## BOARD MINUTES FOR 09/24/09

## SEPTEMBER 24, 2009

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN AND FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MET ON THE ABOVE DATE AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY ANNEX, BOARD MEETING ROOM, 1331 SOUTH BOULEVARD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, HOLMAN, HOWELL, PATE AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, 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.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR THE JULY 23, JULY 29, AUGUST 11 AND AUGUST 20, 2009 MEETINGS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION- ER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR REPORT INVOICE; AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THE 2009 SQG REPORT FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT AND CONSIDER WHERE FUTURE FUNDING WILL COME FROM TO PAY FOR SUBSEQUENT YEARS REPORTS.
- B. 2010 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PREPAREDNESS ASSISTANCE BASE GRANT CONTRACT AND ANNUAL SCOPE OF WORK
- C. FLORIDA SHERIFF'S SELF-INSURANCE FUND-COVERAGE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2009-SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 IN AMOUNT OF \$6,861.00.

## AGENDAED AUDIENCE:

A. SWAP AGREEMENT-PHIL BENNETT, PUBLIC FINANCE ASSOCIATES, FORT MYERS, FLORIDA, SERVING AS A FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO WASHINGTON COUNTY ON THE REFINANCING OF THE SERIES 2003 A & B BONDS ADDRESSED THE BOARD. HE REFERRED TO LAST MONTH, THEY HAD DISCUSSED SOME OF THE DETAILS OF THE TRANSACTION AND HAVE PROGRESSED AT THIS POINT IN TIME WHERE HE BELIEVES THE COUNTY'S STAFF HAS THE FINAL DOCUMENTS IN 99% COMPLETE FORM. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF NUMBERS THAT ARE MISSING THEY WON'T HAVE UNTIL THE VERY LAST CLOSING DATE WHICH IS SEPTEMBER 30TH. HE KNOWS ATTORNEY HOLLEY, ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT AND HE THINKS OTHERS PRESENT HAVE RECEIVED COPIES OF ALL THESE DOCUMENTS, HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THEM, MADE COMMENTS AND THEY ARE ESSENTIALLY COM- PLETE. HE SUSPECTS, SUBJECT TO THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S AUTHORIZATION, THE BOARD MAY WANT TO PRESIGN SOME TODAY AND THAT IS THEIR OPTION.

HE EXPLAINED THEY ARE REFINANCING THE SERIES 2003 A & B BONDS AND TERMINATING THE SWAP AGREEMENT THAT WAS EXECUTED IN DECEMBER 2006. THE VEHICLE TO ACCOMODATE THAT IS A SERIES A & B LOAN FROM SUNTRUST BANK; THE SERIES A LOAN OR THE TAX EXEMPT PART OF THE TRANSACTION, AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5.5 MILLION AND THE SERIES B IS THE TAXABLE AMOUNT WHICH REPRESENTS THE HOSPITAL LOAN THAT WAS MADE IN 2003 IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2.9 MILLION. HE PROVIDED SOME NOTES TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON HIS THOUGHTS ON WHAT THE DOCUMENTS PROVIDE FOR AS HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THE BOARD UNDERSTANDS SOME OF THE DETAILS OF THE TRANSACTIONS:

- 1. IT IS A FIVE YEAR LOAN, WHICH MEANS AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS THE BANK CAN EITHER REFINANCE IT OR REQUIRE THE COUNTY TO FIND OTHER SOURCES TO REFINANCE THE DEBT
- 2. THE LOAN RUNS IN A VARIABLE RATE MODE; THERE ARE TWO COMPO-NENTS. FOR A FIVE YEAR TENURE, THERE IS A FIXED RATE COMPONENT WHICH IS 2.75%; THAT IS THE BANK'S CHARGE THEY CALL A CREDIT FEE TO DO A LOAN.

THIS WILL NOT CHANGE DURING THE FIVE YEAR PERIOD ON EITHER SERIES A OR B LOANS. THE VARIABLE PART IS THE MUCH SMALLER PIECE TIED TO WHAT THEY CALL LIBOR INDEX; LIBOR IS INTERNATIONAL INTEREST RATE INDEX THAT ALL BANKS AROUND THE WORLD USE AS A BENCHMARK FOR PEGGING INTEREST RATES. THE VARIABLE RATE PORTION OF THE COUNTY'S LOAN WILL BE TIED TO A 30 DAY LIBOR, WHICH MEANS EVERY THIRTY DAYS, THE INTEREST RATE WILL CHANGE. HAVING SAID THAT AND BECAUSE IT IS SUCH A SHORT TERM INTEREST RATE, IT HAS A TENDENCY TO STRAY IN A VERY NARROW RANGE. THE RATE TODAY IS .25%, ONE QUARTER OF 1%. BECAUSE IT IS A VARIABLE RATE, IT CAN GO UP OR DOWN. IF IT GOES UP, IT IS SUCH A SMALL PIECE OF THE INTEREST RATE, IT HAS TO GO UP A WHOLE LOT TO HAVE A REAL SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE COUNTY'S DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS WHICH IS WHY HE THINKS IT IS A BENEFICIAL TRANSACTION FROM THE COUNTY'S PERSPECTIVE. THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE INTEREST RATE THE COUNTY IS GOING TO BE PAYING IS THE FIXED RATE ON THE SERVICE CHARGE, THE CREDIT CHARGE THAT SUNTRUST IS ASSESSING. THE LIKLIHOOD THAT RATES, THE SHORT TERM 30 DAY RATES, ARE GOING TO INCREASE SIGNIFICANTLY UNDER THE COUNTY'S TERM ARE PRETTY SMALL.

MR. BENNETT REITERATED THIS IS A FIVE YEAR TERM; AT THE END OF FIVE YEARS, THE BANK CAN EITHER REQUIRE THE COUNTY TO PAY THEM OFF WITHOUT A REFINANCING OR THEY WILL EITHER REFINANCE IT UNDER CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS. HAVING SAID THAT, HE SAID THE BOARD ALWAYS HAS THE OPTION ANYTIME DURING THAT FIVE YEAR PERIOD IF THE CREDIT MARKETS IMPROVE, WHICH THEY HAVE TO IMPROVE AS THEY CAN'T GET MUCH WORSE THAN WHAT THEY ARE NOW, TO REFINANCE IT OUTSIDE THERE WITH NO PREPAYMENT PENALTIES WHATSOEVER. SO THEY HAVE SOME PROTECTION THERE FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE.

MR. BENNETT ADDRESSED THERE WERE A COUPLE OF THINGS RISK WISE THAT ARE UNIQUE IN THIS TRANSACTION HE HAS NOT SEEN BEFORE; FOR EXAMPLE, THE TAX EXEMPT PORTION, THE SERIES A PORTION, THE LARGER PORTION, THE \$5.5 MILLION PORTION, IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT INCREASES CORPORATE TAX RATES, THE COUNTY'S PRICE ON THE SERIES A BONDS, GOES DOWN. BECAUSE IT IS TAX EXEMPT, THERE IS A DISCOUNT ON THE TAX EXEMPT RATES THAT ACCOMODATES CORPORATE TAX SAVINGS THE BANK RECEIVES; IF THE CORPORATE TAX RATES GO UP, THE BANK GETS A BIGGER BENEFIT AND THEY CAN REDUCE THE COUNTY'S CREDIT CHARGE. ON THE SERIES B PART, IT WOULD HAVE NO IMPACT BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT TAX EXEMPT AND THEY ARE NO TAX SAVINGS FROM THE BANK'S PERSPECTIVE.

MR. BENNETT ADDRESSED THERE BEING A RISK FACTOR HE HAS NOT SEEN BEFORE HE PEGS AS GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY RISK WHICH MEANS THE BANK RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THEIR CREDIT COMPONENT IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH A REGULATORY AGENCY PASSES SOME TYPE OF RULE OR REGULATION OR LAW THAT NEGATIVELY IMPACTS THEIR CREDIT POSITION IN THE MARKET. HE HAS NOT SEEN THAT BEFORE; IT IS A STANDARD PROCEDURE HE UNDERSTANDS FROM SUNTRUST BANK ON ALL THEIR LOANS, THEIR CORPORATE RISK LOANS. HOW AND WHEN THAT MIGHT COME INTO PLAY, HE DOESN'T REALLY KNOW RIGHT OFF HAND; BUT, THEY ARE RESERVING THAT RIGHT. BANKS DON'T TAKE RISKS LIKE INSURANCE COMPANIES DON'T TAKE A RISK; THEY JUST SUPPLY FUNDS. OTHER THAN THESE TWO RISK FACTORS, OTHER THINGS ARE PRETTY STRAIGHT FORWARD HE FEELS.

HE CONTINUED ADVISING THE SWAP TERMINATION WILL OCCUR ON SEPTEMBER 30TH; IT WILL FUND OUT OCTOBER 1ST AND THE BONDS WILL BE RETIRED NOVEMBER 2ND, WHICH IS THE FIRST BUSINESS DAY AFTER THE LOAN IS EXECUTED. THERE IS A THIRTY DAY PERIOD WHERE THE BONDS ARE STILL OUTSTANDING. THEY HAVE COORDINATED WITH THE CLERK'S OFFICE ABOUT THE CASH FLOW REQUIREMENTS AND

HOW THEY WILL ACCOMODATE THIS TRANSACTION. HE THINKS THAT IS THE HIGHLIGHTS OR LOWLIGHTS OF THIS TRANSACTION.

HE REFERRED TO HIS PRIOR PRESENTATIONS, THE CREDIT MARKETS BEING WHAT THEY ARE, THERE REALLY AREN'T A WHOLE LOT OF OPTIONS OUT THERE RIGHT NOW. THIS IS BY FAR THE BEST, IF NOT THE ONLY OPTION, AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY TO GET OUT FROM UNDER THE SWAP TERMS AND REDUCE THE DEBT SERVICE APPRECIABLY. THE COUNTY HAS A FIVE YEAR PERIOD NOW TO KIND OF SIT BACK, EVALUATE THE CREDIT MARKETS AND SEE IF THERE IS A REFINANCING OPPORTUNITY DOWN THE ROAD THAT MAKES MORE SENSE THAN WHAT THEY HAVE ON THE TABLE RIGHT NOW. THERE IS AT LEAST A FIVE YEAR WINDOW TO DO SOMETHING.

