



AUGUST 26, 2010

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

LT. MIKE QUALLS PROCLAIMED THE MEETING WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERING PRAYER AND LEADING IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON AN ORDINANCE DEALING WITH PRIOR ORDINANCE NO. 2002-3; SAID PRIOR ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A USER'S FEE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT SERVICES IN UNINCORPORATED WASHINGTON COUNTY, FLORIDA; REPEALING SAID ORDINANCE NO. 2002-3 IN ITS ENTIRETY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE REPEALING SAID ORDINANCE NO. 2002-3. THE CHAIRMAN ASKED THE BOARD MEMBERS AND THE AUDIENCE IF THERE WERE ANY QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE; THERE WAS NO RESPONSE. THE MOTION CARRIED TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE. COMMISSIONER PATE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE JUNE 24, 2010 MINUTES.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE ALL ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

A. VOUCHERS FOR JULY 2010 TOTALLING \$2,666,902.25.

B. INMATE MEDICAL INVOICE PAYMENTS IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$12,629.85 AND \$27,559.45 TO CHIPLEY DIALYSIS CENTER.

C. PAYMENT OF BAKER ACT INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,869.18 TO LIFE MANAGEMENT CENTER.

D. RE-APPOINTMENT OF MS. BELVA STITH TO THE PANHANDLE PUBLIC LIBRARY COOPERATIVE SYSTEM.

E. STATE AID TO LIBRARIES GRANT AGREEMENT

F. REAPPOINTMENT OF MARY RICHMOND TO SERVE TERM PRESCRIBED FOR TDC, SEAT #6; REAPPOINTMENT TO BE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010.

G. REAPPOINTMENT OF SHERRI TAYLOR TO SERVE THE TERM PRESCRIBED FOR TDC SEAT #3; APPOINTMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2010.

H. ANNUAL RENEWAL OF WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AGREEMENTS

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHO GOT THE CONTRACTS FOR FIRETOWER AND THOSE PROJECTS AND HAVE THEY STARTED ON THE PROJECTS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID ANDERSON COLUMBIA GOT THE CONTRACT FOR THESE PROJECTS.

MR. PITTS REPORTED THEY WERE HAVING DIFFICULTY GETTING A PERMIT FROM FL-DEP. THE COUNTY ENGINEER HAS PLANNED A MEETING WITH FL-DEP AND NWFWMMD ON THE SITE TO DECIDE WHAT THEY CAN DO; WHAT NWFWMMD HAS APPROVED TO BE DONE, FL-DEP WON'T PERMIT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE NRCS PROJECTS; FIRETOWER AND GILBERTS MILL. MR. PITTS SAID BOTH BIDS COME UNDER THE AMOUNT ALLOTTED FOR THE PROJECTS AND THEY SHOULD BE GETTING PERMITTED ANYTIME.

ITEM D. COUNTY ATTORNEY ANNUAL AGREEMENT-COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF HE REMEMBERS CORRECTLY, COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND BROUGHT THIS UP LAST YEAR.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THIS BEING AUGUST AND QUESTIONED WHY IS THE BOARD ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE NOW; THEY USUALLY ADDRESS THESE ISSUES AT THE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

COMMISSIONER PATE TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK THE BOARD WAS DOING A LITTLE PLANNING. WHAT IF THE BOARD DECIDES THEY ARE NOT GOING TO REHIRE ATTORNEY HOLLEY. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY WOULD ADVERTISE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF THEY WAIT TO ADVERTISE, THEN THEY ARE THREE MONTHS WAITING TO GET SOMEBODY ON.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REITERATED IT HAD BEEN THE PRACTICE OF THE BOARD THROUGH THE YEARS THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN DONE DURING REORGANIZATION.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED LAST YEAR WHEN HE BROUGHT THIS UP, ONE TIME BEFORE THEY HAD SAID THEY WERE GOING TO ADVERTISE AND HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THEY WERE GOING TO DO IT THEN OR WHEN. HE DOESN'T KNOW IF ATTORNEY HOLLEY WANTS TO RETIRE OR STILL WANTS A JOB WITH THE COUNTY. IF THE BOARD PUTS THE ATTORNEY SERVICES OUT FOR BID, ATTORNEY HOLLEY CAN STILL PUT A BID IN AND APPLY FOR THE JOB STILL. BUT, HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS BID OUT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THROUGH THE YEARS HE HAS WORKED WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY; HE HAS BEEN VERY LOYAL TO THE COUNTY AND BOARD. ATTORNEY HOLLEY DOES HIS BEST FOR A LOCAL ATTORNEY. HE ADDRESSED WITH A LOT OF BIG MAJOR LAWSUITS, THE COUNTY ALWAYS GOES OUTSIDE WITH THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES; THE FAC FURNISHES THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE COUNTY AT NO COST. ATTORNEY HOLLEY HAS BEEN A LOT OF HELP AND HE APPRECIATES WHAT HE HAS DONE THROUGH THE YEARS; HIS DEDICATION AND TIME TO THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK; BUT, AT THE SAME TIME HE THINKS THEY NEED TO GIVE OPPORTUNITIES TO OTHER FOLKS

AT SOME POINT IN TIME.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE HAD ENJOYED WORKING WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY; HE HAS GREAT RESPECT FOR HIM. HOWEVER, HE DOES FEEL THEY NEED TO ADVERTISE FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY AND IF ATTORNEY HOLLEY CHOOSES TO PUT IN HIS APPLICATION, THAT IS NO PROBLEM. HE THEN ASKED WHAT THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD WAS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO ADVERTISE FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY. COMMISSIONER BROCK OPPOSED. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND STATED THIS WAS NOTHING AGAINST ATTORNEY HOLLEY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE ASSUMED THE DECISION OF WHO THEY WILL HIRE AS COUNTY ATTORNEY WILL BE MADE IN NOVEMBER AFTER ALL THE COMMISSIONERS ARE ASSEMBLED. THE BOARD MEMBERS RESPONDED "YES."

A-TAX ABATEMENT RESOLUTION-CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ADDRESSED IN THE RESOLUTION WHERE IT SAYS PROVISIONS OF SECTION 3D THAT IS SUPPOSE TO BE 3C.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REQUESTED ATTORNEY HOLLEY EXPLAIN WHAT THE TAX ABATEMENT RESOLUTION. ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE TAX ABATEMENT RESOLUTION APPLIES TO NEW AND EXPANDING BUSINESS AND IT HAS TO BE RENEWED EVERY TEN YEARS.

TED EVERETT REPORTED THIS IS AN ASSESSMENT THAT HAS TO BE REAFFIRMED BY THE BOARD EVERY TEN YEARS AND THIS WILL BE THE START OF THEIR 30TH YEAR. THE BOARD DID THIS TWENTY YEARS AGO AND EVERY TEN YEARS IT HAS TO GO BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT. IF THE BOARD APPROVES THE RESOLUTION, IT WILL BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER; WHAT THIS WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO DO AS THEY ARE DEALING WITH PROJECT PIPE TO THE TUNE OF \$491,000, THEY GOT A COST OVERRUN. IF THE RAILSPUR GOES OVER \$2 MILLION, THEY ARE GOING TO GIVE THE COUNTY MONEY TO COMPLETE THAT; IN RETURN, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS GAVE PROJECT PIPE TAX ABATEMENT ON THEIR REAL AND TANGIBLE PROPERTY FOR AS MANY YEARS AS IT TAKES TO WORK OFF THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY. THIS IS A TOOL FOR ANY

COUNTY TO USE AND ALLOWS WASHINGTON COUNTY TO BE COMPETITIVE WITH OTHER COUNTIES AND OTHER STATES WHO OFFERS THIS TAX ABATEMENT. THIS IS A BASIC ISSUE, A TOOL THAT EVERY COUNTY HAS AT THEIR DISPOSAL; BUT, IT DOES HAVE TO BE VOTED ON BY THE VOTERS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO THE BOARD APPROVING IN THE PAST A TAX ABATEMENT FOR WEST POINT STEPHENS AND TRAWICK AND IT CALLED FOR A 100+. MR. EVERETT EXPLAINED YOU CAN GIVE THEM A 100% TAX ABATEMENT OR A 10% TAX ABATEMENT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED WHAT HE MEANT BY THE 100, THEY HAD TO EMPLOY A 100 EMPLOYEES. MR. EVERETT SAID THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY TRUE; IT CAN BE USED FOR ANY BUSINESS HIRING TEN PEOPLE, FIVE PEOPLE. THERE IS NO AMOUNT THEY HAVE TO HIRE; BUT, ULTIMATELY, IT IS THE COUNTY COMMISSION THAT GIVES THE TAX ABATEMENT. EVEN IF THE VOTERS AUTHORIZES THE TAX ABATEMENT, THEY JUST HAVE THIS AS A TOOL; THEIR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TEAM WOULD COME TO THE BOARD AND PROPOSE THEY GIVE A TAX ABATEMENT TO A BUSINESS BECAUSE THEY ARE MAKING A DECISION BETWEEN THIS COUNTY OR ANOTHER COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE TAX ABATEMENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS TO NEW AND EXPANDING BUSINESS BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2010 BALLOT FOR RENEWAL.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADDRESSED HER NOT KNOWING IF THE BOARD WANTED TO GO OVER BUDGET TODAY OR NOT; SHE HAD BUDGET INFORMATION ON CHANGES SINCE THEIR LAST BUDGET MEETING. THE BOARD ASKED THAT SHE GO OVER THE BUDGET INFORMATION:

1. THE EMS AND FIRE BUDGET FUNDED THE SAME AS LAST YEAR-\$498,244.
2. MR. PITTS FUNDED AT \$70,000 UNDER LEGISLATIVE BUDGET FOR COUNTY MANAGER AND \$15,000 FOR BUILDING OFFICIAL OUT OF BUILDING DEPARTMENT; TOTAL OF \$85,000. REGULAR SALARIES UNDER LEGISLATIVE BUDGET CHANGED DUE TO ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY POSITION FUNDED AT LOWER RATE AND MR. PITTS FUNDED AT LOWER RATE OUT OF THIS BUDGET.

3. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FUNDED AT SAME LEVEL OF \$750.33 PER MONTH FOR INCOUNTY TRAVEL.
4. COUNTRY OAKS LEARNING CENTER-\$1500 TAKEN OUT OF BUDGET; SHERIFF AGREED TO FUND.
5. UNALLOCATED INSURANCE FUNDED AT \$320,000; ADDITIONAL SAVINGS OF \$23,438.
6. NO FUNDS HAD TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM GENERAL TO BUILDING DEPARTMENT. (\$53,547 SAVINGS)
7. BUDGET BALANCED WITH GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY OF \$206,458.
8. NEW EOC COUNT FUND MATCH OF \$178,291 CARRIED FORWARD IN THE NEW EOC BUDGET.
9. NO BUDGET SUBMITTED FOR ARTHROPOD TO DATE.
10. SURPLUS PROPERTY-MONEY FROM SALE OF NEW HOPE VOTING PRECINCT TO FL-DOT \$10,000 FUNDED FOR SUNNY HILLS FD BUILDING WITH \$71,150 OBLIGATED FOR NEW HOPE VOTING PRECINCT.
11. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR PROJECT PIPE FUNDED AT \$2,367,672 FOR RAIL SPUR; ROAD, WATER AND SEWER COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 PER COUNTY ENGINEER.
12. BUILDING DEPARTMENT-PART TIME BUILDING INSPECTOR FUNDED AT \$15 PER HOUR UP TO 25 HOURS PER WEEK.
13. GILBERTS MILL AND FIRETOWER ROAD FUNDED AT \$172,700; \$200,000 WILL BE ENCUMBERED AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2010 PER COUNTY ENGINEER.
14. TIGER II GRANT FUNDS-WASHINGTON BOULEVARD FUNDED AT \$4.6 MILLION
15. NWFWMD GRANTS FOR SPURLING, HIGHTOWER AND LIVE OAK LANDINGS FUNDED AT \$200,000 PLUS \$5,000 FOR ENGINEERING.
16. INMATE CREW TRANSFERRED FROM TRANSPORTATION UNDER DAVID-\$24,631
17. TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2010-2011-\$37,318,336 WITH \$4,423,344 TRANSFER INS AND TRANSFER OUTS.  
DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADDRESSED CODE ENFORCEMENT WAS PREVIOUSLY PUT UNDER THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS A

PERSON IN THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT DOING THE CODE ENFORCEMENT NOW. IF SO, THE SALARY IS FUNDED; BUT, IT IS FUNDED OUT OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT PERMIT FEES. THERE IS NOTHING TRANSFERRED FROM GENERAL FOR THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AND QUESTIONED IF THIS NEEDED TO BE ADDED BACK IN THE BUDGET.

