

JULY 22, 2010

THE WASHINGTON COUNTY 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 WITH COMMISSIONERS BROCK, HOLMAN, PATE, HOWELL AND STRICKLAND PRESENT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY, INTERIM COUNTY MANAGER EMORY PITTS AND DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER WITH ATTORNEY HOLLEY PROVIDING THE INVOCATION. COMMISSIONER PATE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RECESSED THE MEETING TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE SIKES MITIGATION.

AT 10:30 A.M., CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CLOSED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 10, 2010 BOARD MEETING.

CONSENT AGENDA: MR. PITTS WENT OVER THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS. COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF ITEMS A THROUGH G WITH EXCEPTION OF ITEM D:

A. PAY VOUCHERS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2010 TOTALLING \$2,759,416.32.

B. APPROVE OF PAYING INMATE MEDICAL INVOICE FOR \$29,089.24 TO TALLAHASSEE MEDICAL.

C. PAYMENT OF LIFE MANAGEMENT CENTER INVOICE FOR BAKER ACT CHARGES TALLING \$28,465.78.

E. APPROVAL OF LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH GSG TO GIVE MSBU COORDINATOR, COUNTY MANAGER, AND COUNTY ATTORNEY READY ACCESS TO ADVICE AND GUIDANCE IN STEERING THE MSBU TO ITS FULLEST POTENTIAL. THE FEES FOR THESE SERVICES ARE BUDGETED IN THE 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

F. APPROVAL OF RELOCATION OF VOTING PRECINCT 12 FROM THE VOTING HOUSE TO THE FELLOWSHIP HALL LOCATED DIRECTLY BEHIND IT AT THE NEW VISION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 2661 BLOCKER CHURCH ROAD, CHIPLEY, FLORIDA.

G. RELOCATION OF THE NEW HOPE VOTING PRECINCT DUE TO FDOT PURCHASING THE LAND AND THE BUILDING AS PART OF THE HWY 79 FOUR-LANE PROJECT. RELOCATION OF NEW HOPE VOTING PRECINCT, NUMBER 6, WILL BE FROM 4483-B HWY 79, VERNON, TO GILLEY'S PLACE AT 3351 MALLORY ROAD, VERNON.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED ITEM D BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND DISCUSSED FURTHER. ITEM D WOULD INCREASE ROGER HAGAN'S PURCHASING AUTHORITY TO \$5,000.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THERE WOULD BE AN OCCASION WHERE ROGER WOULD NEED AN INVOICE SIGNED THAT MR. PITTS COULDN'T SIGN.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED THE BOARD HAD ASSIGNED ROGER, AFTER THEY APPOINTED HIM TO INTERIM COUNTY MANAGER, TO ASSIST HIM; IN ROGER'S ABSENCE, MR. PITTS WOULD SIGN INVOICES FOR HIM AND IN MR. PITTS' ABSENCE, ROGER WOULD SIGN INVOICES FOR HIM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THAT BEING HIS THOUGHTS TOO AND HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY ROGER WOULD COME BACK AND ASK FOR PURCHASING AUTHORITY OF \$5,000.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED ROGER WAS ASKING AUTHORIZATION TO BE ABLE

TO INCREASE HIS SPENDING LEVEL FROM THE AMOUNT PREVIOUSLY SET BY THE BOARD OF \$500 TO \$5,000.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THERE WAS AN OCCASION WHERE THERE WOULD BE A NEED TO SIGN A \$5,000 INVOICE. MR. PITTS ADVISED THERE WERE EQUIPMENT REPAIR INVOICES THAT SOMETIMES WOULD COST \$5,000.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED IF THIS REQUEST WAS BECAUSE OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS WITH MR. PITTS SAYING IT WAS PRIMARILY FOR THAT PURPOSE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK UPDATED THE BOARD ON HIM RESEARCHING THE CHURCH IN EBRO TO BE USED FOR A VOTING PRECINCT AND HE WAS TOLD BECAUSE IT WAS A METHODIST CHURCH, THEY DIDN'T ALLOW ACTIVITIES LIKE THAT IN THE CHURCH. THAT IS WHY HE DIDN'T GET THE CHURCH IN EBRO.

MS. GRIFFIN SAID IT WAS ACTUALLY THE FELLOWSHIP HALL THEY WOULD BE USING AT THE NEW VISION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOR THE GREENHEAD PRECINCT. THE APPROVAL TO ALLOW THEM TO USE THE FELLOWSHIP HALL CAME STRAIGHT FROM THE PASTOR OF THE CHURCH.

MR. SAL ZURICA WANTED TO SPEAK ON ITEM E OF THE CONSENT AGENDA PERTAINING TO THE LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH GSG. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN DID NOT ALLOW HIM TO SPEAK AS THE VOTE HAD ALREADY BEEN TAKEN PRIOR TO MR. ZURICA ASKING TO BE RECOGNIZED.

AGENDAED AUDIENCE-MS. GARDENER AND MR. JESSE SASSER WAS ADVISED THE BOARD WOULD NOT BE DISCUSSING ANYTHING CONCERNING SIKES PIT AT THIS TIME.

MR. SASSER REQUESTED THE LETTER HE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD BE MADE PART OF THE MINUTES. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE LETTER BEING MADE PART OF THE MINUTES. (SEE ATTACHMENT)

NAN THOMPSON ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HER COMING BEFORE THE BOARD SEVERAL TIMES ABOUT THE BUCKHORN CREEK AREA. SHE HAD TALKED TO CHAIRMAN HOLMAN A COUPLE OF MONTHS AGO ABOUT THE AREAS THAT WERE UNDER WATER TOTALLY THAT CLOSES THE ROAD. THE DRAINAGE PIPE WAS SUPPOSE TO HAVE BEEN PURCHASED. SHE QUESTIONED WHEN THE WORK WAS GOING TO BE DONE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ADVISED THE BOARD IS AWARE OF THE SITUATION. HE WILL GET WITH COMMISSIONER PATE, MR. PITTS AND DALLAS CARTER OF PUBLIC WORKS TO SEE WHAT THEY CAN DO AND CAN'T DO.

MS. THOMPSON REMINDED CHAIRMAN HOLMAN HE HAD SAID HE HAD GOTTEN THE PIPING.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED WHAT PART WAS SHE TALKING ABOUT. MS. THOMPSON SAID SHE WAS ADDRESSING THE DRAINAGE ISSUE ON QUAIL HOLLOW.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE HAD ALREADY TALKED TO DALLAS AND MR. PITTS ABOUT THAT; WHEN THE CREWS COME BACK TO HIS DISTRICT ON MONDAY, IT IS SCHEDULED FOR THEM TO GET TO LOCATE AGAIN AND THEY WILL TRY TO PUT THE DRAINAGE PIPE IN SOMETIME NEXT WEEK OR THE FOLLOWING WEEK IF NOTHING DOESN'T HAPPEN.

MS. THOMPSON ADDRESSED THERE BEING ANOTHER AREA EAST OF HER THAT TOTALLY FLOODS OUT AND YOU CAN'T GET ACCESS IN FROM THE COUNTY LINE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MS. THOMPSON GET WITH MR. PITTS AND DALLAS TO SEE HOW THEY CAN ASSIST HER WITH THIS PROBLEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD HADN'T DISCUSSED THIS A LONG TIME AGO. MS. THOMPSON SAID SHE HAD BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE DRAINAGE ISSUES FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED DIDN'T THE BOARD DECIDE TO FIX THE PROBLEM; GET WITH JIM TOWN AND GET SOME PROPERTY.

MR. TOWN ADDRESSED THERE BEING AN EXISTING DRAINAGE EASEMENT THAT IS 7' WIDE AND 345'; THE ROAD IS GRADED ACROSS THE WAY FROM THE DRAINAGE EASEMENT. THEY JUST NEED TO CANT THE ROAD THE OTHER WAY AND THE WATER WILL RUN DOWN HILL.

MS. THOMPSON SAID THEY HAD NO DRAINAGE AT ALL IN THEIR AREA.

AL GOTHARD ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON HIS UNDERSTANDING THE WCFA COULDN'T MAKE A POLICY FOR THE COUNTY. HE EXPLAINED HE HAS ABOUT SIX FIREMEN NOW ON AN ACTIVE LIST THAT ROGER HAGAN HAS TURNED BACK TO PENDING BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T COMPLETED THE 16 HOUR ORIENTATION CLASS. HE THOUGHT THIS WAS SUPPOSE TO BE FOR NEW FIREMEN THAT DIDN'T HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE AS A GAP BETWEEN BEING PUT ON A FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FFI. HE HAS TWO FIREMEN THAT ARE PAID FULL TIME FIREMEN THAT ARE FFII'S THAT HAVE ALREADY TAKEN THE CLASS AND HE DOESN'T REALLY THINK IT IS GOING TO DO THEM ANY GOOD; BUT, THEY HAVE BEEN PUT ON PENDING ALSO. THE ORIENTATION CLASS WAS INITIATED BACK IN FEBRUARY BUT, HAS ONLY HAD ONE CLASS AND THAT WAS BACK IN MARCH. THE PROBLEM IS HE HAS FIREMEN PENDING BECAUSE THE WASHINGTON-HOLMES TECHNICAL SCHOOL IS NOT PROVIDING THESE CLASSES. HE ALSO HAD FOUR FIREMEN THAT WANTS TO GO TO FFI; BUT, THEY HAVE ALREADY SHOWED UP FOR THE ORIENTATION CLASS THAT WAS SCHEDULED THIS LAST MONTH AND THAT CLASS WAS CANCELLED. HE TRIED TO TAKE THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY THEY WERE GOING TO PAY THE WASHINGTON-HOLMES TECHNICAL SCHOOL AND PAY FOR THEM TO GO TO CHIPOLA. HE FOUND IN THE BCC MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2008, THE BOARD MADE A RULING THE METHOD OF THE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL OR ANY OTHER TRAINED FACILITY WHERE THEY CAN DEFEND THAT \$12,000 THE WCFA HAS. THEY HAVE MADE IT WHERE THAT MONEY CAN BE SPENT ONLY AT THE WHTS. HE DOESN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT EXCEPT THEY ARE NOT PROVIDING A CLASS. WHEN HE BROUGHT ALL THIS UP, HE HAS BEEN TOLD THEY HAVE ALL THESE CLASSES SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST; IF IN AUGUST THEY DON'T PROVIDE THESE CLASSES, CAN THEY TAKE THE MONEY AND HAVE IT DONE SOMEWHERE ELSE AND CAN THEY GET THESE FIREMEN OFF THE PENDING LIST AND PUT THEM BACK ON ACTIVE SO THAT WORKERS COMP CAN COVER THEM ON THESE FIRES.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. GOTHARD MR. HAGAN AND MR. PITTS IS THE OVERSEERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND REQUESTED HE GO TO THEM AND WORK SOMETHING OUT. IF THERE IS A PROBLEM, THEN THEY CAN COME TO THE BOARD AND IF IT TAKES A BOARD DECISION, THEY WILL GO FROM THERE.

MR. GOTHARD SAID THAT IS WHY HE HAS COME BEFORE THE BOARD BECAUSE HE HAS ALREADY TALKED TO MR. PITTS AND MR. HAGAN.

MR. PITTS ADVISED THEY HAVE HAD THIS DISCUSSION WITH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE FIRECHIEFS AND THEY ARE AT THE UNDERSTANDING IF THE VO-TECH SCHOOL CAN'T PROVIDE THE SERVICES, THEY WILL HAVE TO GO TO SOMETHING ELSE TO MAKE SURE THE FIREMEN GET THE TRAINING THEY NEED.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN QUESTIONED IF THIS WASN'T SOMETHING THAT MR. HAGAN AND MR. PITTS COULD WORK OUT WITHOUT THE BOARD. MR. PITTS SAID HE THOUGHT THEY COULD.

MR. HAGAN PROVIDED THE BOARD A COPY OF AN EMAIL FROM ISSUES AND ANSWERS ON THE QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED ON THE MSBU SURVEY. THE QUESTIONS IN BLACK TYPE WAS SENT TO HIM A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO AND WERE PREPARED BY ISSUES AND ANSWERS; THE QUESTIONS IN RED WERE QUESTIONS HE HAD SUBMITTED TO ISSUES AND ANSWERS HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE INCORPORATED. THEY NEED TO COME UP WITH 10-15 QUESTIONS FOR THE SURVEY AND HE DIDN'T FEEL THE NEED TO ASK QUESTIONS SUCH AS A PERSON'S GENDER, RACE OR AGE; HE NEEDS PROJECTS ON THE GROUND, ACTIVITIES, ETC. ADDRESSED ON THE SURVEY.

HE ASKED THE BOARD TO LOOK AT THE PROPOSED SURVEY QUESTIONS AND POSSIBLY TAKE SOME KIND OF ACTION, WHATEVER ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAYS WILL BE LEGAL OR PERMISSABLE FOR THEM TO DO. THEN, WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, LETS DECIDE WHICH OF THESE QUESTIONS THEY WOULD WANT ANSWERED. HE TOLD THE BOARD IF THEY HAD QUESTIONS THAT ARE NOT ON THE SURVEY, HE WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THOSE TOO. HE FELT THEY NEEDED TO GET THE SURVEY DONE DUE TO THEM HAVING ISSUES AND ANSWERS UNDER CONTRACT AND THEY ARE WAITING TO GET THIS STARTED.

MR. HAGAN REPORTED ON A MEETING THAT WAS HELD IN SUNNY HILLS ON MONDAY EVENING ON THE PROPOSED MSBU SURVEY; IT WAS NOT AS WELL ATTENDED AS HE WOULD HAVE LIKED FOR IT TO BE. HOWEVER, HE THOUGHT IT WAS A PRODUCTIVE MEETING AND THERE WERE A LOT OF EXPRESSIONS OF OPINION. HE DIDN'T THINK THERE WAS BUT ONE QUESTION THAT WOULD GO

ON THE SURVEY AND THAT WAS: AT THE END OF INDEBTEDNESS, DO YOU WANT MSBU TO CONTINUE?

HE REITERATED HIS REQUEST FOR THE BOARD TO LOOK AT THE PROPOSED SURVEY QUESTIONS AND IF THEY COULD CATEGORIZE THEM AND GIVE HIM THEIR DESIRE, HE WOULD TAKE ALL THE #1 QUESTIONS, #2 QUESTIONS, ETC. TO SEE HOW THEY WERE RANKED. HE ALSO OFFERED IF THE BOARD WANTED HIM TO GO BACK AND PRESENT TO THE BOARD WHAT QUESTIONS THEY WANT ASKED, HE WOULD DO SO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHO PREPARED THE SURVEY QUESTIONS. MR. HAGAN ADVISED HIM AND ISSUES AND ANSWERS PREPARED THE SURVEY QUESTIONS; THE ONES IN RED ARE THE QUESTIONS HE PROPOSED AND THE OTHERS WERE PREPARED BY ISSUES AND ANSWERS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE QUESTION THAT KEEPS COMING UP IS DO THEY WANT TO DISCONTINUE THE MSBU AFTER INDEBTEDNESS AND IT IS NOT ON THE PROPOSED SURVEY. COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND MR. HAGAN INFORMED COMMISSIONER BROCK THAT QUESTION WAS ON THE SURVEY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED HOW LONG WAS IT GOING TO TAKE TO GET THE SURVEY OUT AND HOW MANY PEOPLE IS IT GOING OUT TO.

MR. HAGAN SAID IT WOULD BE GOING OUT TO ANYONE THAT OWNS PROPERTY WITHIN THE MSBU. AS FAR AS THE TIME FRAME, HE DOESN'T HAVE THE CONTRACT WITH HIM. HE THOUGHT 30 TO 45 DAYS WAS THE TURNAROUND, TABULATION AND ISSUES AND ANSWERS COMING AND MAKING A PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD ON THE FINAL PRODUCT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WOULD HAVE THIS IN TIME FOR THE 2010-2011 BUDGET.

MR. HAGAN SAID HE THOUGHT THEY SHOULD IF THE BOARD WOULD PICK THOSE QUESTIONS. IN FAIRNESS TO ISSUES AND ANSWERS, HE SAID THEY HADN'T RESPONDED BACK TO THEM WHEN THEY ADVISED THEY WERE READY TO START THE SURVEY AND ASKED FOR THE QUESTIONS THAT WAS TO GO ON THE SURVEY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED IF THE MSBU SURVEY WOULD BE BACK IN TIME FOR THE BOARD'S AUGUST MEETING.

MR. HAGAN STATED THE SURVEY RESULTS WOULDN'T BE BACK IN BY THE AUGUST MEETING; IT WOULD BE THE SEPTEMBER AND POSSIBLY THE OCTOBER MEETING. EVEN AT THAT, THEY WOULD JUST BE STARTING THEIR BUDGET IN OCTOBER AND THEY CAN COME BACK AND DO BUDGET AMENDMENTS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HIS QUESTION WAS THEY SHOULD HAVE THE QUESTIONS TO THE CONSULTANT BY THE AUGUST BOARD MEETING. MR. HAGAN SAID "YES." THE MAILOUT SHOULD BE DONE BY THEN; BUT, HE DOESN'T THINK THE ANSWERS WILL BE BACK BY THEN.

MR. PITTS ADDRESSED THERE NOT BEING ANYTHING ON THE MSBU SURVEY ABOUT THE LIGHTS ON HIGHWAY 77 BEING MOVED TO RESIDENTIAL AREAS AND HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW IT WOULD NEED TO BE WORDED.

MR. HAGAN SAID THEY WOULD ADD THIS QUESTION UNDER ITEM 8A ON THE MSBU SURVEY. HE ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF IT WOULD BE PERMISSABLE FOR THE BOARD MEMBERS TO LOOK AT THE MSBU SURVEY QUESTIONS AND WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS, GIVE HIM THEIR TOP TEN TO FIFTEEN QUESTIONS. THEN HE WOULD DO SOME KIND OF RANKING ON THE QUESTIONS.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY ADVISED THE COMMISSIONERS COULD GET WITH MR. HAGAN INDIVIDUALLY ON THEIR TOP TEN TO FIFTEEN QUESTIONS.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED WHEN THE SURVEY QUESTIONS WERE SENT OUT AND PEOPLE DON'T RETURN THEM, WOULD THAT BE COUNTED AS A YES VOTE OR NO VOTE.