HE OFFERED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MAY HAVE. HE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY AN AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION WHICH ESSENTIALLY DESCRIBES ALL THE TRANSACTIONS AND ALL THE STEPS THAT NEED TO BE TAKEN. ALL THE BOARD NEEDS TO DO TODAY IF THEY WANT TO MOVE FORWARD IS TO APPROVE THE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS TO ACCOMODATE THE SAME.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED MR. BENNETT TO REFRESH THE BOARD ON WHAT HE HAD ADVISED THEM OF PREVIOUSLY ON THE VARIABLE RATE AND FIXED RATE.

MR. BENNETT STATED ON OCTOBER 1ST WHEN THE LOAN CLOSES, THE TAX EXEMPT RATE, WHICH INCLUDES THE VARIABLE PORTION AND THE FIXED RATE CREDIT CHARGE PORTION, HE CALCULATES TO BE 2.01%. THE TAXABLE PORTION HE CALCULATED TO BE 3%. HE REITERATED THE VARIABLE PORTION IS THE VERY SMALL PORTION OF THAT PERCENTAGE RATE. UNDER CURRENT RATES INCLUDING THE AMORITIZATION OF THE TERMINATION OF THE SWAP AGREEMENT, THE COUNTY SHOULD BE SOMEWHERE AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$75,000 TO \$90,000 BELOW CURRENT BUDGET. THERE WILL BE SOME SIGNIFICANT SAVINGS FROM WHAT THE COUNTY HAS BEEN PAYING PREVIOUSLY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL EXPLAINED THIS IS JUST SOMETHING THE BOARD HAD TO DO AS THEY COULD NOT CONTINUE TO BE IN THE SWAP.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION ON THE REFINANCING OF THE SERIES A AND B LOAN WITH SUNTRUST BANK AND TERM- INATE THE SWAP AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS TO ACCOMODATE THE SAME.

MR. BENNETT ASKED IF IT WAS THE CHAIRMAN'S THOUGHTS TO PRESIGN SOME DOCUMENTS THIS AFTERNOON. ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED SUNTRUST HAS REQUESTED ALL THE DOCUMENTS BE SIGNED TODAY. MR. BENNETT EXPLAINED ALL THE DOCUMENTS ARE NOT FINALIZED TODAY; BUT, A LARGE NUMBER OF THEM ARE. BY PRESIGNING, THAT WILL JUST ACCOMODATE A SMOOTHER CLOSING ON SEPTEMBER 30TH

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED IF HE NEEDED TO ADD THAT TO THE MOTION. MR. BENNETT SAID THEY HAVE AUTHORIZED THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE DOCU- MENTS AND THAT IS ALL THEY NEED TO DO RIGHT NOW.

B. NWFWMD INMATE CREW-JOHN GILBERT, ON BEHALF OF THE ORANGE HILL SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THEIR INMATE WORK CREW. THEY HAVE AN INMATE WORK CREW CONTRACTED WITH NWFWMD TO MAINTAIN THE LANDS THEY HAVE IN THE SOUTHERN END OF THE COUNTY; NWFWMD HAS APPROXIMATELY 4,000 ACRES THIS INMATE CREW SUPERVISES, MAINTAINS AND HELPS PROTECT SOME OF THOSE ENVIRONMENTAL, SENSITIVE AREAS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. THE CONTRACT IS UP FOR RENEWAL; THEY NEED TO NEGOTIATE IT WITH NWFWMD. OHSCD IS ASKING THE BOARD TO HIRE THEIR INMATE SUPERVISOR SO HE CAN GAIN INSURANCE AND BENEFITS THE COUNTY HAS; IT WILL BE AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY. OHSCD WILL REIMBURSE THE COUNTY FOR ALL EXPENSES. WHEN THEY ASK THE COUNTY TO DO THIS, ONE OF THE FIRST QUESTIONS THAT WILL BE ASKED

IS WHAT BENEFIT IS THIS TO THE COUNTY. HE REITERATED THE INMATE SUPERVISOR AND THE CREW WILL WORK WITHIN WASHINGTON COUNTY MAINTAINING SOME OF THE MOST ENVIRON- MENTAL SENSITIVE AREAS IN THE COUNTY; HELP PROTECT THEM, MAINTAIN THEM, KEEP PEOPLE OUT OF AREAS THAT ARE POSTED. THEY ALSO MAINTAIN PUBLIC RECREATION AREAS IN THE SOUTHERN END OF THE COUNTY AT NO EXPENSE TO THE COUNTY. ONE OF THE MAIN THINGS OHSCD CAN HELP THE COUNTY WITH IS MAINTAINING OR TRYING TO OBTAIN FUNDS FROM NRCS. THE COUNTY PRESENTLY HAS TWO CONTRACTS THAT ARE APPROVED IN EXCESS OF \$300,000 NOW AWAITING FUNDING. WHEN FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE, THOSE TWO PROJECTS WILL BE FUNDED AND OHSCD WILL WORK WITH THE COUNTY IN ANY WAY TO HELP SECURE THESE FUNDS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON HE AND MR. GILBERT HAVING MET THIS MORNING AND DISCUSSED THE FUNDING TO BRING THE INMATE SUPERVISOR WITH THE COUNTY. IF THE INMATE SUPERVISOR WAS BROUGHT OVER AT \$10.30 AN HOUR, ADD IN THE BENEFITS, 10% ADMINISTRATIVE COST TO THE COUNTY, FAMILY HEALTH INSURANCE, SICK LEAVE, ANNUAL LEAVE, WORKERS COMP, HOLIDAYS, IT WILL BE CLOSE TO THE \$53,000 WHICH IS WHAT THE CONTRACT WITH NWFWMD IS. HE INFORMED THE BOARD HE DIDN'T SEE WHERE THERE WAS A WHOLE LOT OF MONEY TO BE MADE THIS FIRST YEAR; BUT, MR. GILBERT HAS TALKED WITH TYLER MCMILLAN AT NWFWMD AND NEXT YEAR WATER MANAGEMENT IS GOING TO BE WILLING TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT. IF THE BOARD IS AGREEABLE TO IT, THIS COMING YEAR THEY WOULD ENTER INTO THE CONTRACT AND THEY PROBABLY WOULDN'T COME OUT AHEAD AT ALL.

COMMISSIONER BROCK STATED HE DIDN'T THINK THE CONTRACT WOULD BE A LOSS; BUT, IT IS A BREAK EVEN DEAL. HOWEVER, HE FELT WHERE THE GAIN WAS GOING TO BE IS NWFWMD; THERE ARE THREE CONTRACTS COMING TO WASHINGTON COUNTY. ONE IS FOR HIGHTOWER SPRINGS, FIVE OAKS LANDING AND THERE IS A GOOD POSSIBILITY OHSCD WILL GET PART OF THOSE CONTRACTS; SO, IT WILL BE VERY BENEFICIAL TO OHSCD.

MR. GILBERT SAID ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS OHSCD IS INTERESTED IN CONTINUING ON WITH THIS CONTRACT IS THE FACT OHSCD WAS FORMULATED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF FLORIDA TO HELP MAINTAIN AND CONTROL SOIL AND WATER EROSION WITHIN THEIR BOUNDARIES. THE INMATE CREW HELPS DO THAT. THERE IS NOT A LOT OF MONEY TO BE MADE AFTER THIS YEAR; OHSCD IS NOT IN IT TO MAKE MONEY BUT TO HELP CONTROL THESE ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVE LANDS IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE TO ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WITH OHSCD FOR THE INMATE SUPERVISOR WORKING THE NWFWMD LAND IN THE SOUTHERN END OF THE COUNTY WITH OHSCD REIMBURSING THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE EMPLOYEE WAS COMING UNDER THE COUNTY AT \$10.30 PER HOUR AND THE COUNTY IS GETTING A 10% ADMINISTRATIVE FEE. MR. GILBERT ADVISED THAT WAS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED WHO WAS GOING TO BE OVER THE INMATE SUPERVISOR AND DOING HIS TIME SHEET. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT INFORMED THE BOARD OHSCD IS GOING TO SUPERVISE THE EMPLOYEE AND HIS TIME SHEET WILL COME THROUGH OHSCD'S SECRETARY AND THEN TO HIM AND DAVID CORBIN. OHSCD WILL FILL OUT A TIME SHEET FOR THE EMPLOYEE, FORWARD IT TO HIM AND DAVID AND THEY WILL FORWARD IT ON TO PAYROLL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO TRY IT FOR ONE YEAR TO SEE HOW THE CONTRACT WORKS. MR. GILBERT SAID IT HAS BEEN DONE ON AN ANNUAL BASIS IN THE PAST; HE HAS TALKED TO MR. MCMILLAN ABOUT A PROPOSAL NEXT YEAR WITH A MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT WITH A PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN EACH YEAR.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND STATED IF THE CONTRACT IS A GOOD DEAL, THE CITY OF CHIPLEY WOULD HAVE KEPT THE PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER PATE CALLED FOR THE VOTE ON THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OPPOSED.

HEATHER FINCH, HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICE, ASKED IF THE EMPLOYEE WOULD NEED TO GO THROUGH THE NORMAL NEW HIRE PROCEDURES WITH HUMAN RESOURCE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADVISED THE EMPLOYEE WOULD BE JUST LIKE A NEW EMPLOYEE

- C. FL-DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UTILITY ACCOMODATION MANUAL-COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICK-LAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ADVERTISING FOR THE FDOT UTILITY ACCOMODATION MANUAL
- 4. DIVISION OF FORESTRY REPORT-DANIEL YOUNG, SENIOR COUNTY FORESTER IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, UPDATED THE BOARD ON HOW HE HAS BEEN SPENDING MOST OF HIS TIME OVER THE PAST YEAR AND WHAT THE COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS BEEN DOING. BASICALLY, ON A REGULAR YEAR, THEY COULD PROBABLY BREAK HIS TIME DOWN TO THREE CATEGORIES:
- 1. FOREST MANAGEMENT WORK WITH PRIVATE LANDOWNERS. THE MAJORITY OF FOREST MANAGEMENT WORK IS PROBABLY SPENT DEALING WITH COST SHARE PROGRAMS; ONE OF THE ONES THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS IS THE SOUTHERN PINE BEETLE COST-SHARE PROGRAM. THEY HAVE HAD OVER 100 APPLICANTS IN WASHINGTON AND JACKSON COUNTY GET APPROVED LAST FOR A TOTAL COST-SHARE MONETARY VALUE OF ALMOST \$100,000. THIS PROGRAM ENTICES LANDOWNERS TO HELP MANAGE THEIR PINE STANDS AND PROVIDES MONEY FOR PRESCRIBED BURNING AS WELL AS SOME TREE PLANTING.

