY CONTRIBUTES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THIS PREVIOUS YEAR MOSQUITOES WERE BAD, THEY CALLED FOR SOME SERVICE AND THE COUNTY DIDN'T QUALIFY FOR SERVICE ACCORDING TO THE TESTING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THERE COULD BE SOME FUNDING IN THE GENERAL FUND THAT IS NOT NEEDED THAT COULD BE USED FOR THE LIBRARY AND OTHER THINGS. HE REFERRED TO SEVERAL FUNDS HE SEEN WHERE THERE WERE FEES CHARGED.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW EXPLAINED THE MAJORITY OF THOSE FUNDS COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO WERE DUE TO ARTICLE V; THEY WERE STATUTORILY REQUIRED AND HAD TO BE EXPENDED FOR QUALIFIED EXPENDITURES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED THE BUDGET FOR GENERAL BUILDING.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW EXPLAINED THAT WAS FOR THE UTILITY AND MAINTENANCE ON ALL THE COUNTY BUILDINGS AND IS ADMINISTERED BY ROBERT PETTIS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID AS THEY GO THROUGH THE YEAR AND IF THEY FIND SOME MONEY THEY CAN USE TO HAVE THE LIBRARIES OPEN MORE HOURS, THEY

CAN DO IT AT THAT TIME. THERE IS NOTHING TO SAY THEY CAN'T DO A BUDGET AMENDMENT LATER.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY WORKED SO HARD TO BUILD A GOOD LIBRARY SYSTEM IN THE COUNTY AND HE COMMENDED MS. NORTON FOR ALL THE HARD WORK THEY HAVE PUT IN IT AND THEN NOT BE ABLE TO UTILIZE THE SERVICES THEY HAVE.

MS. NORTON EXPLAINED WHEN THEY ROLLED THE HOURS BACK TO SAVE MONEY, IT PUT THE LIBRARY BACK TO WHERE THEY WERE IN 1992 AND 1993. SHE ADDRESSED IF THE STATE CUT STATE AID FUNDING, THE COUNTY WOULDN'T JUST HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT 10 HOURS; THERE WOULD BE MAJOR CUTBACKS AS THAT WOULD BE A CUT OF \$70,000. SHE REQUESTED THE BOARD, WHEN THEY TALK TO THEIR LEGISLATORS, TELL THEM IF THEY DO AWAY WITH \$70,000 STATE AID IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, THAT WOULD BE OVER \$250,000 OUT OF THE PLCS'S BUDGET AND THAT IS WHERE THEIR AUTOMATION SYSTEM CAME FROM, THE COUNTY WOULD BE BACK TO THE 1970'S.

SHE EXPLAINED NOW IS THE TIME TO TALK TO THE STATE LEGISLATORS. FROM WHAT SHE UNDERSTANDS, THE STATE AID FUNDING WAS IN RECURRING FUNDS FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS; THIS LAST YEAR, THE LEGISLATURE MOVED IT BACK TO NON-RECURRING FUNDS. THIS MEANS EVERY YEAR THEY COULD ZERO IT OUT; IF THEY DO THIS, IT IS GOING TO BE ONE LIBRARY OPEN AND A COUPLE OF PEOPLE LAID OFF.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS THEY DIDN'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE BUT TO LEAVE THE LIBRARY HOURS AS THEY PRESENTLY ARE AND LATER ON, IF THEY FIND THEY CAN HELP MORE, THEY WILL DO SO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED THE BOARD TO KEEP IT IN THE BACK OF THEIR MINDS, IF THE LEGISLATURE DOES CUT THE LIBRARY STATE AID FUNDING, THEY HAVE TO FIND A SOURCE OF FUNDING TO CONTINUE PROVIDING THIS SERVICE.

MS. NORTON ADDRESSED THEY HAVE CONSIDERED THE POSSIBILITY THE STATE FUNDING COULD BE CLOSED OUT. SHE SAID JUST IN CASE THIS HAPPENS, THEY ARE MOVING THEIR AUTOMATION SYSTEM TO ATLANTA AND IT WILL BE MANAGED OFFSITE; IF PLCS CLOSES, THE AUTOMATION SYSTEM IS STILL SECURED AND THERE IS STILL SOMEONE WHO CAN RUN IT. IT WOULD BE LIKE EACH COUNTY WOULD PUT IN \$6,000 EACH AND THEY COULD KEEP THAT PART OF THE LIBRARY GOING. OTHER THAN THAT, IT WOULD BE CUTTING STAFF AND SHUTTING DOWN BUILDINGS. SHE SAID WITH CUTTING BACK HOURS, ALL THAT DID WAS REALLY SAVE THE COUNTY THE COST OF THE EMPLOYEE.

MS. NORTON EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION FOR THE BOARD'S SUPPORT OF THE LIBRARY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED ON THE RECREATION FUNDING PROGRAM. HE ADDRESSED IN THE PAST THEY DID THE FUNDING FORMULA BASED ON THE POPULATION OF THE CITIES; BUT, IN TALKING WITH A COUPLE OF COMMISSIONERS YESTERDAY, THEY THOUGHT THE FAIRER WAY WOULD BE TO DEVELOP A FORMULA BY THE NUMBER OF YOUTHS THAT PARTICIPATED IN THE SPORTS PROGRAM. SUSAN LAWSON HAD CONTACTED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY, EBRO, VERNON AND WAUSAU AND THE FORMULA THEY CAME UP WITH WAS CHIPLEY OFFERED SOCCER, FLAG FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL AND HAVE 903 YOUTH PARTICIPATING. EBRO OFFERS BASEBALL AND HAS 45 YOUTH PARTICIPATING. VERNON OFFERS FOOTBALL, BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL AND HAVE 250 YOUTH PARTICIPATING. WAUSAU OFFERS BASEBALL AND HAVE 30 YOUTH PARTICIPATING. THAT WAS A TOTAL OF 1,228 YOUTH; WHEN BREAKING THAT DOWN BY PERCENTAGES, CHIPLEY WOULD GET 74%, EBRO WOULD GET 4%, VERNON WOULD GET 20% AND WAUSAU WOULD GET 2%. IN THE CURRENT BUDGET YEAR, MR. HERBERT SAID THEY CAME UP WITH \$20,000 TO FUND RECREATION. IF THEY CAME UP WITH \$20,000 FOR NEXT YEAR, CHIPLEY WOULD

GET \$14,800, EBRO WOULD GET \$800, VERNON \$4,000 AND WAUSAU WOULD GET \$400.