MR. PITTS SAID HE DIDN'T THINK SO AT THIS TIME; HE AND THE PART TIME PERSON WILL CARRY THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR CODE ENFORCEMENT.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADDRESSED DUE TO NOT KNOWING WHAT WILL BE EXPENDED IN THE NEW EOC FUND, THEY TOOK THE BALANCE ON HAND AND CARRIED IT FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR. IF THE BOARD DOESN'T WANT THIS TO HAPPEN, THEY CAN PUT THIS IN GENERAL FUND OR WHATEVER.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN QUESTIONED WHAT WAS LEFT TO BE DONE AT THE NEW EOC. MR. PITTS SAID LIGHTS, SIGN, EQUIPMENT FOR INSIDE THE BUILDING, ICE MACHINE AND THEY HAVE BIDS ON INSTALLING A WIRELESS NETWORK SYSTEM. HE HOPES TO WORK ALL THAT OUT BY THE END OF THIS YEAR.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REFERRED TO THE GRANTS MEETING WITH MR. PITTS AND THE ENGINEER AND MR. PITTS AGREED THE BALANCE SHOULD BE CARRIED FORWARD IN THE NEW EOC.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED THAT WOULD BE THE PROPER THING TO DO.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THEY HAD HEARD IF THEY WERE GOING TO GET THE TIGER II GRANT FUNDING. MR. PITTS REPORTED THAT GRANT APPLICATION HAD JUST BEEN SUBMITTED IN THE LAST FEW DAYS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED HOW ARE THEY INCORPORATING THAT INTO THE BUDGET FOR 2010-2011.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADVISED THEY HAD APPLIED FOR GRANT FUNDING AND IT IS AN ANTICIPATED REVENUE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY COULD DO A BUDGET AMENDMENT TOO IF THEY RECEIVED THE GRANT FUNDING. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID THEY WOULD HAVE TO HOLD PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS TO INCLUDE THE INCREASED GRANT FUNDING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE TIGER II FUNDING IS INCREASING THE BUDGET.



DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW INFORMED THE BOARD THEY COULD TAKE THE TIGER II FUNDING OUT OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WAS JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY THEY HAVE THE FUNDING IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET; IF THAT IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, THEY DEFINITELY WANT TO DO IT. HE JUST THOUGHT SHE MIGHT KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT WHETHER THEY ARE GOING TO GET THE TIGER II FUNDING OR NOT.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW STATED SHE GOT HER INFORMATION FROM THE COUNTY ENGINEER AT THEIR MONTHLY GRANT MEETING WITH MR. PITTS, THE COUNTY ENGINEER, THE COUNTY GRANTS PERSON AND BOARD FINANCE PERSONNEL. ANYTHING IN THE INFORMATION SHE PROVIDED CAN BE TAKEN OUT OR THE BOARD CAN ADD ANYTHING THEY WOULD LIKE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED HIM KNOWING THE TIGER II FUNDING IS VERY POLITICAL. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID THEY COULD TAKE OUT THE TIGER II FUNDING AND HAVE A BUDGET SUPPLEMENT HEARING NEXT YEAR IF THE BOARD DESIRES TO DO SO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED IT JUST MAKES THE COUNTY'S BUDGET LOOK BIGGER. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW POINTED OUT THIS WAS JUST INFORMATION FOR THE BOARD TO ACT ON; IT DOESN'T MATTER IF IT IS TAKEN OUT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THERE WERE TWO ITEMS HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE PUT IN; EBRO LIBRARY FUNDING AND RECREATION FUNDED AT SAME LEVEL AS THIS YEAR.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW POINTED OUT THE EBRO LIBRARY FUNDING OF \$6,000 IS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET; THE INFORMATION SHE HAS PROVIDED TODAY IS NEW BUDGET NOTES. THE BOARD HAS BEEN RECEIVING BUDGET NOTES AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS ON CHANGES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS. NOTHING HAS BEEN TAKEN OUT OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET EXCEPT THE \$1500 FOR THE COUNTRY OAKS LEARNING CENTER WHICH THE SHERIFF AGREED TO FUND AT THEIR LAST BUDGET MEETING.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW DID POINT OUT NOTHING WAS FUNDED FOR RECREATION. COMMISSIONER BROCK WANTED THE SAME AMOUNT OF \$40,000 PUT IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR RECREATION WITH THE SAME GUIDELINES

BEING SET. HE THOUGHT THE KIDS WERE VERY IMPORTANT IN THIS COUNTY AND THE BOARD HAS AN OBLIGATION TO HELP THEM AS MUCH AS THEY CAN.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED WHEN THE NEXT HEARING ON THE BUDGET WILL BE HELD. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADVISED THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING THE BOARD IS REQUIRED TO HAVE IS ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 AT 5:05 P.M.; IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO HOLD ANOTHER BUDGET HEARING PRIOR TO THAT, IT IS AT THEIR DISCRETION.

COMMISSIONER PATE SUGGESTED THEY TAKE THE \$40,000 FOR RECREATION OUT OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS INCOUNTY TRAVEL MONEY. COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED DIDN'T THEY HAVE A CONTINGENCY.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE CONTINGENCY WAS FOR EMERGENCIES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE KIDS ARE AN EMERGENCY; LET'S HELP THEM. COMMISSIONER PATE REITERATED TO TAKE IT OUT OF THE COMMISSIONER'S INCOUNTY TRAVEL MONEY THEN.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SUGGESTED COMMISSIONER PATE GIVE HIS TRAVEL MONEY BACK IF HE WANTS TO HELP THE KIDS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE KNOWS; COMMISSIONER BROCK IS THE ONE SPEAKING UP.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE EARNED HIS TRAVEL MONEY, BELIEVE HIM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED COMMISSIONER BROCK NOT TO GET HIM STARTED ON THAT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED EVERYBODY IS SUFFERING OUT HERE EXCEPT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT:

A. CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON A MEETING NEXT THURSDAY AT LIVE OAK LANDING ON NWFWM D GRANTS THEY HAD DISCUSSED EARLIER IN THE MEETING. THERE ARE SOME ISSUES BETWEEN FL-DEP AND NWFWM D ON A RETAINING WALL THEY ARE TRYING TO GET RESOLVED; HOPEFULLY, THEY WILL GET THIS RESOLVED AND GET COMMISSIONER BROCK'S PARK PROJECTS MOVING FORWARD.

2. GILBERTS MILL AND FIRETOWER-ANDERSON COLUMBIA SHOULD BE STARTING ON GILBERTS MILL NEXT WEEK. HE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH FL-DEP AND THEY SHOULD HAVE THE FIRETOWER DREDGE AND FILL PERMIT ISSUED BY THE END OF THIS WEEK OR THE FIRST OF NEXT WEEK. THEY WILL BE STARTING ANDERSON COLUMBIA AT FIRETOWER AS SOON AS THEY GET THE PERMITS IN. ANDERSON COLUMBIA SHOULD BE SENDING THEIR BOND DOCUMENTS TO DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF ANDERSON COLUMBIA WAS GOING TO START ON BOTH PROJECTS AT ONE TIME. CLIFF ADVISED THEY WERE STARTING BOTH PROJECTS AT THE SAME TIME AND THEY HAVE A 45 DAY TIME LINE. AN EXTENSION WAS GRANTED ON THE GRANT; BUT, IT WILL BE A TIGHT TIME FRAME.

3. BETHEL ROAD-CLIFF REPORTED BETHEL ROAD SHOULD BE COMPLETED NEXT WEEK AND RIVER ROAD WILL ALSO BE COMPLETED AS SOON AS THEY GET A BREAK FROM THE WEATHER.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THE INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD WOULD BE COMPLETED THIS MONTH OR NEXT MONTH. CLIFF REPORTED IT IS COMPLETED; THEY HAVE PULLED THE SAMPLES ON THE WATER LINES AND IT IS BEING TESTED NOW. ALL THEY ARE WAITING ON IS THOSE RESULTS SO THEY CAN GET CLEARANCE FROM FL-DEP ON THE WATER LINES. THEY JUST FINISHED THE AS-BUILT SURVEY ON IT AS WELL. THE CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED; THE FENCES ARE ALL UP AND THE GATE WAS PUT UP ALSO. THE ACCESS ROAD IS COMPLETE AND READY TO GO; THEY ARE STILL WORKING ON GETTING THE ISSUE RESOLVED FOR THE REST OF THE PROJECT PIPE SITE REGARDING WETLANDS, ETC.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED CLIFF IF HE HAD TALKED TO PROJECT PIPE AFTER THE MEETING YESTERDAY ABOUT GETTING THE WETLANDS DOWN. CLIFF ADVISED HE HAD TALKED TO PROJECT PIPE'S ENGINEER AND HE IS SUPPOSE TO BE WORKING ON THAT TODAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ABOUT THE BONNETT POND AND RIVER ROAD PROJECTS.

CLIFF REPORTED THEY ARE ABOUT THREE TO FOUR WEEKS FROM COMPLETION OF RIVER ROAD TOTALLY. THE CLEARING IS DONE ON BONNETT POND ROAD AND THEY SHOULD START MOVING UTILITIES NEXT WEEK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ABOUT THE ISSUE ON RIVER ROAD WITH FL-DEP ON SEDIMENT RUNNING DOWN TO THE CREEK. CLIFF REPORTED THEY HAD SUBMITTED A CLEANUP PLAN TO FL-DEP AND THEY HAVEN'T APPROVED IT YET; AS SOON AS THEY APPROVE THE PLAN, THEY WILL MOVE FORWARD WITH IT. CLIFF ADDRESSED THE CLEANUP PLAN HAD BEEN SUBMITTED FOR PROBABLY AT LEAST THREE WEEKS OR MAYBE A MONTH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY NEED TO CONTACT FL-DEP BACK. CLIFF ADVISED HE HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THEM AND HAVE TALKED WITH THEM SEVERAL TIMES ABOUT THE CLEANUP PLAN. HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SALLY COEY SO SHE IS AWARE OF IT.

COUNTY ENGINEER ANNUAL AGREEMENT-CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID CLIFF HAS DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB SINCE HE HAS BEEN ON THE BOARD, EVEN WHEN HE WAS AT PUBLIC WORKS. HE HAS NO ISSUES OR NO PROBLEMS WITH CLIFF; HE HAS DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB AND HAS HELPED THE COUNTY. HE HAS EVEN DONE THINGS AND NOT CHARGED THE COUNTY FOR IT WHEN HE COULD HAVE CHARGED THEM. AS FAR AS HE IS CONCERNED, HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE BOARD KEEP THEIR ANNUAL AGREEMENT WITH CLIFF.