MR. HAGAN SAID IN HIS OPINION, IT WOULDN'T BE COUNTED. COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REFERRED TO IN THE PAST HE WAS TOLD IF A PERSON DIDN'T RETURN THE SURVEY, IT WAS COUNTED AS A YES VOTE. MR. HAGAN SAID HE HAD BEEN TOLD THIS TOO; BUT, HE HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO VERIFY THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED ISSUES AND ANSWERS WERE GUARANTEEING 400 RESPONSES. MR. HAGAN STATED THAT WAS CORRECT.

SAL ZURICA ADDRESSED AT MONDAY NIGHT'S MEETING, MOST OF THE PEOPLE THERE, THEIR CONSENSUS WAS TO DO AWAY WITH THE MSBU. THE OTHER THING IS THESE QUESTIONS ON THE MSBU SURVEY IS A BIG INSULT TO THE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS. THE BOARD IS MAKING UP THEIR

OWN ANSWERS AND NOBODY KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT IT. NONE OF THE PEOPLE KNOW WHAT THESE QUESTIONS ARE AND THE BOARD IS GOING TO VOTE ON SOMETHING FOR THEM; THAT IS AN INSULT AND IS DISRESPECTFUL TO EVERY RESIDENT IN THAT COMMUNITY. THAT IS THE SAME THING WITH ITEM E THE BOARD VOTED ON AND THEY DIDN'T GIVE ANYBODY A CHANCE TO SAY ANYTHING. HE ASKED WHERE DID MR. HAGAN HAVE THE RIGHT TO CONSULT LEGAL COUNSEL WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE RESIDENTS; THE RESIDENTS ARE PAYING THE BILL NOT MR. HAGAN OR THE BOARD. HE REITERATED THE BOARD WAS BEING DISRESPECTFUL TO EVERY RESIDENT OF THE SUNNY HILLS COMMUNITY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED HOW MANY QUESTIONS WERE THERE GOING TO BE ON THE MSBU SURVEY.

MR. HAGAN SAID HE HAD AN EMAIL FROM ISSUES AND ANSWERS AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MAXIMUM OF TWELVE QUESTIONS; BUT, IF THE BOARD NEEDS A COUPLE OF MORE ON THE SURVEY, HE IS SURE THAT WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE.

MR. HAGAN ADDRESSED MR. ZURICA'S COMMENTS AND NOT TO ENGAGE IN AN ARGUMENTATIVE BEHAVIOR, THE MEETING MONDAY NIGHT WAS FOR THE PEOPLE IN SUNNY HILLS TO COME AND ASK QUESTIONS. MR. ZURICA ASKED QUESTIONS. HE SAID THIS SURVEY HAS BEEN IN THE NEWSLETTER, THE BOARD HAS TALKED ABOUT THE SURVEY SINCE JANUARY OR FEBRUARY AND HE HAS CALLS FROM PEOPLE THAT AREN'T HAPPY WITH IT AND EMAILS FROM PEOPLE THAT ARE HAPPY WITH IT. HE ADDRESSED THE QUESTION CAME UP OVER AND OVER AGAIN ABOUT IF PEOPLE WANT TO GET RID OF THE MSBU. THE CONSENSUS OF 35 PEOPLE DOESN'T SPEAK FOR 1400 THAT LIVES IN THE SUBDIVISION; MAYBE ALL THE PEOPLE THAT WANTED THE MSBU TO GO AWAY WERE THERE AND MAYBE THE MSBU NEEDS TO GO AWAY. HE DOESN'T KNOW. THEY CAN'T GO OUT THERE AND ASK THE RESIDENTS OR THE ABSENTEE LANDOWNERS EVERYTIME A DECISION IS TO BE MADE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. HAGAN TO TAKE TEN OR TWELVE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTIONS AND PUT THEM IN THE PAPER. NO MATTER WHAT THE BOARD DECIDES, THEY ARE GOING TO GET HAMMERED ANYWAY; THE BOARD IS

TRYING TO DO THEIR BEST WITH IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID, AS FAR AS HE KNOWS, THIS IS GOING TO BE DONE RIGHT THIS TIME; THE FIRST TIME, HE HAD A LITTLE DOUBT AND HE STILL DOES. BUT, THE SURVEY IS GOING OUT TO, AND HE WAS GOING TO USE THE FIGURE OF 10,000, AND HE IS TALKING TO THE RESIDENTS OF SUNNY HILLS NOW, SUPPOSEDLY IT COMES BACK THEY DON'T WANT LIGHTS ON THE BOULEVARD. ARE THEY GOING TO TAKE THEM OFF.

MR. HAGAN STATED THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY WILL COME BEFORE THE BOARD AND THEY WILL MAKE THAT DECISION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REFERRED TO MR. PITTS WANTING THE LIGHT ISSUE PUT IN THE SURVEY QUESTIONS AND HE DOESN'T KNOW IF THAT IS A GOOD IDEA; IT CAN FALL THE OTHER WAY.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED THE LIGHTS HE WAS REFERRING TO WAS NOT LIGHTS ON THE BOULEVARD; IT WAS LIGHTS ON HIGHWAY 77.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID PROBABLY 9,000 OR 10,000 PEOPLE DON'T EVEN KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS; BUT, THEY ARE GOING TO VOTE. HE HAS A LOT OF RELATIVES THAT HAS PROPERTY IN SUNNY HILLS; THEY ARE ASKING THEM TO VOTE IN THERE FOR THE CITIZENS THAT ARE LIVING THERE.

MR. ZURICA SAID ALL HE WANTS IS FOR THE PEOPLE TO KNOW WHAT THE QUESTIONS ARE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID WHAT IS GOING ON DOWN THERE NOW IS BASICALLY GENERAL; THE CITIZENS LIVING IN SUNNY HILLS IS NOT GOING TO BE THE GOVERNING ANYMORE. THEY ARE FIXING TO GET A TRUE VOTE FOR MSBU FOR ONE TIME AND HE IS GLAD IT IS COMING.

MR. ZURICA ASKED WHAT IF THE SURVEY COMES BACK TO DO AWAY WITH THE MSBU AND ALL FUNDS ARE TO BE USED FOR DEBT SERVICE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD MR. ZURICA THE BOARD WOULD DO AWAY WITH MSBU IF THE SURVEY COMES BACK SAYING TO DO AWAY WITH IT; MR. ZURICA WILL GET EVERYTHING ELSE THE REST OF THE COUNTY GETS.

MR. ZURICA WAS MAKING REMARKS. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED HIM NOT TO SAY ANYTHING ELSE AND STATED HE WOULD NOT HAVE THE BOARD DISRESPECTING THE CITIZENS AND HE WOULD NOT HAVE THE CITIZENS DISRESPECTING

THE BOARD.

JAMES BROWN, ST. JOSEPH COMMUNITY, ADDRESSED A DRAINAGE ISSUE ON JOE NEEL ROAD. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID MR. BROWN HAD RODE WITH HIM TO THE SITE AND THE COUNTY ENGINEER AND DALLAS CARTER HAD LOOKED AT IT.

MR. BROWN SAID HE DID MEET WITH THEM AND HE BROUGHT IT UP AGAIN AT ANOTHER MEETING AND WAS TOLD THE COUNTY ENGINEER WOULD GET WITH HIM. WHAT IS HAPPENING IS THE WATER IS COMING FROM ALL THE WAY UP BEYOND ST. JOSEPH AND IT IS GOING ON ONE SIDE OF THE ROAD. WHEN THE WATER COMES DOWN, IT COMES ALL THE WAY DOWN BEYOND ST. JOSEPH ALL THE WAY AROUND HIS PLACE AND DOWN BELOW HIS PLACE, THEY HAVE ALL THE WATER DRAINING ON ONE SIDE OF THE ROAD.

MR. PITTS REPORTED THAT CLIFF HAD MADE A COUPLE OF ATTEMPTS TO GET UP WITH MR. BROWN AND MR. BROWN HAS OFFERED TO HELP THE COUNTY OBTAIN SOME RIGHT-OF-WAY NEEDED. HE ASKED MR. BROWN TO GET WITH CLIFF AND HELP THEM GET THE RIGHT-OF-WAY NEEDED TO CORRECT THE DRAINAGE PROBLEM.

MR. BROWN SAID HE HAD CALLED THE ENGINEER. MR. PITTS STATED CLIFF HAD BEEN BY MR. BROWN'S HOUSE AND TRIED TO CALL HIM. IT IS NOT THAT THEY ARE NOT TRYING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE DRAINAGE ISSUE; IT IS JUST A COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEM.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED CLIFF TO GET WITH MR. BROWN SOME TIME TODAY AND ASKED MR. PITTS TO GET UP WITH DALLAS AND LET HIM MEET WITH CLIFF AND MR. BROWN TO FIX THESE PROBLEMS.

BID AWARDS-MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON ONE BID BEING RECEIVED FROM AREL PRODUCTIONS, LLC. FOR \$1200 PER YEAR TO LEASE THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER; AREL HAS AGREED TO FURNISH THE ITEMS THE BOARD HAS REQUIRED THEY FURNISH SUCH AS INSURANCE, ETC.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WANTS TO TRY LEASING THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER BECAUSE THEY HAVE A FACILITY THAT HAS BEEN SITTING DOWN THERE FOR TWO OR THREE YEARS NOW UNATTENDED. HE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED

BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND FOR DISCUSSION TO LEASE THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER TO AREL PRODUCTIONS FOR \$1200 A YEAR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF COMMISSIONER BROCK'S INTENT WAS TO LEASE THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER AS IS. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID "YES." THE COUNTY IS GOING TO CUT THE GRASS AND THERE IS A FEMA PROJECT THAT WILL BE DONE.

MR. PITTS ASKED CLIFF TO EXPLAIN TO THE BOARD WHAT HAPPENED WITH NWFWM D PERTAINING TO THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER. CLIFF EXPLAINED NWFWM D MADE A REPORT ON THE SITE FOUR OR FIVE MONTHS AGO; THE COUNTY ADDRESSED MR. GRANGER'S ISSUES WITH SOME SILT FENCE AND HAY BALES. NWFWM D RECENTLY DID ANOTHER INSPECTION ON MONDAY AND THEY HAVE A NEW INSPECTOR HERE FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MS. JAN DEBOE. MS. DEBOE WAS HAPPY THE COUNTY WAS KEEPING EVERYTHING CONTAINED ON SITE WITH THEIR EROSION CONTROL MEASURES; HOWEVER, HER CONCERN WAS ABOUT THE SAND GOING INTO THE POND AND EVENTUALLY CAUSED IT TO BLOW OUT ON THE BACK SIDE. HE EXPLAINED TO HER THE COUNTY HAD ALREADY BID THE PROJECT OUT; THEY HAVE FEMA PROJECT WORKSHEETS THAT ARE APPROVED BUT THE FUNDS HAVEN'T BEEN OBLIGATED. THE COUNTY'S PLAN WAS TO AWARD THAT CONTRACT AS SOON AS THE FEMA FUNDS WERE OBLIGATED AND SHE WAS SATISFIED WITH THAT. MS. DEBOE ASKED THE COUNTY KEEP A GOOD EYE ON IT TO MAKE SURE THE MEASURES THEY HAVE IN PLACE STAY UP.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN QUESTIONED BY LEASING OUT THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER, WOULD IT AFFECT THE FEMA PROJECT.

CLIFF SAID THE WORK WILL HAVE TO BE DONE ACCORDING TO THE FEMA PW. THEY ARE WAITING ON FEMA TO OBLIGATE THE MONEY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE ONLY PROBLEM HE HAS IS THE LEASE AMOUNT OF \$1200 A YEAR.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE THOUGHT IT WAS COSTING THE COUNTY \$2,000 TO \$4,000 A YEAR FOR THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER TO JUST SIT THERE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THE LEASE BEING PROPOSED IS FOR ONE YEAR; IF THE BOARD DON'T LIKE IT AT THE END OF THE YEAR, THEY CAN

TERMINATE THE LEASE, SHUT IT DOWN AND LOCK IT UP.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE THOUGHT IT SHOULD BE IN THE LEASE THE BIDDER HAS THE OPTION TO RENEW THE LEASE. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID THIS IS ALREADY IN THE LEASE AGREEMENT AND THE BOARD IS ALSO GOING TO HAVE AN OPTION.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED HIM HATING TO SEE SOMEBODY GO DOWN THERE AND WORK HARD BUILDING THAT PLACE UP, PUT TIME AND EFFORT INTO IT AND THEN NOT BE ABLE TO LEASE IT AGAIN.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THAT IS THE CHANCE THE PERSON WOULD BE TAKING. WHAT IF THEY STAY DOWN THERE SIX MONTHS AND TEAR THE PLACE UP.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO ACCEPT THE LEASE BID FROM AREL PRODUCTIONS, LLC. FAILED WITH COMMISSIONER BROCK AND HOLMAN VOTING FOR AND COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND, HOWELL AND PATE OPPOSED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK REITERATED IT IS COSTING THE COUNTY ABOUT \$4,000 FOR THE FACILITY TO JUST SIT THERE; THESE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PICK UP THAT BILL.

MR. PITTS SAID IF IT WAS OKAY WITH THE COMMISSIONERS, HE WOULD GO AND LOCK UP THE FACILITIES, TURN OFF THE POWER, WATER, ETC.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND QUESTIONED WHY COULDN'T THE BOARD ACCEPT BIDS ON SELLING THE EQUESTRIAN FACILITY.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ASKED IF THEY COULD IF IT WAS BUILT WITH GRANT FUNDS. COMMISSIONER PATE SAID IT WAS BUILT WITH COUNTY FUNDS. DAVID CORBIN SAID IT WAS BUILT OUT OF LAND SALES.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE CAN'T BELIEVE THE BOARD IS GOING TO LET A FACILITY SIT DOWN THERE AND ROT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY'S REPORT:

A. THE PAPERWORK ON THE PURCHASE OF THE TWO ACRES OF PROPERTY FROM CY BROWN WILL GET SIGNED LATER TODAY AND HE WILL GET IT TO THE BOARD.

B. ATTORNEY HOLLEY REPORTED ON ISSUES WITH PEOPLE GOING TO NORTHWEST FLORIDA COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND THE INSURANCE COMPANY PAID A CERTAIN AMOUNT AND THERE WAS MORE THAT WAS LEFT OVER. THERE ARE TWO CLAIMS THAT HAVE BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE COUNTY:

1. DEBRA WORTHINGTON-THIS CLAIM HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR A LONG TIME AND THERE IS \$50,000 STILL OWED ON THIS CASE.
2. ALECIA GLOVER-THE INSURANCE COMPANY HAS A CLAIM FOR \$17,297 ON THIS CASE.

HE ADDRESSED THE BOARD COULD DO WHAT THEY WANT TO; THEY HAVE HAD TO PAY SOME OF THESE PREVIOUSLY. THIS IS LEGALLY OWED APPARENTLY; BUT, HE DOESN'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO EXPLAIN WHAT THIS IS FOR.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID THESE PEOPLE WENT TO THE HOSPITAL THE COUNTY OWNS; THE INSURANCE COMPANY PAID A CERTAIN AMOUNT AND A CERTAIN AMOUNT IS STILL OWED AND THEY ARE WANTING THE COUNTY TO PAY IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY WOULD THE BOARD DO THAT. IF HE GOES TO THE HOSPITAL AND HE HAS A BILL, IT IS HIS RESPONSIBILITY TO PAY IT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WOULD FIND OUT FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR EXACTLY WHAT IT IS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK THOUGHT THE BILLS MIGHT HAVE BEEN SENT THERE BY ANOTHER AGENCY; SOMEBODY ELSE IS INVOLVED IN THIS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THESE CLAIMS AND SEE IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER AGENCIES INVOLVED IN IT.

JESSE SASSER COMMENTED THESE CLAIMS WERE BROUGHT TO THE BOARD AT THEIR LAST MEETING BY ATTORNEY HOLLEY WITH THE SAME AMOUNT OF INFORMATION AND HE HAS HAD A MONTH TO INVESTIGATE THE LEGALITIES OF IT. APPARENTLY, HE HASN'T DONE THAT.

MR. SASSER ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF HAD SERVED THE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER HE FILED WITH THE CLERK ON JULY 9TH. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED HE HAD NOT; THE COUNTY IS AWARE OF THIS.

MR. SASSER ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF HE WAS GOING TO FILE IT.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID HE WAS GOING TO DO WHATEVER THE COMMISSIONERS TELL HIM TO DO.

MR. SASSER SAID THE BOARD CLEARLY TOLD HIM AT THE LAST MEETING TO FILE A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID IT HAS NOT BEEN FILED, THE COUNTY IS AWARE OF IT AND THE COUNTY WILL DECIDE WHAT THEY WILL DO.

MR. SASSER QUESTIONED IF THE BOARD WAS GOING TO CONTINUE WITH WHAT THE DIRECTION TO THE ATTORNEY WAS WHEN IT CAME TO A VOTE.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID WHAT TOOK PLACE THIS MORNING THE BOARD IS NOT ALLOWED TO DISCUSS RIGHT NOW.

MR. SASSER SAID HE WAS NOT TALKING ABOUT THIS MORNING. HE IS TALKING ABOUT AN ENVIRONMENTAL VIOLATION AT SIKES PIT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE TENDS TO AGREE WITH MR. SASSER; HE DOESN'T THINK IT HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE COUNTY'S ONGOING LAWSUIT. HE MAY BE WRONG.

ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID BRYAN IS REVIEWING WHAT HE HAS FILED; HE WILL GET WITH HIM ON ANY SUGGESTIONS AND CHANGES.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID OUR PLAN IS TO FILE IT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY SAID AS SOON AS HE HEARS BACK FROM BRYAN; THEY WERE TOLD NOT TO CONTACT SIKES.

MR. SASSER ADDRESSED EVERY DAY YOU DON'T FILE, THE VIOLATION CONTINUES TO GO, MORE SAND GOES OUT OF THE PIT, MORE IMPACT TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND MORE PROBLEMS TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMUNITY. HE SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY IT HAS BEEN POINTED OUT AND PAPERWORK IS THERE STATING HE IS IN VIOLATION AND THE COUNTY IS NOT ABLE TO ENFORCE THEIR OWN LAWS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED DIDN'T THEY DISCUSS THIS AT THEIR LAST MEETING AND DECIDED TO DO AN INJUNCTION.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID "YES" AND NOW THEY ARE REVISING IT TO MAKE IT STRONGER.