TOMMY MCDONALD, CITY OF CHIPLEY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE CITY HAVING BEEN WORKING WITH THE YMCA; THE YMCA HAS DECIDED NOT TO WORK WITH THE CITY ANYMORE WHICH HAS LEFT THE CITY WITH A BURDEN IN TRYING TO PROVIDE THESE SERVICES FOR THE KIDS. THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN PEOPLE HAVE HAD THE VIEW THE CITY AND COUNTY HAS AN ADVESARIAL RELATIONSHIP. HE AND THE BOARD KNOWS THAT IS NOT TRUE; THEY ARE ALL WORKING TOGETHER. THE CITY ASSISTS WITH ARTHROPOD AND CHANGING LIGHTS IN VERNON. HE ASKED THE BOARD FOR HELP. THE CITY SENT THE YMCA A LETTER BECAUSE THEY LEFT OWING SOME BILLS, ETC. AND HE PROVIDED THE BOARD A COPY OF THE LETTER THE CITY SENT TO THEM.

MR. MCDONALD EXPLAINED THE CITY WAS NOT GOING TO BE DOING WHAT THEY WERE ABLE TO DO FOUR OR FIVE YEARS AGO; THEY ARE HAVING TO DEAL WITH THE SAME BUDGET CUTS AS EVERYONE ELSE. HE ASKED IF THE COUNTY COULD HELP WITH THE CITY'S ELECTRIC BILL, WHICH COMES TO AP- PROXIMATELY \$25,000. THEY HAVE TALKED ABOUT BEING FAIR TO OTHER CIT- IES AND HE THINKS IT IS IMPORTANT TO TAKE CARE OF VERNON AND EBRO. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THE FORMULA COULD BE TO TAKE CARE OF EVERYBODY AS HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THEIR ELECTRIC BILL IS. HOWEVER, THE \$25,000 IS WHAT THE CITY NEEDS TO PROVIDE RECREATION FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR; THEY ARE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SOCCER SEASON AND WERE HALF WAY THROUGH WITH THE SIGN UPS AND THE YMCA LEFT THEM.

JIM MORRIS, CITY OF CHIPLEY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE ELECTRIC BILL FOR THE CITY HAVING BEEN AN AVERAGE OF \$25,000 PER YEAR OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THERE WOULD BE ANY NIGHT GAMES OR ACTIVITIES GOING ON AT PALS PARKS BETWEEN NOW AND THE SPRING.

MR. MCDONALD SAID THE CITY HOPES THERE WILL BE SOME NIGHT ACTIVITIES; THEY WANT TO PROVIDE AS MUCH RECREATION FOR THE KIDS AS THEY CAN ESPECIALLY WITH THINGS LIKE TOURNAMENTS THAT WILL GENERATE REVENUE. IF THEY CAN BRING IN OTHER CITIES TO COME PLAY IN THE CITY'S PARK, THEY CAN ACTUALLY GENERATE SOME REVENUE. HOWEVER, THE CITY WILL BE POWER CONSCIOUS; THEY HAVE TIMERS SET ON THE LIGHTS AND THEY WOULD BE GLAD TO HAVE THE COUNTY'S INPUT INTO HOW THEY ARE DOING THAT TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE CUTTING THE COST AS MUCH AS THEY CAN. BUT, THE LIGHTS WILL BE ON AT NIGHT ON OCCASIONS.

MR. MORRIS SAID RIGHT NOW THROUGH THE SOCCER SEASON AND FOOTBALL SEASON NEXT YEAR IS THE LOWEST USAGE OF THE LIGHTS; WHEN THEY GET INTO BASKETBALL, THERE IS VIRTUALLY NO USE OF LIGHTS AT THE PARK BECAUSE THEY USE THE GYM. HOWEVER, THEY HAVE TO PAY FOR THE UTILI- TIES AT THE GYM; BUT, IT IS NOT ANYTHING COMPARABLE TO WHAT THE PARK'S UTILITY BILL IS DURING THE BALL SEASON.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF IT WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO GIVE THE SAME AMOUNT TO VERNON, WAUSAU AND EBRO THEY DID LAST YEAR. COMMIS- SIONER STRICKLAND, HOLMAN AND BROCK FELT LIKE THEY SHOULD GIVE EBRO AND WAUSAU A \$1,000 EACH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED WAUSAU ONLY PLAYS BASEBALL AND THEY HAVE 30 KIDS PARTICIPATING. HE ASKED IF WAUSAU COMES TO CHIPLEY AND PLAYS CHIPLEY'S TEAMS OR DO THEY GO TO VERNON AND PLAY TEAMS DOWN THERE.

MARGARET RILEY, WAUSAU TOWN CLERK, STATED WAUSAU GOES TO VERNON, EBRO, BONIFAY AND SOMETIMES TO ALFORD AND PONCE DE LEON; BUT, THEY DON'T GO TO CHIPLEY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED MR. RILEY WHAT WAUSAU PAYS FOR THEIR RECREATIONAL UTILITIES. MS. RILEY ADVISED THEY PAY AROUND \$400 PER MONTH FOR UTILITIES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS ANYONE FROM VERNON PRESENT TO REPORT ON THEIR RECREATIONAL PROGRAM AND THE UTILITIES. THERE WAS NO ONE PRESENT; HOWEVER, COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED VERNON HAS BOYS AND GIRLS TEAMS.