THEY HAVE BEEN PROMOTING THE FOREST STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM AS WELL AS SOMETHING NEW TO THEM THIS YEAR, THE COGONGRASS TREATMENT PROGRAM; THIS PROGRAM INITIALLY CAME ABOUT THROUGH THE STATE OF GEORGIA AND WAS FUNDED BY THE STATE OF GEORGIA AND WAS DOLED OUT TO SEVEN COUNTIES IN FLORIDA THAT BORDERED GEORGIA TO THE SOUTH. THE WAY IT CAME ABOUT WAS GEORGIA IS TRYING TO GET A HANDLE ON COGONGRASS AND WERE WANTING TO BRING FLORIDA INTO THE MIX SO THEY STARTED OUT WITH THESE SEVEN COUNTIES TO THE SOUTH. AS THOSE COUNTIES PUT IN APPLICATIONS AND THE MONEY GOT TRANSFERRED AND DOLED OUT, THEY SAW SOME WAS LEFT OVER SO THEY OPENED IT UP FOR WASHINGTON AND HOLMES COUNTY AND A COUPLE OF COUNTIES ON THE EAST SIDE. IN THE TWO WEEKS THE ASSIGNMENT PERIOD WENT ON, HE WAS ABLE TO GET IN TWENTY APPLICANTS; THEY ARE WAITING TO SEE WHERE THESE APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AS ALL THE PAPERWORK IS IN GAINSVILLE AND HE DOESN'T KNOW HOW MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN APPROVED.

- 2. TRAINING AND SPECIAL DOF PROJECTS; SOME OF THE TRAINING WAS CUT DOWN THIS YEAR DUE TO BUDGET CUTS AND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS. HOW- EVER BUDGET CUTS AND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS. HOWEVER, THEY DID HAVE SEVERAL DOF PROJECTS GOING ON. BEING THE DOF WAS SHORT HANDED IN THEIR DISTRICT RIGHT NOW, A LOT OF HIS TIME WAS SPENT HELPING OUT OTHER COUNTIES AND ON THE STATE FORESTS IN THEIR DISTRICT.
- 3. VARIOUS ADULT AND YOUTH PROGRAMS. THEY HAD VARIOUS FOREST STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOPS ON VARIOUS FOREST RELATED TOPICS. THEY HAD A SILVA-PASTURE TOUR ON GEORGE CLAYTON OWEN'S PROPERTY THIS PAST YEAR. THEY HAVE FFA FIELD DAY EVENTS. THEY ALSO DID AN ARBOR DAY PROGRAM AT CHIPLEY HIGH SCHOOL THIS YEAR; THEY PLANTED SEVERAL DIFFERENT SPECIES TREES IN THE OPEN AREA THERE AND ARE GOING TO TRY AND FILL IT IN. THEY PLAN ON MAKING THIS A THREE OR FOUR YEAR PROJECT AND MAKING THIS A REAL NICE AREA.

HE ADDRESSED THEM ALSO HAVING SMOKEY BEAR AND FIRE PREVENTION WORKSHOPS AT THE SCHOOLS AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT WHERE THE COUNTY WAS AT WITH THEIR COGONGRASS PROGRAM. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT REPORTED ANDY ANDREASON IS STILL DEVELOPING THAT PROGRAM; BUT, HE THINKS ANDY HAS FOUND WHERE THERE IS SOME FUNDING AVAILABLE TO COUNTIES OTHER THAN JUST THE SEVEN THAT BORDERED GEORGIA. THEY ARE TRYING TO GET JAMES FINCH TRAINED OR CERTIFIED TO USE HERBICIDES USED TO SPRAY COGONGRASS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE FARMERS WHO HAD TREE FARMS THAT THEIR PROGRAMS ARE STILL UNDER THE PROGRAM WERE ELIGIBLE FOR THE COGONGRASS FUNDING.

MR. YOUNG SAID IT DEPENDS ON WHAT PROGRAM THEY ARE UNDER; IF IT IS THE CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM, AT THE MOMENT, THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM. THIS IS THE FIRST YEAR THE COGONGRASS PROGRAM HAS BEEN INITIATED; HE IS HOPING THEY ARE GOING TO LIGHTEN UP ON SOME OF THE RESTRICTIONS FOR THE COGONGRASS PROGRAM. THERE ARE A LOT OF LANDOWNERS THAT AREN'T ELIGIBLE THAT COULD REALLY USE THE HELP.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE LOOKED AT OVER 400 ACRES OF TIMBER AND OVER HALF OF IT IS FULL OF COGONGRASS AND THE FARMER IS NOT ELIGIBLE BECAUSE OF THAT REASON.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED THE CRITERIA FOR BEING ELIGIBLE FOR THE COST SHARE COGONGRASS PROGRAM.

MR. YOUNG SAID AS LONG AS A PERSON IS NOT UNDER THE CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM, THEN IT IS ELIGIBLE AS LONG AS IT IS AT LEAST A TENTH OF AN ACRE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE COUNTY IS STILL MAPPING THE COGONGRASS AREAS ON THE COUNTY'S RIGHT OF WAY. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED JERRY BROCK HAS A MAP WHERE HE HAS MARKED SOME OF THE AREAS WITH COGONGRASS; BUT, HE WOULDN'T SAY THEY HAVE NEARLY ALL OF THEM MAPPED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID, FROM WHAT HE HAS SEEN, COGONGRASS IS FROM ONE END OF THE COUNTY TO THE OTHER ALL THE WAY TO EAST OF THE RIVER SO IT HAS BEEN IN THE COUNTY FOR A WHILE.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED WOULDN'T THE BEST PLACE TO REINFORCE THE MAPPING OF THE COGONGRASS BE THROUGH PUBLIC WORKS. HE ASKED COULD THEY GET A MAP PRINTOUT WHERE THE COGONGRASS HAS BEEN LOCATED SO FAR.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THEY COULD GET A MAP PRINTOUT WHERE THEY HAVE SPOTTED IT SO FAR; THEY HAVE TALKED TO ROBERT AND DALLAS ABOUT WHEN THEY SEE COGONGRASS, STOP AND USE THEIR GPS AND CALL IN THAT LOCATION TO JERRY BROCK SO HE CAN MAP IT. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THAT IS GETTING DONE OR NOT.

JEFF JOHNSON, SENIOR FOREST RANGER IN JACKSON COUNTY, UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE INFORMATION HE HAD PROVIDED ON THE ANNUAL FIRE CONTROL REPORT ON THE PORTION THEY ASSIST WITH IN WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE REPORTED THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY HAS TWO WORKSITES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY; WAUSAU TOWER SITE AND PINE LOG STATE FOREST. THEY HAVE A SENIOR FORESTER AT THE WASHINGTON COUNTY AG CENTER AND A FOREST RANGER ASSIGNED TO THE CHIPLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

AS OF JUNE 30, 2009, MR. JOHNSON REPORTED A TOTAL OF TWENTY SEVEN WASHINGTON COUNTY LANDOWNERS RECEIVED FIRE LINE PLOWING, 20 HAZARD MITIGATION PROJECTS THAT PROTECTED AN ESTIMATED STRUCTURE VALUE OF \$23,860,000 AND 4 BURNING ASSISTANCE. THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY CHARGES \$108 PER HOUR FOR FIRE LINE PLOWING AND \$18 AN ACRE FOR PRESCRIBED BURNING ASSISTANCE.

MR. JOHNSON REPORTED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009, THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY ISSUED 2,643 TOTAL BURN PERMITS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY; 1,089 WERE ACREAGE BURNS WHILE 1,554 WERE PILE BURNS FOR A TOTAL OF 14,683 ACRES BURNED WITH PERMITS.

THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY ALSO KEEPS UP WITH RAINFALL COUNT; WASHINGTON COUNTY RECEIVED A TOTAL OF 46.14 INCHES OF RAINFALL.

THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY FIRE CREWS ANSWERED A TOTAL OF 124 INCIDENTS, WHICH 25 WERE WILD FIRES TOTALLING 113.70 ACRES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY LAST YEAR. A TOTAL OF 13 NOTICES OF VIOLATIONS WERE ISSUED FOR BURNING WITHOUT PERMITS TYPE ISSUES.

THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY CONTINUED ITS LEASING PROGRAM THIS YEAR AND TITLE IV FEDERAL FUNDING WAS MADE AVAILABLE FOR MINOR EQUIPMENT TO ALL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. THE CHIPLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED A LADDER TRUCK THROUGH THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY THIS PAST YEAR.

ON THE INFORMATION HE PROVIDED, IT GAVE A BREAKDOWN OF THE STATISTICS FOR THE ANNUAL FIRE CONTROL REPORT. THE DIVISION OF FORESTRY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES HAS ENJOYED A GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE CITIZENS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY; THIS REMAINS THEIR GOAL TO CONTINUE THOSE RELATIONSHIPS IN THE FUTURE.

THE BOARD THANKED MR. YOUNG AND MR. JOHNSON FOR THEIR SERVICE.

5. LARKIN ROAD-TED EVERETT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE 6TH ANNUAL HARD LABOR CREEK HARE SCRAMBLE. HE REQUESTED THEY ALLOW HIM TO CLOSE LARKIN ROAD ON THE 24TH AND 25TH OF OCTOBER, 2009 FOR THE ANNUAL HARE SCRAMBLE.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CLOSING OF LARKIN ROAD ON THE 24TH AND 25TH OF OCTOBER, 2009 FOR THE ANNUAL HARD LABOR CREEK HARE SCRAMBLE.