MR. SASSER TOLD THE BOARD THEY HAVE CITIZENS IN THE COMMUNITY THAT WERE INTERESTED AND NOW HAVE GOT INVOLVED. THE BOARD'S DECISION

MADE IT CLEAR. THE BOARD HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THOSE CITIZENS AND HELP TELL THEM WHAT IT WAS. THE BOARD OPTED NOT TO DO THAT. IT IS UNFORTUNATE HE HAS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD ON ANOTHER ISSUE TO GET THIS OUT IN THE OPEN SO THE COMMUNITY CAN KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON. IT IS VERY UNFORTUNATE NOW, EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE A MONTH LONGER IN VIOLATING THE CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, VIOLATIONS ARE OCCURRING EVERYDAY. IN HIS LETTER HE WROTE TO THE BOARD, HE TOLD THEM SIKES HAD BEEN SELLING DIRT TO BAY COUNTY AND HAS HAULED AS MANY AS 300 TRUCKLOADS A DAY. THAT IS 600 TRIPS WHICH IS SIX BEYOND THE REQUIREMENT OF THE LEFT TURN STORAGE LANE FL-DOT PERMIT. THE FL-DOT PERMIT IS NOT A VALID PERMIT BECAUSE THE BOARD DENIED HIM ACCESS OFF OF HIGHWAY 77. HE IS IGNORING IT AND IS STILL HAULING MORE DIRT. HE CAN USE HIGHWAY 77 TO THE PROPERTY LINE; THE BOARD STOPPED HIM AT THE PROPERTY. HE ASKED WHY COULDN'T THE BOARD DO AN INTERACTIVE PROPERTY AREA.

COMMISSIONER PATE TOLD MR. SASSER HE WAS GETTING INTO AREAS THEY CAN'T DISCUSS UNTIL EVERYTHING IS SETTLED. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. SASSER THEY COULD NOT ANSWER HIS QUESTIONS. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THEY CAN NOT COMMENT OR ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME. AS SOON AS THEY ARE ABLE TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES WITH HIM AND THE OTHERS TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT WAS DECIDED, THEY WILL INFORM THEM AT THAT TIME. RIGHT NOW, THIS IS NOT GOING ANY FURTHER.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW'S REPORT:

A. RECAPITULATION OF THE 2009 ASSESSMENT ROLL FROM TAX COLLECTOR:

ERRORS	\$ 29,132.46
INSOLVENCIES	33,030.31
DISCOUNTS	424,500.65
TOTAL	486,663.42

COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE BOARD AND CLERK TO SIGN THE RECAPITULATION OF THE 2009 ASSESSMENT ROLL TOTALLING

\$486,663.42. COMMISSIONER HOWELL OPPOSED.

B. 2010-2011 BUDGET INFORMATION-DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW TOLD THE BOARD THEY HAD THEIR BUDGET PACKET, BUDGET, AND BUDGET NOTES. THEY NEED TO MAKE A DECISION ON THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE AND SET THEIR FIRST PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED HOW THE MAXIMUM MILLAGE RATE OF 9.8115 COMPARE TO LAST YEAR. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW STATED IT WAS A LOT HIGHER; THE ROLL BACK RATE IS 9.0913, WHICH IS HIGHER THAN LAST YEAR.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW READ THE BUDGET INFORMATION SHE HAD PROVIDED.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW TO EXPLAIN HOW THEY DERIVE THE MILLAGE RATES. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW ADVISED IT CAME FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE PROPERTY APPRAISER ON THE ASSESSMENTS ON THE DR420 FORM AND A FORMULA USED BY FL-DOR. SHE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY WOULD HAVE TO HAVE A 2/3 VOTE FOR THE ROLL BACK RATE OF 9.0193. CHITO LANDRITO, FL-DOR, ADVISED IT WAS DUE TO THE DECREASE IN ASSESSMENTS OF 5% AND THE CHANGE OF PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME BEING A NEGATIVE AMOUNT.

IF THE BOARD WENT WITH THE 8.9195 MILLAGE RATE, IT WOULD REQUIRE A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD AND THE BOARD WOULD HAVE TO REDUCE THE BUDGET PRESENTED BY \$161,183.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW TOLD THE BOARD WHEN THEY SET THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE, THEY COULD GO LOWER THAN THAT RATE; BUT, THEY COULDN'T INCREASE IT. SHE ALSO ADDRESSED THE PROPOSED BUDGET DID NOT INCLUDE ANY INCREASE FOR HEALTH INSURANCE; THEY WERE GIVEN A QUOTE OF A 7% INCREASE AND THIS MIGHT HAVE COME DOWN TO 5%. SHE DOESN'T KNOW IF THE BOARD IS GOING TO WANT THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO PAY THE DIFFERENCE OR NOT. THE BUDGET COMMITTEE NEEDS DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED IN GENERAL THEY USUALLY ASK THE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS TO CUT THEIR BUDGET; HE THOUGHT LAST YEAR THEY WERE ASKED TO CUT 7% AND MOST OF THEM DID. HOWEVER, THERE WAS ONE OR TWO THAT DIDN'T.

CLERK COOK STATED SHE CUT HER BUDGET.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW INFORMED THE BOARD THERE WERE PLACES THEY COULD CUT THE BUDGET; IT WOULD BE AT THE BOARD'S OPTION IF THEY WANT TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY NEEDED TO HAVE SOME BUDGET WORKSHOPS TO DISCUSS THE BUDGET.

MS. GLASGOW AGREED AND SAID THE BUDGET COMMITTEE HAD DISCUSSED THE NEED TO HAVE A WORKSHOP WITH THE BOARD SOON. THE BUDGET COMMITTEE HAS MET AND THEY NEED GUIDANCE FROM THE BOARD AT THIS POINT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WASN'T READY AT THIS MOMENT TO DECIDE WHICH MILLAGE RATE OPTION TO GO WITH. AFTER DISCUSSION, COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO HAVE A WORKSHOP ON FRIDAY JULY 30, 2010 AT 9:00 A.M. WITH IT TO BE ADVERTISED AS A VOTING MEETING.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW REQUESTED THE BOARD, PRIOR TO THE JULY 30TH MEETING, REVIEW THE BUDGET INFORMATION THEY HAVE BEEN PROVIDED, KNOW WHAT THEY ARE COMING TO THE MEETING FOR AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS THEY ARE WANTING TO MAKE.

PAUL GORDY ADDRESSED THE BOARD QUESTIONING WHAT DO THEY THINK THEY OUGHT TO DO TO BRITISH PETROLEUM ABOUT THE OIL SPILL; THE BOARD DOESN'T HAVE TO MAKE THAT DECISION BUT BP IS GOING TO HAVE TO REALLY TAKE CARE OF THOSE PEOPLE BECAUSE THEY ARE GOING TO DESTROY THE GULF OF MEXICO. HE TOLD THE BOARD THEY HAD AN OIL SPILL WITHIN THIRTY TWO MILES OF CHIPLEY; AN OIL SPILL IS JUST A SYNONYMOUS WORD FOR WHAT THEY ARE DOING IN CRYSTAL LAKE. HE HAS FRIENDS SITTING HERE THAT ARE SAYING THERE IS A FISH KILL AT CRYSTAL LAKE. THE BOARD HAS BEEN WORKING ON CRYSTAL LAKES' PROBLEM SINCE LAST YEAR AND HE HAS ASKED AT LEAST THREE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS TO PLEASE MAKE A DECISION TO PROTECT THE PROPERTY OWNERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. CRYSTAL LAKE HAS MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF INVESTMENTS AROUND THEIR BORDER. HE WENT DOWN THE 4TH OF JULY AND HE HAD NEVER SEEN AS MANY FOLKS ON THE LAKE AND VISITORS HAVING THE BEST TIME IN THE WORLD.

HE SAID IF THE BOARD CAN'T SEE WHAT THAT EXCAVATION BY THE SIKES SAND COMPANY IS DOING TO WASHINGTON COUNTY, THEY ARE BLIND. HE HAS A FRIEND IN KENTUCKY WHO WAS THE FIRST LADY IN THE UNITED STATES TO BE ELECTED TO THE CABINET OFFICER IN THE STATE OF KENTUCKY AS THE ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST. HE TOLD HER ABOUT THEIR SITUATION AT CRYSTAL LAKE AND HE INVITED HER TO COME DOWN AND VISIT SO HE COULD SHOW HER THE LAKE. SHE CAME DOWN TWENTY YEARS AGO WHEN HE OWNED PROPERTY AT CRYSTAL LAKE; HE DOESN'T OWN PROPERTY AT CRYSTAL LAKE NOW. SHE TOLD HIM ONE THING THEY COULD DO IN FLORIDA, SHE PREDICTED THIRTY YEARS AGO FLORIDA HAS A WATER PROBLEM; BUT, CRYSTAL LAKE'S PROBLEM RIGHT NOW YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. SHE ASKED WHY DIDN'T HE INTRODUCE A COUNTY ASSESSMENT FOR EVERY LOAD OF SAND THAT IS TAKEN OUT OF THE COUNTY AND SOLD TO OTHER COUNTIES; THAT WILL HELP THEM WITH THEIR TAX PROBLEM. BUT, THE PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY SAY THE BOARD HAS HAD MORE THAN ENOUGH TIME TO DO THEIR JOB. HE ASKED THE BOARD HOW MUCH MONEY HAVE THEY PAID THEIR LAWYER TO NEGOTIATE. HE ASKED TWO COMMISSIONERS WHEN THEY WERE GOING TO GET A REPORT ON CRYSTAL LAKE AS THEY WERE SUPPOSE TO GIVE A REPORT OCTOBER 12TH AND THIS IS JULY 22ND OF 2010. HE IS NOT MAD AND HE WILL NOT CARRY A GRUDGE. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO GIVE THIS SOME THOUGHTFUL CONSIDERATION. HE WILL PRAY FOR THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE GOING TO NEED ALL THE PRAYER THEY CAN GET TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT FOR THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY. THEY HAVE NO REPRESENTATION BECAUSE THEY HAVE ONLY ABOUT 15,000 VOTES IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THE NEIGHBORS RIGHT AROUND THEM AND THAT IS THE PEOPLE THAT OWNS PROPERTY AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE AND PLEASE DO THE VERY BEST FOR THE PEOPLE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY.

MIKE DERUNTZ, SENIOR PLANNER FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD AND INTRODUCED MR. BOB BURANTE, TPO COORDINATOR WITH WEST FLORIDA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL IN CHARGE OF THE RURAL WORK PROGRAM REPRESENTING WASHINGTON COUNTY. HE REPORTED THE PLANNING COMMISSION DID MEET THIS PAST TUESDAY AND ARE MAKING THE RECOMMENDATION ON FOUR STATE ROADWAYS. HE REQUESTED MR. BURANTE ADDRESS THE BOARD.

MR. BURANTE, WFRPC, ASKED THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE LIST OF PROJECTS TO BE SENT TO FL-DOT TO INCLUDE IN THEIR FIVE YEAR TRANSPORTATION PROJECT LIST.

MR. DERUNTZ READ THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE WCPC WHICH INCLUDES INPUT FROM THE ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT:

1. CROSS-DRAINS SHALL BE PROVIDED ON STATE ROADS (I-10, US 90, SR 77, SR 273, SR 277) AND THEIR INTERSECTIONS WITH ALL EXISTING ROAD. THIS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED IN ORDER TO IMPROVE DRAINAGE.
2. SECTIONS OF STATE ROADS WHERE WEAR TRACKS EXIST SHALL BE RESURFACED. THE COLLECT WATER IN THESE TRACKS CONTRIBUTES TO HYDRO-PLANING AND UNSAFE DRIVING CONDITIONS.
3. INTERSECTION OF STATE ROADS 90 AND 77 IS BADLY WORN AND UNEVEN AND NEEDS TO BE RESURFACED.
4. IMPROVEMENTS TO, WIDENING AND APPROPRIATE MARKING OF STATE ROADS AID IN THE CONTINUATION OF BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN WAYS AND USES ALONG STATE ROADWAYS.
5. THE CONSTRUCTION OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT FACILITIES FOR ALL STATE ROADWAY SYSTEMS.
6. THE CONTINUATION OF "WILDFLOWER BEAUTIFICATION" DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR ALL EXISTING STATE ROADWAYS.
7. WIDENING OF STATE ROAD 77 TO A FOUR LANE ROADWAY

MR. DERUNTZ TOLD THE BOARD, IF THEY HAD ANY ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE ADDED TO THIS LIST OR ALTERCATIONS TO THIS LIST, THAT IS THEIR OPTION AND RIGHT. THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MOTION TO INCLUDE THE RURAL WORKS PROGRAM NEEDS LIST IN THE FDOT FIVE YEAR PLAN.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ASKED WHEN FL-DOT PAVES 79, ARE THEY GOING TO CLIP ANY OF THOSE HILLS BETWEEN VERNON AND BONIFAY; RIGHT AT THE INTERSECTION OF 79 AND 280, THERE IS A BAD INTERSECTION WHERE THERE IS A HILL AND IT IS HARD TO SEE SOMEBODY COMING OVER IT.

MR. DERUNTZ SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO REFER THIS TO THE COUNTY ENGINEER.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE RURAL WORK PROGRAM NEEDS LIST.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RECESSED THE MEETING UNTIL 1:00 P.M.

PURSUANT TO A RECESS, CHAIRMAN HOLMAN CALLED THE MEETING BACK TO ORDER.

MR. PITTS, INTERIM COUNTY MANGER, GAVE HIS REPORT:

A. THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD IS ASKING FOR A REFERENDUM TO BE PLACED ON THE BALLOT IN NOVEMBER TO CONSIDER CONTINUING THE LEVY OF 0.25 MILLS FOR CRITICAL OPERATING NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. IT REQUIRES AUTHORIZATION FROM THE COMMISSION FOR IT TO GO ON THE AGENDA.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE SCHOOL BOARD'S REQUEST TO PUT THE CONTINUATION OF THE 0.25 MILLS FOR CRITICAL OPERATING NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT.

B. THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD HAS ASKED TO PLACE SY CHANCE ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION TO REPLACE JOE TAYLOR.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD'S REQUEST TO PLACE SY CHANCE ON THE WCPC TO REPLACE JOE TAYLOR.

C. A LETTER FROM DALLAS CARTER AND ROBERT HARCUS REQUESTING THEY BEGIN WORKING ON FEMA ON WEEKENDS AGAIN. MR. PITTS EXPLAINED THE BOARD HAD PREVIOUSLY DECIDED TO NO LONGER WORK OVERTIME TO DO FEMA WORK. THE COUNTY IS STILL IN THE SAME CONDITION; NO MORE FUNDS HAVE BEEN OBLIAGATED THAN WHAT WAS AT THAT TIME. HE TALKED TO DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW THIS MORNING AND SHE INFORMED HIM THEY WERE STILL KIND OF AT THE LIMITS OF WHAT THEY CAN SPEND ON SALARIES IN PUBLIC WORKS. HE PERSONALLY DIDN'T KNOW HOW THEY COULD CONTINUE OVERTIME WORK ON FEMA AT THIS TIME.

MR. PITTS EXPLAINED, COME OCTOBER WHEN THE FEMA WORK EXPIRES, IF THE COUNTY HASN'T DONE SOME OF IT, THE FUNDS WILL PROBABLY NEVER BE OBLIGATED. THEY DO NEED TO MAKE SOME PROGRESS ON THE FEMA WORK. HE SUGGESTED WORKING ON FEMA PROJECTS FOUR DAYS A WEEK.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT THEY OUGHT TO PUT ONE CREW TOGETHER AND LET THEM DO FEMA WORK AND LET THE OTHER EMPLOYEES WORK EVERYWHERE ELSE IN THE COUNTY. THEY CAN'T STOP DOING MAINTENANCE ON ALL THEIR OTHER ROADS JUST TO DO FEMA WORK.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID WHEN THE CREWS ARE IN HIS DISTRICT, THE FEMA WORK IS ALL THEY WORK ON. THE COUNTY HAS TO GET THE FEMA WORK DONE AND THEY DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY THEM OVERTIME; HE DOESN'T KNOW WHY THEY DON'T DO IT DURING REGULAR WORK HOURS AND SCHEDULE THEIR WORK.

MR. PITTS SAID THE FEMA WORK HE UNDERSTANDS NEEDS TO BE DONE IS PUTTING CLAY, ETC. ON THE ROADS. COMMISSIONER PATE AGREED IT WAS MOSTLY PULLING DITCHES AND PUTTING CLAY ON THE ROADS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE THOUGHT THERE WAS QUITE A BIT OF FEMA PW'S THAT HAVE BEEN DONE THAT HAVE BEEN INVOICED; THE COUNTY JUST HASN'T RECEIVED THE FUNDING. FEMA HAS THE FUNDING FOR THESE INVOICES; BUT, THE COUNTY HASN'T GOTTEN IT.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID THESE INVOICES HAVE JUST BEEN SUBMITTED TO FEMA AND REMINDED THE BOARD THEY HAD A \$1.2 MILLION LOAN FROM A CONTRACTOR THEY HAVE TO PAY; IF NOT, THEY WILL HAVE TO PAY THE

FINANCE CHARGES. SHE SAID IF THEY HAVE \$600,000 COMING, THEY OWE \$1.2 AND THEIR SALARIES IS ALREADY OVEREXPENDED IN TRANSPORTATION. SHE AGREES ROAD AND BRIDGE NEEDS TO WORK ON THE FEMA PROJECTS BECAUSE THEY NEED THAT MONEY COMING IN TO COVER THAT LOAN.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THE BOARD DOESN'T HAVE TO SHUT DOWN THE WHOLE MAINTENANCE CREW TO HAUL DIRT ON THE ROADS FOR THE FEMA PROJECTS. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN RECOMMENDED ROAD AND BRIDGE WORK ON FEMA DURING REGULAR WORKING HOURS. COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND PATE AGREED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF SALARIES ARE PAID BY FEMA. DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID THEY WILL BE WHEN THEY GET THE FEMA FUNDS; BUT, RIGHT NOW IT IS COUNTY FUNDS AND IT IS OVER. SHE REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER BROCK HAVING COMMENTED LEGISLATURE WOULD TAKE CARE OF OBLIGATING THE FUNDS IN MAY AND THEY STILL HAVEN'T.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WOULDN'T THAT ROADBLOCKED STILL IN WASHINGTON; THEY AREN'T GOING TO TURN THAT LOOSE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID IT HAS BEEN PASSED TWICE; THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE PASSED IT. THERE WERE TWO DIFFERENT BILLS, THERE WAS A CONTROVERSY AND THEY DIDN'T MATCH. IT WENT INTO CONFERENCE AND THE HOUSE IS SUPPOSE TO ACT ON THIS IN AUGUST; THEY GOT DELAYED A MONTH BECAUSE OF THE OIL SPILL IS WHAT HE WAS TOLD.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW SAID THEY HAD \$49,000 IN THE PUBLIC WORKS SALARY LINE ITEM FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR. HOPEFULLY, THEY WILL GET REIMBURSED FROM FEMA.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. PITTS IF HE UNDERSTANDS THE BOARD CORRECTLY, IT IS THE PLEASURE OF THE BOARD TO WORK ON FEMA HAULING DIRT AND PUTTING IT DOWN ON THE ROADS DURING THEIR FOUR DAY WORK WEEK. THERE WILL BE NO FRIDAY OR SATURDAY WORK AT THIS TIME.