COMMISSIONER BROCK AGREED WITH COMMISSIONER HOLMAN; CLIFF HAS WENT FAR AND BEYOND HELPING WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE ADDRESSED WITH CLIFF'S KNOWLEDGE, ETC., HE HAS GOTTEN GRANTS FOR THE COUNTY AND HAS DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB. HE WILL BE HARD TO REPLACE. HE KNOWS PEOPLE AND IS A VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND EDUCATIONAL IN HIS FIELD OF WORK AND HE COMMENDS HIM FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT MAYBE COMMISSIONER BROCK AND HOLMAN HAS LOOKED AT THIS WRONG. THIS IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO FIRE CLIFF; IT IS JUST LIKE OUR SURVEYORS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THEY ARE NOT LOOKING AT THAT; ALL THEY ARE

DOING IS LOOKING AT THE ANNUAL AGREEMENT TO EXTEND HIS AGREEMENT FOR ANOTHER YEAR OR WHATEVER THE COUNTY WANTS TO DO. HE IS NOT LOOKING AT FIRING CLIFF NOR HAVE NOT EVEN MADE COMMENTS OF FIRING HIM; HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY INTENTIONS OF THAT. HE WAS JUST LETTING THE BOARD KNOW HOW HE FEELS ABOUT IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REITERATED HIS QUESTION WHY THESE ISSUES ARE ON THE AGENDA TODAY; THIS IS AUGUST.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED BY DOING IT NOW, IT WOULD GIVE THE BOARD TIME TO ADVERTISE FOR THE POSITION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE GUESSED THE BOARD NEEDED TWO OR THREE MONTHS TO ADVERTISE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THE BOARD WAS SAYING ADVERTISE FOR THIS POSITION. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID "NO, NOT NECESSARILY."

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE HAS BEEN KNOWING CLIFF EVERY SINCE HE HAS BEEN WORKING AT THE ROAD DEPARTMENT AND EVERY SINCE HE HAS BEEN HERE, HE HAS DONE A GOOD JOB.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION TO KEEP CLIFF.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IT WAS NOT TO FIRE CLIFF WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREEING. COMMISSIONER HOWELL REFERRED TO SOMEBODY HAVING PUT ANNUAL CONTRACT ON THE AGENDA AND THAT IS NOT WHAT HE HAD IN MIND.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED HOW MANY SURVEYORS DO THEY HAVE TO PICK FROM; PREBLE-RISH, DRMP AND SOUTHEAST AND QUESTIONED IF THERE WERE ANY MORE. THERE ARE TIMES THAT PROBABLY CLIFF NEEDS SOME HELP AND THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE LOOKING AT. THE PROBLEM WITH THIS COUNTY IS THE PLAN IS NO PLAN AT ALL TO DO BUDGETING OR ANYTHING ELSE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED WHAT WAS WRONG WITH THE PLAN THEY HAVE WITH THE ENGINEER; IF THE ENGINEER NEEDS A SURVEYOR, HE IS ALLOWED TO CALL A SURVEYOR. HE USES ALL SURVEYORS WHENEVER HE NEEDS THEM.

COMMISSIONER PATE TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK HE HAD WORKED WITH CLIFF MORE THAN HIM AND LONGER. THIS IS NOTHING AGAINST CLIFF OR HIS FIRM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE HAD BEEN WORKING WITH CLIFF EVER SINCE HE CAME TO THE COUNTY YEARS AGO. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IT DOESN'T MEAN HE WORKED WITH CLIFF IN THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE IDEA ABOUT THIS IS TO HAVE ANOTHER ENGINEER ON STAFF TO BE ABLE TO USE THEM WHEN THEY NEED THEM. THERE ARE TIMES CLIFF GETS BUSY; HE WORKS MORE THAN JUST WASHINGTON COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID SOMETIMES YOU CAUSE CONFLICT WHEN YOU HAVE TWO ENGINEERS ON BOARD. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID AS LONG AS CLIFF IS THE COUNTY ENGINEER, IT SHOULDN'T CREATE A PROBLEM.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED CLIFF IF HE GETS INTO ANY SITUATION OR PROBLEMS HE CAN'T HANDLE HIMSELF, WOULD HE SEE TO IT HE GETS SOME HELP TO BE ABLE TO FURTHER ALONG THE PROJECTS OF WHATEVER HE NEEDS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SECONDED THE MOTION TO CONTINUE CLIFF AS THE COUNTY ENGINEER. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL OPPOSING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE WHOLE THING WAS NOT TO GET RID OF CLIFF; IT WAS TO HAVE SOMEBODY ELSE ON STAFF IF NEEDED OR TO REVIEW SOMETHING CLIFF DOES SOMETHING FOR THE COUNTY.

CLIFF SAID HE THOUGHT THE BOARD ALREADY HAS ANOTHER ENGINEER TO REVIEW ANYTHING THAT APPEARS TO BE A CONFLICT THAT WAS ALREADY APPROVED BY THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THAT IS WHY THEY NEED A NEW ENGINEER. CLIFF SAID IT WAS DEXTER GORTEMOLLER WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAYING HE KNOWS WHO IT IS.

CLIFF TOLD THE BOARD IF THEY FEEL LIKE HE IS RUNNING BEHIND ON ANYTHING OR IF SOMETHING IS NOT BEING HANDLED PROPERLY, TO CALL HIM. HE HAS FIFTEEN ENGINEERS THAT CAN FLOOD THE COUNTY IF NECESSARY; THEY TRY TO WORK WITH THE BUDGET AND THEY UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION THE COUNTY IS IN RIGHT NOW. THE MAJORITY OF SMALL PROJECTS THE COUNTY HAS, PREBLE-RISH DON'T SEND THEM ANY BILLS FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE UNDERSTANDS THAT. CLIFF REITERATED THEY TRY AND HELP THE COUNTY AS MUCH AS THEY CAN AND THEY UNDERSTAND

HOW THE CURRENT BUDGET SITUATION IS. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE BOARD APPRECIATES THAT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID CLIFF KNOWS AS WELL AS THE BOARD DOES, THERE ARE CERTAIN TIMES THEY HAVE TO HAVE QUALITY ASSURANCE AND GORTEMOLLER AND ASSOCIATES,ETC; BUT, THERE IS SOMETHING LACKING IN THAT TOO. THEY WILL DISCUSS IT LATER.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HIS CONCERN ABOUT THAT IS HE IS NOT A WASHINGTON COUNTY RESIDENT AND THERE ARE PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY THAT COULD DO IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WAS GOING TO GO WAY BACK; BESIDES DISASTERS CLIFF HAS WORKED ON WITH CONNECTIONS OF PEOPLE HE KNOWS THAT HAS GOT MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. THIS LAST ONE; THEY JUST GOT NOTIFIED THEY JUST GOT \$5 MILLION. THROUGH TALLAHASSEE, THROUGH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THIS MAN HAS GOT CONNECTIONS AND HAS STAYED ON TOP OF IT.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID \$5 MILLION FOR WHAT. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY JUST BEEN APPROVED AT ROAD AND BRIDGE; FEMA HAS JUST COME IN. IT IS OBLIGATED FUNDS.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THE COUNTY STILL HASN'T GOT A DIME. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY HAVE TO GET OUT HERE AND WORK FOR IT NOW; BUT, THE FUNDING IS THERE FOR THE COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED CLIFF HAS DONE SO MUCH WORK FOR THIS COUNTY FREE. FOR DAVID AND HIS DEPARTMENT, FRDAP GRANTS AND ALL, CLIFF DOES FOR NOTHING. HE GETS THE GRANTS AND DON'T EVEN CHARGE THE COUNTY. THERE ARE PILES OF THINGS THIS MAN HAS DONE FOR THE COUNTY.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S REPORT:

1. LAWSUIT FILED AGAINST SIKES-ATTORNEY HOLLEY UPDATED THE BOARD ON THIS HAVING BEEN ANSWERED AND THEY HAVE ALSO SENT SOME OTHER THINGS UP, WHICH HE HAS ANSWERED AND IS READY TO SEEK A HEARING ON IT. THE ISSUE NOW DOWN HERE IS THEY ARE REDOING ALL THE JUDGES; THE JUDGE WE HAVE HERE NOW IS GOING TO BLOUNTSTOWN AND JUDGE PATTERSON IS GOING TO COME TO WASHINGTON COUNTY IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT THE TIMING IS. HOLLEY SAID HE WAS GOING TO SEEK A HEARING WITH JUDGE REGISTER TO SEE IF HE IS HERE LONG ENOUGH TO DO IT; HE WOULD PREFER HIM.

2. HOLLEY REPORTED ON THE LAWSUIT INVOLVED WITH THE LADY THE COUNTY TOOK PART OF THEIR LAND; THIS IS GOING TO COME UP PRETTY QUICK AND THAT IS GOING TO BE A BAD ONE FOR THE COUNTY AS THEY ARE NOT GOING TO WIN THAT LAWSUIT. (YATES) HOLLEY SAID THIS IS THE ONE WHERE THE COUNTY SENT OUT LETTERS; YATES SIGNED A LETTER ACKNOWLEDGING SHE RECEIVED THE LETTER. BUT, SHE DIDN'T COME TO THE MEETING AND THE COUNTY TOOK LAND OFF HER PROPERTY WITHOUT HER CONSENTING TO IT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THIS WAS ON QUAIL HOLLOW WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATING "YES."

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID SIX TO NINE MONTHS AGO, HE SUGGESTED TRYING TO SETTLE THAT LAWSUIT AND GIVE HER THE MONEY. BUT, NOW IT IS GOING TO WIND UP COSTING THE COUNTY A LOT MORE TO SETTLE THE LAWSUIT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE LAWSUIT WAS FILED A LONG TIME AGO. COMMISSIONER HOWELL REITERATED HE THINKS THEY COULD HAVE SETTLED IT.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT:

1. MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEIR HAVING INSTRUCTED HIM A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO TO ADVERTISE THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER; THEY DID SO AND RECEIVED ONE BID TO LEASE THE CENTER. SOME OF THE COMMISSIONERS HAD EXPRESSED IF THE OFFER HAD BEEN BETTER, THEY MIGHT WOULD HAVE ACCEPTED IT. THE PERSON THAT SUBMITTED THE FIRST BID CAME BACK WITH A COUNTER OFFER; THE ORIGINAL BID WAS \$1200 A YEAR AND THE COUNTER OFFER WAS \$1300 A YEAR. THE PERSON EXPLAINED IN THEIR LETTER THE KNOWN COST AND THE UNKNOWN COST, COST OF INSURANCE AND UPKEEP ON THE PROPERTY, IS THE REASON THEY CAN'T OFFER ANY MORE THAN THAT FOR THE PROPERTY. MR. PITTS REQUESTED A DECISION FROM THE BOARD ON WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE WILLING TO LEASE THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER FOR \$1300 A YEAR.



COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED WHAT ALL HAD BEEN DONE AT THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER SINCE LAST MONTH. MR. PITTS ADVISED THEY HAD JUST TURNED THE ELECTRICITY OFF AND LOCKED THE GATES; THAT IS WHAT THEY INSTRUCTED HIM TO DO. THEY HAVE NOT TESTED THE WATER SINCE THEY HAVEN'T BEEN USING IT; THEY SAVED THAT \$200 PLUS A MONTH.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN QUESTIONED WHY COULDN'T THE PERSON WANTING TO LEASE THE FACILITY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WATER TESTING. MR. PITTS SAID THEY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WATER TESTING; THAT IS WHAT THE PERSON IS SAYING. WITH ALL THOSE COSTS, IT DOES COST A LOT TO KEEP IT UP.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF THE PERSON WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE ELECTRICITY. MR. PITTS SAID THE PERSON LEASING THE FACILITY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE MAINTENANCE ON THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER, GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AND ALL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE LEASE FROM AEROL AS LONG AS THERE IS NO COST TO THE COUNTY. HE THINKS IT WOULD BE MUCH BETTER FOR SOMEBODY TO BE USING THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER THAN IT JUST SITTING THERE.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED THE LENGTH OF THE LEASE. MR. PITTS SAID THE LEASE WOULD BE FOR TWELVE MONTHS. THE BOARD COULD RENEW THE LEASE AT THE END OF TWELVE MONTHS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION FOR DISCUSSION. HE SAID JUST AS LONG AS THE PERSON LEASING THE FACILITY KEEPS IT IN GOOD SHAPE AND WHEN THEY TURN IT BACK TO THE COUNTY, IT IS JUST LIKE IT IS NOW.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE THINKS THAT IS IN THE CONTRACT.  
COMMISSIONER BROCK THANKED THE BOARD.  
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. MR. PITTS REPORTED ON THE FUEL TRUCK AT PUBLIC WORKS BEING IN BAD SHAPE; IT IS USING A GALLON AND A HALF OF OIL A DAY. THEY ARE LOOKING AT PUTTING AN ENGINE IN IT AND THE COST OF AN ENGINE WOULD BE SOMEWHERE NEAR \$10,000. THEY WOULD STILL HAVE A TRUCK WITH OVER 250,000 MILES ON IT HE THOUGHT. EDDY JERNIGAN HAS LOCATED A TRUCK; THE COST IS \$19,500 FOR A 2005 TRUCK WITH 75,000 MILES ON IT. MR. JERNIGAN GOT THIS INFORMATION TO HIM ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES BEFORE THE MEETING THIS MORNING. HE WAS SUPPOSE TO CHECK WITH DEBBIE TO SEE IF FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE THE TRUCK. HE HASN'T HEARD BACK FROM HIM YET. HE ASKED FOR PERMISSION TO PURCHASE A TRUCK, FIND THE BEST DEAL THEY CAN UP TO \$20,000 IF THE MONEY IS AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY HAD A BAD SITUATION DOWN THERE AND IT LOOKS LIKE IT WILL COST AROUND \$9,000 TO FIX THE OLD FUEL TRUCK THAT IS PRETTY WELL WORN OUT. IF NOBODY HAS ANY OBJECTION, COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION TO PURCHASE A TRUCK, BUYING THE BEST DEAL UP TO \$20,000 IF THE MONEY IS AVAILABLE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SECONDED THE MOTION FOR DISCUSSION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE THOUGHT THE FUEL TRUCK WAS A BIG EXPENSE FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE. HE ASKED FOR THE COST TO RUN THIS TRUCK AND HE HADN'T GOT IT FROM DEBBIE YET. THIS TRUCK MAKES A LOT OF MILES EVERYDAY FROM ONE END OF THE COUNTY TO ANOTHER. HE REALLY BELIEVES IF ROAD AND BRIDGE HAD TWO PICKUPS WITH SADDLE TANKS MOUNTED TO FUEL THESE GRADERS, THEN GO OUT AND FUEL THESE GRADERS, THE GRADERS GO ON TO WORK AND GOES ON OVER AND FUELS THE OTHER GRADERS LIKE ROAD AND BRIDGE USE TO HAVE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE FUEL TRUCK WAS JUST TO FUEL GRADERS; DIDN'T THEY DO SERVICE OFF THE FUEL TRUCK.

MR. PITTS SAID THEY DID DO SERVICE OFF THE TRUCK; THEY ARE CHANGING GRADER BLADES, ETC. COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD MR. BROCK IT WASN'T JUST A FUEL TRUCK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE GRADER OPERATORS USUALLY CHANGES THE GRADER BLADES; THIS IS JUST SOMETHING THAT WAS AN ADDED COST THE

BOARD PUT IN FOR THE COUNTY. THERE IS A BIG SAVINGS THERE FOR THAT POSITION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT COMMISSIONER BROCK WANTED; TO DO AWAY WITH THE POSITION. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THEY COULD ELIMINATE THE POSITION.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT THE FUEL TRUCK WAS AT ROAD AND BRIDGE WHEN COMMISSIONER BROCK WAS IN OFFICE THE LAST TIME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID IT WAS; IT WAS MORE OR LESS A TRIAL AND IT WAS PUT IN. HOWEVER, IT IS A BIG EXPENSE IN THAT ONE LINE ITEM RIGHT THERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHAT WOULD THEY DO WITH THE PERSON THAT IS DOING THE FUEL TRUCK NOW.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE IS SUPPOSE TO BE WORKING AS A MECHANIC FULL TIME. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WERE THEY GOING TO MOVE THE PERSON BACK TO THE SHOP. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY COULD MOVE IT BACK TO THE SHOP. HE ASKED MR. PITTS TO LOOK INTO THIS POSITION.

MR. PITTS ASKED COMMISSIONER BROCK IF HE WAS TALKING ABOUT REPLACING THE FUEL TRUCK POSITION WITH TWO OTHER EMPLOYEES AND TWO PICKUPS. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID "NO."

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED HOW THEY WERE GOING TO RUN TWO TRUCKS IF THEY DON'T.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THERE WAS TWO LABOR POSITIONS COMING IN THE BUDGET. EACH ONE OF THOSE CAN DRIVE A PICKUP TO THE TWO GRADERMEN OUT. HE CAN FUEL THAT GRADER, GO TO THE NEXT GRADER AND FUEL IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT THEY HAD PUT TANKS ON THE GRADERS AND PICKUPS ALREADY. MR. PITTS SAID THEY DO HAVE TANKS ON SOME OF THEM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID WHEN THE FUEL TRUCK IS DOWN OR WHATEVER, THEY USE THOSE SADDLE TANKS ON THE PICKUPS. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID DO THEY KEEP THE SADDLE TANKS FULL OF FUEL ALL THE TIME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID WHEN THEY NEED THEM FILLED. THIS IS ONE POSITION THAT REALLY NEEDS LOOKING AT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THERE IS A LOT MORE THINGS THAT FUEL TRUCK COULD BE DOING. HE SAID THEY COULD FUEL, SERVICE, ETC. ON FRIDAY WHEN THAT GRADER IS SITTING THERE NOT DOING ANYTHING. TO SHUT A GRADER DOWN TO CHANGE A BLADE WHILE IT OUGHT TO BE WORKING, DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. THAT GRADER SITS AT PUBLIC WORKS ALL DAY ON FRIDAY; THE MAN OUGHT TO BE CHANGING BLADES AND SERVICING THE EQUIPMENT THEN SO ON MONDAY MORNING, IT WILL BE READY TO GO. THERE IS NO USE IN SHUTTING IT DOWN FOR TWO TO THREE HOURS WHILE YOU DO THAT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK TOLD MR. HOWELL IT TAKES THIRTY MINUTES. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IT DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU DO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THERE IS A LOT OF DRAGGING TIME ANYWAY. WES FISHER ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THERE WAS NOBODY IN THIS ROOM THAT KNOWS THIS TRUCK THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT LIKE HE DOES. HE DROVE THIS TRUCK FOR THREE YEARS AND DID EVERYTHING THIS TRUCK DOES; CHANGED GRADER BLADES, BUSHINGS, PINS, AIR UP TIRES, HAULED 550 GALLONS OF FUEL, FUEL TREATMENT, BLOW OUT AIR FILTERS. THIS TRUCK HAS AN AIR COMPRESSOR, FUEL TANK ON IT, HAULS TWO SETS OF BLADES, TOOLS FOR MINER REPAIRS, FILTER CHANGES. THIS TRUCK IS WHAT SERVICES EVERYTHING; NOT JUST GRADER BLADES AND FUEL GETTING TO THEIR MEN. IT DOES EVERYTHING. HE MADE \$12.71 AN HOUR RUNNING THAT TRUCK BY HIMSELF AND HE DID EVERYTHING HE JUST SAID FOR THIRTY YEARS. THE MAN THEY HAVE ON THE TRUCK RIGHT NOW DOES THE SAME EXACT JOB. IF THEY PARK A TRUCK THAT DOES EVERYTHING FOR THEM, THEY ARE BACKING UP BAD. ARE YOU GOING TO RELY ON A GRADER OPERATOR TO CHANGE HIS OWN BLADES NOW. ARE THEY GOING TO RELY ON A MECHANIC THAT IS ALREADY OVERWORKED BECAUSE ALL THE EQUIPMENT IS OLD TO GO DO SOMETHING ELSE. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT \$19,000 FOR A NEW TRUCK. HE SAID THE TRUCK HE DROVE BACK IN 2008 ATE UP TIRES ON THE FRONT OF IT LEFT AND RIGHT BECAUSE IT WAS ALREADY WORN OUT; THE BUSHINGS IN IT ARE BAD. IF THEY REPLACE THE MOTOR IN THIS 210,000 MILE TRUCK, IT IS A 24 VALVE CUMMINGS DEISEL. IT IS NOT A \$10,000 ENGINE. THE TRUCK IS NOT A \$10,000 TRUCK. THE BODY ON IT IS WORTH MORE THAN THE TRUCK ITSELF.

FOR \$20,000, THEY NEED TO GET THEMSELVES A NEW TRUCK, PUT THAT BODY ON IT AND CARRY ON AND SAVE MONEY.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IT WAS A MAINTENANCE TRUCK; NOT A FUEL TRUCK.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN COMMENTED MR. FISHER MADE SENSE; HE IS RIGHT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE USED TO WORK AT ROAD AND BRIDGE AND IT IS HARD TO CHANGE GRADER BLADES LIKE FISHER SAID.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. MR. PITTS ADDRESSED A RESOLUTION THAT WAS ADOPTED BY WALTON COUNTY. HE REFERRED TO MOST OF THE BOARD HAVING HEARD ABOUT THE STATE RECENTLY PASSING A LAW REQUIRING SEPTIC TANKS BE PUMPED AND RECERTIFIED EVERY FIVE YEARS. THIS WILL PUT A TREMENDOUS BURDEN ON RURAL COUNTIES. THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY WALTON COUNTY IS ASKING THE STATE TO RESCIND THAT LAW.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE THOUGHT THE STATE WAS TALKING ABOUT SCHEDULING A SPECIAL SESSION BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR ON THE NEW SEPTIC TANK LAW.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROCK AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE.

4. MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON A CONTRACT THEY HAVE WITH GRUBBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS REMOVAL; THEY ARE ONLY ACTIVATED AFTER A STORM OR DISASTER. IT IS A FIVE YEAR CONTRACT AND IT IS TIME TO RENEW IT; THE CONTRACT IS FOR GRUBBS TO REMOVE THE DEBRIS AT FEMA RATES. FEMA WOULD COVER THE COST ON THE DEBRIS REMOVAL.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHY THE COUNTY HAS A CONTRACT; THE COUNTY USUALLY DOES THEIR OWN DEBRIS REMOVAL IN GENERAL.

ROGER HAGAN, EOC DIRECTOR, ADVISED THIS IS ABOUT THE THIRD RENEWAL WITH GRUBBS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY. HE SAID THEY HAVE A PRE-NEEDS CONTRACT THEY HAVE HAD SINCE 1999 OR 2000, ETC. THAT IF

THE DEBRIS REMOVAL IS MORE THAN THE COUNTY CAN DO, THEY CAN CONTRACT IT OUT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THIS CONTRACT IS A BACKUP; THE COUNTY HAS THE FIRST OPTION OF DOING THEIR OWN DEBRIS REMOVAL. ROGER SAID THEY ALWAYS DO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS ADVERTISED AND ASKED IF THAT WOULD BE A PROBLEM.