6. FIRE AGREEMENT-COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE ONLY THING HE HAS IS ON SUNNY HILLS. HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING DIFFERENT IN SUNNY HILLS; THE WAY IT SETS NOW, HE WOULD LIKE TO DO AWAY WITH THE AGREEMENT FOR SUNNY HILLS STARTING OCTOBER. HE HAS AN OLD FIRECHIEF THAT USE TO BE THERE THAT IS WILLING TO TAKE IT OVER AND RUN IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE THINKS THE BUILDING BELONGS TO DELTONA AND SOME OF IT BELONGS TO THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION. MSBU OWNS TWO OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S TRUCKS AND DELTONA OWNS THE BAY AND THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION OWNS THE BUILDING IS WHAT HE WAS TOLD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT WAS THE COUNTY GOING TO DO, IF THEY DO AWAY WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN SUNNY HILLS, FOR FIRE PROTECTION IN SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY WOULD STILL HAVE FIRE PROTECTION; JOHNNY JOHNSON WILL TAKE IT OVER AND STILL HAVE PEOPLE ON HIS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THEY STILL HAVE FIRETRUCKS THAT BELONG TO THE MSBU.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF MSBU OWNS THE FIRETRUCKS. ADMINI-STRATOR HERBERT SAID THEY ARE IN MSBU'S NAME, WHICH IS ACTUALLY THE COUNTY HE BELIEVES. THEY HAVE A 2002 TANKER, A 2003 BRUSH TRUCK AND TWO LIGHT F350 TRUCKS BOUGHT WITH MSBU FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ABOUT THE TITLES OF THE FIRETRUCKS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED RIGHT NOW THEY ARE WITH THE BANK; ONCE THEY ARE PAID FOR, THE BANK WILL TRANSFER THE TITLE TO THE COUNTY AND LET THE COUNTY DECIDE IF THEY WANT TO KEEP THEM TITLED TO THE COUNTY OR TRANSFER THEM TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED THERE SEEMS TO BE A LOT OF FOLKS OWNING SOMETHING AT THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HE IS NOT SURE WHO OWNS WHAT. COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED HE IS CONFUSED ABOUT THIS NOW TOO.

EARL STEWART, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON WHAT COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND IS SUGGESTING; HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND HOW ANY OF THIS COULD BE DONE. THE FIRE STATION ITSELF WAS GIVEN TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BY DELTONA AS LONG AS THEY KEEP IT A FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE BUILDING BEHIND THE STATION, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OWNS IT TOO. THE PUMPER BELONGS TO SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT; IT WAS BOUGHT WITH NO TAXPAYERS MONEY. WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT CLOSING DOWN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS MORE INVOLVED HERE. YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY; NOT, WHAT OTHER PEOPLE WANTS TO DO. YOU HAVE THEIR NEEDS AND THEIR COSTS. YOU HAVE WHAT YOU CALL AN ISO RATING; IF YOU CHANGE AWAY FROM WHAT THEY HAVE NOW, THE RATING WILL GO TO A 10. IF THEY GO TO A 10, HIS INSURANCE IS GOING UP 35% TO 40% MORE FROM AN ISO 7 TO AN ISO 10. TWO OR THREE INSURANCE COMPANIES HAVE ALREADY STATED IF THEY GO TO A 10, IT WILL NOT INSURE PEOPLE FOR HOMEOWNERS. THAT MEANS A LOT OF PEOPLE MIGHT LOSE THEIR INSURANCE BECAUSE OF THIS. IF THEY GET IT FROM ANOTHER COMPANY, THEY ARE GOING TO PUT THEM AT HIGH RISK AND THEIR INSURANCE WILL GO UP. THIS IS NOT FEASIBLE AND HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND WANTS TO DO THIS BECAUSE PEOPLE OUT HERE, MSBU AND SUNNY HILLS HAVE THEIR OWN FUNDS TO HELP ENHANCE THIS TOO BESIDES THE COUNTY. THEY DON'T REALLY NEED THE COUNTY'S FUNDS; THEY CAN USE THE MSBU FUNDS. HE IS HERE TODAY TO ASK FOR A NEW TRUCK AND THIS PROGRAM HE GAVE THE BOARD FOR PAID FIREFIGHTERS WHICH WON'T COST THE COUNTY ONE RED CENT JUST FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF THESE PEOPLE. THERE ARE A LOT OF THESE VOLUNTEERS AND SOMEBODY JUST WRITES ABOUT THAT IN SUNNY HILLS.

COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED THERE IS A LOT INVOLVED; THERE ARE THREE OR FOUR DIFFERENT PEOPLE OR ENTITIES FROM WHAT HE HAS JUST HEARD THAT OWNS JUST A PART OF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND HE DOESN'T SEE HOW IT IS WORKING LIKE IT IS NOW. HE THINKS THE MAIN THING THE BOARD NEEDS TO DO IS SEE WHO OWNS WHAT ON THE PAPERWORK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HE DIDN'T THINK THE BOARD HAS ENOUGH INFORMATION TODAY TO MAKE A DECISION ON THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AGREEMENT.

LINDA SHIELDS ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING DELTONA DID BUILD THE TWO BAYS FOR THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND IT WAS GIVEN TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. SHE THOUGHT THE REST OF THE BUILDING WAS BUILT BY EITHER THE MSBU OR THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION. SHE HAS A CALL IN TO BETH FISHER WITH DELTONA; BUT, SHE WON'T BE BACK IN THE OFFICE UNTIL MONDAY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE SHOWING IN 1992 THERE WAS A DEED FROM DELTONA TO THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. FOR TWENTY YEARS; IN 2012, IF IT REMAINED AS A FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE REVERTER CLAUSE WOULD GO AWAY AND IT WOULD BE OWNED BY THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE PROPERTY APPRAISER IS SAYING THE BUILDINGS ON THE PROPERTY BELONG TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY HAS LEASED THOSE BUILDINGS. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED THEY ARE LEASED TO THE COUNTY BY THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT STATED THE BUILDINGS ARE LEASED TO THE COUNTY FOR THIRTY YEARS BEGINNING IN 2003.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE DEFINED.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID IT IS THE INCORPORATED FIRE DEPARTMENT IN SUNNY HILLS, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS; IT IS AN INCORPORATED ENTITY OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THAT IS WHO THE COUNTY'S LEASE AGREEMENT IS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED ONE THING HE HAS BEEN TELLING THE BOARD ALL THE TIME, SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT OWNS THE EQUIP- MENT AND BUILDINGS; THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO TELL HIM HOW THEY CAN CONTROL WHAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DOES.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THERE ARE TWO CONTRACTS AT SUNNY HILLS; ONE GOES OUT TO 2012 WITH AN ADDITIONAL TEN YEARS. HE ASKED HOW COULD YOU EXTEND A CONTRACT PAST WHAT THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT WAS FOR WHICH HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE 2012 CONTRACT WAS BETWEEN DELTONA AND THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE THIRTY YEAR LEASE WAS BETWEEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND WASHINGTON COUNTY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LEASE DATED APRIL 1, 2003; SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. LEASED IT TO THE COUNTY. THERE WAS A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THAT LEASE THAT INCREASED THE LENGTH OF THE LEASE BY TEN YEARS. APPARENTLY SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. IS THE OWNER OF THE BUILDINGS, ETC. IT IS DESCRIBED AS SUNNY HILLS UNIT #4, BLOCK 1646, TRACT B CONTAINING 2.6 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

MR. STEWART SAID THE LEASE IN 2003 WAS LEASING THE TWO STALLS BEHIND IT SO THAT THE MSBU GRASS CREW COULD STORE THEIR EQUIPMENT. BEFORE THAT, IT DID BELONG TO THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HIS QUESTION WAS WHO WAS THAT FIRE DEPARTMENT IN 2003; WAS IT THE SAME FIRE DEPARTMENT HERE.

MR. STEWART SAID THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CORPORATION WAS STARTED IN 1974.

SAL ZURICA SAID, ACCORDING TO THE LOANS THE COUNTY AGREED TO LET THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT DO, THERE IS A LOAN ON THAT TRUCK, A LOAN ON THE BUILDINGS WHICH THE COUNTY ALLOWED. GLEN ZANETIC USED THE COUNTY VEHICLE, BUILDING AND FIRE TRUCK AS COLLATERAL AND MSBU IS PAYING THOSE LOANS OFF. UNLESS THAT FIRE DEPARTMENT CAN PAY IT FO THEMSELVES, THAT WOULD BE FINE; BUT, THEY CAN'T. THEY ARE USING TAX MONIES TO PAY THESE LOANS OFF. THE BUILDING BEHIND THE FIREHOUSE WAS BUILT OUT OF THE LOAN; MSBU IS PAYING FOR IT AND NOT THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT SO HOW CAN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SAY THEY OWN IT. IF THE BOARD SHUTS DOWN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE BUILDING GOES BACK TO DELTONA SO THEY DON'T OWN IT. AS FOR AS THE CORPORATION, THAT HAS BEEN CHANGED ABOUT SIX TIMES SINCE IT STARTED. THE CURRENT SUNNY HILLS FIRE BOARD ONLY CAME IN ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO; IF YOU GO BACK A FEW YEARS, IT IS A DIFFERENT FIRE BOARD. WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT WHO OWNS WHAT, THE COUNTY OR THE BANK OWNS IT ALL.

 $\,$  MR. STEWART STATED THERE IS NO LOAN ON THAT BUILDING WITH MR. ZURICA TELLING HIM TO CHECK THE LOANS.

MR. STEWART REITERATED THERE IS NO LOANS; IF THERE IS, THE COUNTY HAS BEEN PAYING IT WITH MSBU. THE ONLY THING THEY KNOW THAT COMES OUT OF THE DEBT FOR MSBU IS THE ROAD DEBT AND FOUR TRUCKS. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HASN'T GOT BORROWED OR LOANED NOTHING; THERE IS NO CONTRACTS NOWHERE. HE DOESN'T KNOW WHERE MR. ZURICA GOT THAT FROM. IF IT WERE BEING PAID, SUNNY HILLS DON'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY DEBT. THEY GET \$33,000 FROM THE COUNTY AND THAT IS IT. THERE IS NO CONTRACTS.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO THE INCIDENT WITH THE TRUCK AND THE REASON THE COUNTY TOOK THE TRUCK BACK WAS IT WAS USED AS COLLAT- ERAL FOR SOME LOANS DOWN THERE AND ASKED IF ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT HAD THE LIST OF