COMMISSIONER BROCK WANTED IT UNDERSTOOD, IF YOU HAVE ROADS BAD ENOUGH TO HAVE MAINTENANCE, THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO DO IT; YOU CAN'T LEAVE IT FULL OF POTHOLE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THAT WOULD BE UP TO WHOEVER IS RUNNING THAT CREW; THEY KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO BE

DONE.

D. MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FISHKILL IN CRYSTAL LAKE. DAVID AND HIS CREW WENT THIS MORNING AND THEY ONLY FOUND TWO FISH DEAD IN CRYSTAL LAKE. HE KNOWS A LOT OF THE DEAD FISH MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF BY THE VULTURES; BUT, HOPEFULLY IT IS GETTING BETTER WITH ONLY TWO BEING FOUND.

MR. PITTS SAID THEY HAVE ASKED WATER SPIGOT TO GO AND DO WATER QUALITY TEST ON THE WATER. FISH AND WILDLIFE SAY THEY ARE QUITE SURE IT IS LACK OF OXYGEN CAUSING THE FISHKILL IN CRYSTAL LAKE.

E. MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON HE AND MR. HAGAN MEETING WITH THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY LAST THURSDAY NIGHT AND OPENED THE MEETING TO ALL THE FIRECHIEFS AND IT WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. HE THOUGHT IT WAS A VERY GOOD MEETING AND IT WENT VERY WELL. THEY ASKED TO MEET BACK FRIDAY MORNING WITH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WITH HE AND ROGER. THEY MET FRIDAY MORNING AND THEN MET AGAIN ON MONDAY MORNING. HE FELT LIKE THEY HAVE A CONTRACT NOW THE BOARD WILL GO ALONG WITH. IT WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE FIRECHIEFS; IF THE FIRECHIEFS APPROVE IT, HE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE IT TO THE BOARD AT THEIR AUGUST MEETING.

MR. PITTS ASKED STACY WEBB TO UPDATE THE BOARD ON THE GRANT APPROVAL FOR MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD.

STACY REPORTED SHE HAD RECEIVED VIA EMAIL THE CONTRACT FROM FL-DOT FOR THE SCOP PROGRAM FOR MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD TO MILL AND RESURFACE MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 77 TO THE END OF PAVEMENT INCLUDING WIDENING FROM 18' TO 22' AND A VARIETY OF SAFETY UPGRADES. SHE ADDRESSED THERE BEING NO MATCH REQUIREMENT; THE GRANT IS FOR \$315,810. IT HAS COME BEFORE THE BOARD PRIOR. SHE ASKED THE BOARD'S APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH THE SIGNATURE OF THE RESOLUTION AND THE CONTRACT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THEY WOULD BE DOING ANY MILLING ON MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD. CLIFF SAID "NO."

MR. PITTS SAID HE THOUGHT MILLING WAS THE ORIGINAL PLAN WHEN THEY SUBMITTED THE GRANT; THIS WAS BEFORE THE BOARD DID THE REPAIRS TO THE ROAD DUE TO SAFETY CONDITIONS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO WIDEN THE ROAD TO 22'.

CLIFF SAID THEY WERE GOING TO TRY TO; THEY ONLY HAVE \$315,810 TO DO THE ENTIRE PROJECT. THEY WILL PROBABLY PUT IT OUT FOR BID TO WIDEN IT 22'; BUT, THEY WILL PROBABLY HAVE THIS AS AN ALTERNATE. HE ADDRESSED THERE ARE STORM WATER ISSUES TO ADDRESS WITH THE CULVERTS THERE, HEADWALLS THEY WILL NEED TO BUILD AND THE ROAD IS 18' NOW, WHICH IS VERY NARROW. IT IS ALSO GOING TO REQUIRE QUITE A BIT OF EARTHWORK BECAUSE THERE IS HARDLY ANY SHOULDERS ON THE ROAD RIGHT NOW; WHEN YOU GO WIDEN FROM 18' TO 22', THEY END UP MOVING OUT ALL THEIR SHOULDERS AND BUILDING ALL THEIR SHOULDERS. WHEN HE SAYS THEY ARE GOING TO TRY TO WIDEN THE ROAD TO 22', THEY ARE GOING TO DO THEIR BEST TO GET A 22' ROAD WITHIN BUDGET. HE EXPLAINED THIS WOULD BE A CHALLENGE AND \$315,000 IS NOT A LOT OF MONEY TO GET THIS PROJECT DONE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED HOW LONG THE MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD PROJECT WAS. CLIFF THOUGHT IT WAS 1.9 MILES.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED IF FL-DOT WAS AWARE OF THE OTHER PROBLEMS ON MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD AND QUESTIONED COULDN'T THEY INCREASE THEIR FUNDING.

CLIFF SAID FL-DOT WAS THE ONES THAT CAME UP WITH THE PRICING ON THE PROJECT.

DEPUTY CLERK GLASGOW QUESTIONED WOULDN'T THIS A 50/50 MATCH ON THE SCOP GRANT. STACY REITERATED THERE WAS NO MATCH.

COMMISSIONER BROCK QUESTIONED WHAT GRANT WAS DOING BETHEL ROAD, SHELL LANDING, ETC. HE WAS TOLD IT WAS A SCRAP GRANT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED SHAKEY JOE ROAD IN COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND'S DISTRICT THAT IS TERRIBLE AND IT HAS TWO CHURCHES ON IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THIS ROAD WAS DISCUSSED WHEN THEY PUT IN HICKS/LUCAS ROAD AND CLAYTON. THEY TALKED ABOUT SHAKEY JOE AND BROWN STREET NEEDED TO BE RESURFACED.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY HAVE WILDERNESS ROAD, OLD BONNET POND, SHAKEY JOE; BASICALLY ALL THE SECONDARY HIGHWAYS HAVE BEEN REPAVED EXCEPT THOSE THREE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THEY TALKED ABOUT IT AND THEY WENT BY THE MATRIX EXCEPT FOR CLAYTON. THOSE ROADS THAT ARE BEAT UP LIKE MONROE SHEFFIELD OUGHT TO BE RESURFACED BEFORE THEY PAVE ANYTHING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE SCOP GRANT FOR MONROE SHEFFIELD ROAD.

COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT:

A. CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE FINAL CHANGE ORDER ON THE INDUSTRIAL PARK ACCESS ROAD; THERE WAS SOME ADDITIONAL DEMULKING, INSTALLED A CONCRETE TYPE C BOX OVER A MONUMENT THAT IS IN THE CENTER OF THE ROADWAY AND IN THE BIDS THEY HAD THE SIDEWALKS SET UP FOR REPLACEMENT BECAUSE THERE WASN'T ENOUGH RIGHT-OF-WAY TO PUT IN THE WATER AND SEWER DOWN PECAN STREET WITHOUT TEARING UP THE SIDEWALKS. THEY WERE ABLE TO SECURE A 10' EASEMENT SO THEY COULD PUT THE UTILITIES OUTSIDE THE SIDEWALKS; BUT, IN DOING SO THEY NEED TO REPLACE THE CHAIN LINK FENCES. BASICALLY THEY ARE SUBTRACTING OUT THE COST OF THE SIDEWALKS AND REPLACING THAT COST WITH CHAIN LINK FENCES. THE FINAL CHANGE ORDER ON THE PROJECT IS \$38,936 AND THERE IS MORE THAN ENOUGH IN THE GRANT TO COVER THIS CHANGE ORDER. THEY WILL STILL HAVE EXCESS FUNDS THEY ARE GOING TO TRANSFER TO THE RAIL SPUR PROJECT. TED COURT WITH FL-DCA IS ANXIOUS TO DO THAT SO HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY TIME FRAME ISSUES. WITH THIS CHANGE ORDER, THEY WILL HAVE AN EXACT NUMBER FOR TED TO TRANSFER TO THE RAIL SPUR PROJECT.

COMMISSIONER PATE ASKED WHERE THEY WERE AT WITH THE PROBLEM

THEY WERE HAVING ON THE RAIL SPUR FUNDING.

TED EVERETT UPDATED THE BOARD ON THEM BEING LOCKED IN AT \$2,000,000 FROM THE STATE. THEY ARE READY TO GO TO FL-DEP AND ONCE THEY GET THROUGH WITH FL-DEP, THEY WILL BE TALKING TO THE STATE. HE THINKS FOLEY WAS TOLD THEY NEEDED TO DROP SOME FOOTERS ON THE PROPERTY TO RELEASE THE STATE FUNDS. FOLEY SAID THEY WERE READY TO SPEED UP THE PROJECT IF THAT IS WHAT IT IS GOING TO TAKE.

CLIFF REPORTED HE HAD RECEIVED THE SITE PLAN FROM FOLEY AND HE UNDERSTANDS THEY HAVE JUST ABOUT FINISHED ALL THEIR STORMWATER DESIGN. THEIR ENGINEER IS SUPPOSE TO BE FINALIZING THEIR PACKAGE SO HE WILL BE IN A POSITION TO BE ABLE TO MEET WITH FL-DEP STORMWATER AND DREDGE AND FILL AT THE SAME TIME. HE IS THE ONE SCHEDULING THE MEETING AS SOON AS THE ENGINEER TELLS HIM HE IS READY.

COMMISSIONER PATE OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND AND CARRIED TO APPROVE OF THE FINAL CHANGE ORDER ON THE INDUSTRIAL PARK ACCESS ROAD FOR \$38,936 FOR DEMULKING, INSTALLATION OF CONCRETE BOX OVER MONUMENT AND CHAIN LINK FENCE.

DAVID ADDRESSED AFTER THE ACCESS ROAD GOT PUT IN, IT LEFT HIM WIDE OPEN WITH HIS EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS AT THE SOD FARM AND HE HAS NO WAY TO LOCK UP NOW. HE ASKED IF THERE WAS ANYTHING IN THE GRANT TO SECURE THE SOD FARM PROPERTY.

CLIFF EXPLAINED THE FENCING AT THE SCHOOL IS BEING REPLACED ALONG THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE ENTRANCE ROAD SO THE SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED BACK OFF LIKE IT WAS BEFORE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED IF THEY COULD PUT UP A GATE. CLIFF SAID ONCE THEY FENCE OFF THE SCHOOL, THEY CAN PUT A GATE UP AT THE ENTRANCE.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS FOR CLIFF TO ADD A GATE TO THE CONTRACT.

B. NRCS-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE NRCS PROJECTS; THEY ARE ADVERTISED AND THERE IS A MANDATORY PREBID NEXT WEDNESDAY AND THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY THEY ARE PLANNING ON AWARDING THOSE CONTRACTS. THE BIDS WILL BE OPEN ON AUGUST 4TH. SANDY MEANS, NRCS, IS GLAD THE PROJECTS ARE ADVERTISED AND THE BOARD IS MOVING FORWARD; SHE HAS TO DO A REVIEW OF THE BIDS AFTER THEY ARE TABULATED. AS SOON AS MS. MEANS GIVES HER APPROVAL, CLIFF REQUESTED THE BOARD AUTHORIZE MR. PITTS TO AWARD THE PROJECT IF THEY ARE WITHIN BUDGET SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THE NEXT COMMISSION MEETING TO AWARD THEM.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PATE AND CARRIED TO AUTHORIZE MR. PITTS TO AWARD THE NRCS PROJECTS IF THEY ARE WITHIN BUDGET.

C. TIGER II GRANT-CLIFF UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE GRANT BEING IN THE \$3.5 MILLION TO \$3.7 MILLION RANGE. THERE IS A PRE-APPLICATION PACKAGE THAT WILL BE GOING INTO THEM TOMORROW AND THEN THEY SCHEDULE PRE-APPLICATION MEETINGS AFTERWARDS. THE GRANT IS FOR THE WASHINGTON BOULEVARD EXTENSION.

CLIFF REQUESTED THE BOARD CONSIDER CONTACTING THEIR LEGISLATORS AFTER THE PROJECTS ARE SUBMITTED TO MAKE SURE THEY KNOW HOW IMPORTANT THIS PROJECT IS TO WASHINGTON COUNTY.

MR. PITTS UPDATED THE BOARD ON A LEASE AGREEMENT THEY HAVE WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS ON THE PROBATION AND PAROLE BUILDING; IT EXPIRES JULY 31ST AND THEY DIDN'T GET THE LEASE AGREEMENT RENEWAL TO HIM UNTIL JULY 12TH. THERE IS NO WAY HE COULD RECOMMEND THE BOARD SIGN THE LEASE AGREEMENT AND AGREE TO IT. THERE WAS NO INCREASE; THEY ARE PROPOSING THE SAME RENT THEY HAVE BEEN PAYING FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. THE LEASE AGREEMENT GOES INTO DETAIL OF THE COUNTY DUSTING LIGHT BULBS, VACUUMING AIR CONDITION GRILLS, CLEANING CARPET, ETC. HE FEELS THIS PROBABLY HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN THE LEASE AGREEMENT AND THE COUNTY

WOULD PROBABLY BE SAFE UNTIL SOME NEW PERSON COMES IN AND WANTS TO GO RIGHT BY THE CONTRACT AND THAT IS WHAT HE IS AFRAID OF. MR. PITTS WOULD PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A COPY OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT FL-DOC IS PROPOSING.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAD VOTED ON THE ROAD DEPARTMENT BEING CLOSED DOWN THE WEEK OF THE 4TH OF JULY. HE GOT A PHONE CALL THE DAY BEFORE THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE SAYING THEY NEEDED TO WORK TO PUT DOWN PIPE. HE TOLD THEM "NO;" BUT, APPARENTLY ANOTHER COMMISSIONER GOT IT APPROVED. A LOT OF PEOPLE AT THE ROAD DEPARTMENT IS MAD BECAUSE THE BOARD VOTED ON NOBODY WORKING; THEN, THEY GOT A HANDFUL THAT WORKED ONE DAY. HE RECOMMENDED THAT ONE DAY, EVERYBODY GETS THEIR TIME. THE REST OF THEM WORKED, IT WAS A HAND PICKED CREW AND HE TOLD THEM "NO." HE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE BOARD WAS AWARE OF THAT OR NOT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED WOULD'T THE EMPLOYEES ALLOWED TO WORK BECAUSE A HEADWALL PIPE WAS PUT IN SO THE CONTRACTOR COULD START PAVING MONDAY MORNING. MR. PITTS SAID THAT IS WHAT HE WAS TOLD.

COMMISSIONER BROCK EXPLAINED IT WAS A PIPE CREW THAT PUT IN THE PIPE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THERE WERE ABOUT SIX PEOPLE THAT WENT INTO WORK THAT DAY AND GOT PAID FOR TEN HOURS. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN PUT IN THE PIPE FOR IT.

MR. PITTS SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW HOW LONG IT TOOK THEM TO PUT IN THE PIPE; BUT, THEY WENT AND DONE THAT ON TUESDAY MORNING HE THOUGHT. ON SUNDAY HE HAD CROSSED THAT CUT ON PIONEER ROAD WHERE THEY HAD REPLACED A CULVERT AND HE CALLED TRAMPASS THAT TUESDAY MORNING AND TOLD HIM ON THEIR WAY OUT TO RIVER ROAD TO STOP BY AND DRESS UP THAT CUT. TO HIM, IT IS NO DIFFERENT HAD TRAMPASS NOT BEEN OUT ALREADY, HE WOULD HAVE CALLED SOMEBODY OUT TO COME DO THAT. HE SURELY WOULDN'T HAVE CALLED OUT FIVE PEOPLE. IT WAS AN EMERGENCY AND NEEDED TO BE TAKEN CARE OF. THAT WAS KIND OF THE WAY WHEN HE WAS

ASKED ABOUT GETTING A CREW TO DO THAT ON RIVER ROAD IT WAS AN EMERGENCY SO THEY WOULDN'T HOLD UP THE PAVING CREW COME MONDAY MORNING. THAT SAME WEEK, THERE WAS A WASHOUT SOMEWHERE ELSE AND HE HAD TO CALL BILLY OUT TO PUT UP BARRICADES. HE HAD TO CALL BILLY OUT AGAIN OVER THE PAST WEEKEND.

MR. PITTS SAID HE KNOWS WHAT COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND IS SAYING AND THE GUYS ARE UPSET; BUT, THEY NEED TO UNDERSTAND THEY ARE EXPECTED TO WORK WHEN THE COUNTY NEEDS THEM TO WORK. THE COUNTY IS NOT OBLIGATED TO HAVE THEM WORK ALL THE TIME AND THEY WORK AT THE BOARD'S PLEASURE.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND ADDRESSED SOME OF THEM THAT WORKED HAD TIME AND SOME OF THEM DIDN'T.

MR. PITTS SAID TRAMPASS PROBABLY GOT WALKED OVER ON THAT; HE WAS THE JUNIOR SUPERVISOR. HOWEVER, MR. PITTS SAID FROM TAMPA HE DIRECTED TRAMPASS TO GET WITH DEBBIE AND FIND OUT WHAT GUYS DIDN'T HAVE TIME TO USE THAT WEEK AND TRY TO COMPENSATE THEM SOME.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE EMPLOYEES BROUGHT IT TO HIS ATTENTION; THE BOARD VOTES ON THINGS UP HERE BUT THEY SURE DON'T FOLLOW THROUGH WITH IT.