ROGER ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING THEY HAVE A CONTRACT. OVER A YEAR AGO, THEY DEVELOPED A DEBRIS PLAN THAT WAS PART OF THE CONTRACT FUNDED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND INSTRUCTED MR. HERBERT TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THAT PLAN AND COME BACK WITH A RECOMMENDATION. IT WAS PART OF THE FEMA PILOT PROGRAM THAT ADDS 5% TO WHATEVER THE COUNTY WOULD GET IN A DISASTER. THE COUNTY HAD A CONTRACT PAID FOR BY THE STATE, DEVELOPED A PLAN AND IT WAS GIVEN TO MR. HERBERT TO APPOINT. NAMES WERE RECOMMENDED BY THE EOC DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF TO REVIEW THAT PLAN AND THAT HAS NEVER BEEN DONE. THAT PLAN CALLS FOR THE BOARD TO ADVERTISE AND PRE-CERTIFY TWO TO THREE VENDORS. THE REASON THIS IS BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY, GRUBBS CONTRACT ENDS IN AUGUST; THE DEBRIS PLAN HAS NEVER BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD NOR NEVER BEEN REVIEWED AS HE IS AWARE OF AND THE COMMITTEE WAS NEVER BEEN APPOINTED THAT HE IS AWARE OF. THE PILOT PROGRAM IF IT IS NOTED BY HIM THE COUNTY STILL WON'T GET 5% NEXT YEAR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WAS A PROBLEM THEY CAN'T ADVERTISE THE DEBRIS REMOVAL CONTRACT.

ROGER SAID "NO SIR; BUT, HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY THEY WOULD WANT TO." GRUBB'S CONTRACT IS ALREADY AN APPROVED CONTRACT BY THE STATE AND IT HAS NEVER COST THE COUNTY ANYTHING AND IT STILL DON'T COST THEM ANYTHING UNLESS THEY CALL GRUBBS IN AND IN THE DISASTERS THE COUNTY DID HAVE, GRUBBS WOULD BE HERE BEFORE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY WOULD. THEY WOULD HAVE SOMEBODY OUT HERE IN THE COUNTY AND THEY WOULD SAY WE HAVE LOOKED AROUND THE COUNTY AND THEY DON'T THINK THE COUNTY

NEEDS THEM AND THEY WOULD GO BACK; IF THE COUNTY WANTED THEM TO COME BACK, GIVE THEM A CALL.

MR. PITTS SAID THERE WAS NO FINANCIAL BENEFIT TO ADVERTISE FOR DEBRIS REMOVAL BECAUSE THE DEBRIS IS REMOVED AT FEMA RATES AND FEMA IS ONLY GOING TO REIMBURSE UP TO THEIR MAXIMUM ALLOWED RATE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THERE WERE NO LOCAL CONTRACTORS THAT COULD PROVIDE THAT SERVICE FOR THE COUNTY. ROGER SAID IN GRUBBS CONTRACT, IT CALLS FOR THEM TO USE LOCAL HAULERS, ETC. THIS IS A NATIONWIDE FIRM; THEY HAVE DONE HUGO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF GRUBBS WAS GOING TO COME IN AND HIRE SUBS TO HAUL DEBRIS.

ROGER SAID "YES SIR." HE ADDRESSED HIM THINKING IF THE BOARD WOULD DO WHAT HE JUST SAID WITH THE DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN, ADOPT IT THE CHANCES ARE THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO ADVERTISE AND GRUBBS AND EVERYBODY ELSE WILL HAVE TO SUBMIT AGAIN AND THE BOARD WOULD GO THROUGH A SELECTION PROCESS LIKE THEY WOULD ANYTHING ELSE. UNTIL THEY GET A DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN, THEY ARE JUST OUT HERE FLYING BY THE SEAT OF OUR PANTS AND DOING WHAT COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID, HAULING THEIR OWN DEBRIS. IF THE COUNTY HIRES A LOCAL, THEY HAVE TO PAY THEM.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED IF THE BOARD HAD A TIME TO GET A COPY OF THE DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN AND LOOK AT IT. ROGER SAID THEY HAD THE PLAN AND HAVE HAD IT FOR OVER A YEAR.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED IF THE PLAN HAD BEEN APPROVED. ROGER REITERATED IT HADN'T BEEN APPROVED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF ROGER HAD A REASON THE PLAN HAD NOT BEEN APPROVED. ROGER SAID NOTHING EXCEPT WHAT HE HAS JUST TOLD THEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID SO THE PLAN CAME TO US, THE COMMITTEE WAS APPOINTED AND THE COMMITTEE NEVER BROUGHT IT TO US.

ROGER REITERATED THE COMMITTEE NEVER GOT APPOINTED. HE HAS SEVERAL MEMO'S AND MONTHLY REPORTS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHO WAS ON THE COMMITTEE. ROGER REITERATED AGAIN THE COMMITTEE WAS NEVER APPOINTED; HE SUGGESTED

FROM HIS OFFICE IT WOULD BE LYNN, ROBERT AND DALLAS FROM PUBLIC FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, SOMEBODY FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AND THE ENGINEER OR SOMEBODY FROM THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE WOULD LIKE THIS COMMITTEE FORMED AND GET THE DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVED.

ROGER SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW THE BOARD WAS GOING TO ASK HIM TO SPEAK AND HE WOULD LIKE TO RECOMMEND IF THE BOARD APPROVES THIS CONTRACT TODAY, IT IS NOT BINDING AS THE BOARD CAN GET OUT OF IT AT ANYTIME, BEFORE THE BOARD MEETS AGAIN, THOSE OF THEM THAT MAY NOT BE FAMILIAR WITH THE PLAN, HE WILL REFRESH THEIR MEMORY ON THE PLAN. THE PLAN TALKS ABOUT THEY HAVE TO HAVE SITES IDENTIFIED AND HE THINKS THE ROAD DEPARTMENT ALREADY HAS SITES IDENTIFIED, ETC. IT HAS BEEN TO THIS BOARD TWO OR THREE TIMES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD ROGER HE WOULD LIKE FOR HIM TO COME PRESENT THE DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN TO THE BOARD AND LET'S GET IT APPROVED. ROGER SAID ALL HE CAN DO IS PRESENT IT. HE SAID HE WOULD BE ON THE AGENDA NEXT MONTH TO PRESENT THE DEBRIS MANAGEMENT PLAN.

5. SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR SERVICES-MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON A CONTRACT WITH WFRPC TO HANDLE THE SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR SERVICES FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY. BASICALLY, IT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS THE COUNTY IS REQUIRED BY STATUE TO PROVIDE TO FL-DEP. THE COST IS \$4,000 FOR WFRPC TO REVIEW FOR ONE YEAR.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH WFRPC TO HANDLE THE SQG SERVICES FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY.



6. RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS-MR. PITTS REPORTED HE AND ROGER THOUGHT THEY WOULD HAVE RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS AT THIS TIME. HE THINKS ROGER DOES HAVE SOME CONTRACTS SIGNED; BUT, HE DOESN'T HAVE ALL OF THEM BACK YET. THEY THINK THEY WILL HAVE THOSE CONTRACTS READY TO PRESENT TO THE BOARD BY NEXT MONTH.

MR. PITTS ADDRESSED A QUESTION KEEPS COMING UP ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN SUNNY HILLS. ROGER HAS BEEN ASKED ABOUT MR. JOHNSON ORIGINALLY BEING APPOINTED CHIEF. ROGER HAS GONE BACK AND LOOKED AND THEY HAVE NOT FOUND ANYWHERE IN THE MINUTES WHERE MR. JOHNSON WAS OFFICIALLY APPOINTED CHIEF BY THE BOARD. THE OTHER RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY ELECT THEIR OWN CHIEF. THAT IS WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW FROM THE BOARD TO TRY AND SETTLE THIS ISSUE; WHETHER OR NOT THE BOARD WOULD ALLOW SUNNY HILLS TO DO AS THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO DO AND ELECT THEIR OWN FIRECHIEF.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED IF THE CITY OF CHIPLEY AND VERNON ELECT THEIR OWN FIRECHIEF OR ARE THEY APPOINTED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED THE CITY OF CHIPLEY'S FIRECHIEF IS A CITY EMPLOYEE; HE DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT VERNON.

ROGER SAID VERNON AND WAUSAU AND HE THINKS ALL THE OTHER MUNICIPALITIES ARE APPOINTED BY THE CITY COUNCILS; BUT, THE BOARD FILLS THAT ROLE FOR THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT. THEY DON'T HAVE BUT ONE COUNTY DEPARTMENT AND THEY DON'T HAVE GUIDELINES THAT SAYS THAT. BUT, ALL THE OTHER RURAL DEPARTMENTS ELECT THEIRS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE THOUGHT THE CITIES DONE THE SAME THING; THE PEOPLE IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ELECTS THEIR FIRECHEIF.

MARGARET RILEY, WAUSAU TOWN CLERK, SAID IN THE TOWN OF WAUSAU, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ITSELF HAS THE AUTHORITY TO ELECT THE FIRECHIEF; BUT, THE TOWN COUNCIL HAS TO CONCUR THAT ACTION BEFORE THE FIRECHIEF IS ACTUALLY APPOINTED.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THAT IS THE SAME WAY WITH VERNON. HE DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT LIKE THE WAY IT IS NOW.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT WHEN THEY DID THIS, THEY

APPOINTED MR. JOHNSON AS CHEIF.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THE BOARD STATED MR. JOHNSON WOULD BE THE FIRECHIEF; BUT, EVIDENTLY IN THE MINUTES, IT DOES NOT REFLECT THAT. HE ASKED IF THAT WAS CORRECT.

MR. PITTS SAID THAT IS CORRECT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE KNOWS RIGHT AFTER THE BOARD DONE ALL THIS, MR. JOHNSON GOT SICK AND WAS IN THE HOSPITAL SO HE WAS OUT OF COMMISSION FOR A LITTLE WHILE. KEEP THE FIRE DEPARTMENT LIKE IT IS GOING; IT IS RUNNING GOOD.

AL GOTHARD ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND SAID WHEN THEY FIRST FORMED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THEIR UNDERSTANDING WAS MR. JOHNSON WAS GOING TO RUN THE CORPORATION AND THE FIREMEN WAS GOING TO BASICALLY RUN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT VOTED AT THAT TIME THE FIREMEN WOULD RUN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AS FAR AS VOTING THE CHIEFS, OFFICERS, WHAT THEY SPEND MONEY ON, WHAT THEY DON'T AND PRETTY MUCH THAT IS WHAT THEY HAVE DONE ALL ALONG. EVERYBODY SEEMS TO BE PRETTY HAPPY WITH THAT HE THINKS; AT LEAST FIRE DEPARTMENT WISE, THEY ARE HAPPY WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REITERATED HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT LIKE IT IS NOW.