STUFF ON THERE. HE DOESN'T KNOW WHO IS RIGHT; BUT, HE DOES KNOW THAT TRUCK WAS LISTED ON THERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT BEFORE THEY CAN ENTERTAIN ANYTHING LIKE COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND IS REQUESTING, THEY NEED TO HAVE THEIR FACTS COMPLETELY STRAIGHT AND THEY DON'T TODAY. THEY CAN GET THE FACTS; BUT, THEY DON'T HAVE THEM TODAY AND HE DOESN'T THINK THE BOARD IS EDUCATED ENOUGH HERE TODAY TO MAKE A DECISION ON ANYTHING ABOUT THAT FIRE DEPARTMENT. BEFORE THE BOARD EVER ENTERTAINS THE SITUATION OF GETTING RID OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT, THERE HAS TO BE SOMETHING REALLY BAD THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS DONE SUCH AS NOT RESPONDING TO THEIR CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY, ETC. THE FIRE DEPART— MENT WILL HAVE TO DEFAULT ON THEIR CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY IN ORDER TO BREAK IT. HE ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THAT WAS RIGHT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THAT WOULD BE HIS OPINION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE DOESN'T THINK THAT IS HAPPENING IN THIS CASE. THERE MAY BE SOME ISSUES; THERE ARE ISSUES WITH ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND NOT JUST THIS ONE. BUT, SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT JUST KEEPS COMING UP ALL THE TIME. HE REITERATED IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO ENTERTAIN SOMETHING LIKE THIS, THEY NEED TO ENTER- TAIN IT WITH FACTS TO BE ABLE TO MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT IS THE ONLY ONE THAT PAYS THE FIRECHIEF AND THERE ARE RECORDS SHOWING THEY PAY THE FIRECHIEF. HE KNOWS THE STATE ATTORNEY SAYS AS LONG AS THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE BOARD SAYS IT IS OKAY, THEY CAN DO WHAT THEY WANT TO WITH THAT MONEY. STRICKLAND SAID THE REST OF THE FIRECHIEFS DON'T GET PAID.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IT IS NOT THAT THE REST OF THEM CAN'T BE PAID. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT HAVING A BETTER FIRE DEPARTMENT, BETTER PREPARED AND BETTER TRAINED FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THEN THEY COULD PAY THEM. REALISTICALLY, SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT IS JUST A LITTLE AHEAD OF THE CURTAIN ON PAYNG PEOPLE; HAVING SOMEBODY AT THAT FIREHOUSE ALL THE TIME. IS THAT NOT RIGHT. IS THAT NOT WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IS GOING TO A PAID FIRE DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID YES; BUT, THEY HAVE TO BE CERTIFIED. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE UNDERSTANDS THAT AND HE UNDERSTANDS WHAT WAS HAPPENING AT THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS GLEN WAS NOT CERTIFIED AND IS STILL NOT CERTIFIED. BUT, HE IS NOT THE ONLY ONE IN THE COUNTY THAT IS NOT CERTIFIED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN APPOINTING THEM-SELVES; WHEN THE FORMER COMMISSIONER WAS HERE IT WAS THE SAME WAY AND WHEN COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOOK OVER, IT IS THE SAME WAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HE WOULD EMBRACE TALKING WITH HIM ABOUT THIS AND HAVING THIS DISCUSSION IF THE BOARD HAD THEIR FACTS STRAIGHT AND THEY WERE READY TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REQUESTED COMMISSIONER HOWELL TAKE THE PAPERWORK HOME AND LOOK AT IT. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID ZURICA IS SAYING SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A LOAN AGAINST THE BANK AND MR. STEWART IS SAYING THEY DON'T. WHO IS RIGHT?

MR. MORAN SAID SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS NO MONEY. MR. STEWART SAYS THERE YOU GO, YOU CAN'T HAVE A LOAN IF YOU DON'T HAVE MONEY. MR. STEWART AGREED THEY DO PAY A MAN; BUT, THEY DON'T PAY A FIREMAN. THEY PAY A MAN TO GO IN TWO HOURS A DAY, CHECK OUT THE TRUCKS AND DO PAPERWORK OR IF THEY NEED STUFF TOOK TO THE SHOP, THE MAN GOES TO THE SHOP. AFTER THAT TWO HOURS, THE MAN BECOMES A VOLUNTEER FIREMAN LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE. HE IS CERTIFIED AS A FIRST RESPONDER. SOMEONE IN THE AUDIENCE WAS MAKING

REMARKS WHILE MR. STEWART WAS TALKING. CHAIRMAN HOWELL ASKED THEM TO LET MR. STEWART TALK AS IT WAS HIS TURN. HE STATED HE WOULD CLEAR ALL OF THEM OUT OF HERE.

SAL ZURICA SAID THEN YOU CLEAR US OUT OF HERE. CHAIRMAN HOWELL ASKED EVERYBODY ON THE RIGHT SIDE TO LEAVE THE MEETING. HE RECESSED THE MEETING FOR FIVE MINUTES AND STATED HE WOULD CALL A DEPUTY IF HE HAD TO.

PURSUANT TO THE RECESS, CHAIRMAN HOWELL MADE AN APOLOGY TO THE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE AND EVEN THOSE THAT LEFT; HE ASKED EVERYBODY TO BE COURTEOUS TO PEOPLE WHEN THEY ARE SPEAKING OR IN ANY SITUATION. THERE IS NO SENSE IN JEERING OR YELLING OUT SOMETHING. THAT DOESN'T DO ANY GOOD TO ANYBODY; THEY CAN HAVE THEIR TURN TO SPEAK. THEY JUST HAVE TO RAISE THEIR HAND. HE EXPLAINED THE REASON HE ASKED EVERYBODY TO LEAVE HE WASN'T SURE WHO SAID WHAT THEY SAID. IT WAS NOT PROPER AND EVERYBODY REALIZES IT IS NOT. THERE ARE ISSUES HERE THE BOARD NEED TO DISCUSS AND THEY ARE CRITICAL ISSUES. HE WANTS EVERYBODY TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK; BUT, WE HAVE TO BE COURTEOUS TO EVERYBODY. HE APOLOGIZED FOR HIS ACTIONS TODAY AND HOPES HE DOESN'T HAVE TO DO THIS AGAIN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND APOLOGIZED FOR WHAT HE SAID AND STATED THERE WERE NO HARD FEELINGS. HE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO GET WITH ROGER HAGAN AND THE ATTORNEY AND SEE WHO OWNS WHAT; THAT WAY THEY WILL BE SURE EVERYTHING WILL BE LEGAL WHEN THEY WILL DO THIS. HE WILL GET WITH ROGER AND SEE IF THEY CAN'T MOVE THE FIRECHIEF'S MEETING UP SOME AND BY NEXT MONTH, THEY WILL HAVE SOMETHING TO GO BY AND EVERYTHING WILL BE RIGHT. THE BOARD CONSENTED WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND'S REQUEST.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WAS GOING TO TAKE THE DEEDS AND DO A TITLE SEARCH ON IT TO SEE IF THERE IS ANYTHING ON RECORD OTHER THAN THE DEEDS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY WOULD PROBABLY NEED TO PICK UP ANY LIENS THAT IS ON THINGS AT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; THERE WAS SOME- THING LAST YEAR IN THERE AND HE DOESN'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT ALL WAS IN THERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID BEFORE THE BOARD ENTERS INTO ANYTHING TRYING TO GET RID OF ANY FIRE DEPARTMENT, NOT JUST SUNNY HILLS, HE WOULD HOPE THEY WOULD HAVE SOME CHARGE TO BRING SUCH AS THEY HAVE BREACHED THEIR CONTRACT, ETC. BEFORE THEY GO THROUGH WITH THAT TROUBLE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE WAS NOT AGAINST OR FOR EITHER SIDE; HE JUST WANTS TO GO RIGHT STRAIGHT DOWN THE LINE AND TREAT ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS THE SAME WAY.

MR. STEWART ASKED IF HE COULD SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THAT. COM-MISSIONER HOLMAN RECOMMENDED THEY NOT GO ANY FURTHER WITH IT. COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD MR. STEWART HE WOULD REALLY LIKE NOT TO TODAY AND ASKED IF THEY COULD DO IT ANOTHER DAY.

MR. STEWART SAID "YES SIR"; BUT, HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHY THE BOARD IS SO MUCH AGAINST THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT WHEN THEY REALLY HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG. THEY ARE NO WORSE THAN ANYBODY ELSE IN THE COUNTY; AS A MATTER OF FACT, THEY JUST HAD AN INSPECTION AND THEY PASSED THEM WITH FLYING COLORS THROUGH THE STATE. MR. HAGAN HIMSELF QUOTED THERE IS NOT BUT ONE OTHER DEPARTMENT THAT CAN BE AS GOOD AS SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THAT WOULD BE CHIPLEY; THE OTHER NINE COULDN'T PASS WHAT SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT DID LAST WEEK.

LOU TRACY ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HIS ONLY CONCERN IS IT SEEMS LIKE COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAS A PROBLEM WITH THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY THEY WOULD WANT TO INVOLVE THE OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS; HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE OTHER COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENTS WHEN THEY ARE NOT INVOLVED IN THIS DISPUTE. HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND WOULD WANT TO INVOLVE THE

FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE DISCUSSED BETWEEN COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND THE SUNNY HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT; THAT IS THE WAY IT SHOULD BE. ALSO, AT THE FIRE ASSOCIATION MEETING THE OTHER NIGHT, HE WAS SURE COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND WAS MADE THE LIASON AND HE DIDN'T SEE HIM AT THE MEETING. BUT, A LOT OF IMPORTANT ISSUES WERE DISCUSSED AT THE FIRE ASSOCIATION MEETING AND HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE TALKED TO COMMIS- SIONER STRICKLAND THERE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE WAS IN THERE WITH ROGER HAGAN AND THE REST OF THEM. MR. TRACY SAID STRICKLAND WAS IN THE BOARD MEETING; THE BOARD MEETING IS NOT THE ENTIRE WASHINGTON COUNTY FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION. THEY HAVE A COMPLETE ORGANIZATION AND THERE WERE NINE OTHER CHIEFS THAT WERE OUTSIDE THE MEETING ROOM.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE IS NOT PICKING ON THE OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. MR. TRACY SAID THAT IS WHAT HE IS SAYING; LEAVE THE OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS ALONE AND IF HE HAS A PROBLEM WITH SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO TALK TO COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND STATED THAT IS WHY HE IS BRINGING THIS UP TODAY.

MR. TRACY SAID THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT WOULD LOVE TO TALK TO COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ABOUT THIS; IF SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING WITH COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND, THEY WOULD LOVE TO BE ABLE TO TALK TO HIM ONE ON ONE.