JESSE SASSER SAID HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY COMMISSIONERS ARE VOTING ON WHEN SOMEBODY WORKS OVERTIME OR EXTRA TIME. THE BOARD SHOULD HAVE SUPERVISORS IN CHARGE WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE THOSE KIND OF DECISIONS AND FOR THE COMMISSION TO INTERJECT IN IT AS HAS BEEN DONE HERE ONLY ADDS TO MORE CONFUSION IN THE WORKFORCE. HE KNOWS ABOUT THIS BECAUSE HE WAS IN CHARGE OF A WORKFORCE FOR 22 YEARS IN LEON COUNTY; THE COMMISSIONERS DIDN'T TELL HIM WHEN TO WORK HIS PEOPLE OVERTIME OR NOT. THAT WAS HIS DECISION AND HIS RESPONSIBILITY AND HE STOOD UP TO THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES; IF THE COMMISSIONERS DIDN'T LIKE HIS DECISION, THEY HAD THE ABILITY TO ELIMINATE HIM. HE MADE IT FOR 22 YEARS.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID SOME OF US ARE TRYING TO UTILIZE THE CHAIN OF COMMAND. THE SUPERVISORS AT PUBLIC WORKS HAS SOMEONE TO ANSWER TO

AND THAT IS MR. PITTS UNTIL THE BOARD DOES SOMETHING DIFFERENT AND MR. PITTS ANSWERS TO THE BOARD. THEY ARE TRYING TO KEEP THE COMMISSION OUT OF THE EVERYDAY PRACTICING OF SUPERVISING OR WHATEVER; THEY ARE TRYING TO KEEP THAT FROM HAPPENING. BUT, IN SOME CASES HE CAN'T TELL A COMMISSIONER WHAT TO DO JUST LIKE THEY CAN'T TELL HIM WHAT HE CAN DO AND NOT DO. THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN TELL THEM WHAT TO DO WOULD BE THE GOVERNOR. THE BOARD CAN MAKE A POLICY HERE OR CHANGE IT; BUT, STILL SOME OF THEM AREN'T GOING TO ABIDE BY IT.

MR. SASSER SAID, IF IN FACT WHAT OCCURRED IS WHAT MR. STRICKLAND SAID, THE BOARD DID NOT WORK AND A BOARD MEMBER ASSERTED THAT AUTHORITY AND HE DIDN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO THAT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID IT WAS THE UNDERSTANDING THE PIPE HAD TO BE PUT IN BECAUSE MONDAY MORNING THE PAVING CREW WAS GOING TO COME TO RIVER ROAD. THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN MR. PITTS CALL.

MR. SASSER SAID IF THE BOARD HAS A POLICY GIVING MR. PITTS THAT RESPONSIBILITY, THEN THERE SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ANY COMMISSIONER INPUT ANYWAY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND FOR THE RECORD, AGREED WITH WHAT WAS SAID ABOUT COMMISSIONERS SHOULDN'T BE IN THE ROUTINE BUSINESS EVERY DAY, HE IS RIGHT. HE HAS BEEN ON THE BOARD FOR FIVE YEARS AND THE LAST 4.5 YEARS, ROBERT HARCUS HAS BEEN TAKING CARE OF ALL HIS BUSINESS IN DISTRICT I WHEN IT COMES TO THE ROAD DEPARTMENT. FOR THE RECORD, HE HAS ALWAYS DONE HIM A GOOD JOB. FOR ANOTHER RECORD, HE ASKED MR. PITTS, AS LONG AS HE HAS BEEN SITTING IN THAT SEAT HE HAS NOW, WHO DID HE SEE THE LEAST OF TELLING HIM WHAT TO DO.

MR. PITTS TOLD COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HE CERTAINLY DIDN'T INTERFERE WITH HIS JOB.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND REITERATED THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HAS NO BUSINESS IN THE DAILY ROUTINE OF THE COUNTY; WE ARE SETTING HERE TO SET THE RULES AND THE POLICY AND HELL WE CAN'T DO THAT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF A CITIZEN CALLS HIM WITH A COMPLAINT, WHO DOES HE TURN THE COMPLAINT IN TO.

MR. PITTS SAID IT DEPENDS ON WHAT THE COMPLAINT IS; IF HE WANTS TO BRING IT TO THE TOP, BRING IT TO HIM. IF IT IS A ROAD COMPLAINT, IT SHOULD GO TO THE ROAD DEPARTMENT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY KEEP SAYING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HAS NO BUSINESS IN IT AND HE GETS CALLS EVERY DAY AND EVERY NIGHT AND ASKED WHAT DID HE DO WITH THOSE CALLS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK TO TELL THE PEOPLE TO CALL PUBLIC WORKS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID TELL THEM TO CALL SOMEBODY ELSE; BUT, YET YOU GET OUT THERE AND ASK FOR THEIR VOTE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE IS OUT THERE NOW ASKING FOR VOTES AND HE TELLS THE PEOPLE THEN THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE SUPPOSE TO DO.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID YOU ARE TELLING THE PEOPLE YOU CAN'T DO IT; GO TALK TO SOMEBODY ELSE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY HAVE PEOPLE THEY ARE PAYING TO DO THEIR JOBS AND THEY OUGHT TO BE DOING IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID PEOPLE COME UP HERE ALL THE TIME AND SAY I HAVE TALKED TO HIM, I HAVE TALKED TO THIS ONE AND THAT IS WHY I AM HERE TO ASK YOU ALL.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED HE KEEPS TELLING THE BOARD IT IS THE LACK OF MANAGEMENT IN THE PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE, LACK OF SOMEONE BEING IN CHARGE OF DOING THE DAY TO DAY THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE. HE WONDERS WHY DIDN'T THEY GET NAN THOMPSON'S PIPE REPLACED A YEAR AGO WHEN THEY VOTED TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE MAN JUST TOLD THE BOARD THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE MONIES FOR THE MATERIALS. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY HAD IT A YEAR AGO; THEY ALL HAD THE MONEY A YEAR AGO AND THEY COULD HAVE POOLED THEIR MONEY AND DID IT. IT IS NO EXCUSE NOT TO HAVE MONEY; THEY FIND MONEY ALL THE TIME TO DO STUFF AND THERE IS NO REASON THEY CAN'T BUY A PIPE TO PUT UNDER THAT ROAD.

COMMISSIONER PATE ADDRESSED HIM HAVING AN ISSUE COME UP WHERE PEOPLE WERE BOGGING DOWN IN THE ROAD AND HE DIDN'T CALL ANYBODY OUT

TO FIX IT. HE CALLED DAVID TO SEE IF HE HAD ANY CONES AND WENT HIMSELF TO PUT THEM UP, PUT SOME TAPE AROUND IT, BLOCKED IT OFF AND GOT THROUGH IT UNTIL THE WEEKEND WAS OVER.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THE BOARD HAS SAID YOU CAN'T DO THAT. COMMISSIONER PATE STATED HE DIDN'T GET SOMEBODY ELSE TO DO IT; HE WENT AND PUT THE CONES OUT HIMSELF. HE DIDN'T CALL SOMEBODY ELSE OUT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID WASHINGTON COUNTY IS A HUGE COUNTY. THE GRASS NEEDS CUTTING, THE TRASH NEEDS PICKING UP, ETC.; WHO REPORTS THIS. I AM A WORKING COMMISSIONER AND I TELL THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY THAT IS WHAT I RUN FOR TO WORK FOR THE PEOPLE AND I GET OUT HERE AND WORK FOR THE PEOPLE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED BROCK IF HE WANTED TO PICK UP THE TRASH. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE SEES THE TRASH GETS PICKED UP; HE DON'T HAVE TO SEE IT LAY THERE FOR WEEKS AND WEEKS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED HIM WHICH CREW HE CALLS TO DO THAT. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE CALLED MR. CORBIN AND HE DOES A GOOD JOB AND THE WORK GETS DONE; BUT, SOMEBODY HAS GOT TO DO IT BECAUSE DAVID CAN'T DO IT BY HIMSELF. HE HAS TO HAVE HELP.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID MR. CORBIN HAS SOMEBODY DIRECTING HIM TO DO IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE BOARD LAST MONTH TALKED ABOUT BUYING SOME MOWERS. HE ASKED ROGER IF HE STILL NEEDED TO BUY SOME MOWERS AND ARE WE GOING TO BUY SOME MOWERS. ROGER SAID "YES."

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION TO BUY SOME MOWERS TO CUT GRASS IN SUNNY HILLS. MR. PITTS INFORMED THE BOARD THIS DIDN'T REQUIRE A MOTION; HE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE THEM.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED EVERYBODY COMPLAINS ABOUT THIS MSBU MONEY AND HOW THE COUNTY ABUSES IT. THE BOARD DOESN'T ABUSE IT; THEY SPEND MONEY ON WHAT THEY ARE ALLOWED TO SPEND MONEY ON TO BUY THINGS TO SUPPORT THAT OPERATION. THERE IS NO FUNNY BUSINESS GOING ON. HE WILL BE GLAD TO SIT DOWN WITH ANYBODY AND TALK ABOUT

THE MSBU BUDGET.

MR. PITTS REPORTED THE PURCHASING POLICY GIVES HIM THE AUTHORITY TO SIGN UP TO \$10,000 AND IT GIVES TWO OPTIONS ON THE WAY TO PURCHASE THINGS ABOVE \$10,000:

1. FOR IT TO BE ADVERTISED WITH SEALED BIDS AND IF THIS IS DONE, IT REQUIRES BOARD APPROVAL.

2. THE POLICY ALLOWS TO GET THREE QUOTES AND FOR THE COUNTY MANAGER TO AWARD THE QUOTE.

MR. PITTS SAID AT THE MSBU MEETING, THERE WAS A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THERE WANTING TO PUT THE MOWING OUT FOR CONTRACT; HE DOESN'T THINK THAT WILL EVER HAPPEN NOR HE DOESN'T THINK THEY CAN GET IT DONE FOR THE COUNTY'S PRICE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO FILL THE MSBU POSITION. MR. PITTS SAID THEY HAD ALREADY ADVERTISED THE POSITION AND ARE SCHEDULING INTERVIEWS NOW.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL UPDATED THE BOARD ON SINGER ROAD; THEY DIDN'T GET TO HAVE THEIR MEETING WITH BAY COUNTY THIS PAST WEEK BECAUSE HE HAD A CONFLICT AND COULDN'T GO. THEY WILL CONTINUE WORKING WITH THEM ON SINGER ROAD AND TRY TO GET SOME HELP OUT OF BAY COUNTY WITH THE ROAD. THE MAJORITY OF THE ROAD IS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND IF THEY DO SOMETHING WITH THAT ROAD THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO GET RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM THE LOCAL RESIDENTS. HE REQUESTED BOARD APPROVAL TO MOVE FORWARD WITH HAVING A PUBLIC MEETING DOWN THERE, TALK WITH THOSE PEOPLE TO SEE IF THERE IS ENOUGH INTEREST FOR THEM TO GIVE THE COUNTY ENOUGH RIGHT-OF-WAY TO BE ABLE TO BUILD THAT ROAD SO THEY CAN MAINTAIN IT PROPERLY AND GET IT BACK OFF THOSE TELEPHONE POLES BEING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD OR A THIRD OF THE ROAD. THAT ROAD IS ON A POWER COMPANY EASEMENT AND THE POWER COMPANY HAS AGREED TO LET THE COUNTY STAY ON AN AREA OF 25'; BUT, THEY ARE PROBABLY GOING TO NEED 40' FROM THE PROPERTY OWNERS TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN THE ROAD AND HOPEFULLY SOMEDAY PAVE IT.

THE BOARD'S CONSENSUS WAS TO APPROVE FOR COMMISSIONER HOWELL

TO MOVE FORWARD WITH HOLDING A PUBLIC MEETING WITH THE CITIZENS ON SINGER ROAD TO SEE THE INTEREST IN THEM DONATING PROPERTY TO THE COUNTY FOR ADDITIONAL RIGHT OF WAY IN ORDER FOR THEM TO BUILD THAT ROAD SO THEY CAN MAINTAIN IT PROPERLY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE BOARD HAVING DISCUSSED A PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AT VARIOUS MEETINGS AND HE FELT THEY DO NEED SOMEBODY AT PUBLIC WORKS. HE URGED THE BOARD TO THINK ABOUT PUTTING THIS POSITION IN THE BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ADVERTISING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION AND FILL THAT POSITION. COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THIS WAS INCLUDED IN THE BUDGET WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL STATING IT WAS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF MR. PITTS WANTS TO APPLY OR ANYONE THAT WANTS TO APPLY WILL CERTAINLY BE ABLE TO DO THAT. HE FELT THE COUNTY NEEDS A STRONG COUNTY MANAGER TO RUN AND LEAD THE COUNTY; NOT TO SAY THAT MR. PITTS HASN'T DONE A GOOD JOB. HE HAS BEEN REAL PLEASED WITH MR. PITTS AND HE HEARD SOME GOOD THINGS FROM THE MEETING IN SUNNY HILLS THE OTHER NIGHT THAT MR. PITTS DID WHICH HE WAS REALLY PROUD TO HEAR IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE INMATE CREWS; THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE TWO CREWS EXCEPT COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND HAS ONE CREW. THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO FILL COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND'S INMATE CREW POSITION OR THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HELP HIM WITH THEIR CREWS.

COMMISSIONER BROCK FELT IT SHOULD BE FILLED WITH COMMISSIONER HOWELL AGREEING. IF THEY SEE THIS CAN'T BE DONE IN THE BUDGET, COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HELP COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND WITH THEIR CREWS. HE HAS SENT ONE OF HIS CREWS TO SUNNY HILLS LAST WEEK AND THEY SPENT THE WHOLE WEEK IN THERE. THIS NEEDS TO BE RESOLVED.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THE CONTRACT WITH C. W. ROBERTS THE COUNTY IS TO PAY. THE COUNTY NEEDS TO SAVE EVERY DIME THEY CAN. THEY SIT HERE AND TALK ABOUT MONEY EVERY MONTH; IT GETS OLD BUT WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH, IT IS HARD TO SPREAD IT AROUND TO DO THINGS. THERE ARE SOME THINGS THEY CAN DO IN THE UPCOMING BUDGET YEAR TO ELIMINATE THINGS; THEY HAVE GOT TO SHOW THE PUBLIC THEY ARE WILLING TO DO THOSE THINGS AND THE BOARD HAS TO BE THE FIRST ONES TO DO THAT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED THE BOARD TO THINK ABOUT THEIR SALARY AND THEIR EXPENSE MONEY THEY ARE GETTING BECAUSE THEY NEED TO DO SOME CUTTING THERE.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THEY COULD DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE SALARY; IT IS SET BY THE STATE. COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID THEY DON'T HAVE TO ACCEPT IT.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID HE DIDN'T SEE ANYBODY TURNING THEIR CHECK BACK IN TO THE COUNTY WHEN THEY GET THEIR CHECK.

COMMISSIONER PATE REFERRED TO COMMISSIONER HOWELL BRINGING UP A COUPLE OF THINGS HE WAS GOING TO ADDRESS. HE ADDRESSED HE AND COMMISSIONER BROCK STILL HAD A PROJECT THEY HAVE GOT MONEY ON; BUT, THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO TRY AND GET IT FINANCED BECAUSE THEY ARE HAVING PROBLEMS MAKING PAYMENTS ON THESE OTHERS HERE. HE THOUGHT THEY NEED TO THINK OF EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO MAKE SURE THEY GET THE BID IN WITH THE MONEY THEY HAVE AND NOT FINANCE ANYMORE THAN THEY HAVE TO IF THEY FINANCE ANYTHING.

MICHAEL STEPHENS, OSTRICH LANE, ADDRESSED THE BOARD STATING IT TOOK THIRTEEN YEARS FOR THE COUNTY TO COME CUT HIS CULVERT DITCH AND THEY HAVE DIVERTED ALL THE WATER FROM FALLING WATERS ROAD TO HIS POND. THEY CAME OUT WITH A TRUCK TO FILL SOME DIRT; THE MAN THAT DUG THE DITCH FILLED THE OLD DITCH WITH TREES. THIS SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN DONE. HE ASKED HOW LONG WAS IT GOING TO TAKE HIM TO HAVE THE COUNTY COME AND CLEAN HIS DITCH OUT TO QUIT FLOODING HIS LAND AND AT LEAST KEEP IT BUSHHOGGED LIKE THEY DO THE REST OF

THE DITCHES AROUND HIS NEIGHBORHOOD.

COMMISSIONER HOLMAN TOLD HIM HE WOULD COME BACK AND BRING HIM SOME DIRT WHEN IT DRIED UP; ALL THEY NEED TO DO IS BRING THE BACKHOE, CLEAN THE DITCH OUT AND USE THAT DIRT TO FILL UP WHERE CHRIS PUSHED TREES IN THE OLD DITCH.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID MR. STEPHENS TOLD THEM THEY COULD DO THAT AND PUT DIRT OVER IT AND THEY MOVED THE DITCH WHERE HE WANTED IT. THE DITCH HAS BEEN CLEANED OUT AND MR. STEVENS HASN'T SAID NOTHING ELSE.

MR. STEPHENS REFERRED TO WHEN THE TRUCK GOT STUCK AND CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD HIM AS SOON AS IT DRIED UP, HE WOULD BRING HIM SOME MORE DIRT. HE TOLD MR. HOLMAN IF HE WOULD BRING HIM SOME DIRT, HE WOULD USE HIS TRACTOR AND FRONT END LOADER.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THAT IS WHAT THEY TRIED TO DO IN HELPING MR. STEPHENS WITH THE DIRT; BACK IT UP JUST ENOUGH TO DUMP IT SO MR. STEPHENS COULD MOVE IT HIMSELF. THEY TORE A TRUCK UP TRYING TO HELP STEPHENS AND HE HASN'T HEARD NOTHING FROM HIM SINCE.