WES FISHER ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING HE HAD LEARNED A VALUABLE LESSON IN THE LAST FOUR MONTHS AND THIS MAY HELP THE BOARD DRAW A CONCLUSION. HE PERSONALLY STOPPED AT JUST ABOUT EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON COUNTY ALONG HIS JOURNEY IN THE LAST FOUR MONTHS; EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT HE WENT TO THERE WAS A PROBLEM EXCEPT ONE. EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT HE WENT TO SOMEBODY WAS BITCHING AND GRIPING EXCEPT ONE. EVERY FIRE DEPARTMENT HE WENT TO THERE WAS POLITICS; EVERYWHERE HE WENT ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS WAS A PROBLEM. EVERYWHERE HE WENT SOMEBODY WAS UNHAPPY BECAUSE OF THE COMMISSIONERS. THE ONLY DEPARTMENT HE EVER WENT TO THAT DID NOTHING BUT TRAIN, PRACTICE, HOLD MEETINGS ACCORDINGLY, INFORM THE FIREMEN OF WHAT NEEDED TO BE DONE AND WORKED TO MAKE A BETTER DEPARTMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY WAS

AL GOTHARD'S. THE ONLY FIRE DEPARTMENT OUT OF ORANGE HILL, GREENHEAD, YOU NAME IT, EVERYWHERE HE WENT THERE WAS A PROBLEM. THE PROBLEM WAS NOT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; IT WAS THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. ONE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WAS THE BAD GUY.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID COME NOVEMBER, WHOMEVER SITS ON THE BOARD WILL BE THE BAD GUY. MR. FISHER SAID HE GOT SACRIFICED TOO; THEY CAN ALL LAUGH AT IT BECAUSE IT IS ALL A LAUGHING MATTER NOW. BUT, ONE THING HE SACRIFICED HIMSELF FOR WAS THE HAPPINESS OF ONE FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO ACTUALLY WORKS FOR THE BOARD, MANAGES THEIR MONEY AND DOESN'T STEEL FROM THEM OR MAKE THEM WORRY ABOUT WHERE IT IS GOING BECAUSE THE BOARD CONTROLS EVERY ASPECT OF WHAT THEY DO. THOSE GUYS ARE HAPPY BECAUSE THEY CONTROL WHAT THEY WANT TO DO; THEY ARE ALL A TEAM. THERE IS NO POLITICS; THEY SHOW UP AND THEY ARE FIREMEN. THEY DON'T HAVE A POLICY TRYING TO MAKE SURE WHO GETS ELECTED TO BOSS THEM AROUND, WHO GETS ELECTED TO STAND AND TELL THEM WHAT TO DO; THEY SHOW UP AND THEY ARE FIREMEN. IT IS SO EASY AND ALL THE BOARD HAS TO DO IS JUST PAY THEM; JUST GIVE THEM THE MONEY AND CONTROL WHAT THEY GIVE THEM. YOU DON'T HAVE POLITICS IN THE EQUASION WHEN IT IS LIKE THIS. IT IS A NO BRAINER; LET IT RUN LIKE IT IS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RECOMMENDED TO THE BOARD IS THAT EACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT AS HE UNDERSTANDS ELECTS THEIR OWN FIRECHIEF; AS FAR AS THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, LET THEM ELECT THEIR OWN FIREMEN AND AS FAR AS THE PO'S, THE MONEY THE COUNTY GIVES THEM, HE STILL WANTS IT ACCOUNTED FOR OR HOWEVER YOU WANT TO WORD THAT. HE STILL WANTS A PO SYSTEM IN PLACE FOR THAT; BUT, AS FAR AS THE BOARD TRYING TO TELL THEM HOW TO DO IT AND WHAT TO DO, HE THINKS IT SHOULD BE LEFT UP TO THE FIRECHEIFS OF THE COUNTY, OF THE CITIES, TO BE ABLE TO OPERATE THEIR FIRE DEPARTMENT AND IF THE BOARD ASKS QUESTIONS, THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS SHOULD AT THAT TIME BE ACCOUNTABLE AND COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND GIVE AN ACCOUNT FOR WHATEVER DEPARTMENT IT IS.

ROGER SAID THE PO SYSTEM HAS NOT BEEN A PROBLEM. HE THINKS WHEN MR. JOHNSON BEGAN TO GET BETTER AND TRIED TO GET BACK IN, AT THAT

POINT IN TIME IT OPERATED SO MUCH WITH AL BEING RECOGNIZED AS A CHIEF, THIS IS A NEVER STOPPING CONFLICT BECAUSE MR. JOHNSON LEFT THINKING HE WAS CHIEF AND WHEN HE CAME BACK AND MET WITH MR. STRICKLAND AND HIM. WHEN THEY RESEARCHED THE MINUTES, THE BOARD'S ACTION WAS THEY TURNED IT OVER TO MR. JOHNSON AND HIS GROUP. THIS WOULD PROBABLY SATISFY MR. JOHNSON'S MIND AND AL'S AS WELL IF IT WAS THE BOARD'S ACTION WAS INTENDED FOR MR. JOHNSON TO BE FIRECHIEF OR FOR THEM TO ORGANIZE A COUNTY DEPARTMENT IN THE FIREMEN

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF HE UNDERSTANDS IT RIGHT, WHATEVER ACTION THE BOARD TOOK DIDN'T GET INTO THE MINUTES. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID IT GOT IN THE MINUTES; THEY HEARD WHAT ROGER SAID AND IT GOT IN THE MINUTES JUST WHAT WAS SAID VERBATIM.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID WHAT HE IS SAYING IS IT WAS NOT DELENIATED OUT HERE LIKE EVERYBODY THOUGHT IT WAS. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID IT MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN INTERPRETED RIGHT; BUT, IT IS WHAT THE BOARD SAID.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF WHO THE BOARD WANTS; THEY NEED TO CLARIFY WHAT THEY HAVE DONE.

SAL ZURICA ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING AT THE LAST COUPLE OF MEETINGS, THE FIREMEN THEMSELVES HAVE ELECTED A FIRECHIEF AND MR. JOHNSON WAS AT THE LAST MEETING AND HE BOWED OUT AS BEING IN CHARGE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE SAID HE WOULD BE JUST LIKE A FIREMEN; HE WOULD BE GLAD TO BE PART OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUT THAT WAS IT. ALL THE FIREMEN THAT IS IN THAT DEPARTMENT RIGHT NOW HAS ELECTED A FIRECHIEF AND IT IS RUNNING SMOOTHLY. THERE IS NO ARGUMENTS; NO DISCUSSIONS. EVERY MONTH, AS A MATTER OF FACT, TWICE A MONTH THERE IS TRAINING. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS RUNNING BEAUTIFUL.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED WHAT THE PROBLEM WAS THEN. SAL SAID THE PROBLEM IS SOMEBODY KEEPS BRINGING UP JOHNNY JOHNSON AS FIRECHEIF; IT IS OVER WITH AND IT SHOULD BE PUT TO REST.

MR. PITTS SAID THEIR IS SOME INTERNAL SQUABBING BETWEEN THEM AND THE BOARD ON WHO IS THE FIRECHEIF, WHO IS TO REPRESENT THE

FIRE DEPARTMENT AT THE BOARD MEETINGS; THAT IS THE REASON THIS IS BROUGHT UP.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE BOARD NEEDS TO CONTROL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; IT IS OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT SHOULD ELECT WHOMEVER THEY WANT TO; BUT, THE BOARD SHOULD ULTIMATELY HAVE A SAY SO.

MR. PITTS SAID THAT WOULD BE HIS RECOMMENDATION; THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ELECTS A PERSON OR MAKES A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF WHO THEY WANT AND THE BOARD DOES THEIR THING.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID IF MR. JOHNSON IS OKAY WITH MR. GOTHARD BEING THE FIRECHIEF AND THE REST OF THE VOLUNTEERS DOWN THERE ARE HAPPY WITH AL BEING THE FIRECHIEF, THEN CARRY ON.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED COULD THEY GET THIS THING SETTLED. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED THE BOARD'S PLEASURE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY NEED A RECOMMENDATION. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE THOUGHT THEY HAD A RECOMMENDATION.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IF THEY VOTED AND GOT ONE DOWN THERE. HE WAS INTERRUPTED BY ROGER. ROGER SAID IF THE BOARD WANTS TO DO IT LIKE THE CITIES DO AND THEY ARE HOLDING HIM RESPONSIBLE FOR IT, HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD CLARIFY OR SANCTION THE ELECTION OF MR. GOTHARD AS THE FIRECHIEF.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO SANCTION THE ELECTION OF MR. GOTHARD AS FIRECHIEF OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT-SUNNY HILLS UNIT.

MR. PITTS ASKED FOR A FIVE MINUTE BREAK AS HE HAD BUSINESS HE NEEDED THE CHAIRMAN TO TAKE CARE OF. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CALLED FOR A FIVE MINUTE RECESS.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, COMMISSIONER HOWELL REMINDED THE BOARD OF THEIR MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER:

1. ON SEPTEMBER 14TH IN VERNON, THERE WILL BE A WATER WELL MEETING THAT HAS TO DO WITH THE WELLS THAT ARE GOING TO BE DRILLED IN BAY COUNTY. THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 6:00 P.M.

2. ON SEPTEMBER 16TH, THERE WILL BE A MEETING ON SINGER ROAD AT 6:00 P.M. AS WELL AT THE FOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CENTER.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED WHO IS HAVING A PUBLIC MEETING IN VERNON. COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADVISED THE COUNTY IS; MR. DERUNTZ.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ASKED IF IT WAS A COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING. MR. DERUNTZ SAID IT WAS NOT A COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING; IT IS A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING.

MR. DERUNTZ STATED THE MEETING ON THE BAY COUNTY WELL FIELDS WILL BE OCTOBER 14TH AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE VERNON CITY HALL. THIS IS NOT A PUBLIC HEARING; IT IS JUST AN INFORMATION MEETING. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT TO PUT A NOTICE IN THE PAPER OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT; IT IS JUST TO LET THE CITIZENS KNOW ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUE THAT IS FACING WASHINGTON COUNTY. THERE IS 10,000,000 GALLONS OF WATER A DAY THAT IS GOING TO BE DRAWN OUT OF THE FLORIDA ACQUAFER TO THEIR IMMEDIATE SOUTH FROM BAY COUNTY. THAT IS WHY THEY FILED SUIT AGAINST THE WATER DISTRICT. THERE IS GOING TO BE A HEARING AND AT THIS POINT IT IS GOING TO BE SCHEDULED IN JANUARY AND WILL BE HELD IN TALLAHASSEE; BUT, THERE IS GOING TO BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CITIZENS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY TO EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS HERE AT THE COUNTY CHAMBER IN JANUARY AS WELL SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO GO TO TALLAHASSEE. THE ATTORNEY REPRESENTING THE COUNTY IS GOING TO BE AT THE HEARING PLUS SOME OTHER PROFESSIONAL SPEAKERS THAT IS VERY KNOWLEDGABLE OF WATER ISSUES. THEY WILL BE PEOPLE THERE TALKING ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND THE IMPACT THIS IS GOING TO HAVE ON WASHINGTON COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS.

TED EVERETT ASKED IF NFWFMD IS GOING TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE AT THE MEETING IN VERNON ON OCTOBER 14TH. MR. DERUNTZ SAID HE WOULD DEFINITELY BE SENDING A NOTICE TO NFWFMD SO THEY WILL KNOW ABOUT THE MEETING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED ABOUT FIVE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SITTING IN THE OCTOBER 15TH MEETING; WHAT IS THE LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATED IT IS NOT A COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING; IT IS A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THE COMMISSIONERS WERE LEGAL TO GO THERE. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THEY COULD GO LISTEN; BUT, THEY CAN'T COMMENT. COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO THERE BEING AN ISSUE AT THE AG CENTER A FEW YEARS AGO ABOUT COMMISSIONERS GOING TO A MEETING AND THEY HAVE TO BE REAL CAREFUL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID AS LONG AS THEY ARE THERE COLLECTING INFORMATION AND NOT A PART OF THE MEETING.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THE BOARD COULDN'T DISCUSS ANYTHING WHILE THEY ARE AT THE INFORMATION MEETING TOGETHER. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID IN OTHER WORDS THEY HAVE TO KEEP THEIR MOUTHS SHUT.

MR. DERUNTZ SAID THE COMMISSIONERS COULD TALK TO THEIR CONSTITUENTS; BUT, COULDN'T HAVE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THEMSELVES AS A BODY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF MR. DERUNTZ HAD HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT BAY COUNTY SETTING BACK THE WELLS BY THREE MILES AND CUTTING THE PRODUCTION IN HALF TO 5,000,000 GALLONS PER DAY. MR. DERUNTZ SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF THAT.

MR. PITTS ADVISED ALL THE COMMISSIONERS WERE COPIED ON A LETTER FROM NFWFMD SAYING THEY HAD MOVED THREE MILES FROM THE LINE AND CUT IT TO 5,000,000 GALLONS A DAY. COMMISSIONER HOWELL POINTED OUT THE EMERGENCY 30,000,000 GALLONS WAS STILL IN THE PERMIT AND IT COULD BE AN EMERGENCY EVERYDAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID WHAT HE WAS THINKING, BY NFWFMD DOING THIS, IT TAKES THE COUNTY OUT; THEY DON'T HAVE TO HAVE THE COUNTY INVOLVED. THEY WILL GET THE PERMIT GRANTED. MR. DERUNTZ SAID NOT NECESSARILY; BECAUSE THEY MOVED IT BACK AND REDUCED THAT AMOUNT, THAT IS STILL 5,000,000 GALLONS PER DAY COMING OUT OF OUR WATER IN FLORIDA UNDERNEATH OUR COUNTY TO GET TO THEIR WELLS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHAT TYPE OF WELLS WAS THE KNIGHT SECTOR PLAN REQUESTING.