JOHNNY JOHNSON ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR FIVE YEARS AND HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE COUNTY COMMISSION- ERS CAN'T GET A GRIP ON THIS AND SOLVE IT. IT IS THE COUNTY COMMISSION- SIONERS RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE THOSE FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE RUN AND RUN CORRECTLY. HE CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY CAN'T SEE WHAT IS GOING ON. THERE HAS BEEN A CONFLICT EVERY SINCE THE FIRECHIEF WAS APPOINTED, ELECTED OR MOVED IN ON HIS OWN AND THIS BOARD WAS APPOINTED BY HIM. HE SUGGESTED AND RECOMMENDED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAKE THE DECISION TO CHANGE THE SITUATION OF THAT FIRE DEPARTMENT IN SUNNY HILLS. HE SAID HE WAS AN EX FIRECHIEF OF THE SUNNY HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT; HE RUN IT AND DID A PRETTY GOOD JOB OF IT. THEY DIDN'T LOSE ONE HOUSE THE FIVE OR SIX YEARS HE WAS FIRECHIEF. HE RECOM- MENDED THE COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINT A FIRECHIEF AND LET THAT FIRE- CHIEF APPOINT A NEW BOARD AND GET DOWN TO WHERE THEY CAN HAVE A CIVILIZED FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT CAN RUN LIKE IT WAS IN THE PAST.

MR. JOHNSON SAID THE ADDITION ON THE SOUTH END OF THAT BUILDING WAS ERECTED BY THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION TO HOLD MEETINGS AND FUNDRAISERS. SINCE THIS FIRECHIEF HAS COME IN THERE, TO HIS KNOWLEDGE THERE HAS NOT BEEN ONE MEETING, OTHER THAN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, HELD IN THAT FACILITY THAT WAS BUILT FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE FIRECHIEF HAS DONE AWAY WITH ALL THE KITCHEN FACILITIES, TABLES, ETC. IN THAT FACILITY WHICH IT WAS DESIGNED TO DO.

MR. JOHNSON REITERATED HIS SUGGESTION THE BOARD MAKE A DECISION AND SOLVE THIS PROBLEM ONCE AND FOR ALL. EVERY BOARD MEETING HE HAS SET IN ON, THIS SUBJECT HAS COME UP; IT IS NOT GOING TO DIE TODAY EITHER UNLESS THEY MAKE A DECISION. HE THINKS THEY HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DO SO. HE THANKED THE BOARD FOR HEARING HIM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE BOARD HAS DECIDED THEY ARE NOT GOING TO MAKE A DECISION TODAY; THEY ARE GOING TO DO SOME MORE RESEARCH BEFORE DOING SO.

CLIFF KNAUER, COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT:

1. OLD BONIFAY HIGHWAY-ALL THE PAVING IS COMPLETED. THE AREA WITH GAINER ROAD THEY HAD SO MUCH TROUBLE WITH TURNED OUT TO BE A TRUCKLOAD OF LITARD STUMPS THAT WERE BURIED UNDERNEATH THE ROADWAY. ALL OF THOSE HAVE

BEEN REMOVED. THEY WILL BE WORKING ON FINISHING UP THE PROJECT IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS.

- 2. CR 279-C. W. ROBERTS IS BACK AT WORK ON CR 279. THE PIPE CREW AND THE DITCH PAVING CREW ARE GOING TO COMPLETE ALL THEIR WORK BEFORE THE PAVING CREW SHOWS UP AGAIN ON THE PROJECT.
- 3. NEW EOC-THEY HAVE HAD A LOT OF COORDINATION EFFORTS GOING BACK AND FORTH TO GET QUOTES FOR THE SEPTIC TANK AND SEPTIC DRAIN FILL SYSTEM FOR THE GENERATOR THEY NEED TO GET ORDERED FOR THE BUILDING AS SOON AS THEY CAN AS THERE IS ABOUT A FOURTEEN WEEK DELIVERY TIME ON IT. HE HAD PREPARED A CHANGE ORDER THAT WOULD BASICALLY INCLUDE ALL THE CHANGES TO THE BUILDING TO DATE INCLUDING THE AV EQUIPMENT, COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR THE PHONE SYSTEM AND THE SECURITY SYSTEM FOR THE BUILDING WHICH HE, MALCOLM AND MR. HAGAN HAS GONE THROUGH TO TRY AND GET THE BEST PRICE THEY CAN POSSIBLY GET. THEY WILL BE RUNNING THOSE ITEMS THROUGH THE CONTRACTOR SO THEY CAN SAVE ON THE TAX MONEY FOR THOSE ITEMS; THE CHANGE ORDER COMES UP TO \$236,226.20. HE UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE NEW EOC PROJECT, BOTH FEDERAL AND STATE IS \$1,097,501. WITH THE CHANGE ORDER ADDED TO CATHEY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY'S CONTRACT PRICE, IT WOULD BRING IT TO \$959,167.20 WHICH LEAVES A REMAINING BALANCE OF \$138,333. THE ONLY ITEM THAT HAS NOT BEEN ADDRESSED SO FAR, AND HE EXPECTS THIS WILL BE THE LAST ITEM THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED, IS THE SEPARATE BUILDING FOR THE GENERATOR. THE SUBS HAVE WORKED ON PRICING IT AND THEY EXPECT TO GET THE FINAL PRICING THE FIRST OF NEXT WEEK; THEIR GUESS IS IT IS GOING TO BE AROUND \$35,000. THEY PRICED AN ENCLOSURE FROM THE GENERATOR MANUFACTURER THAT WOULD BE SHIPPED AS A UNIT WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY \$56,000; RATHER THAN DOING THAT, THEY ARE LOOKING AT BUILDING A SEPARATE BUILDING THEY THINK THEY CAN DO OUITE A BIT CHEAPER. HE DOESN'T HAVE THE SEPARATED BUILDING INCLUDED IN THE REQUEST; BUT, AS A GUESTIMATE, IT IS GOING TO COST \$35,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CHANGE ORDER FOR \$236,226.20 TO CATHEY CONSTRUCTION'S CONTRACT FOR THE NEW EOC AND AUTHORIZE UP TO \$35,000 FOR THE BUILDING TO HOUSE THE GENERATOR FOR THE NEW EOC.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF CLIFF HAD HEARD ANYTHING ON THE SCRAP AND SCOP PROJECTS. CLIFF REPORTED HE HAD RECEIVED THE NOTICE TO PROCEED ON BETHEL ROAD, SHELL LANDING ROAD AND BONNETT POND ROAD. THEY ARE PLANNING ON MOVING FORWARD WITH THE PROJECTS FOR THE COST THAT FL-DOT ALLOWS AND PAYS FOR ON THEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THERE BEING COUNTY MONEY, STATE MONEY AND FEDERAL MONEY INVOLVED WITH THE NEW EOC. HE ASKED IF THEY COULD SPEND THE STATE AND FEDERAL MONIES FIRST BEFORE THEY SPEND THE COUNTY MONEY.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE STATE AND FEDERAL MONIES GO JUST FOR THE BUILDING; THE FURNISHINGS, SITEWORK, ETC., THEY HAVE TO SPEND THE COUNTY MONEY.

CLIFF SAID THERE IS APPROXIMATELY \$801,806 IN STATE FUNDING AND \$295,695 IN FEDERAL MONIES; AS OF 9-24-2009, THERE IS ABOUT \$383,000 REMAINING IN THE COUNTY'S BALANCE FOR THE COUNTY MATCH. HE EXPLAINED THE FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING CAN ONLY BE USED ON THE ACTUAL BUILDING; SO, THE SEPTIC TANK AND THE DRAIN FILL WILL BE AN ELIGIBLE ITEM. THE GENERATOR WHICH IS \$45,000 WILL NOT BE AN ELIGIBLE ITEM AND WILL HAVE TO COME OUT OF THE COUNTY MATCH; THEY ARE RUNNING THIS THROUGH THE CONTRACTOR AND WILL GET THE TAX SAVINGS ON THAT AS WELL.

UNDER UNAGENDAED AUDIENCE, MR. STEWART ADVISED HE WOULD WAIT UNTIL NEXT MEETING TO SPEAK SINCE THE BOARD HAS SAID THEY DON'T WANT DISCUSS FIRE ANYMORE TODAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF MR. ZURICA WAS OUTSIDE AND ASKED HE BE TOLD HE COULD COME IN AND SPEAK TO THE BOARD IF HE WANTED TO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYONE ELSE THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

ROGER HAGAN UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE HAVING MET ON MONDAY AND THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE ASSOCIATION HASN'T HAD A POLICY TO TRY TO ESTABLISH WATER SOURCES IN RURAL AREAS WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE FIRE HYDRANTS OR WATER SOURCES FOR THE LAST THREE OR FOUR YEARS. THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD METAL WILL PROBABLY BE INCREASED WITHIN THE YEAR 2010. THEY TOOK SOME QUOTES ON SOME WATER TOWERS FOR THE COMING BUDGET YEAR; THEY GOT OUOTES THAT WOULD GIVE THEM THE TOWERS AND THE TANK INCLUDED FOR THE SAME PRICE AS WHAT THIS YEAR WAS AND THAT IS INSTALLED. HE ALSO HAS PRICES OF JUST BUYING A TANK, BUILDING A TOWER, ETC. AND THE COUNTY INSTALLING. THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE VOTED TO RECOMMEND TO THE COUNTY COMMISSION, BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY INVOLVED, APPROVE AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000 FOR THREE TANKS. THE SITES FOR THE TANK LOCATIONS HAVE NOT BEEN DESIGNATED; BUT, THE AREAS THEY ARE LOOKING AT WILL BE IN THE SINGER ROAD, ROLLING PINES, RED HEAD, MOONSEED LANE, ETC. PLACES WHERE THERE ARE NO HYDRANTS OR WATER SOURCES NOW. THE MONEY IS AVAILABLE TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF THE THREE TANKS IN THE CONTINGENCY LINE ITEM OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE COUNTY HAD PROPERTY TO PUT THE TANKS ON. ROGER ADVISED THAT IS THE REASON THEY HAVEN'T DESIGNATED AN AREA BECAUSE THEY HAVE TO WORK WITH SOME PROPERTY OWNERS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION- ER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO APPROVE UP TO \$30,000 OUT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY FUNDS TO PURCHASE THREE TANKS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.