MR. STEPHENS SAID FOR THE SIMPLE REASON MR. HOLMAN TOLD HIM AS SOON AS IT DRIES UP, HE WOULD BRING HIM SOME MORE DIRT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REITERATED THEY BROUGHT MR. STEVENS SOME DIRT. MR. STEPHENS SAID THEY BROUGHT HIM ONE LOAD OF DIRT AND GOT STUCK AND THEY TORE THE DUMPTRUCK UP; MR. HOLMAN SAID THAT DAY AS SOON AS IT DRIES UP, WE WILL BRING YOU SOME MORE DIRT. THE DITCH HASN'T BEEN CLEANED OUT SINCE IT WAS DUG; NOW THE WHOLE BOTTOM, 50' OF IT, IS ALL SAND AND IS LEVEL AS HIS PASTURE. EVERYTIME IT RAINS HARD FROM THE TOP OF FALLING WATERS IT COMES THROUGH SCOTT DUNNAVAN'S LAND TO DUNS VINEYARD TO HIS PROPERTY AND IT DEADENDS. HE IS GETTING ALL THE WATER FROM THERE TO HIS LAND.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ADDRESSED THERE BEING TWO DIFFERENT DRAINAGE ISSUES THERE; WHEN HE WORKED AT PUBLIC WORKS, HE CAN REMEMBER WATER GOING THROUGH THOSE DITCHES AND THROUGH THEM TWO AREAS.

MR. STEPHENS SAID IT WASHED THE OTHER END OUT AND THAT IS WHERE

THE LADY HAD A WRECK. WHEN THE OTHER COMMISSIONER WAS IN OFFICE, HE TOOK A 54" PIPE OUT AND PUT A 24" IN TO CARRY ALL THE WATER FROM FALLING WATERS TO HIS PROPERTY AND THAT WON'T CUT IT. DALLAS SAID IT WOULDN'T CUT IT; IT NEEDS TO BE DUG UP AND A BIGGER PIPE PUT IN. ALL HE IS ASKING NOW IS NO DIRT, BRING BACKHOE OVER AND CLEAN THE DITCH OUT, TAKE THE DIRT AND LAY IT ON THE BANK NEXT TO HIS LAND AND IT WILL STOP IT FROM FLOODING HIS PASTURE OUT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN INFORMED MR. STEPHENS UNLESS THEY HAVE AN EASEMENT AND UNLESS THIS BOARD APPROVES HE CAN TAKE A BACKHOE ON HIS PROPERTY, HE IS NOT GOING TO DO IT.

MR. STEPHENS SAID HE HAD BEEN ASKED FOR AN EASEMENT FIVE YEARS AGO; HE TOLD DALLAS HE WOULD SIGN AN EASEMENT AND DALLAS HAD SAID HE WOULD BRING HIM ONE TO SIGN AND HE DIDN'T.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. STEPHENS HE COULD CLEAN THE DITCH OUT UP TO HIS FENCE; ANYTHING OVER THAT, THE BOARD WILL HAVE TO TELL HIM HE CAN DO IT.

MR. STEPHENS SAID THEN HE HAD A LEGAL RIGHT TO BRING IN TEN DUMP TRUCK LOADS OF DIRT, BLOCK IT UP 2' PAST THE COUNTY EASEMENT AND OSTRICH LANE WILL BE OSTRICH LANE AND HE WILL GO OUT THE OTHER WAY.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN TOLD MR. STEPHENS IF THAT IS WHAT HE WANTS TO DO, DO IT.

MR. STEPHENS SAID CHAIRMAN HOLMAN PROMISED HIM HE WOULD COME CLEAN THE DITCH OUT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID WITH ALL THE COMMOTION GOING ON, UNLESS MR. STEPHENS GIVES HIM AN EASEMENT AND THIS BOARD TELLS HIM HE CAN GO IN THERE AND CLEAN IT UP BECAUSE THERE IS PEOPLE HERE TODAY IF HE WERE TO GO TOMORROW AND PUT A BACKHOE ON STEPHENS' PROPERTY, EVEN THOUGH HE HAS AN EASEMENT FROM STEPHENS, HE WOULD GET HAMMERED AND THERE ARE PEOPLE IN HERE THAT WOULD BE HAMMERING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE COUNTY DUG THE DITCH AND IF SO, WHY DON'T THEY HAVE AN EASEMENT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THE COUNTY DID DIG THE DITCH. MR. STEPHENS

AGREED TO SIGN AN EASEMENT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN REQUESTED MR. PITTS TO TAKE CARE OF THIS AND GET WITH MR. STEPHENS AFTER THE MEETING. MR. STEPHENS ASKED HOW LONG WAS IT GOING TO TAKE BEFORE THE PROBLEM IS FIXED. COMMISSIONER HOLMAN SAID HE WASN'T GOING TO SAY IT WOULD BE FIXED MONDAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK AND HOWELL TOLD MR. STEPHENS JUST AS SOON AS HE SIGNED THE EASEMENT, THEY WOULD GET THE DITCH CLEANED OUT. MR. STEPHENS SAID HE WOULD SIGN IT TODAY.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ASKED IF THE EMPLOYEE FOR COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND THEY DISCUSSED WAS IN THE BUDGET. THE BOARD INFORMED COMMISSIONER BROCK THEY WERE STATE OFFICERS.

DAVID CORBIN SAID THERE WERE TWO STATE CREWS AND THEY GOT ONE BACK; COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND'S WAS THE LEAST SENIORITY SO THEY TOOK THAT CREW.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THE REASON HIS OFFICER HAD THE LEAST SENIORITY WAS HE WAS IN THE TOWN OF WAUSAU AND HE DONE SOMETHING WRONG AND THEY PUT HIM OFF ON HIM AND HE TOOK HIM; NOW THE DOC HAS TOOK THE OFFICER FROM HIM.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE ISSUE AT LEISURE LAKES WHEN THE COUNTY BUILT THE ROAD AND SHOVED DOWN THIS LADY'S TREES; HE SAID THIS HAS BEEN SHOVED TO THE SIDE AND THE COUNTY WAS WRONG.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ADDRESSED THERE BEING A LAWSUIT ON THIS ISSUE. THEY CAN'T SEEM TO SIT DOWN AND TALK WITH MRS. WOMACK AND SEE WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. MS. WOMACK WANTS A VINYL FENCE AND THEY AREN'T GOING TO BUY HER A VINYL FENCE AS COMMISSIONER FINCH DIDN'T PROMISE HER A VINYL FENCE. HE PROMISED HER A WIRE FENCE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL WENT AND MET WITH MS. WOMACK OVER A YEAR AGO AND TOLD HER EXACTLY WHAT THE BOARD WOULD DO AND ALL SHE WOULD HAVE TO DO IS PRODUCE A DEED TO THE CORNER LOT SHE SAID SHE HAD BOUGHT. SHE HAS NEVER PRODUCED THE DEED FOR THAT PROPERTY; IT STILL SHOWS ANOTHER MAN OWNS IT.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID HE THOUGHT MR. HERBERT WROTE HER A LETTER OUTLINING EXACTLY WHAT SHE NEEDED TO DO AND MS. WOMACK DIDN'T DO ANYTHING; THE NEXT THING HE KNOWS THE BOARD GETS A LETTER FROM THE LAWYER.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED ATTORNEY HOLLEY IF THERE WAS ANYTHING MOVING ON THAT. ATTORNEY HOLLEY STATED THERE WAS NO SUIT PENDING TO HIS KNOWLEDGE.

COMMISSIONER BROCK ADDRESSED THE ROAD IN EBRO BY THE POST OFFICE; THE STATE PUT THIS ROAD IN AS A ALTERNATE ROAD FOR TRAFFIC WHEN HIGHWAY 20 WAS BUILT. THE CONTRACTOR JUST PAVED LAST WEEK A NEW PIECE AND HE SAID SOMETHING ABOUT POSSIBLY GETTING THAT STREET PAVED WHEN HE COMES THROUGH THERE.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID LAST YEAR COMMISSIONER BROCK WAS GOING TO GET A PRICE FROM A CONTRACTOR TO SEE WHAT IT WOULD COST TO PAVE THE STREET.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF HE WAS ALLOWED TO DO THAT; HE DOESN'T KNOW IF HE IS GOING TO DO IT OR THE ADMINISTRATOR. NOW THEY ARE GOING BACK TO A COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND WHAT HE IS SUPPOSE TO DO.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL TOLD COMMISSIONER BROCK HE COULD ASK THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO GET A PRICE. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE WOULD GET A PRICE TO RESURFACE OBIE STREET IN EBRO. HE REITERATED IT WAS AN ALTERNATE USED OFF OF HIGHWAY 20 TO HIGHWAY 79 TO REROUTE TRAFFIC WHENEVER THEY DID HIGHWAY 20 MANY YEARS AGO.

JESSIE SASSER QUESTIONED IF THE ROAD WAS NEEDED; IF NOT ABANDON IT. IF IT HAS BEEN LIKE THAT FOR TWENTY FIVE YEARS AND NO PROBLEMS, MR. SASSER SAID THIS PRETTY MUCH TELLS HIM THERE IS NO NEED FOR IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK UPDATED THE BOARD ON THERE BEING A LADY IN COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND'S DISTRICT THAT HAS HAD SURGERY THAT HAS CANCER AND SHE NEEDS HELP BADLY GETTING HER DRIVEWAY REPAIRED. HE ASKED THE BOARD TO ALLOW THE COUNTY ONE TIME TO GO IN THERE AND PUT SOME DIRT IN THE GULLY THAT IS IN THE LADY'S DRIVEWAY AND FIX IT. IT IS ABOUT 150' OFF THE ROAD. HE PUT THIS IN FORM OF A MOTION.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED HOW MANY LOADS OF DIRT WOULD IT TAKE. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID IT WOULD TAKE ONE OR TWO LOADS.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SUGGESTED THE COMMISSIONERS PURCHASE THE DIRT NEEDED.

ROBERT HARCUS SAID THAT ROAD USE TO BE PART OF BRACKINS ROAD; THE COUNTY HAS ALWAYS MAINTAINED IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK AGREED IT WAS A COUNTY ROAD; BUT, SOMEBODY TOOK IT OFF THE LIST. HE SAID THE LADY HAD BREAST CANCER AND HAD BOTH BREASTS TAKEN OFF; SHE WAS STARTING CHEMO RIGHT NOW AND THERE IS A BAD GULLEY ABOUT 150' OFF HER DRIVEWAY.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL QUESTIONED IF THE LADY DIDN'T HAVE A NEIGH-BORN THAT WOULD SPREAD DIRT FOR HER OR ANYTHING. COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID HE DIDN'T SEE ANY HOUSES AROUND; IT IS ON BRACKINS ROAD AND HE THOUGHT THAT WAS THE ONLY HOUSE HE SAW.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL ASKED THE LADY'S NAME; SOMONE SAID TYSON.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL SAID IF THE ROAD IS NOT ON THE COUNTY'S ROAD MAINTENANCE LIST, THEY DON'T MAINTAIN IT RIGHT.

ROBERT HARCUS SAID HE DIDN'T KNOW IF THE FOOTAGE ON THAT ROAD MIGHT BE ON THE COUNTY MAINTAINED LIST. COMMISSIONER HOWELL AND PATE AGREED IF IT IS A COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD, THEY DIDN'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT; BUT, IF IT IS NOT, THEY DON'T NEED TO BE ON IT.

COMMISSIONER BROCK SAID THEY GO AND APPROVE OF HAULING DIRT TO A FUNCTION FOR TRACTOR PULLING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY; THEY HAULED DIRT TO ORANGE HILL FOR A FUNCTION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. THEY DO THIS ALL THE TIME; THE DIRT THEY HAUL ACTUALLY GOES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AND THE BOARD APPROVES IT. ALL HE IS ASKING IS TO HAUL

A COUPLE OF LOADS OF DIRT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. THEY JUST HAULED A BUNCH OF DIRT THIS YEAR OFF OF WILDERNESS ROAD ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AT JOHN PAUL COOKS FOR THE TRACTOR PULL. SO THEY ARE ALLOWED TO HAUL IT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND SAID THEY WAS DOING THIS FOR THE TRACTOR PULL EVER SINCE HE WORKED WITH THE COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN ASKED MR. PITTS TO SEE THE DITCH ON OSTRICH LANE GETS CLEANED OUT IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS THE CREWS COME INTO HIS DISTRICT; MAKE SURE NONE OF THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS DON'T CALL DALLAS AND NEED A LOAD OF DIRT OR NEED SOMETHING. ALL THE EQUIPMENT THAT IS FURNISHED THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, STARTING MONDAY, IS TO STAY IN HIS DISTRICT UNTIL HE GETS EVERYTHING DONE HE NEEDS TO GET DONE. MAKE SURE QUAIL HOLLOW GETS DONE, BUCKHORN GETS ADDRESSED AND GETS DONE.

MR. SASSER COMMENDED THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE WORK THEY DO. THEY ARE DOING SOMETHING HE WON'T DO. HE RECOMMENDED THE BOARD ASK THEIR COUNTY ATTORNEY TO DEVELOP A POLICY TO ALLOW THEM TO PUT DIRT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY THAT IS WITHIN THE LAW.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID HE DIDN'T MIND HELPING PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY THAT NEEDS HELP; THEY HAVE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY THAT ARE NOT RICH LIKE MR. PATE AND MR. HOWELL. THEY DON'T HAVE THE MONEY THEY DO; BUT, THEY HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE HURTING THAT ARE ON FIXED INCOME AND THEY DO NEED TO HELP THEM BECAUSE THEY DO VOTE FOR THEM.

MR. SASSER SAID IF THEY HAVE POLICY, THEY WOULDN'T BE UP HERE DISCUSSING THIS MATTER.

CHAIRMAN HOLMAN SAID THAT PROBABLY WOULD SETTLE THE ISSUE OF THE BOARD GETTING HAMMERED ALL THE TIME.

MR. SASSER SAID IF THEY HAD THE POLICY AND IT WAS IMPLEMENTED THEY WOULDN'T HAVE TO BE DISCUSSING IT AMONG THEMSELVES IN A PUBLIC FORUM. THE COMMISSIONER'S JOB IS TO DEVELOP POLICY.

COMMISSIONER PATE SAID THEY HAVE A POLICY; BUT, THEY DON'T FOLLOW IT. CHAIRMAN HOLMAN STATED 50' IS AS FAR AS THEY CAN GO.

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KATHY FOSTER COMPLIMENTED MR. PITTS ON THE WAY HE HANDLED AN
INCIDENT OUTSIDE THE MSBU MEETING.

COMMISSIONER HOWELL OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER
PATE AND CARRIED TO ADJOURN.

ATTEST: _____
DEPUTY CLERK

CHAIRMAN

• Bill Howell

DATE: July 21, 2010

TO: Honorable Chairman & Members of the Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Jesse C. Sasser, Resident
5130 Pine Ridge Drive Chipley, Fla.

COPIES TO: Gerald Holley, County Attorney
Emory Pitts, County Administrator
Diane Glasgow, Deputy Clerk

WASHINGTON COUNTY
BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
2010 JUL 22 PM 1:07

I want to applaud the Commissioners for your recent action regarding the continuing Environmental and Code violations at the Sikes Sand Pit. This was a much needed and long overdue response to the lack of concern displayed by Mr. Sikes in following the existing Sand Pit permit and code requirements, the failure to obtain a Stormwater Management Permit for his expansion of the Sand Pit after October, 2007, and his complete disregard for the Crystal Lake Community with his destruction of the natural vegetative buffer along Crystal Lake Drive.

By the time you read this letter I hope the Circuit Court would have rendered a decision on the "cease and desist" injunctive order that you recorded with the Clerk of Court on July 9, 2010. However, I have been advised by an attorney that until the order has been served it is not effective. It is frustrating to us all that the clear direction of the County Commission is consistently obstructed, including violations of original sand pit permit and the lawful decision to deny the expansion of the pit. Regardless of the outcome of this injunction, I respectfully request that you consider the following recommendations.

First, I implore that you **STOP** the settlement negotiations that you are about to continue during the "Shade Meeting" scheduled for July 22, 2010 based upon Mr. Sikes' flagrant and continuous violations of your permit conditions and requirements.

Second, I recommend that you, **again**, vote to deny the Special Exception Permit Application dated January 5, 2007 based on the above reasons plus several other issues that are/should be in question.

- 1.) Can Mr. Sikes mine resources other than sand?

Answer: NO. According to all permits that Mr. Sikes has applied for or received – he has limited the resource to **SAND**.

- a. FDEP Bureau of Mine Reclamation Mining Permit # 98-OR-01, dated December 24, 1997, specifically limits the mining operation to **SAND**. (Attachment # 1)
- b. Excerpt from Washington County Commission Meeting Minutes dated March 26, 1998 approving Special Exception request to the expansion of the adjacent **SAND** Mining Activities. (Attachment # 2)

- c. Washington County Special Exception dated January 5, 2007, again requests expanding the limits of the adjacent **SAND** mining activities. (Attachment # 3)

- 2.) Is Mr. Sikes mining resources other than **SAND** as he requested in these Permits?

Answer: YES. Staff of NFWFMD visited the site on December 10, 2009 and confirmed that Mr. Sikes was excavating the intermediate confining shell layer and cautioned him that it was not District's regulatory purview, but he should take extra precautions when siting petroleum facilities on the site.

- a. Letter dated 12-16-09 from NFWFMD points out that Mr. Sikes is currently "**mining the intermediate confining unit between the surficial sands and the Floridan Aquifer**". (Attachment # 4)
- b. In my investigation into this issue it was confirmed, by FDOT personnel involved in the certification of mining operations for materials that meet FDOT standards for road construction that Mr. Sikes has requested for his "shell based" material to be classified as road base material for FDOT projects. Thus far his attempts to get this material approved by FDOT have failed. I am told that he has also approached Bay County, seeking their use of this material. This information is available through a public information request if the Commission desires to verify.

- 3.) Can Mr. Sikes legally mine other materials?

Answer: NO. Based on the Applications for both the County Special Exception permit and the FDEP Bureau of Mine Reclamation it is legal to mine other materials if requested and as long as appropriate precautions are undertaken and permits are obtained.

- a. Minutes from April 26, 2007 County Commission Meeting recorded in book 78, page 231, line 18 – Nora Clark, a Professional Hydrologist hired by Mr. Sikes stated "...Nothing in Sikes operations penetrates from the Intermediate Aquifer or anywhere close to the Floridan Aquifer. (Attachment # 5)
- b. Letter to FDEP dated February 2, 1998 stating that "Limerock and other materials are not removed." (Attachment # 6)

- 4.) What is Mr. Sikes real intentions regarding this mining operation?