MR. MORRIS SAID VERNON PLAYS BALL IN CHIPLEY AND CHIPLEY PLAYS IN VERNON. HE SUGGESTED, INSTEAD OF GIVING CHIPLEY \$25,000 AND PUTTING IT WHERE THEY NEED IT TOWARD WAUSAU, VERNON, ETC., LETTING THE UTILITY BILL COME DIRECTLY TO THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS MORE IN FAVOR OF GIVING THE \$25,000 TO THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND LETTING THEM DO WHATEVER THEY WANT TO WITH IT. MR. MORRIS ADDRESSED THERE HAD BEEN RUMORS IN THE PAST ABOUT THE COUNTY HAD GIVEN CHIPLEY MONEY AND THE CITY HAD PUT IT IN OTHER PLACES; BY HAVING THE UTILITY BILLS SENT TO THE COUNTY, THAT WOULD ELIMINATE ANY RUMORS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THERE WERE ALWAYS GOING TO BE RUMORS; THE COUNTY WILL JUST GIVE THE CITY MONEY AND TRUST THEM TO HANDLE IT THE BEST THEY CAN. THE CITY KNOWS BETTER HOW TO DO THAT THAN THE COUNTY DOES.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IF THE BOARD GIVES CHIPLEY \$14,000, EBRO \$1,000, WAUSAU \$1,000 AND VERNON \$4,000, THAT WOULD BE MORE THAN WHAT THEY ARE GETTING NOW.

MR. MCDONALD REITERATED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY IS REQUESTING \$25,000 BECAUSE OF THE SITUATION THEY ARE IN WITH THE YMCA.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE BOARD GAVE \$20,000 RECREATIONAL FUNDING LAST YEAR AND IF THEY GIVE WAUSAU \$400 LIKE THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT RIGHT NOW, IT IS NOT ENOUGH FOR THEM TO PLAY BALL.

MARGARET POINTED OUT THE TOWN OF WAUSAU DOESN'T CHARGE ANYONE TO PLAY BALL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY COULD TALK ABOUT THE FIGURE OF \$50,000 RIGHT NOW. HE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY NOT HAVING A LOT OF EXTRA MONEY; BUT, HE THINKS THE KIDS ARE VERY IMPORTANT AND THE BOARD HASN'T DONE A WHOLE LOT FOR THEM THE LAST FEW YEARS.

MR. MORRIS SAID IF THE BOARD BASES IT ON \$50,000 AND GIVES CHIPLEY \$25,000; THAT WOULD GIVE VERNON, EBRO AND WAUSAU AROUND \$8,300 EACH. COMMISSIONER HOWELL FELT VERNON SHOULD GET A LITTLE MORE THAN EBRO AND WAUSAU BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF TEAMS AND YOUTH THEY HAVE.

MR. JOHN FOSTER SAID USING THE PERCENTAGES GIVEN BY MR. HERBERT AND USING THE \$50,000, CHIPLEY WOULD GET \$37,500, EBRO WOULD GET \$2,000, VERNON WOULD GET \$10,000 AND WAUSAU WOULD GET \$1,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THERE BEING KIDS COMING IN FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTY AND IT HAS BEEN QUESTIONED IF YOU CAN STOP THEM FROM COMING IN. HE SAID IF IT WAS A FRDAP GRANT, HE DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED WHAT OTHER MONIES DOES THE BOARD HAVE TO COME UP WITH FOR OTHER PROGRAMS. MR. HERBERT SAID RECREATION, COURTHOUSE CLEANING AND THE LIBRARY WAS DISCUSSED AT THE PREVIOUS WORKSHOP.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THEY EVER DECIDED ANYTHING ON THE COUNCIL ON AGING. CHAIRMAN HOWELL AND COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ADVISED HIM THEY WERE GOING TO LEAVE THE FUNDING AS PRESENTLY PROPOSED FOR THE COUNCIL ON AGING AS THE BOARD INCREASED THEIR FUNDING BY \$5,000.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF THEY FEEL CHIPLEY NEEDS \$25,000, GIVE VERNON \$10,000 AND EBRO AND WAUSAU \$2,500 EACH; THAT WOULD BE \$40,000.



HE SAID THE TAX DEED OVERBID MONIES IS THE ONLY PLACE THEY HAVE ANY MONIES TO FUND ANYTHING ELSE.

COMMISSIONER PATE WANTED TO MAKE IT CLEAR, IF THEY DO THIS, IT IS A ONE TIME OCCURRENCE BECAUSE IT WOULDN'T BE COMING OUT OF RECURRING FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAS BEEN SAYING THAT EVER SINCE HE HAS BEEN ON THE BOARD; THE FIRST YEAR THEY HAD A LOT OF MONEY AND GAVE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY A LOT OF MONEY AND SAID IT WAS A ONE TIME THING AND THEY KEEP COMING BACK.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF CHIPLEY IS HAVING THE NEEDS UP THERE, AS FOR AS A RECURRING THING, THEY DON'T NEED TO LOOK FOR THE SAME AMOUNT EVERY YEAR IS WHAT HE IS SAYING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO BUDGET \$25,000 FOR CHIPLEY, \$2,500 FOR EBRO, \$10,000 FOR VERNON AND \$2,500 FOR WAUSAU FOR RECREATION TO BE PAID FROM TAX DEED OVERBID FUNDS. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A PROPOSAL FROM INTERSTATE COMMERCIAL SERVICES, CEO TODD ABBOTT, FOR CLEANING THE COURTHOUSE:

CLEAN THE COURTHOUSE FIVE TIMES A WEEK - \$2,112 MONTHLY

CLEAN THE COURTHOUSE THREE TIMES A WEEK -\$1,398 MONTHLY

FOR AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE, THEY WOULD DO STRIPPING AND WAXING SERVICES, CARPET AND UPHOLSTERY CLEANING, PRESSURE WASHING AND STEAM CLEANING, WINDOW CLEANING. THE BASIC SERVICES THEY WOULD PROVIDE EACH TIME WOULD BE THE TRASH PICKUP, DUSTING AND DETAILING, VACUMMING, FLOORS, THE HARD SURFACE FLOORS WOULD BE THOROUGHLY DUST MOPPED AND DISINFECTED AND ALL STEPS ARE TO BE SWEEPED AND THE WASHROOM COULD BE CLEANED THE FIRST TIME.

CLERK COOK REQUESTED THE BOARD GIVE HER \$600 A MONTH; SHE WOULD FIND SOMEONE TO CLEAN THE COURTHOUSE. SHE HAS TALKED TO THE JUDGE AND PROPOSED TO HIM TO PAY THIS OUT OF THE PROBATION MONIES. HOWEVER, THIS IS UP TO THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED HIS CONCERN THE COURTHOUSE HAS BEEN NEGLECTED A LONG TIME; IT IS NOT GETTING CLEANED AT ALL RIGHT NOW THAT WELL. HE THOUGHT THEY OUGHT TO SPEND SOME MONEY AND PUT THEIR BEST FOOT FORWARD AND KEEP THE COURTHOUSE CLEAN. HE ASKED WHAT COULD BE DONE FOR \$600.