ROGER UPDATED THE BOARD ON VERNON REDUCING ITS NUMBER OF PIECES OF EQUIPMENT. VERNON HAS A TANKER THAT ONLY HAS PROBLEMS WITH LOOSE STEERING AND THERE WON'T BE A LOT TO INVEST IN IT TO FIX IT. VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENT IS WANTING \$2500 FOR THE TRUCK. IF MONEY IS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE THE TRUCK, IT COULD BE USED AS A WATER TANK; THE COUNTY NEEDS SOME WATER SOURCES. IT APPARENTLY IS A GOOD ACQUISITION; HE IS NOT SURE IF THE BOARD HAS THE BUDGET OR NOT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AGREED THE TANKER VERNON IS OPTING TO SELL IS A GOOD VEHICLE; THE ROAD DEPARTMENT COULD USE IT TO WATER ROADS, ETC. WITH OR IT CAN BE USED FOR OTHER FIRE DEPARTMENTS HAVING USE FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION- ER BROCK AND CARRIED IF THE \$2500 IS AVAILABLE, PURCHASE THE TANKER FROM THE VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ROGER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE COUNTY RECENTLY HAVING BOUGHT A TRACTOR FOR PUBLIC WORKS; THEY HAVE CONTACTED THE VENDOR AND THEY WILL HONOR THAT SAME BID FOR A TRACTOR FOR MSBU. THEY NEED TO PUT SOMETHING IN THE MSBU AREA BESIDES LAWNMOWERS AND SKAGGS.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THE COUNTY HAVING JUST BOUGHT A JOHN DEERE TRACTOR FROM BEARD EQUIPMENT OFF THE STATE BID FOR THE RECYCLING CENTER. THEY ARE ASKING THEY BE ALLOWED TO PURCHASE THE EXACT SAME TRACTOR WITHOUT THE LOADER OR THE BUCKET; THE PRICE WILL BE ABOUT \$15,575 AND WILL BE PAID FOR OUT OF MSBU FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED WHAT WOULD THEY BE PULLING BEHIND THE TRACTOR. ROGER SAID THE TRACTOR WOULD BE PULLING A BUSH HOG.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOLMAN AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF THE TRACTOR IF THE MONEY IS AVAILABLE IN MSBU.

ROGER REQUESTED IF THEY SURPLUS AND SALE THE NEW HOLLAND TRACTOR, THE MONIES GO BACK TO THE MSBU; THIS WILL ACTUALLY BRING THE PRICE OF THE NEW TRACTOR ON DOWN BY THE AMOUNT RECAPTURED FROM THE SALE OF THE NEW HOLLAND.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY NEED A MOTION TO DO WHAT ROGER IS REQUESTING. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THE BOARD HAS AUTHORIZED HIM TO SURPLUS EQUIPMENT UP TO A CERTAIN DOLLAR AMOUNT.

BID AWARDS-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE INSURANCE BIDS RECEIVED FOR AUTO, PROPERTY AND INLAND MARINE COVERAGE:

1. BROWN & BROWN-AUTO COVERAGE \$ 65,781

PROPERTY COVERAGE 87,584

INLAND MARINE COVERAGE 1,000

TOTAL \$154,356

2. PAT THOMAS & ASSOCIATES INC.

AUTO COVERAGE \$ 50,816 PROPERTY COVERAGE \$ 84,092

INLAND MARINE COVERAGE INCLUDED IN ABOVE

TOTAL \$134,908 SERVICES PLACEMENT FEE FOR FACT 674.54

TOTAL PREMIUM \$135,582.54

MR. HERBERT RECOMMENDED AWARDING THE BID TO PAT THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE TO APPROVE OF ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT'S RECOMMENDATION AND AWARD THE BID FOR AUTO, PROPERTY AND INLAND MARINE INSURANCE COVERAGE TO PAT THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT THE RENEWAL QUOTE WAS THEY GOT FROM BROWN AND BROWN. MR. HERBERT SAID IT WAS \$192,000.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID WHEN THEY BID THE INSURANCE COVERAGE, BROWN AND BROWN'S BID WAS ALMOST \$40,000 LESS THAN THEIR RENEWAL QUOTE. THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## ATTORNEY REPORT:

1. SIGNING DOCUMENTS ON THE SUNTRUST DOCUMENTS AND THE NURSING HOME MATTER-ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE NEED TO CLARIFY LANGUAGE IN THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE SUB-LEASE TO THE NURSING HOME. IT HAS SOME MINOR CHANGES AND WORDING CHANGES; IT DOESN'T REALLY AFFECT ANYTHING AND THEY ARE GOING TO RESIGN SOME DOCUMENTS. HE SAID THE BOARD NEEDS TO APPROVE THE CHANGES TO THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE SUB-LEASE TO THE NURSING HOME AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN IT. HE REITERATED IT WAS JUST MINOR CHANGES AND DOESN'T CHANGE THE CONTENT; HE ADDRESSED ONE CHANGE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE SE AND IT SHOULD BE THE SE 1/4.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE CHANGES TO THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE SUBLEASE ON THE NURSING HOME AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE DOCUMENT.

2. SIGNING OF THE SUNTRUST DOCUMENTS; THEY ARE ALL HERE TODAY AND IT IS A MATTER OF JUST GETTING THEM SIGNED.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSION- ER STRICKLAND TO SIGN THE DOCUMENTS WITH SUNTRUST. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY HAD DONE THIS PREVIOUSLY WITH DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW STATING THEY

APPROVED THE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION WHICH AUTHORIZES THE SIGNING OF THE SUNTRUST DOCUMENTS. THE BOARD AGREED TO TAKE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SIGNING OF THE DOCUMENTS AGAIN TO MAKE SURE IT WAS IN THE RECORD. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY TO AUTHORIZE THE SIGNING OF THE DOCUMENTS WITH SUNTRUST.

ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT'S REPORT:

1. REQUEST FROM THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL TO APPOINT JIM TOWN TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A FOUR YEAR TERM AND TO APPOINT SHERRI TAYLOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A ONE YEAR TERM.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE TO APPROVE OF THE REQUEST OF THE TDC TO APPOINT JIM TOWN AND SHERRI TAYLOR TO THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

2. STIMULUS PROJECTS-HE AND STACY WEBB HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH DPI, SOUTHEAST AND HATCH MOTT & MCDONALD; BUT, THEY HAVE NOT NEGOTIA- TED A FINAL PRICE ON THE COST FOR THOSE TWO PROJECTS. HE ASKED IF THE BOARD WOULD ALLOW THE CHAIRMAN TO APPROVE OF THOSE ONCE THEY HAVE COMPLETED THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THEY ARE CONFIRMED SO THEY CAN MOVE FORWARD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO AWARD THE STIMULUS PROJECTS AND SIGN THE NOTICE OF AWARD ONCE THE PROJECTS ARE NEGOTIATED.

3. FEMA PROJECTS AND MATERIALS-HE, PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMISSIONER PATE MET AND HAVE DISCUSSED MITIGATION PROJECTS WITH CLIFF YESTERDAY; CLIFF HAS COPIES OF ALL THE PROJECT WORKSHEETS. HOWEVER, HE DOESN'T THINK THEY ARE READY TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON WHAT IS NEEDED TO ADVERTISE. THEY HOPE TO BRING THIS UP AT THE NEXT MEETING.

COMMISSIONER PATE AND ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADDRESSED THEY ARE STILL NOT SURE SOME OF THE MITIGATION PROJECTS ARE GOING TO COME THROUGH.

CLIFF ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE GOT COPIES OF THE MITIGATION PROJECTS, REVIEWED THEM YESTERDAY AFTERNOON; SOME ARE GOING TO BE FINE. HOWEVER, SOME OF THEM GOT CUT OUT ALTOGETHER BECAUSE THE SECTION 404 GUYS DID NOT GET THE OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE THE MITIGATION PROJECT WORKSHEETS TO MATCH THE FINAL PROJECT WORKSHEETS AUTHORIZED BY MR. PORTER IN HIS REVIEW. CLIFF SAID HE DID CONTACT CECIL, WHO IS THE STATE SIDE OF THIS, AND HE SAID BECAUSE THE SECTION 404 GUYS OPERATE DIFFERENT DIVISIONS, HE REALLY DIDN'T HAVE ANY SAY SO AND COULDN'T TELL THEM WHAT TO DO, ETC. CLIFF SAID HE HAS MADE CONTACT WITH THE 404 GUYS AND THEY ARE GOING TO TRY TO MEET WITH THEM NEXT WEEK; THERE IS ABOUT NINE MITIGATION PROJECTS THEY FEEL SHOULD BE FUNDED THAT RIGHT NOW ARE NOT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL REQUESTED CLIFF GIVE AN EXAMPLE. CLIFF USED STRICKLAND ROAD AS AN EXAMPLE; PART OF THE TRAVEL LANE ON STRICKLAND ROAD WAS BASICALLY UNDERMINED, THE HEADWALL BLEW OUT AND THE WATER WENT DOWN THE HILL AND THEY LOST A LOT OF RIP RAP. THE MITIGATION PROPOSAL FOR THE PROJECT WAS TO INSTALL THREE TYPE C INLETS INSTEAD OF ALL THE WATER GOING DOWN THE SIDE OF THE HILL, THEY WOULD DROP IT INTO THE INLETS AND COME OUT AT THE BOTTOM OF THE HILL. THE MITIGATION PROPOSAL WAS WRITTEN BEFORE THE PROJECT WORKSHEET WAS WRITTEN; SO, WHEN THEY WROTE THE PROJECT WORKSHEET, THEY WROTE IT FOR A MUCH SMALLER AMOUNT THAN WHAT WOULD ALLOW THE 100% FOR MITIGATION. IN OTHER WORDS, IF THE PROJECT WORKSHEET WAS WRITTEN FOR \$10,000, THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE MITIGATION PROPOSAL WOULD BE FOR \$10,000. IN THAT CASE, HE THINKS THEY HAD A MITIGATION PROPOSAL FOR ABOUT \$25,000 AND THE PROJECT WORKSHEET WAS WRITTEN FOR ABOUT \$6,000 OR \$7,000. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE PROJECT WORKSHEET WAS WRITTEN FOR ABOUT \$6,000.

CLIFF SAID POTTER SPRINGS WAS ANOTHER GOOD EXAMPLE OF ONE OF THESE MITIGATION PROJECTS.