Answer: Mr. Sikes is obviously intent on deriving whatever monetary value there is in his mining operation. Whether it's legal, permitted, authorized, ethical or not. This has been his mode of operation not only on this pit at Crystal Lake but another mining operation in Bay County on S. R. 22 and probably numerous others that I'm not aware. He goes in and

mines all the valuable resources and walks away without complying with the FDEP Bureau of Mine Reclamation requirements'. It's obvious to any layperson by his actions that this Crystal Lake Sand Mine Operation will end the same way once it becomes non-profitable to mine the resource. Had Mr. Sikes been honorable and sincere in his promises to the community and the Commission there would have been activities that addressed some of the concerns of the residents.

Actions are louder than words, but there have been no actions by Mr. Sikes except to do what is profitable for him at the time. For instance, the most recent violation that Mr. Sikes committed is evidently driven by the requirement to provide sand to repair an improperly constructed Stormwater Retention Facility at the new airport recently opened in Bay County. Obviously, the required volume of sand caused him to "jump the gun" on the negotiated settlement agreement that you are purportedly about to ratify. It appears he does not respect your authority or the power to enforce your decisions.

It is important to remember that your **original denial** of his Special Exception request was **supported by law** when the Circuit Court ruled in the County's favor regarding Mr. Sikes' lawsuit against the County (Case No. 67-07-CA-234). Your decision to protect the citizens of Crystal Lake Area was proper, lawful, and upheld by the Circuit Court. I believe the Commission erred when it asked the Court to vacate its order and allow the County and Mr. Sikes to continue settlement negotiations. None of us likes to litigate, and we understand the costs to do so can be great. However, the legitimate interests of those families who own homes near the sand pit are very real, and will be permanently affected by your decisions. Please be steadfast in protecting the people you have pledged to serve.

It's apparent that this government is cognizant the community's desire to make improvements to our Quality of Life as is evidenced in the 2010 cycle of amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

Your vote to cease further negotiations and to deny the current Special Exception request **again** will require Mr. Sikes to resubmit his application once he has corrected his environmental and code violations. At which time he will be required to comply with the new Comprehensive Plan requirements.

This is one final tidbit of information that I just became aware of. Today residents have reported a "Fish Kill" at Crystal Lake to the Fish and Wildlife Commission's Fish Kill Hotline. All information reported to this hotline is recorded and is available upon request. Among the questions that are asked is "is there any major construction activity occurring close to the lake?" Of course the reply was yes and the follow-up comments of the Hotline representative (Catalina Brown) after "googling" the Sand Pit site was that it could have an impact on the microbial organisms if his activity was affecting the Floridan Aquifer.

Thank you for considering the information that I have provided you in this letter. I hope that it proves beneficial in that it provides you documented information that you may not know or have forgotten in making these critical decisions you are about to undertake.

JCS/jcs
w/ attachments

FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
BUREAU OF MINE RECLAMATION
2051 EAST DIRAC DRIVE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32310

DNR Use Only

File No. _____

BMR Code 98-OR-01

NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE OR MINING OTHER RESOURCES

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete the following and submit to the Bureau of Mine Reclamation at the above address.

I, H.L. Sikes, the undersigned authorized agent for the operator, Sikes Pipe Co., Inc., hereby notify the Executive Director of the Department of Natural Resources that said operator will continue mining operations at an existing (old) mine after January 1, 1989, began mining operations at a new mine after October 1, 1986, or intends to begin mining operations at a new mine, as follows (Check only one box for each mine.):

	New	Old	Mine Name
1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sikes Pipe Sand Mine
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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13.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
14.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

NOTE: Continue this list on another sheet, if needed.

In support of this notification, I offer the attached general information and a signed acknowledgement of the reclamation performance standards in section 378.803, Florida Statutes, as set forth in chapter 16C-39, Florida Administrative Code.

December 24, 1997

Date

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Bureau Of Mine Reclamation

Authorized Agent

H.L. Sikes, President

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From	To	Co.	Phone #
Sally Casey			
Dept.			Fax #
			6-695-8417

Attachment # 1

PART I.

1. Operator:

a. Street Address: 1901 East 15th Street 32405 *from on 2/16*
b. Mailing Address: P.O. Drawer 35189 32412 *2164 Highway 20 Panama City, FL 32409*
c. City, State & ZIP: Panama City, Florida *same*
d. Telephone Number: 850 / 763 - 2811 *773-3894 Lee Magese mine mgr. 832-3334 Lee Magese Cell 72*

2. Parent Company, Corporation, etc.:

a. Name: Sikes Pipe Co., Inc.
b. Street Address: 1901 East 15th Street 32405
c. Mailing Address: P.O. Drawer 35189 32412
d. City, State & ZIP: Panama City, Florida
e. Telephone Number: 850 / 763 - 2811

3. Authorized Agent:

a. Title/Position: H.L. Sikes, President
b. Street Address: 1901 East 15th Street 32405
c. Mailing Address: P.O. Drawer 35189 32412
d. City, State & ZIP: Panama City, Florida
e. Telephone-Number: 850 / 763 - 2811

PART II. Complete page 5 of this form for each mine. Page 5 may be copied, as needed, or additional copies may be requested from the bureau.

PART III. Provide one or more recent aerial photographs that clearly indicate the location of each existing or future mine. Aerial photographs obtained from the county Property Appraiser's office, a commercial source, or through the Department of Transportation, Bureau of Topography, are acceptable.

PART IV. Read and sign the following Acknowledgment of Reclamation Performance Standards:

RECLAMATION PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

The following standards shall apply to all surface areas disturbed by mining operations in new mines and in existing mines after January 1, 1989:

(1) Completion Dates for Reclamation Activities. All reclamation activities shall, to the extent possible, be coordinated with resource extraction and in any event shall be initiated at the earliest practicable time.

(a) Contouring shall be initiated and completed no later than one year after the calendar year in which mining operations cease for any given area. The executive director shall waive this requirement for any reasonable length of time when necessary to prevent the unacceptable contamination of the resource being extracted.

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(b) Revegetation activities shall be initiated as soon as practical and completed no later than one year after the calendar year in which the final contours are established in an area and revegetation activities would not interfere with mining operations.

(c) Reclamation activities through revegetation shall be completed within three years of the cessation of mining operations at the mine.

(d) If mining operations temporarily cease at a mine for more than 12 months:

1. The operator shall elect one of the following options:

a. The requirements of subsections (4)-(7) below shall begin immediately and be completed at a rate of at least 1000 feet of shoreline or dry pit wall per three-month period; or

b. The operator shall post a bond or other surety in an amount reasonably related to the cost of completing reclamation and for the period of time the initiation of reclamation will be delayed, both of which shall be acceptable to the executive director; or

c. The operator shall begin reclaiming an equivalent amount of nonmandatory land at the rate specified in subsubparagraph a. above.

2. Compliance with the requirements of subparagraph 1. above shall be tolled by the length of time that a temporary cessation results from attempts to obtain necessary permits for operations.

3. The executive director shall waive the commencement of the requirements in subparagraph 1. above for good cause for the length of time necessary, up to a maximum of one year.

(e) If mining operations cease, for whatever reason, for more than two years at a mine, then all of the requirements of this section shall be met. This period shall be extended for a maximum of five years when the cessation of mining is caused by governmental action during the review of environmental permit applications. However, the executive director shall direct the operator to complete those reclamation activities necessary to protect the public health and safety.

(f) The requirements of paragraphs (d) and (e) above shall be suspended upon the resumption of mining.

(2) Consistency with Local Ordinances. Reclamation activities shall be consistent with all applicable local government ordinances at least as stringent as the criteria and standards contained in this section.

(3) Surface Drainage and Groundwater Requirements. Reclamation shall achieve the stormwater drainage, wetlands, and other surface and groundwater management requirements of the Department of Environmental Regulation and the appropriate water management district.

(4) Safety. Provisions for safety to persons, wildlife, and adjoining property must be provided. BARBWIRE WILL NOT STOP CHILDREN

(a) Site cleanup.

1. All lands shall be reclaimed to a neat, clean condition by removing or adequately burying, where allowed by law, all visible debris, litter, junk, worn-out or unuseable equipment or materials, as well as all poles, pilings, and cables.

2. Large rocks and boulders shall be placed at the base of pit walls to the extent practical to provide fill for establishing acceptable slopes; otherwise, they shall be placed in common locations at the surface or buried to a minimum depth of four feet.

(b) Structures. All temporary buildings, pipelines, and other man-made structures shall be removed with the exception of those that are of sound construction with potential uses that are compatible with the reclamation goals.

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(5) Final Slopes. The final slopes shall be at such an angle as to minimize the possibility of slides and shall not exceed the natural angle of repose of the material being mined.

(a) The reclaimed slope shall be no steeper than two horizontal feet to one vertical foot, unless the operator chooses to calculate the slope by one of the following acceptable methods:

1. If the material being mined is sand, the maximum reclaimed slope shall be calculated using the angle of repose of the product stockpile. The angle of repose is defined as the slope angle of the product stockpile measured along an undisturbed portion of the pile. Given a vertical component of one unit, the corresponding minimum horizontal component of the reclaimed slope shall be calculated by dividing 1.5, the minimum acceptable factor of safety, by the tangent of the angle of repose of the sand stockpile.

2. For all other resources, the steepest reclaimed slope shall be calculated by determining the angle of repose of the actual material being mined and applying a minimum factor of safety of 1.5. The angle of repose and the factor of safety shall be determined using standard geotechnical engineering practices.

(b) In mines resulting in lakes the reclaimed slope shall extend from the top of the mine wall to a depth of five feet below the water surface and shall not exceed the steepest slope allowed by (a) above.

(6) Contouring and Erosion Prevention. Any overburden and spoil shall be left in a configuration which is in accordance with accepted soil conservation practices and which is suitable for the proposed future use of the land.

(a) All upland areas disturbed by mining operations must be revegetated in quantities and densities necessary to prevent and control erosion and to provide stability to the slope. Erosional areas shall be repaired until vegetative cover is fully established and the land is released.

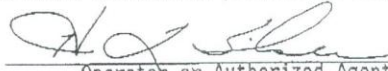
(b) The zone of fluctuation of reclaimed lakes should be vegetated with native wetland species. Acceptable methods recommended to establish vegetation include spreading muck obtained from areas containing desirable, native, littoral zone plant communities, planting of native wetland vegetation, or natural regeneration of wetland plant species. At least 50 percent of the zone should have established vegetation for a period of not less than one year after the initial appearance or planting of the vegetation.

(7) Water Quality. Reclamation shall be designed to avoid the collection of water in pools which are, or are likely to become, noxious, odious, or foul. Where water bodies result from reclamation, the department encourages designs that will allow both a variety of emergent habitats and naturally fluctuating water levels.

I have read and acknowledge the above reclamation performance standards.

December 24, 1997

Date


Operator or Authorized Agent
H.L. Sikes, President

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GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THE Sikes Pipe Sand Mine MINE

1. Resource to Be Extracted: Sand
2. Date Mining Began/Will Begin: 1981 1/1/81 from 1957 to 1981 (Washington) on 1/1/81
(Month, Day, & Year)
3. Estimated Life of Mine: 20 years 0 months
NOTE: For new mines this will be from the beginning to the end of mining operations. For existing mines this will be from January 1, 1989, through the end of mining operations. Enter months only if the life is less than two years.
4. Estimated Size of Mine: 211 acres

5. Mine Location:

County	Township	Range	Section(s)
Washington	1 <u>N</u> S	15 <u>E</u> W	36
	N S	E W	
	N S	E W	
	N S	E W	

Note: Circle N or S and E or W.

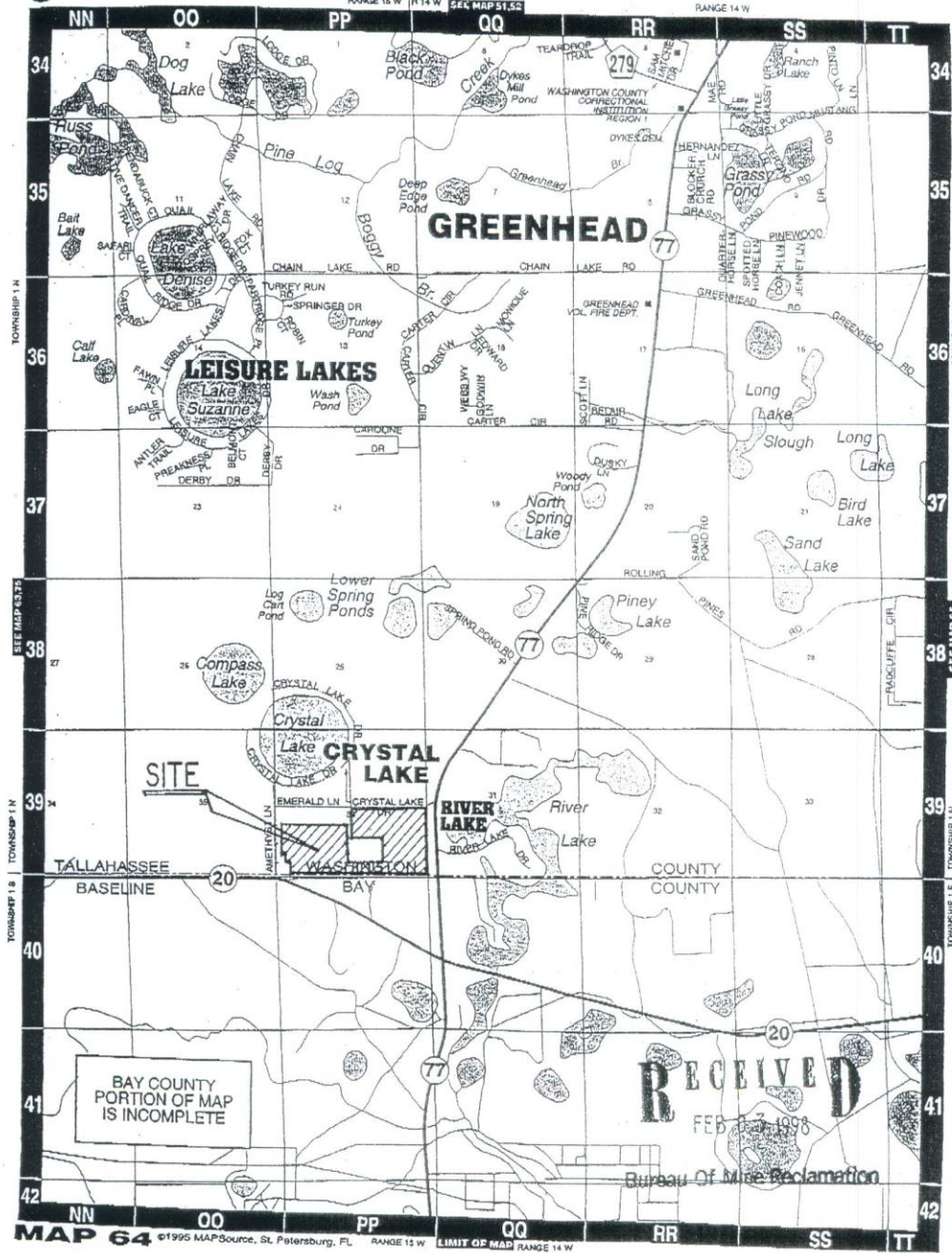
6. Directions to Mine: 1 mile W of Crystal Lake
From the Washington County line, drive north on Highway
77 approximately 1 mile to Crystal Lake Road. Turn left on Crystal Lake
Road and drive approximately 1/2 mile to the mine entrance.
(See attached map.)
7. Required Permits. This notice should NOT be listed below. Check Yes/No, fill in the blanks, and circle the appropriate letter, if a permit is required. "N" means not filed, "P" means pending, and "A" means approved. Provide the name of the county or city, if mining/reclamation permits are required.

Required	Yes	No	Type of Permit	Permitting Agency	Status
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dredge and Fill	State Dept. of Envir. Reg.	N P A
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mining/Reclamation	County (Washington)	N <u>P</u> A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mining/Reclamation	City ()	N P A
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PREHENSIVE PLANNING CONSULTANT, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED CHANGE FOR A MOBILE HOME SALES FACILITY IN THE PINEY LAKES AREA. PARKER ADVISED THE BOARD THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD APPROVED THE PROPOSED CHANGE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON THE NEED FOR THE DEVELOPER TO ABIDE BY THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AND ALSO FOR THURMAN AND RUDY WATTS, WHO RECENTLY GOT APPROVAL FOR COMMERCIAL USE IN THE SAME AREA, TO HAVE ONE ACCESS FOR BOTH SITES. COMMISSIONER DAVIS OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CORBIN AND CARRIED TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE ON THE LAND USE CHANGE SUBMITTED BY GARY THURMAN REALTY WITH THE STIPULATION THE ACCESS TO HIGHWAY 77 IS LIMITED.

X PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING, AS ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS ON MARCH 18, 1998, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE APPLIED FOR BY SIKES PIPE COMPANY TO ALLOW FOR A MINING USE IN AN AREA DESIGNATED FOR AGRICULTURAL/SILVICULTURAL USE. PARKER BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION BEING REQUESTED IN ORDER TO EXPAND AN EXISTING PIT; THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD AGREED TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION WITH THE CONDITION THE ENTRANCE TO THE PIT COME DIRECTLY OFF OF STATE ROAD 20 SO IT WOULD NOT IMPACT ANY COUNTY ROADWAY.

X LAMAR SIKES, SIKES PIPE COMPANY, ADDRESSED THE BOARD ON THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION HE IS REQUESTING AND ADVISED THEY HAD MET ALL THE STATE REQUIREMENTS WITH THE GAME & FISH COMMISSION, DEP, CORP OF ENGINEERS, THE COAST GUARD, ETC; THEIR ENTRANCE TO THE PIT WILL COME DIRECTLY OFF OF STATE ROAD 20; THERE ARE NO NEIGHBORS WITHIN 1/4 MILE FROM THE ENTRANCE ROAD AND ALL THE ROAD WILL BE ON THEIR PROPERTY; IT WON'T BE A MAINTENANCE PROBLEM TO THE COUNTY NOR A DISTURBANCE TO PEOPLE AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE.