CLERK COOK SAID SHE COULD DO A WHOLE LOT WITH \$600 A MONTH. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED COULD SHE GET THE FLOORS MOPPED, WAXED AND IN GOOD SHAPE WITH THIS AMOUNT OF MONEY. CLERK COOK SAID SHE COULD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE HAD NO PROBLEM WITH GIVING CLERK COOK \$600 A MONTH FOR THE COURTHOUSE CLEANING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE BOARD WANTED TO KICK IN A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY AND LET CLERK COOK HAVE \$1200 SO THE COURTHOUSE COULD BE CLEANED MORE TIMES PER WEEK. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THAT WOULD BE \$14,000 A YEAR. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID JUDGE PEEL WAS GOING TO KICK IN THE OTHER HALF FROM PROBATION, WHICH IS REALLY THE COUNTY'S MONEY ANYWAY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED IT MAKING THE COUNTY LOOK BAD WHEN THERE IS COURT AND THE COURTHOUSE IS NOT CLEANED. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IT WAS THE SAME WITH THE COUNTY ANNEX AND QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD COULD DO SOMETHING WHERE THE PERSON CLERK COOK IS TALKING ABOUT COULD COME TO THE COUNTY ANNEX TOO.

CLERK COOK SAID SHE WAS ASKING FOR \$600 PER MONTH TO DO THE COURTHOUSE CLEANING AND THE BOARD CAN GET THEIR PERSON TO CLEAN THE COUNTY ANNEX.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE INMATE SUPERVISOR OVER CLEANING IS CLEANING THE COUNTY ANNEX LIKE IT SHOULD BE CLEANED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN EXPLAINED THE EMPLOYEE DOESN'T HAVE TIME TO DO IT; BUT, BY MS. COOK TAKING CARE OF THE COURTHOUSE CLEANING, IT SHOULD FREE UP SOME MORE TIME FOR THE EMPLOYEE TO CLEAN AT THE COUNTY ANNEX.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE CLEANING HASN'T REALLY BEEN DONE SINCE TENNESSEE LEFT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO DAVID CORBIN HAVING BROUGHT UP THE POSSIBILITY OF THE INMATE SUPERVISOR OVER CLEANING THE BUILDINGS HIRING A COUPLE OF PEOPLE AND TAKING OVER THE CLEANING CONTRACT. HE ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY WAY THIS WOULD WORK. HE ADDRESSED THE COUNTY ANNEX IS IN JUST ABOUT AS BAD A SHAPE AS HE HAS EVER SEEN IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE CARPET AT THE COUNTY ANNEX CAN'T BE CLEANED; IT WILL HAVE TO BE REPLACED.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON WHETHER THEY COULD USE THE INMATE SUPERVISOR OVER CLEANING THE BUILDINGS TO CLEAN THE COUNTY ANNEX LIKE FROM 4:00 TO 6:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF ONE PERSON COULD DO THE CLEANING; THE PROBLEM IS THERE IS NOT ENOUGH HELP. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY MAY COULD TAKE THAT EXTRA \$600 PER MONTH THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT AND HIRE THE PRESENT EMPLOYEE SOME HELP.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THAT WAS WHAT HE WAS COMING TO; TAKE THE PERSON THEY ALREADY HAVE, WITH THE EXTRA FUNDING, HIRE SOMEBODY TO HELP HER AT THE CORRECT HOURS THEY NEED.

MR. HERBERT SAID THEY COULD TRY AND FIND A PART TIME PERSON. COMMISSIONER BROCK THOUGHT PERHAPS DAVID COULD WORK WITH MR. HERBERT WITH THE CLEANING LADY AS SHE MIGHT KNOW SOMEBODY THAT COULD HELP HER TO INCREASE THE VOLUME OF CLEANING. ONE PERSON CAN'T CLEAN ALL THE COUNTY BUILDINGS.

DAVID EXPLAINED THEY NEVER KNOW HOW MUCH HELP THEY ARE GOING TO BE ABLE TO GET FROM THE JAIL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY COULD FIND SOMEBODY TO COME IN AND DO THE CLEANING AT THE COUNTY ANNEX LIKE CLERK COOK HAS DONE AT THE COURTHOUSE, WHAT WOULD THEY DO WITH THE INMATE CREW SUPERVISOR THAT IS CURRENTLY DOING THE CLEANING. HE ASKED DAVID IF HE COULD UTILIZE THIS PERSON SOMEWHERE ELSE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON HAVING EACH DEPARTMENT TAKE CARE OF CLEANING THEIR OWN OFFICES. CHAIRMAN HOWELL SUGGESTED LETTING THE DIVISION CHIEFS FIGURE OUT HOW THEY WANT TO DO THIS. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO GIVE CLERK COOK THE \$600 PER MONTH FOR THE COURTHOUSE CLEANING.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO THE RECESS, MR. HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON A LETTER FROM THE NFWFMD; THEY ARE GOING TO INCLUDE IN THEIR 2009-2010 BUDGET AN ADDITIONAL \$200,000 FOR REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO HIGHTOWER, SPURLING AND LIVE OAK LANDINGS ON HOLMES CREEK. NFWFMD WILL SEND AGREEMENTS TO THE COUNTY AND ASK THE COUNTY TO FUND THE FINAL ENGINEERING DESIGNS AND PROVIDE LABOR AND EQUIPMENT TO DO THE WORK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED NFWFMD WANTS TO FIX THESE THREE LANDINGS. CLIFF SOMETIMES BACK GOT WITH BILL CLECKLEY AND DAVID AND WENT TO THESE SITES AND CLIFF DID THE PLANS SO MR. CLECKLEY COULD TAKE THEM TO NFWFMD TO GET THEM APPROVED.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, EXPLAINED OUT OF THE THREE PROJECTS, LIVE OAK LANDING IS PROBABLY THE WORST ONE OUT OF THE THREE; THEY ACTUALLY STARTED WORKING ON IT FIVE YEARS AGO. HE AND NFWFMD MET WITH

COMMISSIONER BROCK DURING HIS PRIOR TERM OF OFFICE AND THEY SURVEYED THE AREA. ESSENTIALLY THERE IS ABOUT A 450' STRETCH OF BANK THAT IS BADLY WASHED OUT THAT IS PRETTY POPULAR ON THE CREEK FOR BANK FISHING. THE NWFWM D HAS A NEW INITIATIVE THEIR BOARD HAS DIRECTED THEM TO TRY TO PROVIDE MORE PUBLIC ACCESS FOR BANK FISHING. THIS PROJECT FELL INTO THAT CATEGORY.