MR. DERUNTZ SAID THEY SPECIFICALLY TALKED ABOUT THIS IN THIER PLAN; THEY ARE GOING TO PROVIDE POTABLE WATER. ONE OF THE THINGS THE AMENDMENT TO THE BAY DISTRICT OR BAY REGION PLAN THAT WAS APPROVED BY NWFWMDC WAS THIS PLAN WAS SUPPOSE TO INCORPORATE COORDINATION WITH OTHER COMMUNITIES AND WASHINGTON COUNTY IS AN ADJACENT COMMUNITY WHERE THIS WATER IS AND THEY WEREN'T INCLUDED IN THAT PLAN THE WATER DISTRIBUTION WAS GOING TO BE COMING, SOME OF IT IS GOING TO BE COMING BACK TO WASHINGTON. EVERYTHING WAS DIRECTED INTERIOR FOR THEIR OWN USE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID "BUT YET THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO DRILL WELLS." HE ASKED HOW MANY WELLS WAS THE KNIGHTS GOING TO BE ASKING FOR.

MR. DERUNTZ ADVISED THIS HASN'T BEEN ADDRESSED YET. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE BOARD WAS GOING TO HAVE TO APPROVE THE SECTOR PLAN AND WHEN IT COMES TO THE WATER ON THE WELLS, ARE THEY GOING TO DENY IT OR ARE THEY GOING TO APPROVE THE KNIGHTS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL POINTED OUT NOTHING HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO BE APPROVED. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY WILL BE.

MR. DERUNTZ STATED THE BOARD SHOULD EVALUATE THE KNIGHT'S REQUEST WITH THE SAME CONCERNS THEY ARE EXPRESSING TO BAY COUNTY ABOUT THEIR ACTIONS THAT IT MAY HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE COUNTY'S WATER RESOURCES, LAKES COULD BE DRAWN DOWN, ETC. BECAUSE THEY ALL INTERPLAY WITH EACH OTHER. THEY NEED TO REVIEW THEIR PLAN JUST LIKE THEY SHOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE BAY COUNTY PLAN.

COMMISSIONER PATE QUESTIONED IF THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE AN INFORMATION MEETING ON THE BAY COUNTY WELLS AND THEY ARE NOT GOING TO ADVERTISE IT, HOW ARE THEY GOING TO GET FOLKS THERE AND THEY KNOW ABOUT AN INFORMATION MEETING.

MR. DERUNTZ SAID THEY WOULD BE SENDING OUT LETTERS TO INTERESTED PARTIES AND LETTING PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THIS MEETING AND MADE AWARE OF WHAT THE IMPACTS ARE GOING TO BE.



MR. DERUNTZ UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FL-DCA ORC RESPONSE. THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION IS WORKING ON THE ORC RESPONSE AND WORKING ON ADDRESSING THE COMMENTS RELATING TO THE EAR REPORT. THE PLANNING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON OCTOBER 5TH AND ARE HOPING THEY COULD HAVE A JOINT WORKSHOP WITH THE WCPC AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON OCTOBER 21ST AND A PUBLIC HEARING ON OCTOBER 8TH WITH THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. THESE WOULD HAVE TO BE ADVERTISED. HOPEFULLY THEY COULD HAVE ACTION AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING DURING THE REGULAR MEETING ON OCTOBER 28TH.

MR. DERUNTZ UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE WCPC LOOKING AT DOING SOME LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENTS. THERE ARE TWO ISSUES THEY WERE LOOKING AT:

1. DEVELOPING A NEIGHBORHOOD INFORMATION MEETING AS A REQUIREMENT FOR ALL LAND USE PETITIONS; THE DEVELOPER WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR NOTIFYING THE PROPERTY OWNERS IMMEDIATELY AROUND THEM AND HOLDING A MEETING AND LETTING THE PROPERTY OWNERS HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THAT ONE ON ONE DISCUSISON ON WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS. THE DEVELOPER CAN RESPOND ON HOW THEY ARE GOING TO ADDRESS THOSE CONCERNS. ANY AGREEMENTS THAT ARE ADDRESSED AT THE INFORMATION MEETING WILL BE CARRIED ALONG WITH THAT APPLICATION AND PRESENTED TO THE WCPC AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

2. TERM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WCPC TO RUN ON A PARALLEL TIME FRAME WITH THE ELECTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THAT DISTRICT.

COMMISSIONER PATE DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO ADDRESS WITH THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THEY HAVE FINALLY GOT A HEARING AT PUBLIC WORKS FROM FEMA THEY HAVE FINALLY BEEN INVOICED TO START BACK WORKING ON THE COUNTY ROADS. THEY NEED TO MAKE A SHOWING THEY ARE OUT THERE WORKING ON THE ROADS BECAUSE THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO ASK FOR AN EXTENSION. HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE PUBLIC WORKS GO BACK WORKING SIX DAYS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED MR. PITTS IF THEY HAVE THE MONEY FOR PUBLIC

WORKS TO WORK SIX DAYS. MR. PITTS REPORTED THE LABOR LINE ITEM IN PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET IS ENOUGH TO SUPPORT REGULAR SALARIES TO THE END OF THE YEAR; AT THIS TIME, THAT IS ALL THAT IS THERE. HE DOESN'T KNOW OF ANY OTHER LINE ITEM IN PUBLIC WORKS BUDGET THERE IS MONEY TO BE PULLED FROM TO COVER OVERTIME HOURS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF THERE WAS A REASON THEY COULDN'T WORK ON FEMA MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED WHERE IS THE FEMA REIMBURSEMENT MONEY FOR THE LABOR THEY HAVE BEEN REIMBURSED FOR. WHERE HAS IT WENT TO. HE ASKED WHERE IS THIS MONEY THESE PEOPLE GOT OUT HERE AND WORKED FOR. HE ASKED DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW IF SHE HAD IT. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID SHE HAD IT. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID LETS TRANSFER IT TO LINE ITEMS FOR LABOR AT ROAD AND BRIDGE; THEY HAVE GOT TO MAKE A SHOWING. THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO ASK FOR AN EXTENSION IN OCTOBER AND THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE JUSTIFICATION FOR THE EXTENSION OR THEY ARE NOT GOING TO GET IT.

MR. PITTS SAID COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED MS. DIANNE SOMETHING HE WOULD LIKE FOR HER TO ANSWER; IF SHE HAS GOT IT, HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHERE IT IS AT BECAUSE SHE IS HIDING IT FROM ME TOO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THERE IS SOME SOMEWHERE. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW EXPLAINED IN THE ROAD AND BRIDGE SALARY LINE ITEM AT THE PRESENT TIME SHOWS \$200,000 PLUS; THEY HAVE BUDGET BUT THEY HAVE NO MONEY. FEMA HAS REIMBURSED; BOARD FINANCE HAS MADE THOSE REIMBURSEMENTS TO THE LINE ITEMS. FEMA HAS OBLIGATED THOSE FUNDS; BUT, WE DON'T HAVE THAT MONEY. THOSE MONIES THAT WERE REIMBURSED ALREADY FROM FEMA HAVE BEEN PUT TO THE LINE ITEMS ACCORDING TO THE FEMA FOLDERS THEY RECEIVED FROM DEBBIE RILEY AT PUBLIC WORKS; JOHNNIE ODOM PUTS THE REIMBURSEMENT TO THOSE LINE ITEMS LIKE WE ARE ASKED TO DO. BUT, THE CASH IN TRANSPORTATION IS NOT THERE TO FUND OVERTIME. THIS BOARD HAS BROUGHT THIS UP SEVERAL TIMES AND THEY SAID NO COUNTY COMMISSIONER INTERFERENCE IN THE DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS, FEMA WORK FOUR DAYS A WEEK, ROAD AND BRIDGE WORK FEMA FOUR DAYS A

WEEK AND TO HER UNDERSTANDING, THAT IS NOT HAPPENING.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY HAD BEEN WORKING FOUR DAYS A WEEK FOR THREE MONTHS. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID TO HER UNDERSTANDING, ROAD AND BRIDGE CAN'T WORK ON FEMA FOUR DAYS A WEEK BECAUSE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS INTERFERENCE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID LET ME TELL YOU ONE THING. WE HAVE HAD SEVERE RAINS OUT HERE IN THIS COUNTY AND YOU HAVE TO FIX THE ROADS AND MAINTAIN THEM FOR THE PUBLIC. THE BOARD SAID THERE WOULD BE SOMEBODY THERE TO DO MAINTENANCE; BUT, THEY DO FEMA WORK FOUR DAYS A WEEK.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID YOU CAN'T DO FEMA FOUR DAYS A WEEK AND DO MAINTENANCE. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID IN HER OPINION, IF THEY HAD MANAGEMENT, THEY COULD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WISHED DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW LIVED ON A DIRT ROAD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THEY HADN'T RECEIVED A \$1,000,000 FROM FEMA. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID SHE WAS SURE THEY HAD; BUT, THEY HAVE MONEY THEY CAN'T PUT TOWARD ANYTHING BECAUSE THE PROJECTS HAVEN'T BEEN DONE. THEY GOT IT IN ADVANCE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID YOU HAVE MONEY BUT YOU CAN'T PUT IT INTO NOTHING. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID NOT UNTIL THEY RECEIVE FOLDERS FROM PUBLIC WORKS ON THOSE PARTICULAR PROJECTS; SOME OF IT WAS PARK AND RECREATION. IT IS NOT ALL TRANSPORTATION. SHE TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK IF HE WOULD COME TO THE BOARD FINANCE OFFICE, SHE WOULD BE GLAD TO SHOW HIM EVERY PENNY OF THE MONEY.

NAN THOMPSON ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE PIPE LINE COMING THROUGH NOW AND ASKED ABOUT THE BOARD GETTING SOME TYPE OF AGREEMENT OR BOND FROM THESE COMPANIES TO COVER ANY DAMAGE THEY MAY DO TO THE COUNTY ROADS.