X CHAIRMAN CARTER ADDRESSED SIKES HAD AGREED TO PROVIDE AN EASEMENT TO THE COUNTY IN ORDER FOR THEM TO DIG A RETENTION ON SECTIONS OF CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD TO CORRECT A DRAINAGE PROBLEM AND HE WOULD LIKE FOR THIS TO BE PLACED AS A CONDITION ON GRANTING THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION.

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COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION APPLIED FOR BY SIKES PIPE COMPANY CONTINGENT UPON THE ENTRANCE COMING DIRECTLY OFF OF STATE ROAD 20 AND SIKE PROVIDING AN EASEMENT TO THE COUNTY TO CORRECT A DRAINAGE PROBLEM ON SECTIONS OF CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD.

PURSUANT TO A NOTICE OF HEARING, AS ADVERTISED IN THE WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS ON MARCH 18, 1998, SAID HEARING WAS HELD ON A SPECIAL EXCEPTION APPLIED FOR BY ALFRED WARD WHICH WOULD ALLOW FOR MINING USE IN AN AREA DESIGNATED FOR AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE USE.

RANDY PARKER, COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING CONSULTANT, BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE PROPOSED SPECIAL EXCEPTION ADVISING IT WAS LOCATED OFF OF HIGHWAY 279 AND MOSS HILL CHURCH AREA; A RECLAMATION PLAN WAS DONE ALSO. COMMISSIONER BROCK OFFERED A MOTION, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HALL TO APPROVE OF THE SPECIAL EXCEPTION APPLIED FOR BY ALFRED WARD ALLOWING FOR MINING USE IN AN AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE USE.

DISCUSSION WAS HELD ON ASSURANCES THE RECLAMATION PLANS BEING SUBMITTED ON SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS, LAND USE CHANGES, ETC. ARE BEING CARRIED THROUGH AND REQUIRING FINANCIAL SECURITY BONDING AS STATED IN THE PLAN. THE BOARD AGREED TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AT THE RECESSED MEETING TO BE HELD ON APRIL 14TH.

THE MOTION ON THE FLOOR TO ACCEPT THE SPECIAL ACCEPTION APPLIED FOR BY ALFRED WARD CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RANDY PARKER UPDATED THE BOARD ON THE EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL REPORT. PARKER ADDRESSED SINCE THE "EAR" WAS SUBMITTED TO DEP FOR REVIEW, NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT HAD PURCHASED 19,000 ACRES IN THE SOUTH END OF THE COUNTY AND THIS WAS GOING TO BE ADDED TO THE EXISTING LAND USE MAP AS CONSERVATION LAND. PARKER ALSO WAS GOING TO TRY AND HAVE THE "EAR" PREPARED FOR A FINAL PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 23, 1998.

Enclosure 1.d

Planning Department
1331 South Boulevard, Chipley FL 32428
Phone (850) 415-5093 - FAX (850) 415-5094

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SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO ALLOW A MINING OPERATION IN AG/SIL

(This form must be completed prior to submission. The State of Florida Department of Community Affairs requires that this information be furnished as well as any supporting documents requested by the Development Administrator.)

Date Submitted <u>1-5-07</u>		Submit with: (a) Deed; (b) Deed Restrictions; (c) Flood Zone Letter from Admin Office; (d) Reclamation Plan; and any other documents as required by the Washington County Land Development Code	
Petitioner Name(s): Sikes Pipe Company Phone Number: (850) 773-3894		Mailing Address: 6748 Highway 77 Chipley, Florida	
Property Owner's Name: Lamar Sikes Phone Number: (850) 572-4391		Mailing Address: 6445 Dunlieth Place Pensacola, FL 32504	
Current Land Use Designation: AG/SIL		Proposed Land Use Designation: AG/Sil with Spec Exception to allow a Mining Operation	
Use of Land Adjacent Proposed Change: Residential, Vacant, Mining		Are there any wetlands involved? <u>X</u> Yes <u>X</u> No	
Is this in a Flood Zone? <u>X</u> Yes <u>X</u> No		Tax Identification Number: See Attached	
Property Location: Sect <u>36</u> TN <u>15W</u> R <u>01N</u>		No. of acres: <u>30.08</u> Deed Restrictions? <u>X</u> Yes <u>X</u> No Total Site Area: 267.13 Acres	
Residential Density Use <u>N/A</u> units per acre		Sq. ft. of Non-Residential Development: <u>N/A</u> per acre	
Solid Waste Company: Waste Management		Roadway Furnishing Access: Hwy 20 & 77	
Name of Mortgage Company: Owner Financing		Taxes Are Paid Up Through: <u>2007</u> (year)	
Briefly describe the project that will make it necessary for a Land Use Change or Special Exception: Expanding Limits of Adjacent Sand Mining Activities			
If nonresidential development, how many vehicular trips will be generated daily: Cars <u>21</u> Trucks <u>120</u> (60 trucks per day)			
Describe the type of sewer service. Clearly indicate the number of septic tanks that will be involved: N/A			
Describe in detail the type of potable water system and the number of wells required to supply this water: N/A			
Post development runoff cannot exceed redevelopment runoff: Describe any storm water management systems anticipated. None. All Stormwater Retained on Site.			
Describe any recreational facilities or areas that are to be established: None			
<p>Notarization: The above information, together with other information and answers provided by me (us) as petitioner(s) in the subject petition and other attachments is accurate and complete to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief on this <u>5th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2007. (Notarized Signature required for all petitions submitted to Act on Property Owner's behalf.)</p> <p>Signature _____ Signature _____</p> <p>I, <u>Lamar Sikes</u>, who is personally known to me or produced <u>n/a</u> as identification and who, being duly sworn, poses and says that (he/she) executed the foregoing Affidavit and it is true and correct. Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>5th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2007.</p> <p>(EAL) /2001/nw/WP</p>			



Attachment #3

Application



Douglas E. Barr
Executive Director

Northwest Florida Water Management District

152 Water Management Drive, Havana, Florida 32333-4712
(U.S. Highway 90, 10 miles west of Tallahassee)

(850) 539-5999 • (Fax) 539-2777

December 16, 2009

Mr. Lamar Sikes
Sikes Pipe Company
6445 Dunleith Place
Pensacola, FL 32504

RE: Consumptive Use of Water for Mine Operation
Hwy 77, one mile north of intersection with Hwy 20, Washington Co., FL
(Section 36; Township 1 North; Range 15 West)

Dear Mr. Sikes,

Thank you for providing District staff an opportunity to visit your mine facility on December 10, 2009. During the visit, Mr. Tim Miner, operations manager, was very helpful in explaining the mine operations and water use at the facility. Based on observations made during our visit, the mine is operating within the bounds of the District's General Water Use Permit, issued by rule. However, there are a few cautions to keep in mind. First, at the current level of the deepest portion of the pit, you are mining material that is part of the intermediate confining unit between the surficial sands and the Floridan Aquifer. The Floridan Aquifer is the primary source of drinking water in north Florida and, as such, must be protected from degradation of water quality. While not in the District purview, we encourage you to take extra precautions when siting petroleum storage facilities on the site for this reason.

Mr. Miner was aware that it is undesirable to fully penetrate the intermediate and open any direct connection to the Floridan Aquifer. As a point of reference to the surrounding wells, approximately 80 potable water wells in the vicinity of the mine are cased to a depth less than the total depth of the mine (~101 feet, Mr. Miner). A portion of the formation providing water to those wells is currently being mined at the facility. A corehole drilled by the Florida Geological Survey (WARMOUTH POND #1; W# 14108) located ½ mile south of your facility indicates approximately 30 feet of material currently separates the deepest portion of the mine from the Floridan Aquifer. We appreciate your offer to examine logs from geotechnical borings made within the mine that will provide the best site-specific information in this regard. Once Mr. Miner sends those, we will add them to our records.

A check made on the water level in the Floridan Aquifer well at the scale house on the facility indicates Floridan Aquifer water levels remains unaffected at present. The water level in the scale house well on the mine facility is consistent with static Floridan Aquifer water levels elsewhere in the vicinity. As stated to both you and Mr. Miner, the District encourages you to monitor water levels on the site. The existing wells at the scale house and at the residence on Emerald Lane should provide data indicative of water levels and water quality in the Floridan Aquifer at the site, though you may find it useful to install dedicated monitor wells at strategic locations on the property. The District also encourages you to monitor water levels in the sands (Surficial Aquifer) in the property boundary buffer zone adjacent to the most intensive excavating. The District should be copied on any water level monitoring that you undertake in order to maintain the most complete record possible.

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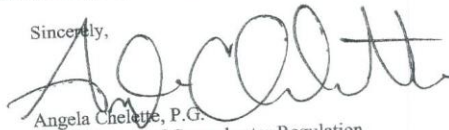
RAPLH RISH
Port St. Joe

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During our visit, you indicated that it is your intention to expand the mine onto the property directly south of the current facility, extending from the power line right-of-way to Highway 20. The expanded facility should remain eligible to operate under a General Water Use Permit as long as it operates under the same scheme as the current mine (e.g. no discharge, no penetration into the Floridan Aquifer). The District urges you to extend your monitoring to the new boundaries as soon as the property is acquired in order to establish background information.

If you or your consultant would like to discuss potential monitoring plans or aquifer protection, District staff stands prepared to assist. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (850) 539-5999.

Sincerely,



Angela Chelotte, P.G.
Chief, Bureau of Groundwater Regulation

Encl: Site Schedules for two wells



NWFWMD Well Inventory Database System
Site Schedule

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Site Id 302626085412501
Well Name SIKES SCALE HOUSE
Owner George Allen Sikes Pipe Co,

Site Type G

NWF ID 10217
State ID AAD9047

Phone 850-763-2811

Contact Person

Street 1901 #. 15th Street

City Panama City

State FL

Zip 32405

County Washington

Latitude 302629.3

Longitude 854125.1

Datum NAD83

Loc Method Geographic Information System

Land Net S036T01NR15W

Loc Accuracy 15 < 60 meters

Loc Source NWFWMD

Elevation 100

Datum NGVD88

Method LIDAR

Accuracy 1 < 5 feet

Source NWFWMD

Location Map

GW Region Dougherty Karst Region

Site Use Withdrawal	Water Use Limited Use Public Supply
Depth Of Well 190	Depth Of Casing 105
MP Distance From LSD .54	Diameter 4
Construction Data Source Driller	Casing Material PVC
Finish Open Hole	Driller License Number 3122
Date of Construction 12/10/2000	Construction Method Rotary
Screen Length	
Screened Intervals	
Water Level Relative to MP -62.85	Measure Date 12/10/2009
WL Source NWFWMD	WL Method Steel Tape
Hydrogeologic Units Floridan Aquifer (Undiff)	
Lift Submersible	Power Electric
Horsepower	Pump Intake
Normal Yield	Spcap Discharge
Spcap Source	Spcap Discharge Method
Spcap Static Level	Spcap Pumping Level
Spcap Drawdown	Hours Pumped
Spcap	
Field Water Quality	Discharge
Temperature	pH
Specific Conductance	Chloride
Consumptive Use Permit	Construction Permit M200100212
FL Geological Survey #	Abandonment Permit
DEP Public Supply #	
Project #'s	Depth Logged
Geophysical Log #	
Available LOG Data	
Visited By C.RICHARDS	Date Visited 12/10/2009
Data Entered By C_RICHARDS	Date Entered 12/10/2009
Last Updated By C_RICHARDS	Last Updated 12/11/2009
Ambient Network	

mp is top of ss = 0.54 ft pump house slab (lsd)



NFWMD Well Inventory Database System
Site Schedule

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Site Id **302646085414901**
Well Name **SIKES EMERALD LANE**
Owner **Lamar Sikes**
Contact Person

Site Type **G**

NWF ID **10218**
State ID

Phone

Street **3109 B Emerald Ln**
City **Chipley**
State **FL** Zip **32428** County **Washington**
Latitude **302646.1** Longitude **854149.3** Datum **NAD83** Loc Method **Geographic Information System**
Land Net **S036T01NR15W** Loc Accuracy **15 < 60 meters** Loc Source **NFWMD**
Elevation **101.8** Datum **NGVD88** Method **LIDAR**
Accuracy **1 < 5 feet** Source **NFWMD**
Location Map GW Region

Site Use Withdrawal	Water Use Domestic
Depth Of Well 220	Depth Of Casing 110
MP Distance From LSD	Diameter 4
Construction Data Source Driller	Casing Material PVC
Finish Open Hole	Driller License Number 1363
Date of Construction 01/06/2006	Construction Method Rotary
Screen Length	
Screened Intervals	
Water Level Relative to MP	Measure Date
WL Source	WL Method
Hydrogeologic Units Floridan Aquifer (Undiff)	
Lift Submersible	Power Electric
Horsepower	Pump Intake
Normal Yield	Spcap Discharge
Spcap Source	Spcap Discharge Method
Spcap Static Level	Spcap Pumping Level
Spcap Drawdown	Hours Pumped
Spcap	
Field Water Quality	Discharge
Temperature	pH
Specific Conductance	Chloride
Consumptive Use Permit	Construction Permit M200600469
FL Geological Survey #	Abandonment Permit
DEP Public Supply #	
Project #s	Depth Logged
Geophysical Log #	
Available LOG Data	
Visited By C.RICHARDS	Date Visited 12/10/2009
Data Entered By C_RICHARDS	Date Entered 12/11/2009
Last Updated By	Last Updated
Ambient Network	

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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

February 2, 1998

Mr. Bill Evans
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
160 Governmental Center
Pensacola, Florida 32501-5794

Re: Sikes Sand Mine No. 1
Job No.: 8685

Dear Mr. Evans:

Sikes Concrete Pipe Company requests an exemption from the ground water monitoring requirements for Sikes Sand Mine No. 1. The project site is located generally at the northwest corner of the intersection of Highway 77 and Highway 20 in Washington County, Florida.

The sand mine is an existing operation that has been in production since 1981. Additional property has been acquired and the Owners desire to expand the operation into new areas. The operation consists of the hydraulic dredging of native sands that are classified into various gradations of material for use in the construction industry. Limerock or other materials are not removed. Blasting is not involved. The material is removed, conveyed, and classified using water. The water is returned to the pit. No off-site discharges occur.

The equipment contained at the site consists primarily of a hydraulic dredge, a dredge boat with 2 diesel pumps, an excavator, a material classifier with diesel engine, 2 front-end loaders, and conveyors. The anticipated depths of excavation range from 20 feet to 50 feet below the water table.

We are providing the following information to assist you in your evaluation.

1. Regional Hydrogeology Data
 - a. Data from the Florida Geological Survey including geomorphic, groundwater, and aquifer features.
 - b. Groundwater quality data from the FDEP GWQMN Background Network.
 - c. Vicinity Map with site and nearest background well.
 - d. Data from the NFWMD including a potentiometric surface map of the Floridan Aquifer and a listing of all well located in the general vicinity of the mine.
2. Site Specific Boring Data
3. Site Plan of the proposed mine.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please call.

Sincerely,
BUCHANAN & HARPER, INC.



Michael W. Harper, P.E.

Cc: Lamar Sikes

Encl.: Support Data

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SPRINGS, SINKHOLES, AND NO ONE HAS THE EXACT DEPTH OF CRYSTAL LAKE. IT HASN'T BEEN ABLE TO BE PINNED DOWN TO A NUMBER; BUT, THEY DO KNOW IT IS IN EXCESS OF 125'.

2. SHE DEPICTED ON A MAP THE HOMES THAT SURROUND CRYSTAL LAKE; THE BROKEN LINE ADJACENT TO THAT REPRESENTS ONE OF THE WELLS. EACH HOME OWNER AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE IS SERVICED BY A PRIVATE WELL. SHE LOOKED AT WELL INVENTORY NWFWD HAS AND IT STATES ALL THE WELLS AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE RANGE IN DEPTH OF 135' TO 300' DEEP WHICH MEANS THEY ARE ALL DRAWING WATER FROM THE FLORIDA INAQUIFER. THIS IS THE SAME SOURCE THAT CRYSTAL LAKE IS. TO THE SOUTH IS THE SIKES SAND PIT AND THE WATER TABLE THAT IS PRESENT IN THE SURFICIAL SAND IN THE UPPER AQUIFER IS WHERE ALL THE MINING ACTIVITY AT MR. SIKES FACILITY TAKES PLACE. THE WATER SHOWING ON SIKES PROPERTY IS THE WATER TABLE SURFACE WHICH IS AT AN AVERAGE ELEVATION OF 45' IN THE SURROUNDING AREA; THAT IS AN AVERAGE OF ALL OF CRYSTAL LAKE AND ALL THE SURROUNDING LAKES AROUND THERE. THE CURRENT PLAN IS TO PHYSICALLY EXPOSE THE SURFACE OF THE WATER TABLE IN ORDER TO CREATE THE POND; THAT WATER IS ONLY COMING FROM THE SUFFICIAL AQUIFER. NOTHING IN SIKES OPERATIONS PENETRATES FROM THE INTERMEDIATE AQUIFER OR ANYWHERE CLOSE TO THE FLORIDA INAQUIFER. WHAT SHE WAS TRYING TO SHOW THE BOARD IS THIS IS AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE SYSTEM FROM THE CRYSTAL LAKE SITUATION. SHE SAID THERE WOULD BE NO ISSUES OF SIKES MINING ACTIVITIES IMPACTING THE HOMEOWNERS AROUND CRYSTAL LAKE OR THE WATER QUALITY OF CRYSTAL LAKE BECAUSE THEY ARE TWO SEPARATE SYSTEMS ALTOGETHER AND THEY ARE NOT HYDROLOGICALLY CONNECTED.

LISA SAID AT THIS POINT THEY WOULD TURN IT OVER TO THE PUBLIC AND THEN HAVE A COUPLE OF MINUTES TO REBUT.

GEORGE E. BELL, RESIDENT OF CRYSTAL LAKE ON AMETHYST LANE FOR APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN YEARS, ADDRESSED THE BOARD. HIS HOME IS ACROSS THE PAVED ROAD FROM WHERE MR. SIKES WANTS TO COME ON HIS EXPANSION OUT TO EMERALD LANE. THEIR OBJECTION TO THE EXPANSION IS WHERE SIKES WANTS TO COME TO IS AGRICULTURE/SILVICULTURE. ACROSS THE ROAD IS

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