ON THE SPRINGS AT HIGHTOWER, THERE IS AN OVERLOOK NWFWM D WOULD LIKE TO SEE PUT THERE AND A COUPLE OF BOARDWALKS, ETC.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE MAJOR COSTS FOR THESE PROJECTS IS THE RETAINING WALLS AND HE EXPLAINED TO MR. CLECKLEY AND THE NWFWM D THE COUNTY WAS NOT SET UP TO BUILD RETAINING WALLS AND THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT NEEDED TO BE BID OUT. MR. CLECKLEY EXPLAINED THIS IN HIS LETTER THAT NWFWM D WOULD PAY A CONTRACTOR TO COME DO THE TASKS THE COUNTY COULDN'T HANDLE THEMSELVES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT IT WAS GOING TO COST THE COUNTY FOR CLIFF'S SERVICES. CLIFF ADVISED HE DIDN'T KNOW EXACTLY; IT WOULD DEPEND ON WHICH PROJECTS THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO GET BY WITHOUT HAVING PERMITS. HE KNOWS FOR SURE ON LIVE OAK, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE A STORM WATER PERMIT FROM THE NWFWM D. THE BIGGEST THING THE COUNTY NEEDS IS A RETAINING WALL DESIGN, BID PACKAGES FOR CONTRACTORS TO BID ON; HE GUESSED HIS SERVICES FOR THESE THREE PROJECTS WOULD BE UNDER \$15,000.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE HAD A LITTLE PROBLEM WITH HAVING A PROJECT UNDERWAY NOW THEY DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO FINISH AND NOW THEY WANT TO TAKE ON ANOTHER PROJECT TO DO BOAT LANDINGS, ETC. HE ADDRESSED THEY NEEDED \$12,000 TO GET THE SEWER AND WATER HOOKED UP AT THE SUNNY HILLS BUILDING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED THESE LANDINGS HAVE BEEN ONGOING FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND THEY HAVE BEEN GOING THROUGH THE STEPS; WHEN YOU DEAL WITH NWFWM D, IT TAKES TIME.

CLIFF SAID HE COULD REDUCE HIS FEES AS LOW AS HE POSSIBLY CAN; BUT, HE HASN'T REALLY HAD A CHANCE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IS GOING TO BE REQUIRED AND WHAT ISN'T ON THESE PROJECTS.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SUGGESTED CLIFF GET ALL THE INFORMATION ON THESE THREE PROJECTS AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON WHAT THE COST WILL BE. THE BOARD CONSENTED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE DIDN'T WANT THIS BEING PROLONGED BECAUSE NWFWM D IS WANTING A CONTRACT AND THE COUNTY IS LOOKING AT \$200,000.

CLIFF AGREED TO DO THE NWFWM D PROJECTS FOR UNDER \$5,000. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT WOULD THE COUNTY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IF MOST OF THE PROJECTS ARE GOING TO BE CONTRACTED OUT.

CLIFF ADVISED THEY WOULDN'T BE CONTRACTING MOST OF IT OUT; THEY ARE GOING TO CONTRACT OUT THE RETAINING WALLS. THERE IS GOING TO BE QUITE A BIT OF EARTHWORK, ROCK AND OTHER THINGS THAT WILL HAVE TO BE PLACED BY COUNTY FORCES. HE SAID THE COUNTY SHOULDN'T HAVE ANY COST IN MATERIALS OR CONTRACTING OUT ANYTHING THEY ARE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO; THE ONLY THING THEY WILL HAVE IS LABOR AND EQUIPMENT, MAYBE INSTALLING THE ROCK OR GRADING IT OUT AND POSSIBLY SOME CLEARING, ETC.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED HOW BAD THAT WAS GOING TO HURT THEM ON THE MANPOWER FOR RIVER ROAD, THE NEW EOC, ETC.

CLIFF EXPLAINED NONE OF THE NWFWM D PROJECTS WERE BIG JOBS; THEY WERE ALL SMALL JOBS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED THE TIME FRAME TO DO THE NWFWM D PROJECTS AND SAID HE WAS OKAY WITH DOING THEM AS LONG AS THE COUNTY CAN

TAKE THEIR TIME AND DO THEM AS THEY CAN. HOWEVER, FOR THE COUNTY TO BE UNDER A CRUNCH TO DO THEM RIGHT AWAY, HE IS OPPOSED.

DAVID SAID HE DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS ANY STIPULATION ON TIME.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE COUNTY ALREADY BEING BEHIND ON RIVER ROAD; THEY WERE SUPPOSE TO START PAVING A MONTH AGO AND THE FIRST MILE HASN'T BEEN PAVED. HE QUESTIONED WHY THEY HAVEN'T STARTED PAVING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND EXPLAINED IT RAINS EVERY DAY; THEY WORK ON IT IN THE MORNINGS AND IN THE AFTERNOON IT FLOODS. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID AT&T HAS TO MOVE THEIR CABLE AND DO A COUPLE OF DIGOUTS AROUND A HILL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SUGGESTED SETTING A MEETING WITH AT&T AND TELL THEM IF THEY DON'T MOVE THE CABLE BY A CERTAIN TIME, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO CUT IT.