MS. THOMPSON THEN REFERRED TO A QUESTION COMMISSIONER BROCK HAD BROUGHT UP AT THE LAST MEETING ABOUT DOING CHICKEN HOUSE ROAD OR SOME KIND OF ROAD; THE LADY THAT HAS CANCER. THERE WAS NO VOTE THAT SHE HEARD AND ASKED IF THAT WAS CORRECT AND SHE HAD PICTURES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK TOLD MS. THOMPSON YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO HAVE A VOTE; IT WAS A COUNTY ROAD. MS. THOMPSON SAID IT IS NOT A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID IT IS AND HE WOULD VERIFY THAT; IT IS ON THE LIST OF COUNTY ROADS. BRACKIN ROAD IS A COUNTY ROAD.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED MR. PITTS, WITH THE GAS LINE COMING THROUGH WITH THEIR OPERATIONS, TO SEE TO IT IF THEY COULD COME UP WITH SOMETHING TO HELP PROTECT THE COUNTY ROADS THEY HAVE TO CROSS AND HAVE TO BE WORKED ON. MR. PITTS SAID HE WOULD CONTACT THE FLORIDA GAS TRANSMISSION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL LOOKED AT THE PICTURES MS. THOMPSON HAD AND ASKED COMMISSIONER BROCK IF THAT WAS THE DRIVEWAY COMMISSIONER BROCK WANTED TO FIX FOR THE LADY THAT HAD CANCER. HE THOUGHT THE BOARD VOTED NOT TO DO THAT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THIS BOARD DIDN'T VOTE. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID THE BOARD HAS THOSE MINUTES; THEY HAD SAID IF IT WAS NOT ON THE COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD LIST, NOT TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THAT IS RIGHT AND THE ROAD IS ON THE LIST.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID YOU CAN PUT NAME ON THE LIST ANYTIME THEY WANTED TO. COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED BEING ABLE TO PUT A ROAD ON THE LIST ANYTIME THEY WANTED TO. COMMISSIONER HOWELL

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY COULD JUST PULL UP THE FILE AND PUT IT ON THERE; YOU CAN CHANGE IT ANYTIME YOU WANT TO. HE IS NOT SAYING IT IS RIGHT; BUT, IT CAN BE DONE. HE SAID THAT WAS A DRIVEWAY COMMISSIONER BROCK WANTED TO REPAIR.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THAT WAS A COUNTY ROAD AND IT HAS BEEN FOR YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS, A GRADED ROAD. COMMISSIONER HOWELL

SAID IT WAS A DRIVEWAY; IT GOES TO ONE HOUSE. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID IT WENT ALL THE WAY THROUGH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK HE DIDN'T FIX IT ALL THE WAY THROUGH.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID BRACKIN ROAD WAS A MAIN ROAD THAT WENT ALL THE WAY THROUGH.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID BRACKIN ROAD, YES; BUT, THAT DRIVEWAY HE DID.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THAT IS BRACKIN ROAD; IT GOES RIGHT THROUGH THE PROPERTY. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND KNOWS THAT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE IS STAYING OUT OF IT; HE KNOWS IT IS IN DISTRICT I BUT HE IS STAYING OUT OF IT. IT WAS BROUGHT UP AND THE BOARD SAID NO; THERE WAS SOME GUY IN THE AUDIENCE THAT SAID IF WE WOULD GIVE A LOAD OF DIRT, HE WOULD GO AND SPREAD IT OUT. THAT IS THE LAST TIME THE BOARD TALKED ABOUT IT. UNTIL THAT FOLLOWING MONDAY IS WHEN IT WAS DONE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THE BOARD DID AGREE UPON, AND HE THINKS THE TWO SUPERVISORS SIGNED THE PAPER TO THE EFFECT, THEY WOULD NOT GO INTO ANOTHER DISTRICT AND DO ANY WORK WITHOUT THAT COMMISSIONER'S CONSENT. JUST BECAUSE HE WOULD TELL DALLAS TO GO INTO DISTRICT II, THAT DON'T MEAN DALLAS CAN GO INTO DISTRICT II WITHOUT COMMISSIONER PATE'S CONSENT. THAT IS THE AGREEMENT THE SUPERVISORS SIGNED AND UNTIL NOVEMBER WHEN HE IS RELIEVED OF HIS COMMISSION, HE WANTS TO SEE THAT ENFORCED.

TODD ABBOTT ASKED TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE HAD LET EVERYBODY ELSE SPEAK AND TOLD HIM TO COME ON; HE STATED THIS IS THE ONE THAT BEAT HIM. MR. ABBOTT ASKED HOLMAN NOT TO SAY THAT; HE THINKS THEY VOTED AGAINST MR. HOLMAN AND NOT FOR HIM.

TODD ABBOT SAID HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE HE WAS UNDERSTANDING THE BOARD AGREED THAT THIS DRIVEWAY WOULD NOT BE FIXED AND INDEED THAT DRIVEWAY WAS FIXED. HE ASKED THE REPROCUSSIONS OF THAT. CHAIRMAN

HOLMAN SAID NOTHING REALLY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REITERATED THAT ROAD WAS ON THE COUNTY MAINTENANCE ROAD LIST. MR. ABBOT SAID THAT IS NOT WHAT HE ASKED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID LEGALLY THAT IS A ROAD UNTIL THIS BOARD TAKES IT OFF THE LIST.

MR. ABBOT SAID IT WAS DECIDED THAT ROAD WOULD NOT BE FIXED AND SOMEBODY WENT IN THERE AND FIXED IT. HE QUESTIONED THE REPROCUSSION FOR ONE COUNTY COMMISSIONER GOING AGAINST THE REST OF THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WHO TOLD THE SUPERVISOR TO FIX THE DRIVEWAY. HE ASKED COMMISSIONER BROCK IF HE TOLD THE SUPERVISOR TO FIX IT. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID "NO."

MR. ABBOT SAID IF THE SUPERVISOR IS GOING AGAINST WHAT THE BOARD SAID, THEY NEED TO BE SEVERELY REPRIMANDED.

MR. PITTS SAID HE HAD RECEIVED SEVERAL COMPLAINTS ON THIS AND HE CAN'T FIND ANYTHING ON THE COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD LIST LISTED AS CHICKENHOUSE ROAD. THAT IS THE ONLY NAME HE HAS HEAR IT REFERRED TO IS CHICKENHUSE ROAD. THE DRIVEWAY ACROSS THE ROAD IS OWNED BY THE SAME PEOPLE THAT GOES FROM BRACKIN ROAD UP TO THE LADY'S HOUSE. FROM WHAT PUBLIC WORKS IS TELLING HIM, THE NAME OF THAT ROAD AND HE CAN'T RECALL IT AT THIS MINUTE, THAT ONE IS ON THE COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD LIST. HE DON'T KNOW HOW IT EVER GOT THERE BECAUSE IT GOES DIRECTLY FROM BRACKIN ROAD TO THE LADY'S CARPORT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF IT WAS IN DISTRICT I THIS WORK WAS DONE. MR. PITTS ADVISED IT WAS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID MR. BROCK HAD JUST STATED HE DIDN'T TELL ROBERT TO GO IN THERE AND DO IT. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE HADN'T TOLD HIM. THEY DETERMINED THIS WAS A COUNTY ROAD, BRACKIN ROAD. THAT ROAD WAS GRADED ALL THE WAY THROUGH FOR YEARS AND YEARS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREED BRACKIN ROAD WAS. COMMISSIONER PATE, HOLMAN AND HOWELL SAID THEY WERE NOT TALKING ABOUT BRACKIN ROAD. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT THE LADY'S DRIVEWAY COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED ABOUT LAST MONTH.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THAT IS BRACKIN ROAD; THAT IS BRACKIN ROAD WHATEVER THE BOARD CALLS IT, A DRIVEWAY OR WHATEVER THEY WANT TO CALL IT. HE DON'T KNOW WHERE THE BOARD HAS BEEN; THEY ARE NEW-COMERS IN HERE. HE TOLD THEM TO GET THE OPERATORS IN HERE THAT GRADED THE ROADS.

MR. PITTS SAID BRACKIN ROAD RUNS EAST AND WEST; THESE TWO ROADS THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT, THESE TWO DRIVEWAYS RUN NORTH AND SOUTH OFF OF BRACKIN ROAD.

MR. PITTS SAID IT IS BEING LOOKED AT AND THAT IS ALL HE WANTS TO SAY ABOUT IT AT THIS TIME.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADDRESSED A LADY FROM FL-DOT WAS GOING TO GO AND TALK TO MR. PITTS; SHE HAD BROUGHT TWO AGREEMENTS FOR THE BOARD TO APPROVE ON FARREL NELSON BRIDGE REPLACEMENT ON FLAT CREEK.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE THOUGHT HE HAD SIGNED THEM YESTERDAY OR THE DAY BEFORE AND ASKED MR. PITTS IF HE HAD. MR. PITTS SAID HE THOUGHT SO.

MR. PITTS SAID THE AGREEMENTS SAID THE COUNTY WOULD MAINTAIN THE BRIDGE ONCE IT WAS BUILT AND IT IS THE COUNTY'S BRIDGE ANYWAY; HE DOESN'T BELIEVE IT WOULD TAKE ACTION OF THE BOARD.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID AS LONG AS SHE HAS THIS ON RECORD IT DOESN'T TAKE BOARD ACTION, SHE IS OKAY.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS HE HAS ENJOYED THE JOB HE HAS HAD UP HERE. THE PAST YEAR, HE HAS ENJOYED BEING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD. HE WANTS THE PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THAT HIS COMMISSION GOES OUT IN NOVEMBER; UNTIL THEN, HE IS STILL A COUNTY COMMISSIONER, HE IS STILL DISTRICT IV'S COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND HE IS STILL THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND HE WILL OPERATE AS THAT. HE IS NOT ASHAMED OF ANYTHING HE HAS DONE; HE CAN GO HOME AT NIGHT, LAY HIS HEAD DOWN AND GO TO SLEEP. HE HAS ENJOYED WORKING WITH MR. EVERETT, THE OTHERS, GARY, MR. ED, MR. TOWN, MARGARET, EMS, CLIFF, THE BOARD, MS. COOK, DIANNE, ATTORNEY HOLLEY AND HE WILL CONTINUE

UNTIL HE IS RELIEVED IN NOVEMBER. AFTER THAT IF ANYONE NEEDS HELP, AND HE CAN HELP THEM FEEL FREE TO CALL HIM AND HE WILL BE GLAD TO HELP THEM; BUT, IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN PRESENTED A PLAQUE TO DAVID CORBIN ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD FOR HIS THIRTY YEARS OF SERVICE TO WASHINGTON COUNTY AND THANKED HIM FOR EVERYTHING HE HAS DONE. HE PRESENTED MS. CORBIN WITH A BOUQUET OF FLOWERS.

DAVID SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY IS ALL HE HAS EVER KNOWN; HE LOVES EVERYBODY IN THE COUNTY AND LOVES HELPING PEOPLE. HE ESPECIALLY THANKED THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR RAISING HIS FAMILY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE AND DAVID WAS LIKE BROTHERS; THEY HAVE BEEN A MILLION MILES TOGETHER. WHEN HE FIRST MET DAVID WITH THE COUNTY, DAVID HAD AN OLD PICKUP AND AN OLD LAWMOWER IN THE BACK OF IT; THAT WAS RECREATION. THAT IS ALL THEY HAD AT THE TIME IN 1992. THEY HAVE COME A LONG, LONG WAY. DAVID HAS WORKED HARD, BEEN LOYAL AND DEDICATED AND HE THANKED BECKY FOR ALL THE YEARS AND ALL THE TURMOIL AND NIGHTS SHE DIDN'T SLEEP. DAVID HAS BEEN A GREAT ASSET TO THE COUNTY AND THEY LOVE YOU.

DAVID STATED HE WAS NOT RETIRING; HE HAS ALL THE MONEY HE WANTS. HE REFERRED TO HIS GRANDDADDY TOLD HIM A FRIEND WAS WORTH MORE THAN A DOLLAR. DAVID SAID IF HE IS AROUND KIDS, HE WILL GIVE THEM A DOLLAR. YOU CAN HAVE THE WHOLE WORLD AND IT BE FULL OF MONEY AND STILL BE UNHAPPY. HE DOES LOVE MONEY LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE REMEMBERED BACK AT THE TIME ALBERT DAVIS APPOINTED HIM TO THE PARK AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND HE SAW THIS FIGURE OF \$234,000 IN PARK AND RECREATION; HE THOUGHT AT THE TIME WHERE IN THE HECK ARE THEY SPENDING ALL THAT AT. THEN IS WHEN HE REALIZED HOW VALUABLE DAVID WAS. THE COMMISSIONERS USE TO BE BAD WHEN THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANYBODY ELSE TO GIVE A HAT TO, THEY WOULD GIVE DAVID A BASEBALL CAP AND HE GOT A BIG MEXICAN SOMBRERO WITH EVERY COLORED CAP BUILT THERE. HE HAS DONE A LOT OF DIFFERENT JOBS AND STILL HAS A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS TO LOOK INTO.



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YOU TELL DAVID TO DO SOMETHING AND HE GOES AND DOES IT; YOU DON'T  
HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT IT. HE THANKED DAVID A LOT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER  
STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN.

ATTEST:

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DEPUTY CLERK

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CHAIRMAN