CLIFF ADDRESSED AN ISSUE HE FORGOT TO MENTION WHEN THEY WERE DISCUSSING THE CHANGE ORDER FOR CATHEY CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW EOC. HE WANTED TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SQUARE UP THE TIME SITUATION ON THE NEW EOC PROJECT. PREBLE-RISH HAS GONE THROUGH ALL THE LOGS FOR THEIR INSPECTORS ON THE PROJECTS; THE CONTRACTOR CLAIMED SEVERAL MORE RAIN DAYS THAN WHAT THEY ACTUALLY HAVE. PREBLE-RISH HAS A TOTAL OF 18 RAIN DAYS ON THE PROJECT WHERE A CREW HAD TO GO HOME BECAUSE IT WAS RAINING; THE CONTRACTOR ASKED FOR 60 RAIN DAYS ON THE CHANGE ORDER WHICH WOULD HAVE HAD THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION DATE OF JANUARY 12TH. IF THEY GIVE THE CONTRACTOR THE 18 RAIN DAYS THEY HAVE RIGHT NOW AND THE BOARD GAVE THEM AN ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS FOR THE TELE- COMMUNICATIONS, AV EQUIPMENT AND THE SECURITY SYSTEM INSTALLATION, THAT WOULD PUT THE CONTRACTOR AT JANUARY 1ST FOR SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION ON THE PROJECT. THAT IS ABOUT 12 DAYS LESS THAN WHAT THE CONTRACTOR HAS ASKED FOR. AS PART OF THE CHANGE ORDER THEY NEED TO GET THE TIME STRAIGHTENED UP ON THE PROJECTS. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD GIVE THE CONTRACTOR THE THIRTY DAYS FOR THE ADDITIONAL ITEMS THEY HAVE ADDED TO THEIR CONTRACT WHICH WOULD MAKE THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION DATE JANUARY 1, 2010.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED A LOT OF THE WORK THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT WILL BE GOING ON AT THE SAME TIME OTHER WORK WILL BE GOING ON IN THAT BUILDING.

CLIFF SAID IT CAN; THE ONLY THING THAT ADDED A LITTLE COMPLEXITY TO IT IS THERE WERE A LOT OF ELECTRICAL ITEMS THE SUBCONTRACTOR THAT IS DOING ALL THE COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMMENT IS NOT ABLE TO DO THAT WAS ADDED TO THE CONTRACTOR'S PORTION OF THE PROJECT. THERE ARE SOME ADDITIONAL THINGS THEY WILL HAVE TO DO OTHERWISE. HE DOESN'T THINK IT WILL BE AN ISSUE BECAUSE ONCE THE BUILDING IS CLOSED IN THEY WILL BE ABLE TO HAVE A LOT OF CREWS IN THERE WORKING; BUT, CERTAINLY THE CONTRACTOR IS DUE THE RAIN DAYS FOR THE PROJECT SO FAR AND THEY ARE DUE SOME ADDITIONAL TIME FOR THE ADDITIONAL WORK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID WHO IS OVERSEEING THE PROJECT SHOULD NEGOTIATE WITH THE CONTRACTOR; WHETHER IT IS CLIFF OR EMORY OR BOTH OF THEM. IF THEY FEEL LIKE 30 DAYS IS OKAY, HE GUESSES IT IS. HE ADDRESSED THERE BEING A DROP DEAD DATE ON THIS PROJECT WITH ROGER ADVISING IT IS FEBRUARY 2010.

CLIFF SAID IF THE CONTRACTOR MAKES SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION ON JANUARY 1ST, WHICH HE BELIEVES THEY WILL, THEY WOULD HAVE THIRTY DAYS TO CORRECT PUNCH LIST ITEMS BEFORE THERE WAS ANY TROUBLE WITH THE GRANT MONIES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF THE CONTRACTOR DON'T, THEY WON'T. CLIFF AGREED AND SAID IF THE CONTRACTOR DON'T, THE BOARD WILL BE ENFORCING LIQUIDATED DAMAGES DURING THAT TIME PERIOD AS WELL.

EMORY PITTS, BUILDING OFFICIAL, SAID HE IS CONCERNED NOW THEY ARE GOING TO THROW THE GENERATOR BUILDING WITH CATHEY CONSTRUCTION WHEN THEY ARE ALREADY BEHIND ON THE MAIN BUILDING.

CLIFF SAID THAT WOULD BE A SEPARATE CREW; THERE WOULD BE A SEPARATE CONCRETE CREW, A SEPARATE BLOCK CREW, REFRAMING CREW, ETC. THOSE AREN'T EVEN THE SAME GUYS THAT ARE WORKING ON THE BUILDING NOW.

EMORY SAID CATHEY'S CONSTRUCTION REPUTATION HAS JUST NOT BEEN GOOD FOR GETTING CREWS THERE. THEY DON'T HAVE A CREW THERE TODAY AND ARE TELLING HIM, THE ELECTRICIAN TOLD HIM THE CREW MAY BE BACK TOMORROW AS THEY HAD WENT TO MARIANNA TO FINISH UP A JOB. WHEN THE COUNTY TALKED TO THEM LAST WEDNESDAY, THEY WERE GOING TO BE SETTING TRUSSES MONDAY AND

RIGHT NOW THEY MAY HAVE ONE OR TWO PIECES OF TRUSSES ON, MAYBE 1/8 OF WHAT IS REQUIRED. THEY ARE JUST NOT OUT THERE WORKING ON IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THAT IS HIS ISSUE TOO; THE CONTRACTOR IS NOT SHOWING HIM THEY ARE REALLY OUT THERE AFTER IT TO GET IT DONE ON TIME.

CLIFF SAID THE COUNTY IS THE OWNER OF THE PROJECT AND THEY RUN THE SHOW. COMMISSIONER HOWELL REITERATED THAT IS WHAT THEY RELY ON CLIFF AND EMORY TO DO; THEY CAN NEGOTIATE WITH THE CONTRACTOR ON THE TIME.

CLIFF STATED THEY HAD VERY FRANK DISCUSSIONS WITH THE CONTRACTOR'S SUPERINTENDENT ON THE JOB AND HE UNDERSTANDS EXACTLY THE SITUATION SO THERE IS NO QUESTION WHETHER OR NOT HE UNDERSTANDS THE BOARD'S POSITION.

COMMISSIONER PATE TOLD CLIFF TO TELL THE CONTRACTOR TO GET HIS LIQUIDATION MONEY READY; HE MADE NEED IT TO PAYOFF THAT BUILDING.

CLIFF ASKED THE BOARD WHAT THEY WANTED TO DO ABOUT THE TIME ON THE CHANGE ORDER. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED EMORY IF IT WAS HIS RECOMMENDATION ALSO TO GIVE THE CONTRACTOR THIRTY MORE DAYS FOR THE ADDITIONAL WORK. EMORY SAID THIRTY DAYS WAS FAIR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID JANUARY 1, 2010 WOULD THEN BE THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION WITH CLIFF ADVISING THAT IS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER PATE TOLD CLIFF AND EMORY TO HAVE A CLOSE REIGN ON THE CONTRACTOR TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE WORKING ON THE EOC FACILITY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED AND SAID THE RAIN DAYS NEED TO BE LEGITIMATE RAIN DAYS. CLIFF SAID THE EIGHTEEN DAYS ARE LEGITIMATE RAIN DAYS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY DON'T WANT TO CHANGE THE SCHEDULE ANYMORE. ROGER ASKED CLIFF IF HE AGREED THOSE WERE GOOD RAIN DAYS THE CONTRACTOR IS CLAIMING AND REFERRED TO HIM HAVING GONE TO THE SITE ON ONE OF THE DAYS THE CONTRACTOR WAS CLAIMING AS A RAIN DAY AND IT HADN'T RAINED ENOUGH TO BE DESIGNATED A RAIN DAY.

CLIFF REITERATED THE CONTRACTOR CLAIMED SOMETHING LIKE 27 DAYS; THE ONLY DAYS THE CONTRACTOR IS GETTING ARE DAYS THEY HAD A CREW ON THE SITE WORKING THAT ACTUALLY HAD TO PHYSICALLY GO HOME BECAUSE IT WAS FLOODING DOWN THERE. THE 27 DAYS IS SUBSTANTIALLY MORE DAYS THAN WHAT HE IS INTENDING TO GIVE THE CONTRACTOR.

3. NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER BOARD MEETINGS-ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT SAID THE DATES FOR THESE MEETINGS WILL NEED TO BE CHANGED BECAUSE OF THE THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. HE IS RECOMMENDING THE NOVEMBER WORKSHOP MEETING BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 16TH AND THE NOVEMBER REGULAR MEETING BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 19TH; THE DECEMBER WORKSHOP BE HELD ON DECEMBER 14TH AND THE REGULAR MEETING ON DECEMBER 17TH.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF CHANGING THE DATES FOR THE NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER BOARD MEETINGS AS STATED BY ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT.

4. REQUEST FROM IRA CARTER TO CONSTRUCT A DECORATIVE FENCE IN FRONT OF HIS HOUSE ON PINEY GROVE ROAD; DUE TO THERE BEING SOME LARGE TREES IN FRONT OF HIS HOUSE, MR. CARTER IS REQUESTING HE BE ALLOWED TO CONSTRUCT A FENCE ON THE COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY. AT THE WORKSHOP ON MONDAY, HE THOUGHT THE BOARD HAD SAID THEY WANTED TO DENY THE REQUEST; BUT, THEY NEEDED TO TAKE ACTION ON IT TODAY.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO DENY IRA CARTER'S REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT A DECORATIVE FENCE ON THE COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE COLUMNS THAT WERE PUT UP ON HOLMES VALLEY ROAD AND QUESTIONED IF THEY WERE IN VIOLATION. ADMIN- ISTRATOR HERBERT SAID IF THE COLUMNS ARE IN THE COUNTY'S RIGHT-OF-WAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE COLUMNS ARE RIGHT IN A CURVE ALSO. IT WAS DETERMINED THE COLUMNS HAVE BEEN THERE FOR TWO OR THREE YEARS. ADMINISTRATOR HERBERT ADVISED THIS CAN BE CHECKED INTO TO SEE IF THE COLUMNS ARE IN VIOLATION OF COUNTY POLICY.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REPORTED ON THE VOUCHERS SIGNED AND WARRANTS ISSUED FOR AUGUST 2009 TOTALLING \$1,975,141.52.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE VOUCHERS FOR AUGUST 2009 TOTALLING \$1,975,141.52.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A SHADE MEETING IF POSSIBLE INVOLVING PERSONNEL. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID IT IS ACCORDING TO WHAT THE ISSUE IS; HE WILL HAVE TO TALK WITH COMMISSIONER PATE.

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

DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

\*END OF MINUTES\* FOR 09/24/09