DISCUSSION CONTINUED ON AT&T HAVING SAID THEY WERE GOING TO MOVE THE CABLE AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T DONE IT; ALL THE EQUIPMENT NEEDED TO MOVE THE CABLE OVER IS ON SITE.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS HAD A COMMITMENT FROM AT&T AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T MOVED IT. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WOULD JUST CUT IT EVERYDAY UNTIL AT&T DOES MOVE IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE TO ACCEPT THE AGREEMENTS WITH NFWFMD ON LIVE OAK, SPURLING AND HIGHTOWER LANDINGS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REITERATED HIS CONCERNS HE DIDN'T WANT THERE TO BE A TIME CRUNCH FOR THE COUNTY TO GET THE PROJECTS DONE AND CLIFF'S FEE WOULD BE \$5,000 OR LESS. THE MOTION CARRIED. THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO TAKE THE \$5,000 ENGINEERING FEES OUT OF LAND SALES.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON DISCUSSIONS IN THE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETINGS ABOUT A PURCHASE OR LEASE PURCHASE OF A VEHICLE FOR THE 911 OFFICE. ROGER HAD INFORMED HIM THIS MORNING, HE BELIEVES THERE IS ENOUGH LEFT IN THE 2008-2009 BUDGET TO PURCHASE A VEHICLE THROUGH THE STATE BID. HOWEVER, BOARD ACTION IS NEEDED IF THEY WANT TO PURCHASE THE VEHICLE FOR 911 IN THE 2008-2009 BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD AGREES TO PURCHASE 911 A NEW VEHICLE, CAN 911'S CURRENT VEHICLE BE GIVEN TO COUNTRY OAKS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

MR. HERBERT REPORTED MR. JERNIGAN AT PUBLIC WORKS LOOKED AT THE VEHICLE 911 HAS NOW. IT IS IN GOOD SHAPE; BUT, IT IS PROBABLY NOT RUGGED ENOUGH ANYMORE FOR WHAT JERRY BROCK NEEDS FOR 911 ADDRESSING. THEY COULD PROBABLY PASS THE 911 VEHICLE DOWN AND COME UP WITH ANOTHER VEHICLE FOR COUNTRY OAKS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING GONE TO TALK TO CINDY LEE AT TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL AFTER THE WORKSHOP ON SEPTEMBER 8TH ABOUT THEM NO LONGER SERVICING THE COMMODITY PROGRAM. HE CAME BACK AND DISCUSSED THIS WITH MR. HERBERT; THEY GOT MS. LEE ON THE PHONE AND SHE TOLD MR. HERBERT THE SAME THING.

MR. HERBERT THEN UPDATED THE BOARD ON MS. LEE HAVING SAID THERE WAS A LOT OF WORK TRI-COUNTY PUTS INTO THE COMMODITY PROGRAM AND THEY DON'T GET ANY FUNDING FROM IT. THEY GET CRITICIZED PRETTY HARSHLY FOR IT AND TRI-COUNTY BASICALLY DOESN'T WANT TO PROVIDE THE COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION SERVICES ANYMORE.

HOWEVER, MS. LEE DID SAY SHE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MARY ENFINGER, WASHINGTON COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING. TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL IS WILLING TO WORK WITH THE COUNCIL ON AGING THE FIRST TIME THEY DO THE COMMODITY DISTRIBUTION IF THEY WANT TO TAKE OVER THE PROGRAM.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON LETTING THE COUNCIL ON AGING, IF THEY DESIRE TO DO SO, ADMINISTER THE COMMODITY PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SUGGESTED IF TRI-COUNTY IS NOT GOING TO DO THE COMMODITY PROGRAM, TAKE THE \$5,000 EXTRA THEY WERE GIVEN AND GIVE IT TO THE COUNCIL ON AGING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL STILL NEEDED THE EXTRA MONIES TO HELP THEM MEET THEIR GRANTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HIS UNDERSTANDING FROM THE TELECONFERENCE WAS TRI-COUNTY HAS OTHER GRANTS THAT ARE REQUIRING THEM TO DO A LOT MORE WORK AND THEY DIDN'T FEEL LIKE THEY COULD CONTINUE DOING THE COMMODITY PROGRAM. AS FAR AS HE KNOWS, IT DOESN'T REQUIRE THE COUNTY TO ANYTHING EXTRA ON THEIR BUDGET; BUT, THEY NEED TO COMMIT TO IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THIS NOT BEING SOMETHING THEY NEED TO MAKE A DECISION ON TODAY.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO PURCHASE A VEHICLE FOR THE 911 OFFICE OUT OF 911 FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY MAY NEED AS MUCH AS \$25,000 TO COMPLETE THE SUNNY HILLS BUILDING; BUT, IF SOMETHING IS WORKED OUT TODAY WITH AQUA UTILITIES, IT COULD BE LESS THAN THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN ASKED IF MR. HOWELL WAS GOING TO COME BACK LATER ON AND REQUEST MORE MONIES OR WILL THIS END THE PROCESS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE BUILDING WILL BE WHAT IT IS GOING TO BE WITH THIS MONEY.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE BOARD SPENDING \$70,000 TODAY TO ADD TO THEIR PROPOSED BUDGET IF THEY APPROVE THE \$25,000; THIS WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM LAND SALES OR TAX DEED OVERBID FUNDS.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REMINDED THE BOARD THEY DIDN'T NEED TO GO OUT AND FINISH THE SUNNY HILLS BUILDING TODAY OR SPEND THE MONEY THEY HAVE ALLOCATED TODAY, ETC. BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO HAVE MONIES TO OPERATE UNTIL THE END OF NOVEMBER WHEN THE TAXES START COMING IN. THEY CAN'T GIVE THE CITY OF CHIPLEY \$25,000 TO START WITH EITHER. THE BOARD AGREED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO SPEND WHAT IS NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE SUNNY HILLS BUILDING UP TO \$25,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE REMINDED THE BOARD THEY CAN'T KEEP DIPPING INTO THE BUDGET; WHAT THEY HAVE TODAY IN THE BUDGET, THEY STICK BY IT. IF SOMETHING IS NOT IN THE BUDGET TODAY AND THE BOARD PASSES THE BUDGET, THAT IS IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO DISCUSS THE CREW FOR NFWFMD AS IT HAS TO BE IN THE BUDGET SHOULD THEY ACCEPT THE AGREEMENT WITH NFWFMD. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY COULD DO A BUDGET AMENDMENT LATER ON.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REMINDED MR. HOWELL THAT COMMISSIONER PATE HAD SAID NOT TO MENTION NOTHING AFTER TODAY. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO COME UP WITH UPFRONT MONEY FOR THE NFWFMD CREW IF THEY DECIDED TO DO THIS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED THERE HAD BEEN DISCUSSION ABOUT THE CREW FOR NFWFMD; HOWEVER, HE DOESN'T FEEL THE BOARD IS TO THE POINT WHERE THEY CAN MAKE A DECISION. MR. GILBERT WANTS TO MEET WITH THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 21ST AND THE BOARD CAN DISCUSS THIS AND MAKE A DECISION ABOUT THE CREW AT THAT TIME. ALTHOUGH THAT WILL BE TOO LATE TO PUT IT IN THE BUDGET, HE THOUGHT THEY COULD DO A BUDGET AMENDMENT.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADVISED THEY COULD DO A BUDGET SUPPLEMENT AFTER THEY ADOPT THEIR BUDGET; BUT, THEY WOULD HAVE TO READVERTISE THE BUDGET HEARING AND GO THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS AGAIN.

COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL THE BOARD NEEDED TO HAVE MORE DISCUSSION BEFORE MAKING A DECISION ABOUT THE CREW FOR NWFWMMD.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE SHARP CURVES ON JOINER ROAD HAVING A SPEED LIMIT OF 35 MPH AND THERE ARE A LOT OF WRECKS THAT OCCUR THERE. HE HAS BEEN ASKED TO TRY AND GET THE SPEED LIMIT REDUCED TO 25 MPH JUST AROUND THE CURVES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE COUNTY COULD SET SPEED LIMITS WHATEVER THEY WANT TO; BUT, PEOPLE AREN'T GOING TO ABIDE BY IT. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND HOWELL SAID THEY DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH LOWERING THE SPEED LIMIT; BUT, BOTH AGREED THEY DIDN'T SEE WHERE IT WOULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER, UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM HAVING SPOKEN WITH PAUL SMITH OF AQUA UTILITIES THIS MORNING FOR THE SUNNY HILLS BUILDING AND THERE MAY BE SOME SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY ON THE \$12,000 HOOKUP FEES.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO LOWER THE SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH ON JOINER ROAD FROM THE TIME YOU TURN ONTO JOINER TO AROUND THE SECOND CURVE. CLIFF SAID FROM THE TIME YOU TURN OFF OF STATE PARK ROAD, THE SPEED LIMIT NEEDS TO BE 25 MPH UNTIL THEY GET ALL THE WAY OUT.

CLIFF SUGGESTED PUTTING SOME ADDITIONAL REFLECTORS AROUND THE CURVES ON JOINER ROAD ALSO.

CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE STIMULUS PROJECTS WITH FL-DOT. HE REFERRED TO THE BOARD HAVING DIRECTED THE CHAIRMAN TO AWARD THE PROJECTS AT THEIR LAST MEETING IF THEY WERE WITHIN BUDGET. THE STATE PARK ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT CAME IN AT \$241,580; THE STIMULUS PACKAGE GAVE THE COUNTY AN ALLOWANCE OF \$240,000 FOR STATE PARK ROAD BUT IT WAS TO INCLUDE THE CEI, WHICH IS THE INSPECTION ON THE PROJECT. PETE AND STACY HAD SOME DISCUSSION WITH MR. SHORES OF FL- DOT AND MR. SHORES INDICATED IF THE COUNTY NEEDED TO ROB SOME MONEY FROM ONE OF THE PROJECTS TO COVER THE OTHER PROJECT, IT WOULD BE OKAY.

CLIFF HAD PUT TOGETHER A SPREAD SHEED SHOWING A BREAKDOWN OF THE THERMOPLASTIC STRIPING; THE BASE BID RECEIVED FOR THIS STIMULUS PROJECT WAS FROM GUETTLER AND GUETTLER FOR \$318,279.87. THE STIMULUS FUNDING ALLOWED WAS \$480,000. THERE WAS FIVE ALTERNATES IN THE BID PACKAGE WHICH WERE BAHOMA ROAD, RIVER ROAD, BONNETT POND RUMBLE STRIPS AND STRIPING REMOVAL. HE EXPLAINED THESE THREE ROADS AREN'T BUILT YET; HE HAS IT SET UP WHERE THE CONTRACTOR WILL HOLD THEIR PRICE. THE RUMBLE STRIPS WERE QUOTED AT \$6,000 PER SET AND HE THOUGHT THE IDEA ON THE RUMBLE STRIPS WAS TO TRY AND GET THE STRIPS SET UP ON BONNETT POND ROAD WHERE IT INTERSECTS WITH PIONEER ROAD WHERE THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF SAFETY ISSUES. THE COUNTY CAN ADD THE RUMBLE STRIPS ANYWHERE THEY WANT TO KNOWING THEY ARE GOING TO COST \$6,000 A SET.

ON THE STRIPING REMOVAL, CLIFF EXPLAINED HE HAD QUAIL HOLLOW IN MIND. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO KEEP IN MIND THE STRIPING REMOVAL IS SET UP WITH EITHER GRINDING OR BLASTING WHICH IS NORMALLY DONE WITH OTHER THERMO PLASTIC STRIPING. THE COUNTY COULD BLACK OUT PAINT BY HAVING THEIR INMATE CREWS OR MAYBE THE GUYS THAT STRIPED IT THE FIRST TIME TAKE A CAN OF PAINT AND BLACK IT ALL OUT; THIS WOULD SAVE THE COUNTY \$21,000 IN REMOVAL COST ON QUAIL HOLLOW ROAD.

CLIFF SAID THE BOARD COULD POSSIBLY NOT AWARD ANYTHING FOR THE STRIPING REMOVAL AND RUMBLE STRIPS; THEN, IF IT TURNS OUT AT THE END OF THE PROJECT THERE ARE ADDITIONAL FUNDS, THEY COULD COME BACK AND ADD THESE TWO ITEMS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS THINKING THEY WOULDN'T AWARD ANY OF THE ALTERNATES SO THEY WOULD HAVE MONEY FOR THE CEI COST.

CLIFF ADDRESSED HIS THOUGHTS; IF THE BOARD AWARDED EVERYTHING WITH ALL THE ALTERNATES THAT GAVE AN ALLOWANCE OF ONE MILE OF STRIPING REMOVAL, RUMBLE STRIPS ON BONNETT POND ROAD AND STRIPED EVERYTHING THEY WANTED AND ASSUMING THEY GOT THEIR CEI DONE FOR \$15,000, WHICH IS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 5% AND 10%, THAT WOULD LEAVE THE COUNTY ABOUT \$25,000 AND THAT SHOULD BE MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR THEIR CEI ON STATE PARK ROAD. THE BOARD WOULD ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO AWARD THEM ALL; NORMALLY THE CEI IS BETWEEN 5% AND 10% ON A RESUR- FACING JOB. HIS GUESS WOULD BE 10% FOR A RESURFACING JOB AND CLOSER TO 5% FOR A STRIPING JOB; IT IS KIND OF UP IN THE AIR BECAUSE THE COUNTY HASN'T NEGOTIATED THE CEI COSTS YET. BUT, AT THE SAME TIME THE FL-DOT IS ANXIOUS TO GET THE PROJECTS AWARDED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED COULDN'T THE BOARD JUST GO AHEAD AND AWARD THE BASE BID ON THE THERMO PLASTIC STRIPING AND THE CONSTRUCTION ON THE RESURFACING JOB AND AWARD THE ALTERNATES LATER IF THEY HAVE THE MONEY TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK POINTED OUT THERE IS NO MONEY IN THE BONNETT POND PROJECT FOR STRIPING AND THE STIMULUS FUNDING IS THE ONLY WAY IT CAN BE STRIPED. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE COUNTY IS NOT GOING TO DO BONNETT POND FOR TWO MORE YEARS AND THEY HAVE TWO YEARS TO COME UP WITH STRIPING.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF COMMISSIONER PATE WAS GOING TO GO THROUGH WITH BAHOMA ROAD. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE HAD TWO PEOPLE CONTROLLING WHETHER THEY GO THROUGH WITH THE PROJECT OR NOT AND HE IS MEETING WITH ONE OF THEM THIS AFTERNOON.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID RIVER ROAD WAS THE ONLY ONE HE KNOWS THAT IS GOING TO GET STRIPED WITH ANY OF THE STIMULUS PACKAGE; AS FAR AS BONNETT POND AND BAHOMA, THAT IS UP IN THE AIR AS FAR AS HE IS CONCERNED. RIVER ROAD IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION; BUT, TO HIM BONNETT IS TWO YEARS OUT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID BONNETT POND IS NOT TWO YEARS OUT; THEY ARE HAVING A COMMUNITY MEETING ON THURSDAY. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS SAYING THE STRIPING WAS TWO YEARS OUT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED THE MAIN THING WAS HE DIDN'T WANT TO BUILD A ROAD WITHOUT THE FUNDING AND WHENEVER HE GOT THE STIMULUS MONEY FOR STRIPING, THAT WAS A BIG LIFT FOR THE ROAD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE STRIPING IS A SMALL PORTION OF THE PROJECT. COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE NOTHING, IT IS BIG.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED THE COUNTY HAD TO DO AS MUCH OF THE STRIPING AS THEY CAN AND THEY HAVE TO DO THE RESURFACING ON STATE PARK ROAD AND THEY HAVE TO DO THE CEI ON BOTH PROJECTS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REITERATED THE NEED FOR THE BOARD TO AWARD THE BASE BID ON THE STRIPING AND THE RESURFACING ON STATE PARK ROAD AND HOLD THE ALTERNATES UNTIL THEY KNOW WHAT THE CEI COST ARE GOING TO BE AND THEN LOOK AT AWARDED THE ALTERNATES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED WHAT THE STIMULUS STRIPING INCLUDED. CLIFF STATED IT WAS 6" THERMO PLASTIC WITH REFLECTIVE PAVEMENT MARKERS AND THE EDGE LINES AND STOP BARS.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE BASE BIDS FROM THE LOW APPARENT BIDDER ON THE STIMULUS PACKAGE WHICH INCLUDES THE STATE PARK ROAD RESURFACING AND THE THERMO PLASTIC STRIPING ON VARIOUS OTHER ROADS. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO COME BACK LATER ON AND AWARD THE ALTERNATES. COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED ONCE THEY GET THE CEI COST ON THE PROJECTS, THEY WILL KNOW WHAT THEY HAVE LEFT TO DO THE ALTERNATES.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED CLIFF IF THEY WERE MEETING ONCE A WEEK ON THE NEW EOC MAKING SURE THE CONTRACTOR UNDERSTANDS THEY WANT HIM TO BE FINISHED AND OUT OF THERE BY THE COMPLETION DATE.

CLIFF SAID THEY HAVE MET WITH THE CONTRACTOR MORE THAN ONCE A WEEK; MR. EMORY PITTS HAS NOT BEEN AT THE LAST MEETING THEY HAD. BUT, THEY ARE MEETING WITH THE CONTRACTOR REGULARLY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF MR. PITTS KNEW ABOUT THE MEETING CLIFF HAD. CLIFF EXPLAINED THE LAST MEETING THEY HAD WAS SCHEDULED FOR AFTER THEIR 7:30 PUBLIC WORKS MEETING; THEIR 7:30 PUBLIC WORKS MEETING GOT CANCELLED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED MR. PITTS WAS THE COUNTY'S PROJECT MANAGER ON THE NEW EOC AND CLIFF IS THEIR ENGINEER; HE WANTS MR. PITTS TO BE INVOLVED WITH WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE NEW EOC PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE UNIT PRICES FOR ASPHALT ON THE STATE PARK ROAD RESURFACING WAS \$81 A TON AND QUESTIONED IF THEY HADN'T ADVERTISED FOR BIDS FOR A CONTINUOUS PRICE FOR ASPHALT AND RECEIVED A BID FOR \$70 OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

CLIFF EXPLAINED IF THE BOARD LOOKS AT WHAT THEIR MAIN COST IS THE ASPHALT IS ONLY \$68 A TON; THERE IS ONLY 500 TONS OF LEVELLING AND THE SURFACE IS AT \$68 A TON, WHICH IS A HECK OF A PRICE.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED BCC ON THEIR HAVING REQUESTED HEATHER FINCH, HR DIRECTOR, TO FIND OUT WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN EARLY RETIREMENT. SHE CAME UP WITH ONLY ABOUT FOUR NAMES; BUT, IN DOING THE MATH, THERE WASN'T ANY REAL SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY.

CHAIRMAN HOWELL ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

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DEPUTY CLERK

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